

THE WEATHER
Unsettled tonight and tomorrow; probably showers.

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BRITISH REGAIN LOST POSITIONS

ENTIRE GERMAN LINE IS IN DANGER.

Many Prisoners Taken by the Allied Forces—Repeated Waves of Teutonic Attack Thrown Back by French Troops.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
LONDON, May 9.—Although compelled to yield some ground around Fresnoy, because of tremendous German attacks, the British regained their lost positions today, General Haig reported.
Bullecourt, surrounded by the Australians on three sides, is about to fall. Penetration of the German positions at Bullecourt, it is believed, would imperil the entire Oppy line, and force the Germans to retire to a distance.
Since April 1, the British forces have captured 20,000 Germans, 257 guns, 227 mortars and 470 machine guns, it is announced. British casualties in General Haig's recent offensive were 50 to 75 per cent less than those incurred by the British along the Somme earlier in the war.
The French recently announced that 29,000 Germans had been captured since April 16, bringing the total number captured by the Allies up to 49,000.

Germans Repulsed.

PARIS, May 9.—Staggering losses are reported inflicted on repeatedly assaulting waves of Germans desperately attempting to retake French positions on Chemin des Dames. All attacks by the Teutonic forces were repeatedly repulsed.

BLAZING STEAMER TOWED INTO PORT

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
BOSTON, May 9.—The steamer Sebastian is on fire off the Nantucket shoals, according to a wireless message received today by the Charleston navy yard. A Norwegian steamer is towing the Sebastian to Newport, with several patrol boats alongside.

WILSON'S BID WINS MADRAS CITY HALL

Guy H. Wilson has been awarded the contract for the construction of the new city hall at Madras, on a bid of \$5250. Work is to start within the next two weeks.

DAILY WAR BILL FOR ENGLAND DISCLOSED

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
LONDON, May 9.—England is expending daily for war \$34,560,000. Chancellor of the Exchequer Bonar Law told the House of Commons today.

PLOTTING CONTINUES IN CENTRAL AMERICA

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—The State Department is gathering evidence that Germany is continuing her plots in Central America. The department refused to state what countries are affected, or how extensive the intrigues are.

REVENUE BILL STRIKES RICH

SMOKERS, DRINKERS AND PLEASURE SEEKERS WILL CONTRIBUTE TO GOVERNMENT IF THE MEASURE IS PASSED.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—The House Ways and Means committee reported on the \$1,800,000,000 revenue bill today. Chairman Kitchin immediately introduced the measure, and it will probably go before the House tomorrow.
The bill provides increased tax schedules hitting every single man with an income of more than \$1000 annually, married men with incomes of more than \$2000 annually, every movie fan, traveller, theater goer, smoker, drinker, and everyone who telephones.
The measure hits the rich most heavily, providing a 33 per cent tax on incomes of more than \$500,000. Taxes on whiskey, wine, cigars and tobacco are doubled, and inheritance taxes are jumped one-third.

WORK IS URGED FOR ROAD BONDS

SITUATION CRITICAL, BOOSTERS TOLD.

Joint Debate Between E. J. Adams, of Highway Commission, and Member of Grange May Be a Feature Next Wednesday.

Urgent need for work to advance the cause of the \$6,000,000 State Road bond issue was vividly shown this noon at the weekly luncheon of the Bend Commercial club at the Pilot Butte Inn, when President Floyd Dement declared that the success or failure of the measure at the special election in June, will depend largely on the vote polled by the Central Oregon counties. Discussion of the road question was the main business of the meeting.

Prospects for a clash between E. J. Adams, of the State Highway commission, and some representative of the Grange or organized labor, were revealed by A. E. Edwards who stated that steps are being taken by the Central Trades, Labor, and Farm council to provide a speaker to take issue with Mr. Adams when he speaks for the bond issue in Bend on the evening of May 16. The club is strongly in favor of a joint debate of the kind, as bringing out sides of the question in a way which hitherto has not been found possible here.
Manager H. J. Overturf reported the receipt of a letter from Bruce Dennis, secretary of the State-wide Good Roads association, asking the support of auto owners for the bond bill. Mr. Overturf also asked that a greater degree of publicity be given to the movement. A Whisnant replied to the request by declaring that so far but little interest had been manifested in the bond issue by the club members.

UNCLE SAM ASKS MORE PORK FOR THE NATION

Meat Supply of Country Can Be Increased More Quickly by the Hog Route Than Any Other Way.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—The United States government is urging increased raising of pigs. The meat supply of the country must be increased, and the quickest way to do it is by raising hogs.

ECONOMIC CHANGES TO ACCOMPANY WAR

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—"There is no ground for the fear that war time thrift will bring hard times," said Director W. S. Gifford, of the council for national defense in a statement made through the United Press today. "War time thrift merely means a readjustment, and not a cessation of expenditures. The whole country is organized on a peace basis, and must be readjusted to a war basis."

APPLICATIONS FOR RESERVE IN ORDER

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
SAN FRANCISCO, May 9.—The War Department announced today that applications for the officers' reserve corps would now be accepted, and held until future training camps are established. The first 66 men entering the school were quartered at Presidio today.

FABULOUS PRICES REACHED BY WHEAT

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
CHICAGO, May 9.—May wheat jumped to \$3.13, an advance of 17 cents over last night's closing price, today. July wheat sold at \$2.40 but advanced to \$2.77 following the publication of the government's crop report.

AMERICANS DETAINED IN TURKISH CAPITAL

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—The State Department was advised today that the Turks are holding 20 Americans in Constantinople. Americans of military age are not being permitted to leave Turkey. The embassy is endeavoring to secure their release.

BOOTLEGGERS BACK IN JAIL

Frank Sheffield, convicted of bootlegging, was put back in the city jail today, having furnished no bail bond in connection with his appeal.

"HE LEFT HERE TO SERVE HIS COUNTRY"



Photos by Marine Corps Publicity Bureau. As a mark of honor this sign is now being put on the homes of all who join the United States marine corps.

\$8000 DAMAGE SUIT GOES TO DEFENDANT

Circuit Court Decides for W. H. A. Smith, in Suit Brought by Jens Hasselburg, on Land Deal.

Word has just been received of the handing down of an opinion by Circuit Judge T. E. J. Duffy, of the Circuit court, in the case of Jens Hasselburg vs. W. H. A. Smith, the decision favoring the defendant, and disallowing the claim of \$8000 made by Hasselburg. The amount was alleged to have been due as damages resulting from a land deal in which the defendant was represented by his son, R. M. Smith, of Bend.
Vernon A. Forbes was attorney for the defendant, while H. H. De Armond represented the plaintiff in the action.

CHURCHILL BOOSTS FOOD PREPAREDNESS

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
SALEM, May 9.—State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. A. Churchill realizes the seriousness of the farm labor shortage, judging from letters he has sent to school superintendents and principals throughout the state. He is urging all school boys who have had farm experience or who are qualified to do farm work to enlist in the labor reserve corps.

ALFALFA LOSS IS MINIMIZED

FUNGUS PROBABLY CAUSE, INSTEAD OF WINTER COLD—SHOOTS SPRING FROM APPARENTLY DEAD PLANTS.

While large areas in Deschutes county and other parts of Central Oregon were thought to have suffered the loss of practically all their alfalfa as the result of lack of protection from extreme winter cold, investigations carried on through County Agricultural Agent R. A. Blanchard indicate that the loss will not approximate nearly the loss at first attributed to it. Examination of the roots of plants apparently killed during the winter, has given a basis for the theory that a form of fungus growth is responsible for the trouble.
Samples from nearly every section have been submitted to the experts at the State Agricultural College, but there is a divided opinion on the cause. Both the department of entomology and pathology at Corvallis have made reports on the samples sent to them by the county agent and report no indication of insect trouble, but a large indication of a fungus injury.
The pathological department reports an abundance of what seems to be a species of phoma. Whether this fungus growth is a parasite, causing the death of the plants, or a saprophyte, which merely lives on dead tissue after the plants were killed, is not known. Since little is known in America of this species, investigation work is necessary. The fungus will be inoculated on healthy plants grown in the laboratory and a later report made. The following words from Prof. M. B. McKay, assistant plant pathologist, read in part: "I find an abundant growth of an organism that appears to be a species of Phoma. In order to learn whether it is of a parasitic or saprophytic nature, inoculation work must be done which will require a few months' time. If no other evidences of other injury separate from this occur, then it is safe to conclude that this is the cause of the trouble."
In a great many fields investigated lately, those plants which formerly appeared to be dead were found to have from three to a dozen new shoots starting up.

WAR COMMISSIONERS KISS LIBERTY BELL

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
PHILADELPHIA, May 9.—Marshall Joffre, vice-premier of Viviani and other members of the French war commission to the United States, kissed the Liberty Bell in Independence Hall here today. Viviani hailed Independence Hall as the "Birthplace of the liberty of the world."
Absolute silence reigned as the Frenchmen tiptoed forward and kissed the historic relic.

HALF LIBERTY LOAN ALREADY SUBSCRIBED

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WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—One-half of the \$2,000,000,000 liberty loan has been already subscribed, it was announced here today.

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ELECTRICAL HEADS DISCUSS THE DRAFT

Plans to Redistribute Working Forces to Make Up for Men Conscripted, are Threshed Out.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
NEW YORK, May 9.—The probable effect of the draft upon the electrical industry was discussed today in an executive session of the National Electric Light association here. The association has abandoned its plans for an immense electrical show and convention at Atlantic City June 1.

The extent to which the industry can redistribute its 150,000 employees allowing men for the army and still light and propel the nation was the major question brought up. Whether men drafted should be assured their positions on return from the army, whether pay should go on, and a policy on pensions were discussed.

BOYS WANTED FOR MERCHANT MARINE

Junior Naval Reserve Campaigns for 100,000 Membership Before September 1.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
NEW YORK, May 9.—Campaigning for a membership of more than 100,000 boys before September 1, the U. S. Junior Naval Reserve today began a big drive for the establishment of a U. S. J. N. R. post in every inland and coast city in the United States.

Impressing upon boys ready to enroll that they are not compelled to go into the regular navy unless they so desire, and that upon the request of his parents any one can withdraw from the reserve. The reserve has adopted the slogan "The Navy's the Thing," and is trying to create merchant marine and navy consciousness in every part of the nation.

"Lads who become members of the U. S. Junior Naval Reserve are trained for the merchant marine as well as for the navy, because when the present world wide war is over there will be an unprecedented demand for thousands of young seamen to man the hundreds of merchant vessels now under construction for use in the world-wide commercial war," says a bulletin issued by the reserve today. That Germany at the outbreak of the war had a marine league of 500,000 members, supporting 32 training ships, and training thousands of young men for the sea, was pointed out. "The citizens of Germany forced their government to give them proper shipping laws," says the bulletin, "because they were interested."

The reserve now has a membership of 50,000. Camp Dewey, near New London, Conn., was opened last summer. Camp John Paul Jones, at Corpus Christi, Texas, has been operating successfully since March. Local posts giving preliminary training are being organized in every city where can be found suitable men of training to take charge.

EXCAVATION FOR GYM NEARING END

Excavation work for the Bend Amateur Athletic club gymnasium will be completed this week by Contractor Joe Rock, and the foundations will be commenced next week, Architect Lee A. Thomas announced this morning.

DUST NUISANCE TO BE ABATED

STREET SPRINKLING NEED IS SEEN.

Easy Rate for Water Offered Council—Gant & Hanson Given Sewer Contract—Auto Fire Truck Virtually Completed.

Need for quick work in abating the dust nuisance in Bend was recognized last night at the regular monthly meeting of the city council, Chairman Silvis, of the street committee, suggesting that an early decision should be arrived at as to the relative merits of oil and water for street sprinkling. A discussion ensued, in which Mr. Silvis stated that \$5 a night would cover the labor involved, while the Bend Water, Light & Power Co. would furnish water at five cents per 1000 gallons, necessitating an expense of only \$1.20 a night for this item.

No figures were available as to the cost of oil, and the discussion was closed in a motion authorizing the city attorney to draft an ordinance which would allow property holders to petition for either oil or water. Much opposition developed to the subscription plan of footing the bill, and it is probable that a plan will be evolved by which the city will pay the expense, levying the proportionate shares against property benefited.

The possibility of increasing the efficiency of the city fire protective system was suggested in the plan for the installation of a red light at the corner of Bond and Greenwood to be switched on from the telephone office, whenever an alarm is turned in. No action was taken in the matter. The petition for a light on the corner of Aubrey road and West First, was granted.

Aid Asked for Woman.

A letter from the law firm of Redman & Moore, asking what relief could be given by the city in the case of Mrs. Edna Miller, claimed to have been injured in a fall February 25 on an icy walk in front of the Deschutes hotel, was read, and referred to the city attorney. Two letters were read from Keeler Bros., bond dealers, promising the immediate issuing of the city refunding bonds just voted at special election.

A petition from residents on Drake road from Newport avenue to Nashville street, asking for the improvement of their part of the road with cinders, was referred to the streets committee.

To pay for repair work done on sidewalks last fall, City Recorder H. C. Ellis was authorized to make liens of \$1 each against the property owners benefited. The need for installing crosswalks in sections of the city where walks have recently been put in, was discussed, and referred to the streets committee.

Must Erase Light Signs.

The practice of painting advertising signs on street cluster lamps was complained of, and Chief of Police Nixon was authorized to order the erasure of two signs on Wall street, and to discontinue the light service in case the order is not at once obeyed.

Sealed bids for the construction

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GERMANS DESIRE MORE PUBLICITY

SECRET DIPLOMACY AND MISTY ATMOSPHERE IN FOREIGN OFFICE SCORED BY NEWSPAPERS SEEKING POLICY CHANGE.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)
AMSTERDAM, May 9.—Speculation in connection with what Chancellor von Bethman Hollweg may say on the subject of peace in his forthcoming speech in the Reichstag, has resulted for a widespread demand for "less secret diplomacy" in Germany's administration, according to German newspapers received here.
A copy of the Vossische Zeitung, just received, bitterly assails the lack of complete frankness, declaring that "every statesman must make a real effort to clarify the desires in his own mind, and then stand firm for the demands against foreign diplomacy."
An editorial referred to the "misty atmosphere" in the foreign office.