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WEATHER: Tonight and Friday fair, cooler to night with light frost. Maximum 62; minimum 44; rain .16; wind, south-west, light; weather partly cloudy.

NO JUST GROUND FOR THE HIGH PRICES OF MANY FOOD STUFFS FEDERAL PROBERS FIND; SPECULATION LARGELY RESPONSIBLE

Shipments of Foods to Belligerents Has Not Affected Prices of Potatoes, Eggs and Onions; Urgent Need of Better Trading Relations Seen

MUNICIPAL MARKETS URGED

Reports of a Food Shortage Misleading; Poor Compelled to Resort to Strictest Economy in Order to Get Enough to Eat.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The results of the first congressionally authorized price probe have been reported. The investigation was conducted in Washington, but the situation is identical in many cities of the country.

The report declares there is an "urgent need for the organization of a comprehensive marketing of machinery which will put the producing and consuming communities in trading relations with each other and make possible sending perishable products direct from the point of production to the point of use."

MUNICIPAL MARKETS RECOMMENDED. Municipal wholesale markets were recommended. Probers found the reports of a food shortage were misleading and the prices in many cities were "unusually high."

SPECULATION IS RESPONSIBLE. The element of speculation in food products is one of the potent factors in the enormous increase in prices. Shipments of foods to the belligerents has not affected the prices of potatoes, eggs and onions.

WHEAT SELLS AT \$2.40 HERE

ROLAND OLIVER BUYS 8000 BUSHELS FROM B. F. ANDERSON AT RECORD PRICE.

A new record price for wheat in Umatilla county was established and the last of the 1916 crop passed from farmer to dealer when County Commissioner B. F. Anderson sold between 8000 and 8900 bushels of club wheat to Roland Oliver, independent buyer, for \$2.40 per bushel f. o. b.

EIGHT ORDINANCES PASSED BY COUNCIL LAST EVENING

Several Have to Do With Paving While Others are Prohibition, Billboard, Salary and etc.

Perhaps the busiest session yet held by the present council was that of last evening. Besides a number of unimportant and minor matters that came up, there were eight ordinances and several resolutions presented.

A number of the ordinances had to do with the street improvement campaign under way. Ordinances were passed authorizing the advertising for bids for the paving of Willow street from Court to Webb and Madison street from Jackson to Wilson.

DAZED TEUTONS SEEK TO STOP ALLIES PUSH BY SHEER WEIGHT OF GREAT HUMAN MASSES

North of Scarpe River Where British are Fighting Ahead Inch by Inch, German Carnage is Heaviest Since Start of War; Counter Attacks Against New Allied Positions Repulsed.

LONDON, April 26.—Sir Douglas Haig officially announced today the complete repulse of a violent German counter-attack against new British positions around Gavrelle. The Germans are suffering the most appalling losses of the war in desperate endeavors to stop the British drive by the sheer weight of human masses.

THEY LIVING BARRIERS. From dispatches it is known the Germans realize no trench could stand against the terrific fire of British artillery. The foe is seeking to make a living wall of humans against the advances. Into closely packed troops the artillery did terrific work.

BRITISH LOSSES LOW. British losses are exceedingly low, considering the ferocity of the fighting. The prisoners statement show the morale of the Germans is undermined.

German troops, in picked divisions, are literally driven into the firing line. Those surviving the terrific British artillery fire are glad when they are taken prisoners. It appeared today the British and Germans are deadlocked north of the Scarpe. The drive toward Douai is opposed by the Germans with every resource.

Nivelle's statement revealed the greatest German efforts were made to drive back the French wedge which crumbled the base of the Hindenburg line. Violent counter-attacks were repulsed. A great German push south of Laon, delivered in two powerful surges was repulsed.

Bread Prices Soar. NEW YORK, April 26.—The price of bread, now the cheapest, will disappear Monday, bakers announced. The ten cent loaf, weighing less than half a pound, will be cut and a new loaf weighing a pound and a half will be established. The advance affects every kind of bread. Prices may even go higher. Commission men said many bakers, buying flour early in the year, sold when the two dollar market was reached for profit and are now forced to buy flour at a much higher price.

DIVER SINKS U. S. SCHOONER

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Submarine gunfire sank the American schooner Percy Bird-sall, the state department announced. A patrol boat rescued the crew. Nine or ten shots were fired, seven striking the vessels. Most of the hits were below the water line. The firing was without warning and continued while the crew launched the boats.

PENDLETON MAN WILL REPRESENT GOV WITHYCOMBE

R. N. STANFIELD TO BE OREGON REPRESENTATIVE AT NATIONAL COUNCIL OF DEFENSE.

SALEM, Ore., April 26.—R. N. Stanfield of Pendleton, speaker of the house of representatives, has been chosen by Governor James Withycombe as the representative of Oregon at the national council of defense which is to meet in Washington, D. C., on May 2. Representatives of all states will be present to discuss measures to meet the war situation.

RED CROSS TO GET PROCEEDS OF SHOW

"The Eagles Wings" Will Be Shown at Alta Theatre Tonight.

At the Alta theater tonight "The Eagles Wings," a patriotic picture will be shown under the auspices of the Umatilla county chapter, Red Cross, the proceeds above expenses going for the benefit of the organization. Many tickets for the show have been sold by patriotic women workers.

W. W. Hush, field agent for the Pacific division American Red Cross, will be in Pendleton Friday morning to consult with the executive board of the Umatilla county chapter. Flattering success in the establishing of chapters in eastern Oregon is reported. Mass meetings are being held in the various cities and the people are being awakened. Twenty thousand members is the goal for Oregon.

PORTLAND, April 26.—(Special)—Club \$2.50; bluestem \$2.54.

Open, High, Low, Close. May \$2.54 \$2.60 \$2.52 \$2.54 1/2. July \$2.17 1/2 \$2.25 1/4 \$2.15 \$2.16 1/2.

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DRAFT BILL WILL PASS

House and Senate Agree to Limit Debate; House Vote Comes Tomorrow, Senate Action Saturday; Government Decides to Give \$100,000,000 to Aid Farmers in Meeting Food Situation.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The house will vote on the army bill tomorrow. Under the agreement house leaders have reached, the debate ends tonight. Tomorrow Chairman Dent of the house military committee, opposing conscription, and Kahn, favoring the draft, will make the final debate. When the senate heard of the house's action, it also agreed to limit debate and vote Saturday.

\$100,000,000 For Food. To aid the farmers in meeting the food situation, the government has decided to throw resources totaling a hundred million into the breach. The treasury department has announced that postal savings deposits will be immediately available for loans to farmers.

Wilson Against Censorship. President Wilson, in discussing the espionage bill, declared that while he approved the legislation, he was utterly opposed to any censorship which would deny the people "the indisputable right to criticize their own public officials."

Mason is Hissed. Representative Mason of Illinois, demanded that Roosevelt be allowed to raise a volunteer division, declaring "the man in the White House lacked the courage and political sagacity to permit Roosevelt to enlist for fear he will profit politically. From the floor and galleries instantly came deafening hissing. Mason bitterly attacked the general staffs selective draft plan. He said nothing would please the kaiser more than to see an American conscriptionist army on the battlefield."

HAMPTON PRINCIPAL AT EUGENE

EUGENE, Ore., April 26.—(Special to the East Oregonian)—A. C. Hampton, former principal of the Pendleton high school and now principal of the high school at La Grande, has been chosen as principal of the Eugene high school. The position carries a salary of \$1600. The Eugene high school is the largest in the state outside of Portland. The city superintendent is W. R. Rutherford.

MUST SEE PARIS AGAIN. NEW YORK, April 26.—"I love America, but not enough to die here. I must live to see France victorious and once more visit my beloved Paris when the war cloud has disappeared."

Scrab Bernhardt made this declaration when physicians announced they almost despaired of her life. Official bulletins today report her condition as favorable and making steady progress.

ADVERTISING MAY FIRST. WASHINGTON, April 26.—The national advertisement of the war bond issue begins May first, the treasury department announced.

REFUSE TO COMMENT. WASHINGTON, April 26.—State and navy department officials declined to comment regarding the message from London that the American steamer Mongolia sank a submarine. They took the position they couldn't comment on a case where so much doubt existed. Officials expressed the personal belief that the destruction of the submarine was "possibly true."

GERMAN DEMOCRACY MOVE STARTS IN SWITZERLAND

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Minister Stovall at Bern, sent a message to the state department that an open movement had been started in Switzerland by the German committee to spread a propaganda of republicanism and democracy.

Dr. Rosen Meyer, ex-editor of the Berlin Morgen Post, leads the Switzerland propagandists. The paper has already been founded to aid in establishing a republic in Germany.

The department learned that the German people "are increasingly anxious" for peace. The late strike of two hundred and fifty thousand laborers shows a desire for peace.

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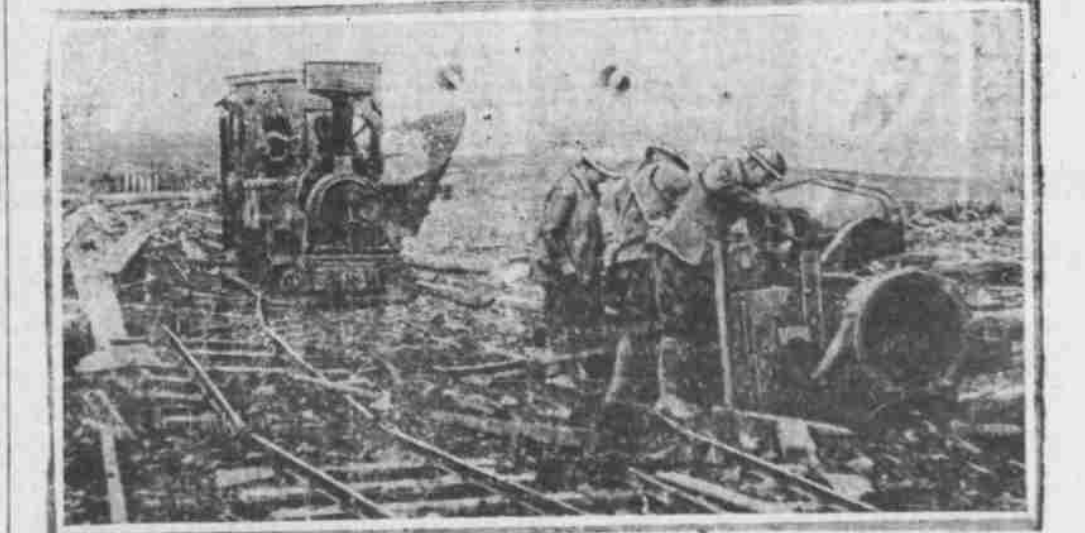
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AN AUSTRALIAN OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF A SCENE NEAR LA SAREZ, TYPICAL OF THE RUINED COUNTRYSIDE LEFT BEHIND BY THE GERMANS IN THEIR "RETREAT TO VICTORY" TO THE "HINDENBURG LINE." AUSTRALIAN TROOPS ARE SEEN REPAIRING ROLLING STOCK LEFT BY THE GERMANS IN THE HURRY OF THEIR "VICTORIOUS RETREAT." NOTE EVIDENCE OF THE ACCELERATION LEFT IN THE RETIREMENT BY THE RAPIDITY OF THE ALLIED ADVANCE.

AMERICA MAY DICTATE FOOD OF THE WORLD

War Council Plans to Have U. S. Take Full Charge of Campaign to Feed the Allies; One Man May be Chosen Controller.

OTHER PROBLEMS LESS GRAVE

Liquidation of Other War Divisions May Be Allocated United States But Chief Work of Commission is Now Devoted to Supplies.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Developments in today's session of the allied commission indicated that some one American, possibly Herbert Hoover or Secretary of Labor Wilson, within the next few months will become food dictator of the world. The war council's proceedings are crystallizing into a monumental campaign to feed the allies. Finance and shipping problems are considered comparatively unimportant. It is considered certain the allies will entrust the United States with absolute control of certain phases of the war.

Food will be the one problem left entirely with the United States, it is probable. President Wilson, it is expected, will be given power to appoint one man, or a small group with complete control of the production and distribution of all food in the United States, England, France, Italy, Russia, Cuba and other allied countries. It is deemed probable the steps will involve the formation of an allied food commission with a member from each country, headed by America.

May Take Other Burdens. The domination of war divisions other than food may be allotted the United States, but the food is the most important. The real crux of the war conference is the international reorganization of the war since the entry of the United States.

MAY 2 IS NAMED AS "CEMETERY WORK DAY"

Co-operation of Citizens is Asked in Cleaning up and Improving Olney.

Next Wednesday, May 2, will be "Cemetery Work Day" in Pendleton. At the suggestion of the cemetery committee of the council it has been so designated in order to secure the co-operation of citizens in cleaning up and improving Olney cemetery.

The cemetery committee asks that all citizens put on their work clothes and go out to the cemetery to help in the work planned. Those who have not means of going out will be provided with conveyances by gathering at the city hall morning or afternoon.

The various fraternal organizations have been requested to aid the cemetery committee in carrying out its plans.

CONSCRIPTION IS ENDORSED BY LOCAL CITIZEN SOLDIERY

Military Units Adopt Resolutions; Captains and Other Officers Chosen; Large Attendance Marks all Drills

Pendleton's citizen soldiery last evening at the first regular drill of the three military units, went on record strongly in favor of selective conscription as against the volunteer system of raising a large army. Resolutions were adopted by both the second and third units and the list of them was embodied in a telegram sent to the Oregon congressman.

The resolutions were prepared and adopted first by the "Silver Grays" which name the older men's unit has been designated. They were taken over to the second unit and there unanimously endorsed. The first unit had adjourned before the resolution could be presented.

Large Attendance Present. The opening drill last evening proved much better attended than

anyone anticipated. The single men, who met in the city hall, were 20 strong. The younger married men had out 15 and the "Silver Grays" numbered 24. Following the drill all three of the units took steps to perfect organization.

The younger men elected Earl F. Smythe as chairman and Harold J. Warner as secretary of their organization. Smythe was also designated as drillmaster. A committee consisting of James H. Dowler, Lee Winkler and Chester Martin was appointed to take up a name, regulations and place and time of meeting. Smythe was assisted last evening in conducting the drill by Frank Davis, Lee Winkler, Chester Martin and Marshall Spill.

Units Chosen Captain. The second unit elected Charles C. Vinkler as captain, Lee D. Drake as first lieutenant and Howard Oline as second lieutenant. All three were formerly lieutenants in the Pendleton militia. George A. Hartman was nominated as captain but declined because he is acting as drillmaster.

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