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WEATHER
Partly cloudy tonight and Friday, light frost tonight.
Maximum temperature, 78; minimum, 40; wind, southwest gentle; rain, 0; weather, clear.

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BOND PLAN IS HONEST DEAL SAYS BARRETT

No Paving Trust Responsible Says Joint Senator Who was in Touch With Affairs.

THIS SECTION FORTUNATE

(By C. A. Barrett, Joint Senator 19th Senatorial District)

Athena, May 31, 1917. The opponents of the road bonds have cast so much mystery about the origin of the bill which will be submitted to the people June 4th, that I desire to make some explanation. In the first place, it is an utter falsehood for any man to say that the bond bill was submitted to the people through the efforts of the paving trust or any other trust or that any paving concern had the bill drawn or procured it to be passed by the legislature. I hope the people who know me will not permit enemies of the bond issue to mislead them about this fact.

I was a member of the senate committee on roads and highways and was in a position to know, and did know, the influences that brought about the enactment of the bond bill. Any one who will examine the road legislation of the last legislative assembly will see that one-half dozen of important road bills were enacted. I took the almost possible interest in all of this legislation. I was the author of two of the more important of these measures. The bond bill, was in a sense, the companion of the other road bills. It was brought about through a desire of the members of the legislature and others, to submit a comprehensive road plan to the people. Whatever the people may do with it, the fact remains that the bill was conceived in good faith by people in favor of good roads and that it was not a part of a wicked plot by some poorly informed persons who are fighting the bonds.

Eastern Oregon has never received any state aid of any consequence in road development. The passing of the bond bill is the only guarantee that eastern Oregon has ever had, or will ever have for years to come, that some of the state money will be spent east of the Cascade mountains.

I say it is a guarantee because it designates roads. It designates roads through eastern Oregon, some of the most important of which are in Umatilla county. If the bond bill is passed the highway commission will be obliged to hard surface many miles of roads for which Umatilla county already has a base, or is in position to construct a base. If the bond bill fails, the commission will not be obliged to do anything for eastern Oregon, or for Umatilla county. If it fails to pass, but little money will be available for years to come.

I have tried for twelve years to try to procure for this district a workable road law and consider that every man and woman who votes against the bond issue is making the most serious mistake. Let us lay aside small jealousies and do our plain duty by eastern Oregon and our selves.

LOCAL MEN PAY \$45,000 PRICE FOR 1100 RAMS

For a consideration of \$45,000 the Pendleton Sheep Co. has purchased the famous R. A. Jackson stud rams of Dayton, Wash. The rams constitute a band of 1100 of the finest stuff in the country and the sale was made without reservations by the former owner. The Jackson rams have won prizes in nearly all the big shows of the west and are widely known among northwest growers. The rams are to be auctioned off at Dayton.

CROP CONDITIONS ARE FINE FOLLOWING RAIN

Late Germination Through Northwest Stimulated by Moisture. ST. PAUL, Minn., May 31.—Crop conditions are the best in years, following a twenty-four hour rain throughout the northwest. The rainfall reached as much as two inches in some sections. The rain will stimulate late germination.

STRIKING SHEEP SHEARER AT RIVERSIDE SHOT AND KILLED

Serious Trouble is Expected; Men From Various Camps are Quitting Work and Gathering at Point.

RIVERSIDE, Ore., May 31.—A sheep shearers' strike resulted in the shooting of J. W. Shoemaker, a striker. Shoemaker hit and knocked down Jim Johnson, foreman of a non-union force. Johnson pulled a gun and fired three times. Shoemaker died in a few minutes. Trouble is expected because men other than union camps are quitting and collecting here. A hundred thousand sheep are gathered here.

ENGLAND AND GERMANY CELEBRATE VICTORIES OF JUTLAND BATTLE

Memorial Services Held in London and Berlin Largely Attended.

LONDON, May 31.—Both England and Germany celebrated their victories in the Jutland battle today. Memorial services largely attended, were held in London. Berlin dispatches describe a great benefit for the relief of families of submarine crews. The Jutland battle was held a year ago today, both England and Germany claiming a victory.

TO CALL CONFERENCE

PETROGRAD, May 31.—It is said will call an international socialist conference to be held in Stockholm the last 15 days in July, the soldiers and workmen's council decided. Final approval of the date will be left with the Dutch international socialist bureau and the Berne conference.

ROAD BONDS ARE STRONGLY ENDORSED BY CHAMBERLAIN

Senator Advises to go Ahead With Roads and Wheat Elevators While Times are Good and Better to Follow.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 31.—The \$6,000,000 state road bond issue is strongly endorsed by United States Senator Chamberlain as a preparedness measure both from a military and an industrial standpoint. There could be no more opportune time, he said today, to enter upon a constructive plan of road construction than the present when an era of great prosperity is about to begin through



SENATOR GEORGE E. CHAMBERLAIN.

FEAR REGISTRATION MAY BRING RIOTS IN SOME LARGER CITIES

Federal Agents Convinced German Secret Helpers Are Responsible.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—German secret helpers in the United States have had a hand in the anti-registration plotting. Federal agents are convinced of this, although they believe the movement is unsuccessfully centralized to make it a tremendous menace. Everything possible is being done to crush out plots and punish the plotters.

Latest developments are open-meeting addresses by I. W. W. anarchists and kindred spirits. Federal agents have been instructed to arrest anyone trying to thwart registration plans. The government feels that early and summary action has stamped the fear of the law upon many plotters. The danger is believed nearly checked. It is feared registration may bring out riots in some quarters in big cities.

STEAMER IS HALTED, YOUTH 22 ARRESTED AS AN ALLEGED SPY

LOS ANGELES, Calif., May 31.—A United States gunboat stopped the Pacific mail steamer San Juan 20 miles northwest of Catalina Island and took off E. W. Fox, 22 years old, who is reported to be the son of a wealthy San Francisco merchant now in Germany. The arrest was made on telegraphic instructions from Washington. Fox was en route to Mazatlan, Mexico. He was held for a "federal investigation."

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the expenditures of vast sums of money for industrial and military purposes.

"Good roads, he declared, are to be considered an investment and not expense accounts. As a further inducement to highway development Senator Chamberlain predicted an extension of the federal aid to roads already provided for would soon be made by the national government in all manner of probability. In that event the states which had shown the most progressive spirit in this direction would be the first to benefit.

In the exigencies of the present war he counseled, there should be no let up in continuing public improvement.

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GARCIA BEATS BANDIT VILLA SAYS REPORT

Defeat South of La Mula on May 29 is Stated in Official Telegram to War Department From Commanding Officer

ONE FORCE APPROACHES INTERNATIONAL BORDER

WASHINGTON, May 31.—The war department has been advised that Villa was defeated south of La Mula by General Garcia, May 29. The official telegram from the commanding officer at Matiz, Texas, reports the Mexican commandant a the Presidio, says Villa was defeated by Garcia. The commanding officer at the presidio also reports that 120 Jac with thirteen hundred men left Matiz.

IS APPROACHING BORDER

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, May 31.—Southern department headquarters have received a report that Villistas are approaching the international border. The Mexican consul at the Presidio stated there is nothing to fear from their activities since the southern department had sufficient troops along the border to protect American towns.

LAST DRIVE FOR VOTES FOR BOND ISSUE IS STARTED

To make a last drive for votes for the six million dollar bond measure, a number of automobiles left Pendleton today bearing champions of the measure to various parts of the county.

In one car, leaving for the west end, was R. S. Worsley, prominent orange worker who is out actively in support of the bonds. Highway Commissioner W. L. Thompson accompanied him.

Dave Nelson, president of the Eastern Oregon Highway association, E. Alexander and F. E. Judd were in another car. This afternoon C. E. Nelson, E. J. Burke and a number of others went to Weston. It is the intention to carry on this campaign until election day.

VISITING SOLDIERS ARE ENTERTAINED

Through the courtesy of Captain Near who is in command of Company M, O. N. G., a number of the soldiers stationed at Campbell and La Grande were given permission to spend yesterday in Pendleton and take part in the Memorial Day parade. Those from La Grande in charge of Corporal Hanson were Privates Hendricks, Gard and Esteb. From Campbell came Corporal Putnam and Privates Ackerman, Bartlett, Tasto, Jackson, Randall, Smith, Taylor and Goldberg. Two soldiers who were being transferred from Campbell to La Grande were also in the city and acted as standard bearers for the Civil War Veterans in the parade. They were privates Savage and Beck. A committee of girls from the girls national Honor Guard was appointed by Mayor Best to entertain the soldiers and included Miss Evelyn Sommerville, Miss Lola Rogers, Miss Quindora Wilcox and Miss Virginia Todd. As assistants the committee designated Miss Jane Murphy, Miss Thelma Thompson, Miss Sidney Sommersville, Miss Richardson, Miss Estelle Jones, Miss Jennie Perry and Miss Margaret Putnam. A prettily appointed luncheon at the Komer Kettle with Mrs. Todd and Mrs. Putnam as chaperones was one of the affairs given for the soldier lads.

XTRA

POPULAR BUFF, Mo., May 31.—Fourteen are dead at Chaonia and several more dead at Zelum as a result of a tornado that practically wiped out the two towns late last night. Four more were killed in northern Texas county. Reports are meagre, because communication facilities are interrupted.

COMMANDER OF AMERICAN NAVAL DESTROYERS



Rear Admiral Sims (on left), whom the President has nominated for vice admiral, is here shown entering a railroad station in Paris on his way to confer with naval authorities on the work against the submarines. Admiral Sims is in command of the destroyers sent by the United States to take part in the warfare on the submarine.

SAYS ALL FIGHTING ONE WANTS CAN BE FOUND WITH FRENCH

Joe Despain Writes That He Is Still Alive and in One Piece But Doesn't Know How Long He Will Remain That Way.

Another letter from Joe Despain, Pendleton boy who has been on the battle front "somewhere in France" for a number of months was received this morning by his brother, Grover C. Despain. In part he writes as follows: "Am still alive and in one piece but don't know how much longer I will be that way. Am glad to see the U. S. coming into the war with a vim. Tell the boys if it's fighting they want there's plenty of it on this side of the pond."

WAR EASIER IN SUMMER

"The weather is fine here now, I sure hope it stays that way. War isn't so bad in the summer but it's worse than what Sherman said it was in the winter months. Am going to try to transfer to the first American expeditionary force that gets on this side of the pond. Believe me the Canadians are a fine bunch and they are there with the goods but I would like to get back under the stars and stripes again."

LOSES HIS CHUM RECENTLY

"Glad to hear that so many have joined up in Pendleton. Hope to meet some of the boys over here before long. I lost my chum lately but that's the way it goes over here. He was a California boy and a mighty fine Yankee."

"I hope we will be able to knock out of Fritz this summer, but if we don't we'll do it before much longer anyway."

MEAT BOYCOTT CUTS PRICES

CHICAGO, May 31.—With an organized effort, consumers are swatting the high cost of meat. Recent record prices, packers' representatives say, caused the great majority of people to reduce meat consumption. Many are obtaining entirely. Sheep are \$1 to \$2.25 under price of a week ago. Hogs are a dollar lower, and cattle twenty-five cents lower. People generally are using fish, rice and macaroni as a meat substitute.

BRITISH LOSSES 114,000 IN MAY

LONDON, May 31.—British casualties published during May totaled 114,000 and 119 officers and men killed, wounded and missing. The figures probably include some casualties for April, as well as May. General F. S. Maurice, director of general operations, recently declared the casualties in the present offensive were fifty per cent under the Somme drive. In three months of this offensive, British losses totaled three hundred and seven thousand, an average of a hundred and two thousand

TROOP D IS FORMALLY ACCEPTED

JAMES COOKE FIRST LIEUTENANT

Pendleton's company of cavalry is now Troop D of the Oregon National Guard. Captain Kenyon A. Joyce, Sixth Cavalry U. S. A., inspecting officer for national guard cavalry, last evening formally inspected the new troop and accepted it. The inspection took place last evening about 8 o'clock in the Happy Canyon section and was witnessed by many townspeople. The actual inspection took but a few minutes inasmuch as the new troopers have had no training. They were lined up in one long line at attention and the roll was then called by Captain C. E. Caldwell, the recruiting officer.

Sixty-five men present last evening. A half dozen had been rejected by the physical examiner and a number of others were out of the city and unable to get in for inspection. They will be mustered in later by Captain Caldwell. Following the inspection Captain Joyce checked over the enlistment papers of the men. He left on the night train for Portland to make his report.

After viewing the new troop, Captain Joyce stated that he is sure Pendleton will have occasion to feel proud of her troop. "The boys' help has made good," he commented. He stated that he could not even hazard a guess as to when the troop would be equipped because of the many other military organizations being formed but declared the government was giving them orders to manufacture.

SECRET CENSUS OF SLACKERS IS UNDERWAY

Government Agents Start Enrollment of Anti-Conscriptionists; Emma Goldman's League Numbers 10,000

THREE MORE ARE ARRESTED

Federal Operators in the Middle West Are Centering Efforts For Drive Against Wisconsin Anti-Draft Plots.

NEW YORK, May 31.—Three were arrested today as part of a drive of justice agents continued their round-up of anti-conscriptionists.

Owen Cattell, Charles Francis Phillips, a Columbia University student, and Eleanor Wilson Parker were held, charged with participation in a conspiracy to induce men not to register.

Government agents have started a secret census of slackers and anti-conscriptionists throughout the United States. Emma Goldman and other anarchists of the newly organized American union against militarism are closely watched.

Emma Goldman's anti-conscription league announced that ten thousand New York boys would refuse to register. They expected the league to have a membership of fifty thousand by tomorrow.

Hundreds of conscientious youths are seeking employment in the navy yards and munition plants.

SEPT. BIDS DOWN TO \$1.80 TODAY

CHICAGO, May 31.—Federal operators throughout the midwest are centering in a drive against Wisconsin anti-conscription plots. The federal grand jury will be called in Milwaukee and Madison soon to investigate the alleged plot. Scores of indictments are expected.

CHICAGO, May 31.—(Special to the East Oregonian.)—Range of wheat prices today:

Table with 4 columns: Wheat type, Price per bushel, and other market data.

Portland, Ore., May 31.—(Special)—Club, \$2.27; bluestem, \$2.40.

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