

THE WEATHER  
Continued Fair, Tonight and Tomorrow.

## NOT OPPOSED TO EIGHT HOUR DAY

### ASK NATION-WIDE APPLICATION.

#### Local Mill Chiefs Ready to Co-operate in Reducing Work Day, If Competitors of South are Placed on Same Basis.

Two large local lumber manufacturing concerns, the Shevlin-Hixon and the Brooks-Scanlon companies, have announced themselves ready to go to an eight-hour working day as soon as the eight-hour day is adopted nationally in the lumber manufacturing business. It is stated that the local managements are ready to meet their employes half way and to cooperate in securing legislation looking toward a nation-wide eight-hour day for lumbering, at least after the war.

Governor Withycombe has issued a statement to the effect that the enforcement of an eight-hour working day for Oregon lumber manufacturers at this time would cripple the local industry and seriously hurt the state, unless an eight-hour day was in nation-wide force. The competition of southern mills, with cheaper wages, and with a ten-hour day, as compared with a higher wage and a shorter day here, could not be met successfully, he maintains.

#### Shelvin-Hixon Ready.

When shown the text of this statement, T. A. McCann, manager of the Shevlin-Hixon Company, and speaking for that organization's local plant, said:

"You may tell the people of Bend that we believe the eight-hour day is probably coming. And we are ready to have it come just as soon as our industry and local plant can be properly protected against unfair competition. An eight-hour day here and a ten-hour day in southern lumber mills would prove ruinous. Not only would it seriously cripple us, but also it would hurt all of Bend, as of course the local lumber payrolls are largely responsible for Bend's prosperity and continued growth.

#### Need National Move.

"We are ready to have an eight-hour day locally when an eight-hour day for lumber manufacturing is accepted throughout the country. That would put us all on the same level and be fair. We suggest, therefore, that the efforts of those who are chiefly interesting themselves in securing shorter hours be transferred to a campaign for a national eight-hour day. Perhaps this best should be made effective after the war, when the necessity for maximum production is not so great as just now. But whenever such national legislation is enacted, we are ready for it, and in the mean time we are also ready to co-operate in legitimate efforts to bring about such a nation-wide work day."

#### Dr. Brooks Gives Statement.

Dr. F. Brooks, of Minneapolis, head of the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Company, arrived this morning from British Columbia and gave out the following statement regarding the labor situation:

"With reference to the proposed agitation in favor of an eight-hour day, I do not believe that it will be a serious menace to the lumber interests of this part of the country, if the eight-hour day can be made uniform, north, south, east and west. "Whether it is expedient at this time to adopt the shorter day, may be open to some question. The matter has only been under discussion for a short time. There is some testimony that indicates that certain factories have done as much in an eight-hour day as they did previously in ten hours. It is doubtful, however, whether this would apply to a sawmill that has machinery running at fixed rates of speed.

#### Caution Counselled.

"Some caution should be displayed in adopting an eight-hour day. We should be careful not to take steps that will result in too high prices for lumber. If prices are too high, consumers will not buy. If the output of lumber should be materially restricted, the workman will have less to do, and there is one thing certain, the cost of living will not be materially decreased in the near future. The workmen must continue

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## GERMAN BLOOD DYES HILLSIDE

### DIVISIONS ARE LOST IN ATTACK.

#### Canadians Hold Steadfastly to Commanding Heights of Hill No. 70—Many Americans are Taking Part in Action.

By William Phillip Simms,  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

#### WITH THE BRITISH ARMY, Aug. 17.—Hill No. 70 ran with the blood of German divisions sacrificed in repeated efforts to recapture this important dominating height taken by the Canadians. Along the entire new Lens battle front, the most desperate fighting has been waged, extending through the last 12 hours.

The Canadians repulsed all attacks, and today they recaptured St. Auguste, from which they were forced last night. The number of prisoners taken is probably greatly in excess of the first estimate.

The Germans have deserted a large number of guns. The Canadians fought valiantly, hanging onto every position with bulldog tenacity. Many Americans are fighting in the ranks of the Canadians.

#### LANGEMARCK TAKEN.

BERLIN, Aug. 17.—The recapture of Langemarck was officially announced today.

#### GERMAN ATTACKS HEAVY.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
LONDON, Aug. 17.—General Haig reported continued German counter attacks on the Lens front today. One assault forced a slight retirement of the British from the advanced positions established during the night.

## ALLIES DELAY REPLY TO POPE

### SHOW CONFIDENCE IN UNITED STATES BY WISHING TO LEAVE ANSWER TO PRESIDENT WILSON'S DISCRETION.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
LONDON, Aug. 17.—The Allies are delaying their reply to the Pope's peace offer, until a consultation may be held in which all the Entente allies will participate. Some, it is learned, wish to leave the answer to President Wilson.

Lord Cecil, who announced that all the Entente powers would be consulted before an answer is made, was unwilling to comment on the Pope's proposal, pending an official decision. The suggestion that President Wilson reply as spokesman for the Allies shows the exceptional qualifications conceded to America for making such an answer.

It is declared that Wilson could reply as the first great speaker for peace.

## ALLIED AEROPLANES HURL EXPLOSIVES

### Aerodromes and Railway Stations are Attacked, and Road Transports Bombed.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
LONDON, Aug. 17.—The Admiralty announced today that many tons of explosives were dropped on enemy aerodromes and railway stations, and that several fires were observed following the raids on Ostend.

The aerodromes at Engel, Chiselles and Untkerke were bombed and road transports attacked.

## BOY IS GORED BY INFURIATED BULL

That a mad bull in the Terrebonne vicinity was prevented from goring a boy to death this morning through the intervention of a neighbor, was learned this morning by Sheriff Roberts in a phone call from County Commissioner L. E. Smith. Mr. Roberts ordered that if the animal could not be corralled it should be shot at once.

## GUARDSMEN ARE ADEPT RAILROAD BUILDERS



Photo by American Press Association.  
Guardsmen quickly pick up the business of railroad construction. At a camp "somewhere on Long Island, New York," guardsmen are shown laying ties of a railroad on which food will be brought to the camp.

## CLOUDBURST HITS TERREBONNE FARMS

### Seven Inches of Rain and Inch of Hail Fall Within 75 Minutes, Wiping Out Grain Crops.

What is probably the heaviest storm in the history of that section, struck in the vicinity of Terrebonne late yesterday afternoon, covering at least 15 square miles, wiping out all grain crops, spoiling the first stand of alfalfa, and seriously damaging potatoes. The report of the storm was brought in to Bend today by E. H. Morgan and E. Almeter, Terrebonne ranchers, living in the district covered by the cloudburst.

More than seven inches of rain, with over an inch of hail, fell in 75 minutes, they said. Roads were washed out, and on low ground the water stood knee deep this morning. They noticed damage to roads in the vicinity of Tumalo on their trip to Bend, but said that crops in that section had not been hurt.

## FEDERAL FORCES TO BLOCK I. W. W. MOVES

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 17.—Federal troops will be sent into Oregon, Washington and Idaho, if necessary, to keep war industries free from I. W. W. activities, it is officially intimated. If a threatened I. W. W. strike is called, the Department of Justice may ask for troops.

## PRO-GERMAN CHARGE HALTS COMMISSION

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 17.—Pending an investigation of Alleged pro-German utterances, the Senate military affairs committee today postponed the confirmation of the appointment of Col. Carl Reichmann, newly named as a brigadier-general.

## FIRE AT WALKER RIM BURNS OVER 55 ACRES

Word received at the office of the Deschutes national forest is to the effect that the fire on Walker Rim is well under control. The blaze spread over 55 acres before it was checked.

## HOGS IN CHICAGO SET NEW HIGH MARK

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Hogs reached a quotation of \$18.60 a hundred today, 55 cents above yesterday's price.

## DISEASE DANGER IS ELIMINATED

### WATERS OF TUMALO CREEK ARE PURIFIED, AND INDIVIDUALS SUFFERING FROM DYSENTERY RECOVERING.

Prompt action taken by the health authorities in combating the epidemic of dysentery caused by the pollution of Tumalo Creek, has resulted in the elimination of further danger from the disease. It was announced today. The stream has been thoroughly cleaned out, and the swift flow the creek has resulted material in purification. An examination at lumber camps by Dr. Dwight F. Miller, county physician, revealed the fact yesterday that conditions are now restored to normal. Pollution causing the epidemic was caused by the carcasses of sheep which were found in an irrigation ditch, the outlet of which is tributary to the creek.

Physicians who are attending the cases of dysentery reported today that danger of any further fatalities is practically removed.

The only death reported to date is that of four year old Violet Sippy, funeral services for whom were held yesterday morning.

## WILL REDISTRIBUTE THE WESTERN TROOPS

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 17.—The War Department today announced the general redistribution of troops to cantonment camps.

The Alaska, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, Montana, Wyoming, and Utah troops are assigned to American Lake.

## STEEL PRODUCTION PROBE COMPLETED

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 17.—The Federal Trade Commission completed its investigation today of the cost of steel production, and will submit its report to the President in the near future.

Confusion and delay of government steel construction will soon end. The President is expected to fix the price of all steel products immediately, based on the commission's findings.

## SOCIALISM IN RUSSIA FAILS

### CONFERENCE ON AUGUST 23 TO MARK BEGINNING OF CONSERVATISM—MORALE OF ARMY IS STRENGTHENED.

By William G. Sheperd,  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)  
MOSCOW, Aug. 17.—Socialism has failed in Russia. Premier Kerensky recognizes the fact, and a great conference to be held here on August 23 will mark the end of pan-Socialistic rule, and the entrance of the new elements of conservatism.

Socialists realize that they have failed in the attempt to govern single-handed. This is due to the fact that the Russian cities are Socialistic and the country is conservative. Because of this, the peasants refused to sell food to the cities, declaring that money is useless because of high prices.

## NEW CONFIDENCE FELT

PETROGRAD, Aug. 17.—General Korniloff today expressed new confidence in the army, following a conference with Minister of War Kerensky. "Recent measures have considerably strengthened the army's combativeness and morale," he said. I hope that the Russian forces may soon be completely regenerated."

## MASONS GIVE TWO DEGREES AT ONCE

### Special Dispensation Is Made in Case of Dr. Dwight F. Miller, Who May Soon Join Army Corps.

Because he is expecting to receive within a few days his commission for the U. S. Medical corps, Dr. Dwight F. Miller was started this afternoon by Bend Lodge A. F. & A. M., on the second and third degrees of Masonry, the first time in the history of the local lodge that this has ever been done. A special dispensation received yesterday afternoon from the Grand Lodge of Oregon permits the action of the lodge.

Dr. Miller was given the apprentice degree on August 9, and ordinarily would not be allowed to take even the second until a month had elapsed.

## SECOND RAINBOWS WILL LEAVE SOON

### National Guardsmen From New England May Join First Division on Trip to Europe.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 17.—The second Rainbow division, composed of National Guardsmen from the New England states, may leave with the first division of Rainbows. Supplies are now being gathered.

Major General Clarence Edward, commander of the Northeastern Department, will be at the head of the division.

## POPE IS DEPRESSED OVER PEACE APPEAL

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
ROME, Aug. 17.—It is reported today that the Pope is greatly depressed over the general unfavorable reception of his peace appeal. The Pontiff is spending most of his time alone.

## SETTLERS HURT BY RATE BOOST

### SQUAW CREEK LANDS MAY GO DRY.

#### Farmers Unwilling to Pay Allegedly Exorbitant Water Charges, Will Ask Rehearing Before Public Service Commission.

Unless the Public Service Commission sees fit to change its ruling on water rates for the Squaw Creek project, or a reduction is secured on appeal to the supreme court, the settlers say they will dry farm rather than pay the allegedly exorbitant rates allowed by the commission's recent decree.

A committee representing the settlers held a meeting Tuesday night, consulted Thursday with V. A. Forbes and H. H. De Armond, of Bend, their attorneys. The committee members were B. C. Cline, J. W. Gotter, Elmer Peterson and John Dokin. The attorneys, on behalf of the settlers, will ask a rehearing from the commission and falling satisfactory results will appeal the case.

#### Original Rate 35 Cents.

The original rate for irrigation water was 35 cents per acre. The Squaw Creek company sought to have this increased to \$1, and the commission, after investigation, allowed an increase to 60 cents per acre foot. The text of its order has been published in The Bulletin.

According to Mr. Forbes, this advance is prohibitive from the settlers' standpoint and would give the Squaw Creek project a higher rate than any in force in Eastern Oregon.

The Commission, in its recent ruling, estimates the amount of water required for successful irrigation at about two feet per acre. This would cost the settlers, at the new rate, \$1.20 per acre, whereas the charge on the Central Oregon segregation is only \$1, and on the Tumalo project about 80 cents.

#### Much Water Needed.

Further, it is held by the settlers that the commission is far astray in its estimate of two acre feet. The adjudication made by the State Water Board in 1909, says Mr. Forbes, fixed an allowance of four-fifths of an inch per acre as a necessary amount for irrigation. That would equal five second feet, under the other system of measurement, or more than twice as much as the commission now estimates is required. Alfalfa is the chief water using crop and it is said that it can use advantageously at least four acre feet, which would cost, at the new rate, \$2.40.

#### Expenses Low.

"Up to July 20," says Mr. Forbes, "the company had delivered \$5,334.60 worth of water. The season is about half over, so that the estimated receipts for the year would be about \$10,000. But it actually requires only a couple of men to operate the system and all expenses are very low compared with those on neighboring segregations. Unless adjustments are made, the representative settlers declare they will give up their water entirely and go to dry farming."

## WILSON TAKES UP ARMY EXEMPTIONS

### Complaint of Senator Weeks in Regard to Drafting Married Men, Is Answered in Letter.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 17.—President Wilson today wrote Senator Weeks, of Massachusetts, that he will again take up with the War Department the exemption of married men with families, from military service.

The President's letter is in answer to a communication received last week from the senator declaring that there is great dissatisfaction through the country on this point.

## PORK PRICES GAIN IN COAST MARKETS

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)  
PORTLAND, Aug. 17.—Hogs advanced here to \$17 a hundred, a 25-cent increase. This is probably a coast record.

## Bend Women Urged to Sign up for Knitting for Red Cross

A new department of work which will be taken up by the local Red Cross chapter will be that of knitting, and in order that Bend may do its full share toward this, all women who are willing to aid, are urged to send in their names to Mrs. C. S. Hudson, chairman of the knitting committee. Materials and full instructions will be received here soon, and will signal the commencement of the work. The knitting will be done at home, while the regular Red Cross work now being done here will be continued as usual.

500 knitted sets comprising sweaters, mufflers, wristlets and socks. The Red Cross supply bureau is arranging for a large supply of yarn and knitting needles to meet the requirements of the chapters. Within the next two weeks there will be ready a knitting circular for distribution to the chapters and large shipments of yarn will be coming into the various branch supply houses.

Desperate need will exist for these articles among the soldier and civil population of France and the other Allies before these articles can be made, it is pointed out. To expedite the completion of the work Red Cross workers are asked to start at once and without waiting for the new knitting manual to prepare for the work.