

THE WEATHER
Unsettled tonight and Tuesday;
probably rain or snow.

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BRITISH GAIN IS GREATEST SINCE MARNE

ENTIRE TRENCH LINE LOST BY TEUTONS.

VICTORS NOT HARMED

Recapture of Stronghold From the Turks Announced in House of Commons—"Win War Loan" Totals \$7,500,000,000.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)
LONDON, Feb. 26.—General Haig's army is threatening Bapaume, following a German evacuation of the trenches in that sector. The greatest British gain since the battle of the Marne, was reported in the capture of Pys, Serre, Miraumont, Petit Miraumont and Butte Harlencourt. The Germans burned old dugouts, abandoned their trenches and retired to new defenses.

Practically no losses were suffered by the British in the advance which resulted in the capture of the Teutonic entrenchments.

Turk Garrison Flees.
Bonar-Law told the House of Commons today that the British have recaptured Kut-el-Amara, and that the Turkish garrison is in full retreat. In addition, the British captured the entire position at Sann-a-Yat.

Sir Edward Carson, lord of the admiralty, announced that German destroyers shelled the port, Margate Broadstairs Sunday night. One woman and a child were killed, and two children hurt.

Bonar-Law announced that the British "Win War Loan" totalled more than \$7,500,000,000 of new money.

HOMESTEADERS MANY

Land Office Still Working on Applications of January.

Homestead entrymen will have to exercise much patience in awaiting replies to their filings, according to word received this morning by U. S. Commissioner H. C. Ellis, from the land office at The Dalles. More than 1000 filings have been made in the new year, and the office is literally swamped with business.

The letter stated that the office at The Dalles is now working on applications which were turned in on January 18.

\$6,000,000 ASKED TO PURCHASE FOOD

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—Senator Borah introduced a bill today in the upper house, appropriating \$6,000,000 to relieve the food situation. The bill provides that the President shall direct the expenditures.

PLOT ALLEGED AGAINST DUTCH

GERMANS MASS TROOPS ON THE NETHERLANDS FRONTIER—TORPEDOING MAY BE AN ATTEMPT TO FORCE WAR.

By Ed. L. Keen,
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
LONDON, Feb. 26.—It is believed here that Germany deliberately plotted the torpedoing of seven Dutch steamers last week, to force war and reduce Dutch supplies. Large German forces have mysteriously reached the border line of the Netherlands, it is known.

It was reliably learned that the Dutch steamers, Minodo, Bandoen, Zoendijk, and Eemland, were not sunk, although they were badly damaged by torpedoes, and had to be towed into port. The crews returned to Falmouth, after giving full particulars to the Dutch consul.

ELKS' PETITION READY TO GO IN

FINAL STEPS TAKEN BY LODGE MEN.

Little Doubt as to Outcome Expected in Bend, and Dispensation, as Forerunner of Charter, Expected in Coming Month.

All preliminary steps necessary for the organization of an Elks lodge for Bend were taken yesterday afternoon, when an enthusiastic gathering of local antler bearers was held in the O'Kane building. The petition for a charter, bearing the names of some 90 members of the order residing in and about Bend, will be sent off some time this week, with necessary data, to the grand officers, and Bend Elks are confident that the request will be granted.

Vernon A. Forbes, who has been gathering information on the proper procedure in an undertaking of the kind, was the chief speaker at yesterday's meeting, explaining the necessary steps in acquiring first a dispensation and later a charter. The success of the petition, it is understood, will hinge largely on Bend's having passed the 5000 mark, and Elks here are satisfied that this requirement will be met.

Reply Expected Soon.
It is expected that a dispensation, virtually establishing the lodge, will be received here from the grand officers about the middle of next month and until this reply is received, no further gatherings will be held. At that time, however, a tentative organization of the lodge will be effected, officers elected, and the handling of lodge matters definitely commenced.

No charter can be granted until the convening of the Grand Lodge, in July, but this, it is stated, will hinge largely on the granting of the dispensation.

EFFECT ORGANIZATION TO WORK BLACK SANDS

Variety of Tests Show High Values of Deposit, and Refractory Sand May Yield to New Process.

After three years of prospecting and development work in the black sand deposits on both sides of the Deschutes river near Culver, steps are being taken by Field Engineer Walter M. Ober, and associates, to incorporate and make exhaustive tests of the property to back up the general examination of values already conducted. A report compiled Mr. Ober from a variety of assays, on specimen obtained by several different methods, was brought in this morning by Edward Berry, of Culver, who holds an interest in the black sand claims.

Assays made run all the way from \$2.40 to \$27.50 a ton, with a new concentrating process which is reported to save values of \$25 a ton. This process is now being given a thorough test.

Cyanide reduction shows from \$2.40 to \$6.40 per ton, with platinum in one instance running to \$5.15, with gold reaching \$27.50. Flotation saved values of from \$3.50 to \$6.30 a ton.

The black sands deposits have been known, over since their location, to be rich in the rare metals, but the main difficulty has always lain in the refractory character of the material, making the working of the deposits at any considerable profit, to be extremely difficult. The new process mentioned by Mr. Ober in his report, it is thought, may prove of great benefit in this direction.

FIGHT NIGHT BATTLE

German and British Destroyers Meet in the North Sea.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)
LONDON, Feb. 26.—It is announced that the British and German destroyer squadrons fought at midnight in the North Sea last night. "After a heavy engagement, in which guns and torpedo tubes were given constant use, the British were unharmed."

The extent of the damage inflicted on the enemy is not known.

AMERICAN FREIGHTER ENTERS THE GIRONDE

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)
PARIS, Feb. 26.—The American freighter Orleans entered the Gironde river today, and will dock at Bordeaux tomorrow.

POLICE PREPARE TO MEET POSSIBLE RIOTS GROWING FROM INTERNATIONAL SITUATION

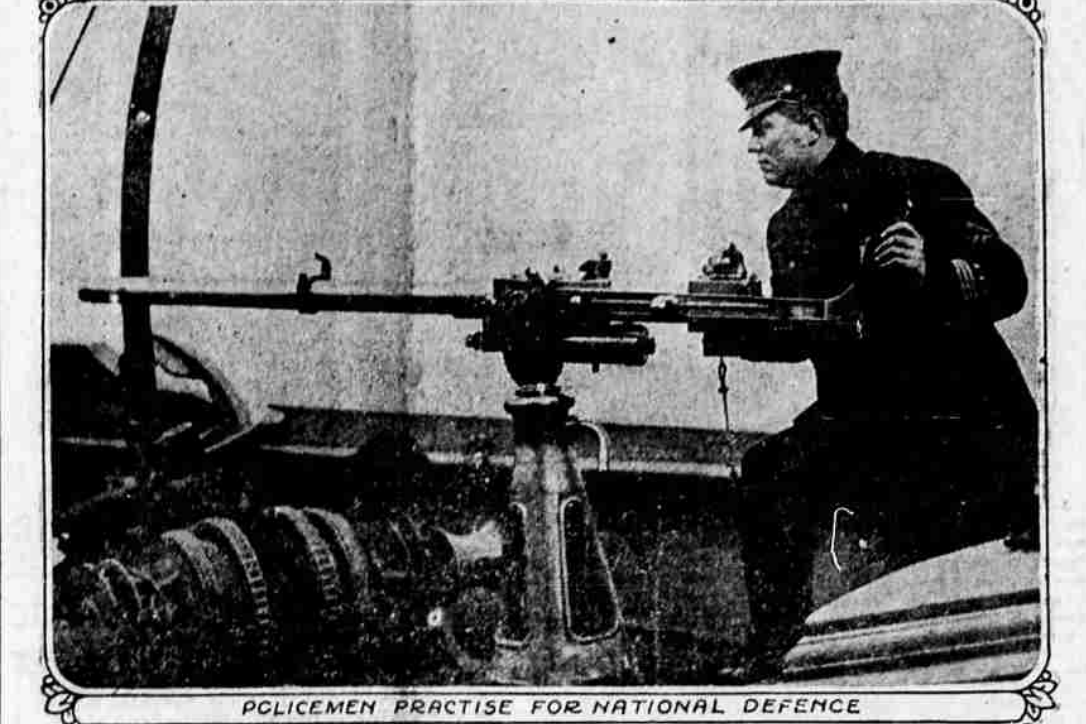


Photo by American Press Association.

In furthering plans to cope with riots or other disorders that might grow out of the present tense international situation the New York police department received equipment for machine gun drills. Ten of the guns were received from New Haven,

Conn., and a squad of 125 policemen who had previous military or naval experience was assigned to man them. Police departments of New Jersey towns and other places are following the lead of the New York department in the matter of preparedness, and the mayor of Tenafly,

N. J. James Westervelt, has augmented the standing force of the town by swearing in the members of the fire department as deputy marshals. He directed the police to take up target practice, and it was said that the special deputies were to be provided with riot guns.

Armed Neutrality, Not Declaration of War, Policy Advanced by Wilson In Speech Before House and Senate

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—Speaking before a joint session of the houses of Congress, this afternoon, President Wilson asked for authority to arm American merchantmen, and to take other means to protect American lives and interests on the high seas. He asked a patriotic union of all opposing forces to present a united front to Germany.

The President did not ask for a declaration of war, but merely for an armed neutrality. He said the series of German offenses against the United States indicate the Kaiser's determination to continue the policy of ruthless submarining. He declared that the submarining of the Lyman Law, an American vessel, disclosed a "ruthless method, deserving grave condemnation."

He asserted that the United States must protect American lives, and emphasized the fact that diplomatic means had failed to preserve neutral rights against Germany's unwarranted infringements. He said that he devoutly hoped it would be unnecessary to put armed forces anywhere into action. "I am a friend of peace, and mean to preserve peace as long as possible," he said.

WOODS-SCHOEL BOUT CREATES INTEREST

Local Fight Fans Backing Bend Boy at Even Money Against Dark-Horse Portland Fighter.

In spite of heavy rains, a number of Bend fight fans will be in Prineville this evening to attend the 10-round bout staged between "Speck" Woods, of this city, and Gilbert Schoel, a recent arrival in Bend, who hails from Portland, Cheyenne, and other points in America where the squared circle continues in favor.

In addition to the main event, there will be two fast preliminaries, and all three goes will be refereed by Billy George.

Little dope is to be had on the respective class of Woods and Schoel, for while the former is known to local fans as a hard hitting fighter with a talent for absorbing stiff jolts with little apparent damage to himself, Schoel is an unknown quantity. Intimations that the Portland man has a past record including a decision in the dim ages past over Mike Gibbons, and a draw with Ad Wolgast, have not discouraged "Speck's" backers, and heavy wagers at even money are being placed on the outcome of the mix.

TRANSFER COMPANY LAUNCHES BUSINESS

C. E. Hamilton and J. E. Bozell Receive New Auto Truck for Oregon Fuel & Transfer Co.

Incorporated under the firm name of the Oregon Fuel & Transfer Co., C. E. Hamilton and J. E. Bozell started actively in business this morning, with their new three-quarter ton, \$1500 G. M. C. auto truck, just received from Portland. Mr. Bozell arrived in the city at the same time, having waited in Portland for the last two weeks, until the truck should arrive from Seattle.

TEN DAY FALL IS 23 INCHES

FEBRUARY RECORD OF 1916 BESTED—RAIN FALLS IN MILLICAN SECTION, AS WHITE MANTLE DESCENDS HERE.

Easily in advance of the mark set during the entire month of February last year, is the snowfall so far recorded this month, government records show. For precipitation, in water content, in the period from February 17 until today, inclusive, totals 1.54 inches, while that for the whole month last year was .87 of an inch.

Twenty-three and one-half inches have fallen up to this morning, the fall for February, 1916, being 8 1/2 inches. Last year's precipitation total, however, is boosted by the 25-inch fall, with a 2.06 water content recorded for January, 1916.

Six inches of new snow fell since the announcement of the official measurement Saturday, the weight of the flaky deposit increasing materially in the two inches falling yesterday afternoon and last night.

Rain Shrinks Snow.
An oddity in climatic conditions was reported yesterday by Willard Grenstead, who just arrived in the city from his homestead beyond Millican. With two feet of snow on the ground in that section, a heavy rain fell nearly all day Saturday, shrinking the white layer to five inches. At the same time, snow was descending rapidly in Bend and the vicinity.

The storm resulted in trouble on the O.-W. R. & N. line, and the train scheduled to arrive at 7:35 o'clock last night failed to pull in until 12:30. On the Oregon Trunk, the morning train arrived on schedule time.

Buildings Protected.
All day yesterday and today men were busy cleaning off the tons of snow from buildings, but in spite of (Continued on Page 4.)

TWO DESIRE REMEDY FOR MARRIAGE ILLS

William R. Nunn and Mrs. Lefa Upperman are Plaintiffs in Actions Filed This Morning.

Two suits for divorce were filed in the county clerk's office this morning by Attorney C. S. Benson, one the complaint of William R. Nunn vs. Martha E. Nunn, the other that of Mrs. Lefa Lee Upperman vs. William C. Upperman.

In the first case, desertion and immoral conduct are alleged as cause for action, and in the second, cruel and inhuman treatment, and threats to kill, are alleged.

BEND MERCHANTS ARE FOR HOME INDUSTRY

That the merchants of Bend hang together in the protection of local industries better than in almost any other town he ever saw, is the declaration of D. A. Muth, who has recently arrived from Eugene to take charge of the Central Oregon Farmers' Creamery. This spirit, Mr. Muth says, is the thing that has brought the creamery along to its present size.

Mr. Muth has a number of plans for the improvement of the creamery which he will put into effect as fast as possible. In view of the market here and the cream supply of the section he expects to see it unusually successful.

BRITISH ADVANCES FAIL, SAYS BERLIN

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)
BERLIN, via Sayville, Feb. 26.—It is announced that the British reconnoitering advances in several sectors between Armentieres and Ancre, failed. Several surprise attacks were attempted.

MANY RABBITS KILLED

Taking advantage of the deep snow, a party of 30 residents of the Millican section held a rabbit drive this morning with the result that 160 jacks were put out of business. Another drive will be held in the near future.

U-BOAT SINKS BIGGEST VICTIM

LACONIA, AN 18,000 TON LINER, NOT WARNED.

Carried Contraband Cargo, But No Munitions or Explosives—Eight American Passengers, Says New York Office.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)
LONDON, Feb. 26.—It was announced that the 18,000-ton Cunard liner, Laconia, was submarined off the Irish coast Sunday night. The liner is the biggest victim of the German submarines, since the new deep sea campaign was started on February 5.

The Laconia was en route from New York to England, and carried American mails. Consul Frost, of Queenstown, reported that 278 survivors are en route to that point. The Cunard officers stated that the vessel was torpedoed without warning. There were no Americans on board, they said.

CONTRABAND CARRIED

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)
NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—A cablegram to the local Cunard offices said that one life was lost in the Laconia torpedoing. Officers of the company declared that there were six Americans aboard. The Laconia carried a contraband cargo and started its voyage on February 18.

SURVIVORS LANDED

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)
QUEENSTOWN, Feb. 26.—Fifteen of the Laconia survivors were landed here today, and reported that several were injured. The crew included 22 Americans, they said. The Cunard officers here said that the vessel did not carry ammunition or explosives.

AMERICANS ON BOARD

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)
NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Late this afternoon the Cunard offices issued the names of eight Americans, who were passengers on the Laconia. The list included Floyd Gibbons, war correspondent for the Chicago Tribune.

GERARD ASKS CONVOY

Requests Warship to Protect Him on Way Home From Europe.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—It is officially admitted that ex-Ambassador to Germany Gerard has asked the United States for a warship to convoy the vessel on which he has taken passage from Europe, on account of the threatened German war.

No action in the matter has been taken, as far as can be learned.

NEW LODGE TO FORM TONIGHT

L. H. HAMIG, GRAND OFFICER OF IMPROVED ORDER OF RED MEN, ARRIVES TO INSTALL ORGANIZATION.

Tonight at the Council chambers another fraternal lodge will start its official existence in Bend. It is the Improved Order of Red Men, whose Grand Chief of Records, L. H. Hamig, is here to install the new organization. A large number of prominent local citizens have affiliated themselves with the Red Men and prospects for a strong organization are said to be bright. For the present the order will meet in the Council chambers on Monday nights.

Mr. Hamig was last here with the Portland Ad Club on its memorable visit on Labor Day, 1914, and expresses astonishment at the great growth of the town since then.

Among the local members of the organization are J. H. Ashley, J. C. Ingalls, Joe Young, S. V. Keltz, B. E. Bald, J. E. Berry, P. W. Johnstone, H. H. DeArmond, L. A. W. Nixon, R. X. Fox, J. Alton Thompson, J. A. Donovan, O. F. Drum, George F. Ashley, E. D. Fieson, S. E. Roberts, H. G. Emmett, Dwight F. Miller, A. B. Taylor, L. H. Magill.