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OREGON WEATHER

Fair tonight; light frost eastern portion; Friday fair, except showers northwest portion; southerly winds.

PREPARING FOR DITCH DIGGING.

Surveyors have now taken the field and are marking out the lines for the new south side irrigation ditch, this to be the most extensive canal for the conveying of water for irrigation purposes in this portion of the valley. It is proposed to extend this canal for a distance of eight miles from the intake at the Golden Drift dam, where the pumping plant is established. A new pump will be installed to serve this ditch, and work will follow closely upon the survey. This ditch will not only carry water for the irrigation of the lands coming under it, but will also be the source of supply for the sugar factory, which will take the water it needs from it. The factory will require a large amount of water during the period of its operation, but this will be after the irrigation season is over. The factory run does not begin till September 1. Much new land is being cleared under this ditch, some in the Allen creek district, and the farmers for five miles down the river will be given water this season, according to the plans of the company.

PLENTY OF TROUBLE.

It is evident that there is not the completest sympathy between the United States authorities and the Mexican de facto government. In fact, there has been no time when Carranza was looking with any great degree of favor upon the operations as directed by Mr. Wilson. It was not so very long ago that Carranza was blacklisted by the Wilson administration, and Villa was a pretty good sort of a fellow. In fact, Villa was good enough to be president of the republic of Mexico, which was great in possibilities, and Carranza has the Mexican quality of being slow to forget. That little war down in Vera Cruz still leaves a bad taste in his mouth. Now he has got the United States soldiers stretched out over a 400-mile line in his own country, with his bushwhacking followers strategically placed to do the most damage in the shortest possible time should his disposition point that way, and Uncle Sam finds his position a most ticklish one. There has been nothing wrong with the way the soldiers have made progress in their chase after Villa, and had their been real co-operation between the Americans and the Carranzistas, Villa would no doubt have been tucked away beneath the sod before now. The trouble has been with the Wilson type of diplomacy.

THRIFT.

Thrift is not a virtue of tomorrow, but of today. The young man who puts off until he is earning a larger income or until he has satisfied some present want the effort to spare and accumulate is pretty sure never to begin unites under the pressure of misfortune.—James J. Hill.

Waning Affection. She tearfully—"You don't love me as you used to do. He—Why do you say that? She—Because you think I look as pretty in a cheap dress as I do in a creation that costs four times as much money.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Buy Rice Extra Fancy Jap None Better 4 Pounds for 25c KINNEY & TRUAX GROCERY Quality First

LITTLE DOING IN BATTLE AT VERDUN

Berlin, April 13.—Weather prevented renewal of infantry attacks on Verdun during the night, it was officially announced today. Artillery was active on both banks of the Meuse and on the Woivre plain.

Southeast of Albert the Germans raided British trenches, carrying away 176 prisoners. Northeast of Compelgne a French gas attack failed.

Paris, April 13.—Germans launched their first frontal attack on Hill 304 during the night, but it was halted by a curtain of fire, the war office claimed today. This hill is one of the keys to the northwest portal of Verdun.

Emerging from Malancourt woods, the Germans found themselves immediately under a cross fire from French cannons in a neighboring sector. Only a few succeeded in leaving their own trenches. Elsewhere, said the statement, the night was calm.

French aviators reported the Germans were marching heavy reinforcements to the Verdun front, apparently for another heavy smash west of the Meuse. Some divisions were said to have been transferred from the Russian battle line.

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BRITISH COMMENT ON GERMAN NOTE

London, April 13.—British officials today professed to see in Germany's latest note to America positive proof that the British steamer Sussex was torpedoed. They point out that no other vessel in the channel was torpedoed at the same time, that the Sussex was damaged at 3:50 p. m., and that the kaiser's reply to United States inquiries admits a submarine attacked a ship in the channel at 3:55.

At that time the Sussex was south of Dungeness buoys, in mid-channel. The German reply, say the British, fixes that identical location as the spot where a British minelayer was attacked and destroyed by a Teuton undersea boat.

The Sussex was making 16 knots when the explosion occurred. The German reply said the vessel was going 18 knots. The Sussex's entire forward quarter was torn away by the blast, the German reply says this happened to the minelayer.

No passenger saw the submarine. The kaiser's note said the submarine was submerged when it launched its torpedo at the minelayer.

Only in its description of the vessel attacked does the reply fall tally with the Sussex. It was argued here that the submarine commander in hastily sketching a likeness of his victim as he saw it through a periscope might easily have erred as to details of its construction. This discrepancy, it is argued in London, is not great enough to offset other evidence indicating that the minelayer Berlin admits a submarine torpedoed in the English channel was none other than the Sussex.

SEATTLE MAYOR AFTER BLIND PIGS

Seattle, April 13.—Mayor GILL, of Seattle, the largest dry city in the country, today proposed in a remarkable interview that the city of Seattle go into the saloon business.

The mayor offered his startling suggestion as the only effective means of eliminating the illicit sale of liquor by drug stores.

"I suggest," Mayor Gill said, "that the next session of the legislature be asked to enact a law permitting cities of the first class to take charge of the sale of whiskey by physicians' prescription. Druggists should be forbidden to sell it at all. The city should establish stations at widely distributed points in the city sufficiently to accommodate all emergency needs."

Such a law, the mayor declares, would quickly put out of business drug stores which have sprung up for the sole purpose of harvesting a fat profit off whiskey drinkers.

Persons who want liquor would be compelled to get it by the method provided in the prohibition law, through permits issued by the county auditor.

The mayor told of the frequent inquiries he received as to information as to how the prohibition law is working out in this city and state.

"I tell the people," he said, "that what I can see with my own eyes—that prohibition has been a wonderful thing for Seattle. I know men who now keep their families clothed and their grocery bills paid who in the days of the saloon never had a nickel. I know that times are better."

"There may be some soaked who still go into the back room of drug stores and guzzle booze, but your boy and my boy are not doing it. There are no saloons for them to walk into. And if I have my way there are not going to be any saloon-drug stores either."

MORE BRITISH STEAMERS SENT TO THE BOTTOM

London, April 13.—The British steamers Robert Adamson, 2,936 tons, and Angus, 3,619 tons, have been torpedoed and sunk, it was stated today.

The crew of the former was landed. The Angus, which was destroyed in the Mediterranean, was not armed.

AMIAILITY.

The cultivation of an amiable disposition is a great part of your religious duty, since nothing leads more directly to the breach of charity and to the injury of our fellow creatures than ill temper.

NEITHER WAR NOR POLITICS

To the men, women and children of Josephine county.

We can't all be elected this time, and it is to be hoped none of us will be called to war, but there is something each one of us can do no matter what our business or where our location, and that something is to boost for the Josephine county fair to be held in Grants Pass in September.

It is now two years since we have brought together an exhibit of our products. The time is ripe and the season young, and with our added industries of railroad construction and sugar-making there can be no good reason offered why we can not have the best fair of our history this year. And by fixing the date just ahead of the state fair at Salem, our ribbon takers have a splendid chance in competition with the best of the state.

Josephine county is second to none in Oregon, but maybe other counties are not aware of that fact; so wake up! Get busy! Raise the best that beat the best that beat the best. Tat the tatting that out tats the tatting that was tatted in tattleville and if you possibly can can the best can that was ever canned; now see if you can.

We have a \$1,000.00 premium list and part of it is yours. Now is the planting season. Select your best ground, plant choice seed, get in communication with the county advisor and produce a product this fall that will speak for itself, for the county and for you.

As harvest times comes during the summer have an eye for something that's good, select a bundle each of your grains and grasses and lay them away for the fair.

Let none of us repeat that oft-heard phrase, "Why I could have brought better than that but I didn't think it would be any use," but bring it, and commence to bring it now.

This will not be a one-man fair, but a fair alike for the farmer, the dairyman, the miner, the stockman, the artist, the housewife and the school child, and we're going to hold it on the front porch of the merchant, the banker, the realty man, and the commercial club.

We're going to all be together; we're pulling together, and the fair belongs to all of us. The premium list and advertising folder will be in your mail box soon, and it is up to you as a citizens of Josephine to put your shoulder to the wheel, your hand to the hoe, and your mind to the task of making this fair a three days' celebration of sport, good cheer and education.

L. M. MITCHELL.

No liberal man would impute a charge of unsteadiness to another for having changed his opinion.—Chico.

Letterheads at the Courier.

Spring Fever

This is the time of year to look out for trouble! We feel weak—our blood seems hot—no appetite. It's time to clean house! This is when the blood is clogged and we suffer from what is commonly called a cold.

Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery (in liquid or tablets) purifies the blood and entirely eradicates the poisons that breed and feed disease. Pure blood is essential to good health. The weak, run-down, debilitated condition which so many people experience is commonly the effect of impure blood. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery not only cleanses the blood of impurities, but it increases the activity of the blood-making glands, and it enriches the body with an abundant supply of pure, rich blood. For sale by druggists. Take it as directed and it will search out impure and poisonous matter in the stomach, liver, bowels and kidneys and drive it from the system through the natural channels.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR!

Portland, Oregon.—"Dr. Pierce's remedies have been used in my family for years, and with good results. I always gave my children the 'Golden Medical Discovery' as a tonic in the spring. My husband took it for poor blood, torpid liver and indigestion. My daughter found it especially good for bloating caused from indigestion. I am glad to recommend Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery."—Mrs. M. Cunningham, 509 Ross Street.

MUCH TALK OVER THE SPLITTING OF CHINA

Portland, April 13.—The splitting of China into two nations was considerably discussed before I left Hong Kong," said George E. Anderson, United States consul-general in China, when shown United States dispatches from Shanghai telling of the accession of another province. "Some such result from the present revolution was expected," Anderson said.

After spending Wednesday conferring with Portland merchants regarding the foreign trade situation and exchanging data with Ansel R. Clark, foreign trade secretary under the department of commerce, Anderson left last night for San Francisco, from where he will go to Washington.

BAD SEASON FOR COYOTES IN CALIFORNIA COUNTIES

Sacramento, April 13.—The slaughter of coyotes in Modoc and Lassen counties is still on. According to the report today of Inspector Ross, 1,300 coyotes were killed in the two counties during March. The total number killed since the campaign started is estimated at 20,000.

Envelopes printed at the Courier office.

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