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LATE WAR NEWS OF EUROPE

Three British Ships Sunk in North Sea by Submarines

RHEIMS CENTER OF PERSISTENT FIGHTING

Dispatches From Servian Sources Claim Further Victories Over Austrian Forces

LONDON, Sept. 22, 4:30 P. M.—The British warships Aboukir, Hogue and Cressy have been sunk in the North Sea by submarines, according to an announcement given out by the official bureau this afternoon.

The Aboukir was torpedoed first. The Hogue and the Cressy drew in close to her and were standing by to save her crew, when they were also torpedoed.

The loss of life among the crews of these three vessels probably will be heavy, although a considerable number of men were picked up by the Lowestoft, the division of torpedo-boat-destroyers and some trawlers.

Neither the time nor scene of the disaster is given in the official report.

The warships Aboukir, Hogue and Cressy were cruisers of the same type. Their tonnage, armament, etc., were identical. These vessels had a displacement of 12,000 tons, were 440 feet long, 69.3 feet wide and drew 26 feet of water. Each one had a complement of 755 men, including officers and crew.

The German lines for 100 miles are described as virtually a continuation of forts and heavy intrenchments. The artillery fire goes on day and night, and under its cover are sorties of infantry. Counter attack follows attack, and occasionally one side or the other gains ground.

It would appear today that nothing but a successful flanking movement could have any serious effect on either army. But neither front has been broken and neither side has been outflanked.

Rheims appears to be the center of the most persistent fighting. It is between the lines of battle, and the city has suffered heavily. The Germans are said to be most anxious to recapture this position.

The French official announcement issued at Paris says that incessant German attacks delivered September 21, have been unsuccessful and that the Germans have been compelled to retire at more than one point. The French took many prisoners.

The latest official communication from Berlin, issued Monday night, says the Germans have captured the hill positions at Craonne and occupy the village at Betheny, three miles North of Rheims. This announcement described the Germans as also attacking the strong forts south of Verdun.

Dispatches from Servian sources lay claim to further victories over Austrian forces along the River Drina. According to these advices, the Austrians have been driven across this river to the Austrian side with heavy losses.

Wednesday's News

Momentous events that may decide the battle of the Aisne are taking place near St. Quentin, where the allies are making a furious attempt to turn the German right wing.

Vague, but persistent, reports, wholly unofficial, coming from several points, suggest that the Franco-British turning movement is slowly developing.

However, in the absence of official claims or admissions regarding this tremendously important action, little is definitely known.

Such references as are made to the extreme western battlefield are very guarded. An English correspondent declares that the German right has been turned between Peronne and St. Quentin.

The British Admiralty has not made public its estimate of the casualties when three British cruisers were sunk by German submarines, but press reports indicate that probably from 1200 to 1500 officers and men were lost. Reports that two of the attacking submarines were sunk lack confirmation.

The German casualties, so far as reported number 63,467, according to an announcement at Berlin.

An official statement issued at Paris at 3 o'clock this afternoon says the allies have advanced their western wing after severe fighting. It is declared also that German attacks on the east wing of the allies have been repulsed.

MADE ALMOST A CLEAN-UP

C. P. Hembree returned home this week from Sacramento, California, very much elated with the success he achieved with the bunch of Jerseys that he took to the state fair of California.

Following is a list of the prizes he won:

On Bulls

1st on aged; 1st on senior yearling; 1st on junior yearling; 1st on senior calf and 1st and 2nd on junior calf.

On Cows

1st on aged; 3rd on three-year old, and 5th on two-year old.

1st on senior yearling and 1st and 2nd on junior yearling.

1st on senior calf and 3rd on junior calf.

1st and 2nd on get of sire.

1st on calf herd, 1st on young herd, and 1st on breeder young herd.

Those places that have been trying to claim the honor won by Mr. Hembree might take notice that he belongs to Monmouth.

California exhibitors learned that Oregon had been represented at their stock show as Mr. Hembree won the Senior and Junior Championship prizes with his exhibit.

Fruit Dryer Closes Season

The Monmouth Evaporating Company is closing the season's run this week, having handled 1700 bushels of Italian and 400 bushel of petite prunes which will make 42000 pounds of dried fruit. The output is about 50 per cent of last year's crop but of a much better quality.

REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

Governors Will Confer Regarding 1915 Tourists

LARGE SUM SPENT ON OREGON ROADS

Opposition on Part of Fishermen to Government Policy of Racking Streams

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 22.—Fully appreciating the importance of the tourist travel from the East to the Exposition at San Francisco next year, the governors of Washington, Idaho, Utah and Montana have been invited by Governor West to attend a conference on this subject to be held November 26 and 27 at the time of the opening of the Land Products Show in Portland. Governor Johnson of California has been invited to this conference, as have also the officials of the California Expositions at San Francisco and San Diego. In addition to the invitation to the governors, requests have been sent to the immigration officials of the states named and to this list have been added the prominent city officials of Portland, and the presidents of the Portland Commercial Club and the Chamber of Commerce. This important conference will be convened at 2 P. M., Monday, November 26, at the headquarters of the Oregon State Immigration Commission. Its purpose will be to devise methods of co-operation between the several states to induce 1915 Exposition travelers to visit the Northwest states en route and make stops therein at points other than the principal cities. It is believed that in this way the agricultural, timber, mineral and other natural resources may be seen to better advantage than by hurried inspection through a car window.

Believing that the Oregon farm needs scientific business organization as much as does any corporation, and also that the Oregon farmer suffers more from inefficiency and leakage of cost items than from any other one cause, the United States government is preparing to place an efficiency expert in this state to co-operate with the county farm experts. These men will make a systematic survey of conditions and will formulate, if possible, a schedule of suggestions to eliminate present waste. This government expert will co-operate directly with the Oregon Agricultural College, the expense of the new line of work to be borne jointly by the government and the state.

As an indication that Oregon has appreciated the importance of good roads and that the various communities have been willing to spend good money for good roads, a report recently compiled by the State Highway Commission shows that during the period between 1903 and 1912, \$18,392,042 has been expended on roads and bridges in this state. This sum probably does not tell the entire story as the records of some of the counties were incomplete at the time the report was

issued. The expenditures for the present year all over the state will doubtless be much heavier than in previous years, it being estimated that the total will exceed \$4,000,000. Jackson County will expend \$500,000 on the Pacific Highway, Clatsop County will spend \$400,000 on the Columbia Highway, and Columbia County will spend \$315,000 on the same road.

On account of opposition on the part of fishermen throughout Oregon to the government policy in racking various streams, there is considerable danger that the artificial propagation of salmon and other game fish in the state will be discontinued. The Bureau of Fisheries has advised one of the Oregon senators that the work at the present time is very unsatisfactory on account of such opposition.

Street Speaking

Rev. R. G. Miller of Salem will speak on the subject of prohibition, next Sunday evening, at 4:00 o'clock, in front of the postoffice. Mr. Miller is a good speaker and an excellent singer and will be accompanied by his wife who is also a good singer.

Call around at that time and hear what he has to say and enjoy the music.

J. H. Ground Passes

Word was received here yesterday that J. H. Ground of the Luckiamute had died during the early morning at Portland, where he had been for some time.

Arrangements had not been completed for the funeral but it will take place here probably tomorrow. We expect an obituary for next issue.

The County Fair

The HERALD cannot give a full list of prizes at the county fair but will give those taken by Monmouth people as far as we know them. However Monmouth seems not to have had a large representation.

FILBURTS—Ira C. Powell, first.

LIVESTOCK—E. T. Evans, first for three-year-old, two-year-old and yearling colt; second and third for two-year-old; first and second on yearling, and third for Percheron stallion.

POULTRY—White Indian Runner—Ed. Loop, first on young drake; second on young duck. Buff Leghorns—first on cock; first on cockerel; second and third on hen; first and third pullet.

fact should appeal to the citizens of Monmouth because it proves stronger than anything else that their schools are held in high esteem. Many of the pupils have come to Monmouth solely for the school work. The new teacher in the third and fourth grades, Miss Cohoon, has taken hold of her work as though she had never been away from it. The Board is to be congratulated on the wisdom of their choice. The building has been put in fine condition by Mr. Sickafoose. Everything points to a year of strong work. Patrons should run in whenever possible and encourage both teachers and pupils by their presence and good words.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL NOTES

Second Week Ends With Enrollment of 235

PUBLIC SCHOOL SECOND AT COUNTY FAIR

Normal is Preparing to Place Booth in Educational Building at State Fair

The second week of school ended with an enrollment of 235, an increase of eight per cent over the total enrollment of the first semester of last year.

The public school of Monmouth took second prize for their booth at the Polk County Fair at Dallas, which fact was very much appreciated by the people of Monmouth and pupils of the training school.

The Normal is preparing to place a Normal booth in the educational building at the State Fair, and all friends of the school are cordially invited to visit the booth while visiting the Fair.

The Normal has just learned of the sad death of Miss Jean Sharman, and the faculty and students join in extending the deepest sympathy to the bereaved parents and friends. Miss Sharman graduated in February, 1913, and was loved and admired by all who knew her.

Friday evening, September 18, Miss Butler, Miss Taylor, Miss Hoham and Miss Dunsmore were hostesses at a very charming evening given for the members of the Oregon Normal School faculty. Various interesting contests in guessing and drawing served to entertain the guests who derived much merriment from each others efforts to excel. After the refreshments, which were served at little tables prettily decorated with sweet peas, the faculty groups presented charades. This first faculty party was a source of much pleasure, since it was both a reunion of the old members and a greeting to the new members, Miss Green and Miss Cohoon.

The Normal gymnasium was on Saturday evening again the scene of a happy party. The former students of the school gave the initial reception of the year to the faculty and new students. Sunflowers and autumn leaves were cheerful decorations. Music, an address of welcome by Miss Brown, a response by Miss Follow, and a solo by Mr. Byron White all added to the enjoyment of the evening. Acquaintance games and conversation made meeting one's neighbor an easy thing. The Oregon Normal school spirit of friendliness and comradeship was everywhere apparent. Late in the evening ices and wafers were served by the girls.

The Training Department of the Oregon Normal School opened the session of 1914-15 on Monday of this week. The attendance is larger than it has been for years, the number in the eight grades having reached 140 the first day. It was necessary for Mr. Sickafoose to put in several additional desks in the various rooms. This

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