



BLAZING ROOF CRASHES DOWN KILLS FIREMAN

San Diego Fish Packing Company is Complete Wreck; Explosion Heard First.

EIGHT MORE MEN CAUGHT BY FALL

Loss in Plant Includes Ten Thousand Cans of Tuna Fish.

SAN DIEGO, June 26.—Fireman H. Church was killed and eight other firemen, including Assistant Chief Parrish, were injured when the blazing roof of the Steele Fish Packing company collapsed today.

BOOTLEGGERS PAY \$350 IN FINES INTO COUNTY

Fines collected, \$250, court costs \$54.20, making a total of \$404.20, represents the amount of money paid into Umatilla county as the result of the bootlegging cases in Justice J. H. Parker's court yesterday afternoon.

GLE ELUM, WASH IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

CLE ELUM, Wash., June 26.—With more than thirty business and residence blocks destroyed by flames that cut a great wedge-shaped swath through the center of this city today, the most destructive blaze in the history of Cle Elum had burned itself out late tonight.

20,000 AUSTRIANS DROWNED IN PIAVE

Losses Placed at 250,000; Question for Italy is of Offensive.

WITH THE ITALIANS AFIELD, June 26.—Austrian losses are now estimated at 250,000. Fully 20,000 were drowned in the Piave. With the Italians re-entrenched on their original lines the question now is whether they can continue the offensive or must fight defensively.

VON KUEHLMANN'S NEW PEACE PLAN LACKS SUCCESS

WASHINGTON, June 26.—Von Kuehlmann's latest peace proposal like its predecessors was unacceptable and insincere. Authorities gave it scant thought or discussion.

Little Hooter at Home

AMSTERDAM, June 26.—There was complete absence of enthusiasm both by the speaker and the audience during Foreign Minister von Kuehlmann's speech in the Reichstag.

Local Indian Boy in Naval Air Service



The above is a picture of Johnson Barnhart, son of William Barnhart, well known local Indian. Johnson Barnhart is in the naval air service and has been at Fort Tilden, New York.

CALIFORNIA ROSE WINS IN FRANCE

PARIS, June 25.—The California Rose has been awarded the gold medal—the grand prix of the French rose world. The annual rose competition took place on Sunday as usual in Paris in the gardens at Bagatelle.

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BRITAIN PREPARES POLICY

LONDON, June 26.—The Express declared the British government has prepared a definite policy regarding the League of Nations.

NEED IS GREAT FOR PASSABLE ROAD FROM CITY TO WEST END

With the Umatilla-Pendleton motor car service discontinued and no road passable for auto travel between Pendleton and the west end of the county much complaint is arising from west end people and from those in this city having business at west end points.

ITALY EXTENDS GAINS; HOSTILE COUNTERS FAIL

Occupation and Extension of Caposile Bridgehead Provokes Enemy Activity.

ENORMOUS MATERIALS CAPTURED FROM FOE

Italians Completely Recuperating All Lost Artillery and Arms.

LONDON, June 26.—It is learned authoritatively that Italians scored an important success in a northern counter-offensive. They have advanced a mile in the Grappa sector.

ROME, June 26.—Italian forces have extended their gains at Caposile and repulsed several counter-attacks. It is officially stated.

"Yesterday having occupied the Caposile bridgehead, we extended it, provoking numerous counter-attacks. We took 279 prisoners."

"We are clearing up the battlefield. A few hundred more prisoners have been taken. We are completely recuperating all our artillery, arms and materials with an enormous quantity of Austrian material."

County Guard Leader Is Small Pox Victim; Rielt Men Afflicted

Lee D. Drake, East Oregonian advertising manager and major of the Umatilla county guard, is a smallpox victim, being confined to his home on Rush street with this disease and previous to today had supposed he was afflicted with a bilious attack.

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HAIG REPAIRS ACTIVITY

LONDON, June 26.—Haig reported bombardment of the British positions on the Ploeghe front and successful raids and patrol encounters.

Do Your Bit Now Return Your Flour

Hydenstein & Co. are today shipping out a carload of flour to the order of the federal government in response to the request for return of flour held by families.

YANKEES FINISH SWEEPING OUT BELLEAU WOOD; PRIZE WRENCHED FROM HUNS IN BITTER STRUGGLE

BOYS AT PRESIDIO WANT HOME PAPERS

"It would help some if someone would mail their old copies of the E. O. to some, one of the boys here so that we may keep in touch with the folks at home and news from Pendleton and the county," writes Private Anthony F. Drobbagen from the Letterman General hospital at the Presidio, Cal.

"I received four copies of the Hermiston Herald a few days ago and it was like getting money from home," he adds.

"The Germans retained rifle fire and machine gunning until the Americans captured in. Our losses were not proportionate to the gain made."

"FIGHTING DESPERATE. In this action the Americans further flattened the apex of the German drive toward Paris. The north-

"Most of us have been assigned to companies J, K, L and M of the 63rd Infantry here at the Presidio. The only thing most of the boys in the hospital are afraid of is that they won't be sent to France, but will be assigned later to home guard duty."

"If at any time you hear that any of the folks of any of the boys down here don't hear from them, if you or they will write to me, I will try to hunt them up and find out what is wrong."

"We had a big vaudeville show here yesterday afternoon. The various theaters in Frisco sent out a few singers and actors each and the show was a treat. It lasted from 2 to 5 p. m. Today there will be a concert and singing."

"Thanking you and the Red Cross again for your kindness and interest. I am with best wishes very sincerely, Anthony F. Drobbagen."

GERMAN RESERVES POUR INTO ITALY TO SAVE MOUNTAINS

WASHINGTON, June 26.—Many German reserves from France are pouring into Italy's mountainous regions which Italy threatens to recapture from the Austrians, say official home cables.

CROWDER ANNOUNCES MORE DRAFT CALLS

WASHINGTON, June 26.—Draft calls announced by Crowder in the last 24 hours show at least 344,599 men will entrain for camps during July. Four calls totaling 124,599 were announced today.

AMERICANS HOLDING LINES IN ALSACE

(FRANK J. TAYLOR.) WITH THE AMERICANS IN FRANCE, June 26.—It is permissible to announce that Americans have taken over a new sector in German Alsace near Gebweiler. They have already repulsed several raids.

CHAMBERLAIN SAYS CLASS 1 WILL BE EXHAUSTED BY JANUARY

LONDON, June 26.—Alexander Kerensky, former Russian premier, arrived in London recently. It is reported he left for America today. Officials denied any political significance.

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Americans Take 221 Prisoners and Many Guns in Capture of Strategic Ground; Lone Private Delivers Booty of 78 Men and Five Officers to U. S. Headquarters Battle Lasts Till Midnight When Line is Straight

(LOWELL MEJLET.) WITH THE AMERICANS ON THE MARNE, June 26.—The Americans took the remainder of Belleau wood last night. German losses in killed and wounded are very heavy. The Americans also captured 221 prisoners, including a captain and six other officers. The Americans captured many machine guns. The Germans desperately sought to retain the advantage of holding the wood, without which, movement toward Meaux is impossible. They literally crowded their part of the forest with machine-guns.

PARIS WAR OFFICE TELLS OF SUCCESS

PARIS, June 26.—"Brilliant American operations in Belleau wood" and successful French raids at various points are reported by the war office today.

DAMAGE TO FOE SCORED BY AIR FORCES OF HAIG

LONDON, June 26.—Great damage was done in Karlsruhe, Saarbrücken and Offenbach yesterday by British bombing planes the admiralty announced. Four enemy planes were downed. Three British planes are missing. They attacked railway sidings, factories, engine sheds, barracks and munition works.

MORE AID TO BELGIUM

WASHINGTON, June 26.—The United States extends further credit of \$2,250,000 to Belgium today.

WOUNDED AMERICAN ENJOYS HIMSELF IN FRANCE



This wounded American is laughing the suspicion of the American army in at Jokes in Stars and Stripes, the publication is one of the brightest weekly newspaper published under used in English.

CHANGE IN AGE FOR DRAFT MAY BE POSTPONED

May Not Yet Consider Extension of Limits to Include Men Between 20 and 40.

PRESIDENT DOES NOT FAVOR MEASURE NOW

Postponement Until Next Session Suggested by Wilson and Baker.

WASHINGTON, June 26.—The extension of draft ages to include men between 20 and 40 may be postponed until the next session of congress by the suggestion of President Wilson and Secretary Baker. The President is understood to oppose the change now.

WASHINGTON, June 26.—Baker told the senate military committee that the war department "for the present" believes it would be better not to change the draft ages.

"The practical insurance of an amendment to broaden the ages including men from 20 to 40, Baker said the chief objection is that the amendment is not based on a thoroughly worked out plan. Baker's decision will not endanger deferred classes unless a grave emergency arises."

Supply Sufficient Now. Baker said: "I presented to the committee statements that for the present there are enough men in Class 1 for our prospective needs and when the enlarged program of the United States is ready for presentation to Congress we will at the same time have complete data on which to base any recommendations for changes in the draft age limits. Under the present program remaining calls this year will leave 250,000 men in Class 1 on January 1. Extension of the draft next session and the probable registration of a 21 class in December or January will supply new men. It is expected 300,000 men will be added to Class 1 by the re-examination of questionnaires now progressing. 2,400,000 By September."

Baker expressed Wilson's views although he did not state it was Wilson's idea. He merely expressed opposition to the method of changing the ages. He wishes to wait until a change can be made with a complete plan considering every emergency. Baker said March and Crowder concur that more time is needed to consider the problem from every angle. The American army will number 2,400,000 by September and of these 1,500,000 will be in France, according to Senator Hitchcock.

"When Congress reassembles after the recess we will have practically two million soldiers in this country. There is no emergency for extension of the draft now."

Committee Agrees. The committee immediately voted to follow Baker's wishes and defer action. The committee told Baker when he presents the enlarged program the committee would insist that new draft regulations not only change the age limits but provide most definite regulations of who shall and shall not fight.

Shipping a Factor. Chamberlain said the shipping situation presented the most important factors. Possibly there will be a change before August of the arrangements whereby we are using France-British ships.

"Possibly our ship production will supply all needs. The war department wants to know the shipping outlook definitely before attempting to raise larger armies."

W. S. S. COMMITTEES REPORT WORK DONE

Mrs. W. D. McNary, chairman President No. 44, Pendleton and Mrs. L. L. Hagen, chairman precinct No. 27, Fulton, are the only two committees to report their work in the War Savings campaign finished. They have pledged respectively \$11,326 and \$8,125.

Rev. Alfred Lockwood, chairman for Pendleton, finds the work is progressing satisfactorily through the city. He is anxious for all committees to report progress this evening, as he finds there will be considerable follow-up work to do, and it will be necessary to do this in the next two days. The campaign closes Friday evening, and in order that Pendleton may maintain its clear record of 100 per cent in all the government drives to the present special effort must be put forth to wind everything up by Friday night.