

MOVE PRESAGES ATTACKS UPON ITALIAN LINE

Teuton Forces Have Been Reorganized and Strengthened in Recent Weeks.

THIS FORCE MAY BE DIVERTED TO WEST

Activity on the Macedonian Front Following Advent of Spring.

HENRY WOOD.)
WITH THE FRENCH ARMY,
May 11.—News from the Italian front today established the fact that since the Austro-German inspired press announced the impending offensive against Italy, Italian soldiers are daily apparent that Teuton on the Italian front are reorganizing and preparing an offensive.

The Austrians have inaugurated a training campaign which usually precedes an offensive. Effective divisions which were allowed to decrease during the winter are now reinforced, companies are increased and artillery is strengthened.

Allied strategists realize this new military concentration could easily be diverted against the Franco-British front.

The Macedonian front reawakened following the winter's inactivity, the Franco-British have captured several villages. Bulgarians now exclusively hold the Macedonian front.

Nurse Cheers Soldiers With Round-Up Stories

Tales of the Round-Up proved interesting and amusing to soldiers in the hospital, according to Miss Stasia P. Walsh, Pendleton nurse who enlisted with the University of Oregon base hospital and is now on duty at the base hospital at Petersburg, Va. Her official preparation for service in France.

In a letter to a friend, she writes that, in looking through the library there, she chanced to run across some articles on the Round-Up, one of them being in Harper's and written by Charles Wellington Furlong. Having been an enthusiastic Round-Up fan while here, Miss Walsh took the magazines back to the hospital, read the articles to the invalid soldiers and supplemented them with stories of her own. "You never saw such an interested bunch," she writes. "It is surprising how little they know about the west. Almost everyone of them declared an intention of going to the Round-Up as soon as the war is over." Miss Walsh showed them her collection of Round-Up photos and "they surely did enjoy them," she states.

GERMANS WARN MOSCOW TO END TROOP ARMING

Threat Made to Occupy Moscow if Ultimatum is Not Heeded: Germany Also Wants German War Prisoners Returned Immediately

MOSCOW, May 11.—The German ambassador has sent ultimatum to Russia demanding that she stop arming troops and disband those already armed. The ultimatum also demanded an immediate settlement of the question regarding the returning of German war prisoners and threatened to occupy Moscow if Russia disobeyed.

The foregoing dispatch seems to bear out the United Press story from Charles Shapin recently to the effect Russia was making serious preparations to re-enter the war on the side of the allies.

French Rejoice That English Crisis Passes

PARIS, May 11.—The crisis has cleared the atmosphere, says the Echo de Paris, quoting Lord Milner, British war minister, in a London interview, regarding the Lloyd George victory over the Maurice charges.

"Such events are comparable to storms and have a certain utility especially when, as now, the world is excessively tense. It ended happily. The British government may now pursue the only task that matters,—winning the war."

LONDON THRILLS AS U. S. TROOPS ARE REVIEWED

American War Work Classified as Great Achievement by English Press; Allies Encouraged by American Company Says King.

LONDON, May 11.—Thousands banked the streets today along the route taken by American troops parading through London. Enthusiasm everywhere surpassed even the thrilling 1914 days.

A stalwart American band headed the first battalion, a Scots guard band headed the second, and an Irish band the third.

They paraded through the principal streets to the American embassy and Buckingham Palace where they were reviewed by King George.

Secretary Baker's announcement that 500,000 Americans are now in France added to the heartiness of the greeting, declared London newspapers. The Mail said, "This represents a really great achievement. America has immense difficulties. They are not all overcome yet but she is rapidly overcoming them."

The king addressed a letter to the American soldiers, saying, "The British people welcome you on your way to take a stand beside the armies now fighting in the great battle for human freedom. The allies will gain a new heart and spirit in your company. I wish I could shake each hand, I bid you God speed on your mission."

The Express said: "There need be no half-hearted enthusiasm about the fruits of the American alliance."

The Times said: "Their work begins to tell. As their numbers grow it will tell more and more."

When the Americans detoured they were greeted by veteran Tommies, Jocks, Maple-leaves, Anzacs and civilians workbound.

Three Mysterious Wrecks Cause Worry To Southern Pacific

PORTLAND, May 11.—Three Southern Pacific freight cars derailed at Granta Pass today greatly delayed passenger trains. There was a similar delay yesterday. Both wrecks were the result of broken wheels. Railroad officials are worried by the similarity of many wrecks.

UNIONS SATISFIED WITH DECISION

WASHINGTON, May 11.—President Koenigcamp of the Telegraphers union today declared that union labor is thoroughly satisfied with the national war labor board's decision, which appointed Tatt and Frank Walsh as mediators, ruling that telegraphers have a right to join the union without losing their jobs.

Wants Special Show To Get Money For Blancett Memorial

That a special Round-Up try-out be held some afternoon or evening at Round-Up Park is suggested by Mrs. A. M. Campbell in a letter to the East Oregonian. Mrs. Campbell says:

"Why not give a try-out charge to boys and girls taking part in their work in honor of one of their pals? Or a baby Happy Canyon show might be used to raise the money. I have suggested to Mr. Hamley that if not too expensive have Mr. Proctor make a statue of Del Blancett bulldogging."

Mrs. Campbell also makes a suggestion for a thrift stamp dance, which she says was tried with good success at 3rd Pass, Texas. She would require dancers to purchase stamps and this would line up those who spend considerable money on dancing.

WHILE GUNS ROAR SOLDIERS WRITE MOTHER LETTERS

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN PICARDY, May 11.—Hundreds of letters will leave Picardy Sunday for American mothers. In dugouts and on tables and boxes the soldiers may be observed writing letters to mothers.

American heavy artillery today fiercely shelled the German reserves' positions in the Monte Didier neighborhood. New fires are observed in Monte Didier. Apparently an ammunition dump has been destroyed in Cantigny.

A German patrol renewed its attempts to capture the American outpost, failing.

BOYS FROM FRONT THINK THEY HAVE KAISER FEELING WEAK

American soldiers who have been on the fighting lines don't think the Germans will last much longer, according to a letter from Walter L. Bels, one of the old troop D boys now in Battery D, 14th Field Artillery. The letter which has just been received by P. T. Delta, is so interesting it is here given in full:

Somewhere in France,
April 15, 1918.

Well, we arrived safely across the old Atlantic after a rather interesting trip. Had a good time while on board.

On May 10 we ran into a storm and believe me the waves ran mountain high. Some of the boys were sick. I wasn't sick but can't say I was real well.

We failed to see any of Bill's U-boats.

I was talking to some of the boys who had been up to the firing lines and they didn't think the Germans would last much longer. They are making one last desperate effort to penetrate the allied lines.

Tell all the folks hello and for them to write to me.

We have lots of fun trying to understand these people and their ways are strange to us, but they think the Americans are all right, at least they seem so.

Listen, I don't want any of you to worry about me as I will always be O. K. and I expect to be home by Xmas.

Well, as I am tired will say good night and hope to hear from you soon.

I remain
WALTER.

COUNTRY FAIR NETS HONOR GUARD \$450

As they used to do years ago, people all turned out for the "Country Fair." It was given by the Girls' Honor Guard at Helix last night and was so successful that the sum of \$450 was cleared above all expenses, according to Miss Virginia Todd of the city, who is county leader. The money will be used to adopt three French war orphans, and to provide comfort kits for the Helix soldier boys.

A fruit cake alone brought \$300, which must have been a surprise given to the person (or persons) who made and decorated it so carefully. Different colors of tinged towed the words "Girls' Honor Guard," and depicted birds, flowers and other objects.

Among other attractions the girls had a country store, a chance wheel, monkey booth, fortune teller, a "Sweet and the Kaiser" booth, cave of mystery, and lemonade and lunch counters. There was also a poultry contest, which was won by Miss Edith Malson.

The affair was in charge of Miss Clara King, the local teacher, and Miss Kraw, one of the school teachers.

FELIX FRANKFURTER LABOR ADMINISTRATOR

WASHINGTON, May 11.—The President has authorized Felix Frankfurter to form a national labor policy for wartime. Frankfurter becomes labor administrator under Secretary Wilson. Frankfurter is a liberal. He was a member of the Mooney commission.

SPRING WHEAT WILL EQUAL 1917 ACREAGE

Exceptions to some of the estimates made by F. L. Kent as to Umatilla county acreage are taken by some local people well informed on the subject. Mr. Kent places the present spring wheat acreage at 82 per cent of what it was last year and the winter wheat acreage at 120 per cent.

H. W. Collins estimates that the spring acreage this year is approximately the same as last year and figures the same to be true of winter wheat acreage, thus making the total acreage the same as in 1917.

The records of County Agent Shrock show reports on wheat acreage as follows:

Winter Wheat.	
1917	1918.
126,828 acres	168,704 acres
Spring Wheat.	
1917	1918.
35,928 acres	35,933 acres

It will thus be seen that figures obtainable indicate Mr. Kent was low on his spring wheat acreage but close to the mark on the winter acreage.

As to potatoes, Mr. Kent estimates the Umatilla county acreage as 188 per cent of last year's acreage. Mr. Shrock's figures show 476 acres in potatoes last year and 1478 acres in this county seeded to potatoes this year. However, the estimate for the state early in the spring was for 2400 acres less in potatoes than last year. This may have been cut down by subsequent plantings.



FIGHT NEWS

LONDON, May 11.—Halt announced today that the French troops advanced their line northeast of Loos yesterday taking prisoners. A raid west of Merville was successful and we took prisoners and a machine gun. An attempted enemy raid west of Ypres was stopped by our fire.

CAPTURE GERMAN PRISONERS.
PARIS, May 11.—There is active artillery fighting around Grivesnes where the Americans are in line and at Mally-Rameval, four miles northward, it is reported officially.

A surprise attack north of Grivesnes resulted in the capturing of 15 prisoners. The French took 23 prisoners in minor operations in Grivesnes wood, also machine guns. Various raids southeast of Monte Didier and also in the Woerz region netted prisoners and captured material.

Kaiser May Yet Drive Ukrainians to Join Russ

(J. W. T. MASON.)
NEW YORK, May 11.—Faced by the dangerous necessity of obtaining more food to lessen a dangerous famine, Germany is enforcing a new policy of ruthlessness in Ukraine, which may drive the Ukrainian republic to a Russian alliance for mutual resistance against the Hohenzollerns.

The Kaiser's chief reason for creating a Ukrainian republic was to obtain food, but Ukrainian peasants are developing a bitterly hostile spirit, in beginning to realize their vassal state. The Germans are not permitting the Ukrainians even to feed themselves which is worse than under Russian rule.

OSTEND BASE BLOCKADED BY SUNKEN VESSEL

Old Cruiser Vindictive, 320 Feet Long Diagonally Across 327 Foot Channel.

BRITISH LOST 15 MEN IN BRAVE RAID

Thrilling Operation Lasts for an Hour During Nighttime.

DOVER, May 11.—The Ostend U-boat base is effectively blockaded as a result of the British raid. The cruiser Vindictive, 329 feet long, lies in the 327 foot channel diagonally. British casualties include five dead, 24 wounded and 19 missing.

Commanders Lines, commanding the operation, reported "it was a lurid scene. The Vindictive arrived at 3 o'clock in the morning, the scheduled time. Thundering of guns on sea and land and bombs exploding from the air, mingled with the occasional cry of wounded. Searchlights crossed above the whole scene, which stretched further unlit. For a full hour this picture was witnessed off of Ostend. The Vindictive cruised for 20 minutes in the fog, looking for the entrance and finally entered, jamming her bows against the pier. Dashing motorboats then took off the crew amidst a machine-gun hail."

BAKER HAS STRONG TEAM AT TRACK MEET

Contest Seems to Rest Between Pendleton and Baker.

At Round-Up Park this afternoon the high schools of eastern Oregon are contending in a spirited track meet for the eastern Oregon championship and incidentally for the O. A. C. cup which Pendleton has retained for two years. The contest seems to rest between Pendleton and Baker with indications of a close finish.

The Pendleton line-up has been previously published. The personnel of the teams from Baker and Union are as follows:

Baker.
50 yard dash—Engberg, Hardin, Sullivan.
100 yard dash—Same as above.
220 yard dash—Hardin, Sullivan and Kennison.
440 yard dash—Christy, Sullivan, Gardner.
880 yard run—Ward and Gardner.
1 Mile run—Gardner and Christy.
Pole vault—Keown.
Shotput—Harding, Brown and Engberg.
Discus—Gardner, Harding, Engberg, Javelin—Gardner and Engberg.
High Jump—Keown and Wright.
Broad Jump—Brown, Kennison, Harding.
120 yard hurdles—Wright and Keown.
220 yard hurdles—Wright and Gardner.
220 yard relay team—Kennison, Engberg, Harding and Sullivan.
Coach—Rough.

Union.
50 yard dash—Davis and Gertson.
100 yard dash—Gertson and Perkins.
220 yard dash—same as 100.
440 yard dash—Gertson.
880 yard run—Griggs.
1 Mile run—Griggs.
220 hurdles—Davis and Perkins.
Shot put—Miles.
Pole vault—Gertson.
Javelin—Miles and Perkins.
High Jump—Perkins.
Relay team—Gertson, Perkins, Davis and Griggs.
Coach—Buttler.
Officials at meet: Drake, Raley, Chloupek and Frank Frazier. Chief Referee: Russell Wilbur, announcer.

BEAUTIFULLY MADE ARTICLES SHOWN IN SCHOOL EXHIBIT

Dainty needlework crocheting and hand embroidery which will make feminine hearts fairly long for possession, catchy posters asserting that we must save food and buy War Savings stamps, food outfits for tiny refugee children, and beautiful woodwork articles from cedar chests and oak tables to candlesticks—these are some of the items one will find at the school exhibit displayed at the club room of the county library this afternoon until five o'clock and from seven until nine o'clock. The exhibit will also be open tomorrow during library hours.

No idea can be gotten of the immensity and scope of the exhibit without a personal visit. Every article in every line is so painstakingly and beautifully made that it seems almost impossible children could do the work.

There are four classes of articles exhibited: Domestic science and art, manual training, industrial work in the schools, and Junior Red Cross work. As a part of the domestic science exhibit, samples of war bread and cakes are served free, while the recipes are on sale for 10 cents each. The money is to go to the keeping of the French orphan and domestic science class has adopted.

Above the table where are displayed a number of articles for the Red Cross layette work, that is, outfits for

FIVE U. S. OFFICERS CAPTURED BY ENEMY

WASHINGTON, May 11.—General Pershing today announced five American officers captured. The casualty list contained 29 names, including eight killed in action and four who died from wounds. Four were wounded severely and 24 slightly.

Explosion Destroyed Nitroglycerine Plant

WELLSBURG, W. Va., May 11.—An explosion today destroyed the nitroglycerine plant of the Lewis Coal company and eight employees are dead.