



LOCAL BOYS HAD 20 DAYS OF RED HOT FIGHTING

Veterans of "Lost Battalion" Arriving Home Today Talk Modestly of Adventure

DIVISION LOST 70 PER CENT OF FORCE

Seven Umatilla County Men of Famous Regiment Reach Home.

Seven Umatilla county men who served in the heroic 28th Infantry of which Whittlesey's famous "Lost Battalion" was a part, were given their discharges at Camp Lewis yesterday and are now arriving home.

Those returning include: Willard Hanna, Freewater, Co. A, 28th Inf. (The Lost Battalion comprised Companies A, B, C and D.)

Alfred E. Krause, Nolin, Co. "G," 28th Inf. (He was later transferred to Bat. D, 205th F. A.)

Charles Hutsell, Pendleton, Co. "G," 28th Inf.

Harry Allen, Freewater, Co. "A," 28th Inf.

Fritz Breding, Pendleton, Co. "A," 28th Inf.

George B. Welch, Milton, 28th Inf.

Grover Minthorn, Pendleton, 28th Inf.

Thomas Ingram, Hardman, Ore. Co. M, 28th Inf.

Henry J. Bassett, Halfway, Ore. 28th Inf.

Willard Hanna and Alfred E. Krause arrived home on the Northern Pacific train this morning. They were not certain as to the return of the other men from the county but say some of them are coming via the O. W. R. & N. George Welch, of Milton is under a measles quarantine at Camp Lewis.

In Murders Fighting

"For the first 20 days the fighting was rather hot," modestly said Hanna. It was revealed after considerable questioning that he was in Co. "A" of the Lost Battalion but was an outpost duty when the battalion was cut off so he was not cut off with the others. He says the Lost Battalion was not really lost at all but was surrounded. The battalion could be seen all the time but it was under a terrible fire and it was impossible to get supplies to the beleaguered men. The entire regiment was under hot fire all during the time but Whittlesey's battalion had it the worst. Alfred Krause of Nolin, was on a liaison post at the time but was under fire much of the time.

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HUNSCHELE IS REFUSED AND CONDUCT OF WAR IS SCANDALOUSLY DENOUNCED

PARIS, May 22.—In a scathing denunciation of Germany's conduct of the war, the allies have refused to accept the contentions which German delegates advanced regarding economic conditions in their country. The reply, made public today, charged that the German economic commission's report is "marked in parts by great exaggeration."

STROMBOLI, IN ROUGH SEAS ITALY, BURSTS INTO ERUPTION AGAIN DELAY 4'S HOP-OFF

ROME, May 22.—The Stromboli volcano is in violent eruption, according to reports received here today. Several persons are reported to have perished and many injured. Rescue parties are reported en route to the island from Messina.

MRS. CHARLES CASTNER SPEAKS HERE MONDAY

Mrs. Charles Castner, president of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, who will probably be the only out-of-town speaker in the local campaign for the \$5,000,000 bonding bill which comes before the people June 3, will speak in the library auditorium Monday evening, as a part of her tour of the state in the interests of the measure.

Mrs. W. D. McNary has been appointed a member of the state wide committee for the campaign, and with R. W. Rittner and J. V. Tallman, other members of the committee, arrangements are being made for the meeting. The Delphian club, the Current Literature Club, the Thursday Afternoon Club and the Civic Club, local organizations which are members of the federation, are to be responsible for Mrs. Castner's entertainment while she is in the city.

M'NARY GIVES REQUIREMENTS FOR AIRPLANE LANDING PLACES

With airplane mail service and forest fire protection by plane his dream for Oregon, Senator C. L. McNary has addressed letters to mayors in the principal Oregon cities, one of which reached Mayor J. L. Vaughan today, asking that the cities of the state cooperate to bring about such services by the building of municipal airplane landing fields.

12 MONTHS SCHOOLS NEXT STEP IS PREDICTION OF F. P. AUSTIN

Although Pendleton's first attempt at holding a summer session of school met with failure, F. P. Austin, superintendent of city schools, today predicted that within a short time public schools, following the lead of universities and colleges throughout the United States, will be holding sessions throughout the twelve months. The first step in that direction locally will be the introduction of a ten months' course in September.

THIRTY-TWO NOW THOUGHT DEAD IN EXPLOSION

Eleventh Body Taken at Noon From Ruins of Douglas Starch Co., in Cedar Rapids

21 STILL MISSING THIS ATERNOON

Flames Sweep Plant Following Explosion, Water Mains Break.

CEDAR RAPIDS, May 22.—Thirty-two are now thought dead in the fire which destroyed the three million dollar plant of the Douglas Starch Co. last night. The eleventh body was taken from the ruins at noon today, charred almost beyond recognition. Company officials admitted this afternoon that 21 are missing. All are probably dead, as none could hardly survive the terrible heat the flames created. A thorough search will be made as soon as the ruins cool.

PLAN GIVES HOTEL FIFTY MORE ROOMS

Plans for an enlargement of the Hotel Pendleton by the addition of 50 more rooms, thus increasing the accommodations of the hotel 50 per cent, are being drawn by Architect R. W. Hatch for the Matlock estate.

Railroad Men of County Contribute \$30,550 to Loan

Final returns from the Victory Loan subscriptions of the employees of the O. W. R. & N. Co., were received from district headquarters at La Grande today. The two local banks received an allocation of \$30,550 worth of bonds as the share which the company's employees in the county bought.

Russell Chambers in Hospital

Russell Chambers of Hermiston is operated upon at St. Anthony's hospital this morning.

"THE PIONEER"



The picture above shows "The Pioneer" before it was cast in bronze for presentation to the University of Oregon as a gift from J. N. Teal. A news story telling of this work by A. Plimister Proctor appears on page 7 today.

DECISION OF COURT CLEARS CLOUDED PHRASES OF WILL

Suit to quiet title to land, valued at \$20,000, left by the late Nelson Swaggart, was settled today by a decision of Circuit Judge G. W. Phelps, investing title in fee simple in John Milton Swaggart. The suit was a friendly action in which John Milton Swaggart was plaintiff and George W. Swaggart and other brothers and sisters were defendants.

NEW COMPANY HAS BLYDENSTEIN MILL

The West End Chop Mill, owned by Blydenstein & Co., today was sold to the Umatilla Flour and Grain Co., of which W. Schwartzberg, manager of the Pendleton Roller Mills, is president, and will be operated by that concern from June 1 on. N. J. Blydenstein, secretary and manager of the new owners, will take charge of the management.

CONCERT IS MARKED BY COIN THROWING

Nickels thrown into the ranks of the band, where small boys might scramble for them between the legs of the hard working musicians, nearly broke up the weekly concert of the Pendleton Round-Up band last evening in the east end of the city. Throughout the whole hour the youngsters hopped into the musicians and the condition was aggravated by men throwing coins into the crowd to be fought for by the kids. Major Lee Moorhouse, who was present and in possession of a police badge, was appealed to by Director C. O. Breach to restore order, and did so in a measure.

CHINA STILL PONDERS OVER PEACE COURSE

PARIS, May 22.—Wellington Koo, member of the Chinese delegation, declared that China will sign the treaty only with reservations, "if at all." He said the delegation is still considering its course of action.

GERMANS TAKE UP ALTERATIONS OF PROPOSALS

Undertake Revision Upon Receipt of Information of Time Limit Extension by Allies

TERMS OF AUSTRIAN PACT TAKING SHAPE

Some Enemy Suggestions May Later be Applied to League.

BY CARL D. GROAT. (United Press Staff Correspondent.) BERLIN, May 22.—Alteration of Germany's counter proposals was undertaken following receipt of information that the allies had granted extension of the time limit for discussion of the treaty.

FRAMING AUSTRIAN PACT

PARIS, May 22.—The "big four" today discussed the military and prisoner-of-war terms of the Austrian treaty. The reparations section of the pact was completed at yesterday's meeting. Decision was reached yesterday to withhold action in the armed dispute between the Poles and Ukrainians over territorial matters until Premier Paderewski's arrival, which is expected tomorrow or Sunday. Brockdorff-Rantzau and five other members of the German delegation left last night for Rome to confer with members of the German government.

HARVEY MORRIS SAVED STEAMER BY RADIO WORK

Harvey J. Morris, Pendleton boy who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Morris of this city, and who has been in the navy as a radio operator since 1917, recently sent a message which saved a ship from sinking, while in a heavy fog. Morris, in a letter to Joe Dorsey of this city, tells how he caught the message of distress from the vessel and how he was able to send a message which enabled the ship to get its bearings. The Pendleton boy is one of three radio operators aboard the East Indian, and as first class radio operator he supervises the work of the other two men. Morris was in England for some time. He enlisted for four years and expects to remain in the service until the time limit expires.

THE WEATHER FORECAST

Tonight and Saturday fair.

MAKE HIM SIGN IT

