

VENICE WILL BE PRESERVED

TEUTONS PLEDGED TO SPARE ART WORKS.

Pope Benedict Receives Promise —Italians Continue Counter-Offensive, But May Evacuate Plave River Defenses.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
ROME, Nov. 20.—Germany and Austria have promised Pope Benedict that no damage will be done to Venice nor any art treasures be removed if the Italians evacuate the city. It has been authoritatively learned.

Although reported dead yesterday, it is believed that Gabrielle D'Annunzio, the poet aviator, is on a furlough in Venice.

Continuance of the Italian counter-offensive in the Meltett region resulted in the capture of 306 prisoners and five machine guns. It is officially reported. The war office announced that four massed enemy attacks were repulsed in the neighborhood of Monte Fenera.

Fierce fighting was also reported around Monte Tomba and Monte Fenera. It is indicated that the invaders have successfully broken through the Plave river defenses.

WITHDRAWAL LIKELY.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—Censored Italian headquarters dispatches indicated that the Plave river defenses may be evacuated in order that preparations may be completed for renewing the offensive. The withdrawal would mean the loss of Venice and Treviso.

ITALIANS REPULSED.

BERLIN, Nov. 20.—Strong Italian counter attacks have been repulsed around Monte Tomba, it is stated. The enemy suffered heavy losses.

HUNS ATTACK IN CAURIERES WOOD

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
PARIS, Nov. 20.—German forces attacked violently over two-thirds of a mile front north of the Caurieres Wood, making slight gains. It was stated here today. An immediate counter attack by the French captured nearly all the ground the enemy had gained.

PLAN TO RESTORE RUSSIAN MONARCHY

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
PARIS, Nov. 20.—A Vienna dispatch asserts that Grand Duke Nicholas Nicholavitch has assumed command of General Kalendine's Kosacks as part of Kalendine's plan to restore the Russian monarchy. Nicholas was proclaimed the grand duke regent.

BEND MAN ARRESTED ON SHOOTING CHARGE

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
BEMIDJI, Minn., Nov. 20.—Charged with shooting Oscar Nelson, a bank cashier, Roland Henriouett, formerly of Bend, Oregon, is in custody here. Witnesses declare that Nelson was shot three times, and that the affair was the result of a quarrel over enlistment.

ANOTHER AMERICAN IS LOST IN FIGHT

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
AMERICAN FIELD HEADQUARTERS, France, Nov. 20.—Another American soldier was killed in a fight between patrols early Monday. Details of the occurrence are not available.

ARMY IDEAL FOR THE FRENCH IS PROPOSED

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
PARIS, Nov. 20.—Unrelenting, redoubled, supreme energy is the war platform of the new French ministry. Premier Clemenceau announced today before the Chamber of Deputies. He declared that the nation's only thought must be of the army.

MAY ASK ALLIES TO MAKE STATEMENT OF OBJECT IN WAR

PRESIDENT SEEKS, THROUGH PROPOSED ALLIED COUNCIL, TO HAVE COUNTRIES PLACE CARDS ON THE TABLE—WOULD DISARM KAISER'S CHARGES.

By Ed. L. Keen,
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
LONDON, Nov. 20.—A direct unequivocal statement of the war aims of the allies is the big objective behind President Wilson's advocating the proposed inter-allied war council. The United Press has authoritatively learned that the American commission here now will ask every ally to throw their cards on the table. From the entire lot the council will select the basic principles, predicated upon broad humanitarianism and justifying the allies' claim as champion of the small nations.

It is expected that such a statement would purge the allies last tinge of suspicion of selfish war aims. This would also disarm the Kaiser in claiming that Germany is fighting a defensive war and would weaken the German morale.

COLLISION SINKS U. S. DESTROYER

TWENTY-ONE AMERICANS GO DOWN WITH VESSEL, 70 ARE SAVED — DETAILS OF ACCIDENT ARE SUPPRESSED.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 20.—The small United States torpedo boat destroyer Chauncey was sunk after a collision while on patrol duty abroad Monday. Twenty-one Americans are thought to have been lost and 70 members of the crew saved. The public information committee has not given out any details of the accident. The Chauncey is an old type of destroyer, built in 1902. It had a displacement of 420 tons and carried a crew of 91 officers and men.

MEN SOLICIT FOR GYM FUNDS

COMMITTEES RAISE NEARLY \$7000 IN LOANS FROM BUSINESS MEN — BUILDING WILL SOON BE COMPLETED.

Loans amounting to between \$6000 and \$7000 have been collected by committees of prominent business men who have been giving time the past two days to securing funds needed for the completion of the Bend Amateur Athletic club building. The above sum represents nearly 40 subscriptions of an average of \$200 apiece.

The athletic club building will be completed within the next two months, but \$10,000 is needed to assure this. Last fall part of the funds were subscribed and now an effort is being made to get the remainder in one lump. Committees of ten have taken half days off and visited business houses negotiating the loans. These are given without interest and in return those loaning their credit receive certificates of indebtedness.

Members of the committees say the sum will be collected easily as the business men are giving royally in spite of the tax on their pocketbooks the past few months.

FIRE DISCOVERED IN TRANSPORT PASTORES

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
HOBOKEN, N. J., Nov. 20.—Fire was discovered this morning in the army transport Pastores. The blaze was put under control seven hours later, after the entire Hoboken fire department and two Manhattan fire trucks had been called to the scene. The damage was slight.

SHEVLIN-HIXON OFFICIALS VISIT

TELL NEED FOR MOTOR FOR NEW BAND.

F. P. Hixon and E. L. Carpenter, On Two-Day Stay In Bend, Report Labor Conditions Good—City's Prosperity Is Noted.

Just how soon the fourth band at The Shevlin-Hixon Company mill here is to be installed will depend largely on the securing of a suitable motor. If the right kind of second hand machinery can be obtained, work will commence at once, but if the plant waits for new equipment it will mean a delay of approximately five months. This was the statement this morning of F. P. Hixon and E. L. Carpenter, president and vice-president, respectively, of The Shevlin-Hixon Company, who arrived today on a combined pleasure and inspection trip.

The labor situation will have no effect in holding up developments, for in spite of the war and the consequent demand for men, the supply of labor in the lumber industry is if anything greater than last year, Mr. Carpenter declared.

As to their purpose in coming west at this season, Mr. Carpenter stated that both he and Mr. Hixon had been devoting their energies recently to aiding in the various war fund movements, including the sale of Liberty bonds and the raising of money for the Red Cross, and that the journey across the continent was largely for rest and relaxation.

Management Praised.
"Bend looks better than ever," Mr. Hixon said, "and if you keep on building homes at the rate you have during the last year, you're going to have even more prosperity. The town is remarkably clean for so dry a season."

Accompanied by T. A. McCann, general manager of the local plant, and E. H. Dea, general mill superintendent for The Shevlin-Hixon mills, Mr. Hixon and Mr. Carpenter went through the mills and yards, expressing themselves as highly satisfied with the condition of things and the manner in which the business is being conducted. Tomorrow morning they will spend at the logging camps, returning to the main plant in the afternoon, and terminating their visit in Bend in the evening.

SEES HOPE FOR TUMALO SYSTEM

LEAKS CURABLE, SAYS OSWALD WEST.

Ex-Governor Intimates That He May Submit Proposition to Take Over Project Depending on the Reservoir.

PORTLAND, Nov. 20.—That the Tumalo irrigation project reservoir is not so irretrievably leaky as has been understood since the recent report of the Desert Land Board, is the intimation conveyed in a statement given out here by ex-Governor Oswald West. Mr. West has just returned from a trip through Central Oregon, in the course of which he inspected the Tumalo irrigation system.

"Notwithstanding what has been said through the columns of the press about the partial failure of the Tumalo irrigation system owing to a leak in the reservoir, I wish to say that it is only a question of time when this leak will be stopped and the project pronounced a complete success," said Mr. West.

"Should it develop that our state desert land board does not deem it advisable to proceed with the work of stopping the leak, I will be prepared in the very near future, to submit, upon the part of very responsible people interested in irrigation development in this state, a proposition to take over that portion of the system dependent on the reservoir and after stopping the leak to dispose of the lands and reimburse the state for the amount it has expended on this part of the project."

It is known that a quiet investigation of the conditions existing at the reservoir has been made recently by responsible and well known engineers who are now considering the information gained from this survey with the idea of making a definite and amply backed proposal to the desert land board to take over and carry the project through to completion and success.

COUNTY SEAT CASE NOT TO BE REVIVED

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
SALEM, Nov. 20.—The supreme court today denied the petition for the rehearing of the case of W. C. Barber, appellant, vs. the county clerk of Jefferson county. The case is that in which the county seat contest of Jefferson county is involved.

New Draft System Based on Conscription of Men Who Have No Dependents

PORTLAND, Or., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—Let every man who is registered under the selective service law, and that includes all between the ages of 21 and 30 years, inclusive, pay careful heed to the changes that have been ordered by the government in the method of selecting men for military service.

The changes affect every man subject to the draft, without exception. The new plan goes into effect on December 15. But on December 1, preparations for putting it into effect will begin all over the United States.

At that time all exemptions or discharges from military service under the draft will automatically be cancelled. Exemptions hereafter will be based on an improved system whereby the government will have exact knowledge of every registered man and his affairs.

The basic principle of the new system is that those men are to be taken first who have no persons dependent on them. Under this classification come single men, married men whose wives support them, married men who have habitually failed to support their families, or whose families are independent of them for support.

Men in this class will be subject to call first. They will be listed under what will be known as Class I.

The married men and those with persons other than their wives or children immediately dependent on them for support, as well as those whose work is necessary to industries essential to the war, including agriculture, will be listed in other classes. There will be five classes in all. The effect of classification in classes below I will be to grant a temporary discharge from the draft, for men in these classes will not be called until the class or classes above theirs has been exhausted.

UNITED STATES MAY DECLARE WAR ON AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

WOULD BRING SPIES WITHIN REACH OF ENEMY ALIEN PROCLAMATION — ROUND-UP OF GERMANS CONTINUES — ARREST MANY AT HOBOKEN.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 20.—The United States may declare war on Austria-Hungary in order to bring the Austrians within the scope of the President's alien enemy proclamation. The Austrians have been among the most active spies, yet the government cannot force them to register in order to bar them from water fronts and otherwise protect American interests.

Round-up of Germans in this country is continuing everywhere. Two hundred Germans were arrested in Hoboken alone last night, for being within 100 yards of the water front.

A. F. OF L. PLANS NOTE TO SLAVS

AMERICAN LABOR WILL EXPLAIN TO RUSSIA WHY FEDERATION IS FIGHTING KAISER TO THE LIMIT.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
BUFFALO, Nov. 20.—The American Federation of Labor will send a fraternal message to the laborers of Russia, telling why American labor is fighting the Kaiser to the limit.

A large part of the program today at the federation convention was devoted to discussion of Russian affairs. The vice-president of the A. F. of L., James Duncan, is scheduled to tell the convention what he saw during his recent Russian visit.

INSTRUCTOR TO ENLIST IN NAVY

L. C. SANDERS, OF HIGH SCHOOL MANUAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT, MAKES KNOWN INTENTION OF LEAVING.

Bend high school will be minus a manual training instructor next month. Lewis C. Sanders, the present teacher in the department this morning made known his intention of resigning and entering the navy as a ship's carpenter. Mr. Sanders will go to Portland Thursday night to make arrangements for enlisting and then go on to Corvallis to visit his mother. His resignation will probably become effective a few days previous to December 15.

So far there are no applicants for a successor in the department and the school board will have before it three alternatives, namely, to drop the course entirely, to turn the classes over to Principal H. M. Grant, who has had some experience in this work, or to find another man. Mr. Sanders has only been here since September, the course having just been put in the high school this year. The work is just getting nicely under way and much has been accomplished by Mr. Sanders in the short time he has been here. He has also acted as coach for the football team and has been instrumental in bringing it through a successful season.

On account of the opening of the new gymnasium this winter, City Superintendent Thordarson believes it will be advisable to bring another man to Bend who can take charge of both athletics and the manual training department.

EGYPTIANS TWELVE MILES FROM CITY

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.)
LONDON, Nov. 20.—Official dispatches declared that Egyptian forces occupied Beturetahta, 12 miles northwest of Jerusalem.

MAY INCREASE CITY MILLAGE

COUNCIL TO PASS ON BUDGET SOON.

Finance Committee Will Hold Meeting Next Week — Members of Council Express Themselves Favoring Heavier Levy.

Increase in the present tax levy from 23 mills to something in the neighborhood of 30 this year is the prediction of at least two members of the city council. The general opinion held by all is that the general fund is in need of replenishing to a much more liberal extent in order to care for maintenance of public utilities and provide special allowances for fire protection, health precautions and similar conditions.

The finance committee composed of Clyde M. McKay, E. P. Brosterhouse and Louis Bennett will hold a meeting possibly the earlier part of next week to prepare a budget, a preliminary outline of which has been under consideration for some time. This budget will be submitted at the next meeting of the city council December 4, and an opportunity will be given the taxpayers to discuss the finances.

Budget Delayed.

Much of the budget is now hanging fire on account of the proposed amendment to the charter which would make the Bancroft act applicable in Bend and would save the necessity of placing street and sewer improvements as items in the expenditure. Sufficient funds will of course be required for maintenance of these.

In the absence of Mr. McKay in La Grande, the other two members of the committee were unable to make definite statements as to the probable action of the committee. Mr. Brosterhouse, speaking from his own viewpoint regarding the matter said, "I would be in favor of increasing the levy two to seven mills as we need it in the general fund. It is very likely that special sums will be designated to be put aside for the principal public utilities this year in order to assure that they will receive enough. We are putting in more facilities for fire prevention which will require a considerable expenditure during the coming year. This department has been handicapped by lack of money up to the present. The health committee will also be cared for in this way. In case of an emergency such as an epidemic it may be arranged so that an additional sum may be drawn from the general fund, but under ordinary circumstances a set allowance would be expected to cover this."

Improvements Needed.

"Another improvement which I consider an absolute necessity," Mr. Brosterhouse went on, "is the extension of the city water to the cemetery. As to paying for sewer extensions, I don't think the city will feel like making them if the money has to come out of the general fund."

Mr. Bennett also believes the tax levy will be increased but says it is impossible to tell how much until the assessed valuation is complete. He believes the budget will be pruned fairly low and believes street and sewer improvements will be given first consideration in all cases.

Levy May Be 30 Mills.

C. V. Silvis, of the council, is strongly in favor of making the levy 30 mills. "This doesn't mean that we should increase the expenditures from the general fund," he said, "neither does it mean that we should take the money out in the way it has been done this year. The Bancroft act is in shape now so that it may be used to advantage and we should do that. Expenditures have been pretty light all round this year but we ought to increase the taxation for the benefit of a few needed improvements and in consideration of the growth of the city."

Coinciding with the general opinion, Councilman John Steidl stated that much more money will be needed in order to keep up with the general expenses, even though the present conservative policy is carried out. He declined, however, to say anything definite regarding it until after the next council meeting.