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WEATHER: Tonight increasing cloudiness, Saturday rain or snow.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER DATA: Maximum temperature, 56; minimum, 33; rainfall, 0; wind, west; light; weather, partly cloudy.

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FRESH ASSAULTS HURLED AGAINST VERDUN DEFENSE

Paris Dispatches Indicate the Germans Have Renewed Their Attacks on Important Stronghold.

FRENCH TRENCHES BOMBARDED

London Believes That Decisive Action in That Section Has Begun; French Line Is Reported to Be Bent in Dangerous Position; Berlin Confident of Victory.

LONDON, March 24.—Paris dispatches indicated the Germans have resumed their attacks northwest of Verdun. They have bombarded the French trenches south of Malancourt and Deadman's Hill. It is believed a decisive action in that section has begun. The Germans are also attacking the Avocourt woods.

The Teutons have succeeded in bending the French front until it forms a dangerous loop. Berlin asserted the French position is precarious. Today's French communiqué said the French artillery bombarded the Germans south of Malancourt last night. The Teuton infantry failed to appear. The remainder of the Verdun front has comparatively calm last night. Artillery fighting in the West was the most violent in recent days. The French occupied a shell crater in the Argonne forest after a sharp fight.

The Germans are smashing forward south of Malancourt against the southwest side of the French salient, impelling Malancourt and Bethincourt and capturing 450 prisoners, Berlin claimed. Artillery duels were reported in Champagne, Argonne and west of the Meuse.

The Germans captured two more trenches in the Haucourt region, Berlin announced. It said that violent Russian attacks yesterday and last night southeast of Riga broke down.

Wing at Eastern Oregon Hospital Nearly Completed

BUT FEW FIXTURES TO BE PUT IN; CAN BE OCCUPIED ANY TIME NOW.

The new wing of the Eastern Oregon State Hospital is now practically completed, and could be occupied at any time, according to Supt. W. A. McNary. Due to a slight delay in shipment, the light fixtures are not yet in place but their installation is practically all that remains to do.

The state board of control yesterday authorized the transfer of 100 patients from the main hospital to relieve the congestion there but, according to Supt. McNary, the transfer will probably not be made until July 1. The last legislature made an appropriation of \$10,000 for the transfer and maintenance of 100 patients in the new wing for the last six months of the year. Should they be brought before July 1, the hospital would not have adequate funds for their maintenance.

The new wing is the very latest word in hospital construction, being superior even to the main building.

GERMAN SUBMARINE BASE BELIEVED IN THE PACIFIC

SAN FRANCISCO, March 24.—The liner Moana, from Sydney, arrived a day late as a result of making a detour to avoid the supposed German submarine base established in the Pacific. Passengers reported seeing two submarines and one vessel, apparently a commerce raider. They said the British authorities believed that the Germans are operating from a secret base in the Fiji islands.

Physician Alleged Murderer. NEW YORK, March 24.—Prosecutor Swann asserted he has forged the last link in the chain of evidence connecting Doctor Waite with the death of his father-in-law, John Cook, and his mother-in-law. The alleged motive was that Waite needed the cash.

Will Consider Bill. WASHINGTON, March 24.—Voting 262 to 74 for the immediate consideration of the Burnett Immigration bill, the house indicated it would pass the measure today. Wilson and Taft both vetoed the measure because it provides for a literacy test.

Edgar Allen Poe had a sister named Rosalie, who lived and died in Richmond, Virginia.

Electric Road Connecting City With Nearby Towns is Plan Being Projected Here

An electric road from Pendleton to Walla Walla and from Cold Springs Landing through Pendleton to Bingham Springs is an undertaking projected by an association of capitalists represented by C. W. Laffer, formerly a farmer in the Cold Springs district. Mr. Laffer is here today conferring with E. W. McComas who is said to be one of his associates.

Civic Club Has Broad Field of Usefulness to Pendleton

Address by Mrs. E. T. Wade, President of Civic Club, at Recent Commercial Club Dinner.

I have been much interested in what has been said by the honorable mayor and the president of the Commercial club, and realize how trivial in comparison will seem the plans of the Civic club, or rather I should say the lack of definite plans for during the past two or three years the only plan has been to concentrate our efforts on whatever object seemed to be most in need of our attention.

Last year our work was almost entirely for parks with the work barely

begun. This year some time will be required to look after and continue the work begun last year and it will be continued as fast and as far as our limited means will allow.

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BORDER CONDITIONS RELATED

Attorney at Douglas Wires for Aid Saving Mexicans Are Entrenched With Number of Troops and Many Cannon; Debate Follows Reading of Telegrams.

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CHARGED WITH MISAPPROPRIATION

SEATTLE, March 24.—P. H. Davlin, former member of the Saskatchewan parliament, was lodged in the county jail in connection with the alleged misappropriation of \$52,000 from the presidential road fund. Three other former members of parliament are held in Canada. Another suspect, a wealthy banker is being sought.

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Gutierrez Enriquez also telegraphed Calles denying Herrera's revolt. The arrival of Mayo Indians at Agua Prieta last night led to reports that a Mexican troop movement in this section was afoot. It was shown to be false.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—Luis Herrera is still military governor of Chihuahua and is not heading a revolt against Carranza, Consul Fletcher reported today.

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Knockout Punch is Knell of Fighting Game in Pendleton

MAYOR BEST ANNOUNCES NO MORE SCRAPS DURING HIS ADMINISTRATION.

With a couple of terrific punches in the second round last night Romeo Hagan, the fighting baker boy of Seattle, put Ray McCarroll of Dillon, Montana, to sleep and rang the curtains down upon the boxing game in Pendleton for the next two years. Hardly had McCarroll struck the floor until Mayor J. A. Best announced there would be no more fights in the city during his administration.

The announcement created a furore in the audience as the fight had been a clean one, as fights are classed. Those near him protested so loudly that the mayor threatened to send them to jail. Those farther away in the audience jeered him until he became excitedly mad. In his fury he hurled a profane epithet and obscene injunction at one of his tormentors in

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Battle in North Sea is Reported

SOUNDS OF HEAVY FIRING LEAD TO BELIEF FLEETS ARE IN COMBAT.

AMSTERDAM, March 24.—Flushing correspondents reported hearing sounds of a heavy firing in the English channel today. The noise came from the directions of Ostend and Westende.

Incoming skippers reported gunfire flashes were visible on the horizon during the night. It is believed an important naval engagement is being fought.

HURLBURT ENTERS RACE FOR COMMISSIONERSHIP

STANFIELD FARMER TO SEEK REPUBLICAN NOMINATION; ASHWORTH IS OPPONENT.

Thomas H. Hurlburt, well known toiling Stanfield farmer, today announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for county commissioner. Petitions in his behalf are being prepared and his name will be placed on the ballot for the coming primary election. At present the only other aspirant for the republican nomination is James Ashworth of Weston.

Mr. Hurlburt is a member of a pioneer Umatilla county family, his father having come to this county in 1891. The candidate was then 12 years of age and his boyhood days were spent here. After reaching manhood he lived in Alaska for several years. He has been on his present ranch, under the Western Land & Irrigation project since 1908. For a time after returning from Alaska he served as bookkeeper in the bank at Shaniko.

RUSSIANS USING LIQUID FIRE ON GERMAN TROOPS

Poison Gas Bombs Also Being Hurled Against Foe in Fierce Fighting on Eastern Front.

DESPERATE BATTLE AT RIGA

At Other Points the Slavs Are Delivering Strong Blows Against the Lines of Teutons; Kuropatkin Trying to Squeeze Enemy Out by Enveloping Movement.

PETROGRAD, March 24.—The Russians are using poison gas bombs and liquid fire against the Germans who are holding the salient near Jacobistadt, messages from the front said today. Savage fighting is reported 50 miles south of Riga. Simultaneously the Russians violently attacking Friedrichstadt and Iluxt. Kuropatkin's aim apparently is to squeeze out the Germans by threatening envelopment, thus forcing the retreat of the German line from Riga to Dvinsk, 140 miles. Success there would handicap any future offensive that Von Hindenburg undertakes. It is believed this smashes the beginning of a great Russian offensive. South of Dvinsk the Germans, making counter moves, have halted the Slavs. Ivanoff is not meeting with serious resistance in clearing the Austrians from the north bank of the Dnieper.

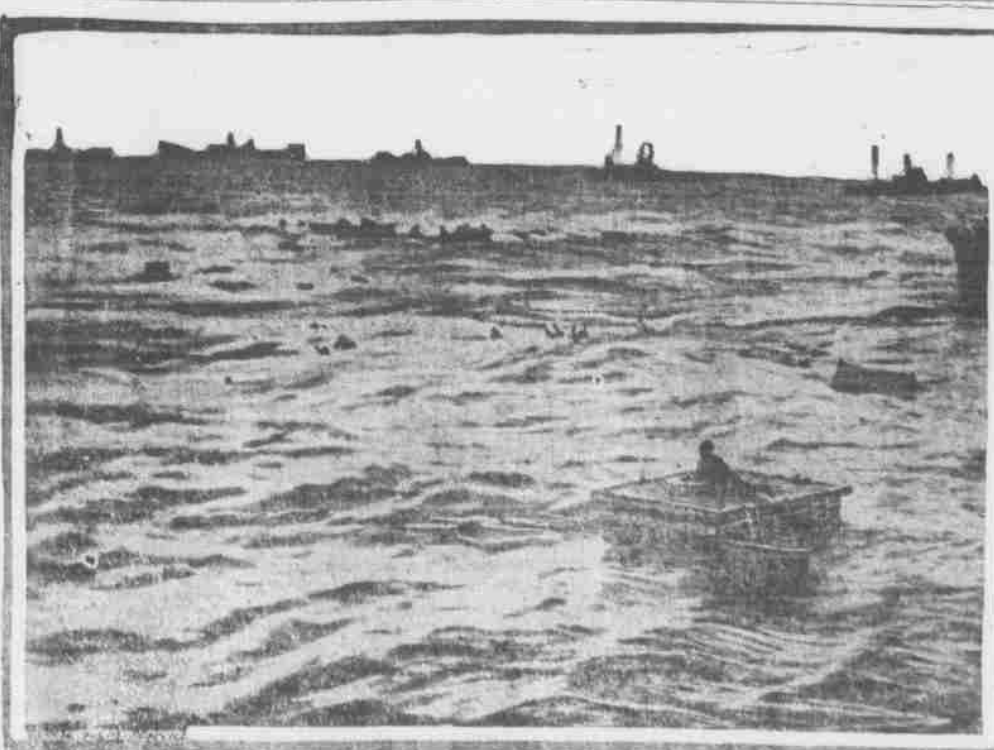
Allies Planning to Curb Desires for Future War

GERMANY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO BUILD MILITARY MACHINE AGAIN.

(By Wilbur Forrest.) LONDON, March 24.—Germany will never again raise the helmet in a world engaged in peaceful pursuits, Walter Runciman, president of the board of trade, declared in an exclusive interview with the United Press today. He officially outlined for the first time the allies' commercial plans after the war. England will not leave the Germans crushed in poverty, unable to rise again, but peaceful preparations as a means for a military end will not be tolerated by the allies.

"We cannot submit to the most favored nations any clauses in commercial treaties which might be utilized to the detriment of the allies. We object to Germany using her resources and commercial relations for the purpose of aggression. Americans must prepare for a rigid, thorough friendly. British commercial competition in neutral markets after the war. If Germany intends to follow the present conflict with an economic war, we will know how to meet that too. We are much obliged to Germany for warning us before hand."

First Photo of Drowning Victims From Maloja



This remarkable picture shows passengers of the sinking Peninsular & Orient liner Maloja as they vainly struggled against death by drowning. The Maloja struck a mine off Dover, England, on February 27. At least 150 lives are known to have been lost. A moment after this picture had been taken the camera dropped into the water. It was rescued with difficulty. Note in the photograph the three persons throwing up their hands as they sink; also the rescue ships and small boats in the background.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. Fresh assaults are being made against Verdun. Militia will not be called for campaign in Mexico. Battle in North sea may be in progress. Local. Electric road to Walla Walla, Cold Springs and Bingham Springs projected. Collins brings back data on cotton sacks. Mayor creates scene at end of prize fight last night. Thomas H. Hurlburt in race for county commissionership. New wing of hospital ready to receive patients.

Succeeds Gallienas War Minister



ABOVE—GEN CHARLES ROQUES. BELOW—GEN JOSEPH GALLIENI.

General Joseph Gallieni, the famous unconquered defender of Paris last year, has been succeeded by Gen. Charles Roques as minister of war in the French cabinet. Rumors of friction between Gen. Gallieni and the French senate have been current for some time. He was appointed as minister of war in October, 1915. Gen. Roques, who succeeds Gen. Gallieni, was formerly inspector general of the air service and is an authority on military aviation. John Calvin Lewis of Louisville, KY, is said to be the nearest living relative of George Washington.

Wheat Prices Better at Closing Today

CHICAGO, March 24.—(Special)—May opening \$1.07 1/2, closing \$1.08 3/4; July opening \$1.08, closing \$1.06 3/4.

Portland, Ore., March 24.—(Special)—Merchants Exchange futures today, club bid 35, asked 36, Bluestem bid 35, asked 36.

Liverpool. LIVERPOOL, March 24.—Wheat—Spot No. 1 Manitoba 12s 10d; No. 2 12s 4d; No. 3 12s 4d; No. 4 hard winter, gulf 12s 7d; No. 4 red winter, winter 12s 4d; No. 1 Durum, 12s 6d. In American terms the Liverpool price for Spot No. 1 Manitoba is \$3.81 per bushel.

REPLY OF ALLIES TO U. S. PROTEST IS UNACCEPTABLE

WASHINGTON, March 24.—The allies' joint reply to America's proposal to disarm merchantmen was received today. It is understood on the highest authority that the proposition is unacceptable. The reply, it is believed, states that in the present situation, the conditions of naval warfare would not warrant a suspension of peaceful trading vessels to the risks which might follow disarmament.