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OREGON WEATHER

Tonight and Wednesday fair.
Gentle northwesterly wind.

HAIL TO OUR MINERS!

Miners are going over the top with production. To increase their maximum efficiency they are making many personal sacrifices. They are giving up holiday picnics, Sunday picnics, and carnivals; they agree to appoint a committee of six instead of the whole colliery to attend a fellow workman's funeral.

With the reports of the splendid work of the American soldiers in France come these record-breaking reports from our miners. The district representative from Alabama reports the production for the week of July 13 as 412,478 net tons, an increase of 32,741 tons over the previous high record which was 379,737 tons. The representative for Big Sandy and Elkhorn districts of Kentucky report an increase of 20,003 tons for the same week, the new record being 157,996 tons against 137,993.

This is but part of the miners' smashing records. It is now up to householders to save as vigorously as miners are producing. Twenty million householders, by doing their part, will add millions of tons of coal to the miners' supply and thus be backing up our million men who are already in France.

General March, or someone equally as great, is quoted as saying that "Married men without children are worthless to their country." Cruel words, but perhaps it's true.

Nail German lies! Under present conditions any man who knocks any branch of our government has a yellow streak.

This is a great season for the prong-horned beauties. Men are hunting men instead of deer.

Absolutely the easiest and smallest thing to do in this war is to eat less sugar and more war bread.

RIDDLE TRIBUNE SUSPENDS PUBLICATION AT RIDDLE

Claude A. Riddle and family have returned from a sojourn of about two weeks at Riddle, says the Roseburg Review. While there Mr. Riddle decided to temporarily suspend publication of the Riddle Tribune. Geo. B. Coulter, the man in charge, having failed to make good in conducting the same. He is said to have gone to Yreka. The plant will remain intact and in place, so publication may be resumed at any time the conditions may warrant.

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SOLDIER LETTERS

July 22, 1918

Dear Folks at home:

I suppose you think something has happened to me such as getting in the way of one of "Jerry's" bombs or something of that kind. I am pretty sure that if anything were to catch up with me it would be a bomb, as they are the only break in the monotony of our career. I don't think there is much likelihood of anything like that happening though, as I don't think my number is on any of the bombs. We haven't had a real interesting visit for over a week and things sure have seemed dull, as usual. The French people have a way all of their own for keeping the bombs away from them. They have a little combination of a "Jeux-chasio" made up of two little figures like "Punch and Judy" only the French call them "Annette and Rin Tin Tin." They are hung on a string and worn on a button or around the neck. It's funny, too, the implicit faith they put in them. If anyone makes fun of their belief they get right up in the air. I have a pair of them inside a little glass case like a locket and am keeping them for a souvenir. We sure have had some awful weather here lately. For a day or two the sun will be real warm and then for a couple of days or more it will just pour down rain. When I say that it "pours" down I mean "pour" for I never saw such hard rains in my life. They even beat the heavy rains of southern Oregon. It takes only a few minutes for the sky to cloud up, then will come the lightning and the thunder der. In about 15 minutes after the rain starts, then all is mud. It's real mud too, and about six inches deep. The mud makes me think of our days in Texas. It doesn't make it any more pleasant for the drivers when it rains either. For my part I'm sure I've built at least a mile of road in order to get my truck out of sticky places. The trucks are so heavy that they get stuck even when empty if near a sticky place. We are getting along pretty well as an independent squadron. One of our pilots got our first Hun the other day and I suppose and hope that they will keep right on getting them.

One of our pilots was forced to land his machine in "No Man's Land" in front of the Belgian trenches; he wasn't hurt, and a bunch of our fellows went up at night to get the machine. The water and mud was about three feet deep clear out to the machine. After they came back the Belgians pulled the thing back of their trenches and another bunch went up and brought the plane back. This place is near a town, and is one of the best places we have been at. We go to town quite often and can get anything we want. I've collected a few little things for souvenirs, but don't want too many, as I won't care to have so many reminders of this war, when I once get out of it. There is one interesting place near here; it is where the collected mines are exploded. The trawlers bring the mines in from the sea to the shore where they are brought up on the land and exploded, either by machine gun or rifle fire. They are exploded at 10 o'clock in the morning, and 4 o'clock in the afternoon. When they go off they throw great geysers of dirt into the air. It's a fine sight when one is far enough away to enjoy it.

Wednesday, July 24. Will finish this letter now while I have nothing else to do. I am on that he kept out of range as best he could and watched closely every chance to fire. He finally got into a good position and the German machines began to fall. Five of them crashed before the fight was over. June 14 Putnam got three out of six Fokkers and the next day shot down one of two German observing

Several of "Jerry's" bombers were over us the other night but nothing except a rattle from the "Archies" dropped near us. That was plentiful enough though; it was dropping on the roof of our barracks, and all around us. There are lots of French "Archies" around us and they sure make an awful lot of noise when they are all firing. They have shot down several of the bombers over the town near here, and put the wrecks in the town square for exhibition. I don't know how much longer we will be here but I would just as leave stay here for the duration of the war since it is the best place we have been in yet. For a while we were near Amiens and was was fine place before it was shelled and bombed. I must close for this time; write me all the news. I have been getting the Courier regularly now and like it fine.

Lieutenant CLIFTON BOOTH, 17th U. S. Aero Squadron, Aviation Section of the S. C., A. E. F.

LIEUT. PUTNAM LEADING

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afternoon of the following day he ran into one of the German "circuses;" there were six in the group and he got two of them. These made five adversaries shot down between March 14 and April 12 from a monoplane.

Engaged at close quarters with a two seater on May 15 he got near enough to see the German gunner fall forward on his quick firer when he sent a bullet home. Putnam was brought down himself for the first time June 2, but without personal damage. He was one of two fighters protecting two reconnoitering machines when he sighted 11 Germans. He signalled but the reconnoitering planes continued their course. Two minutes later the Germans came on in two groups, one of five above and one of six below. The reconnoitering planes dove for their lines and Putnam for the first time in his career gave himself up for lost.

One of the Germans had succeeded in cutting off the reconnoitering planes. Putnam dove and drove him down. Another German dove at the second reconnoitering plane and Putnam followed him. The German "put his nose up," which in aviation parlance means that he made a steep upward turn, and put three bullets into Putnam's motor. He got one in return that sent him down in a crashing slide on the wing. Meanwhile the six machines in the higher group were firing and one of their bullets went through the machine within half an inch of Putnam's foot. His motor was now out of commission and he was looking for two disasters at once—a fall of 4,000 yards and the final bullet. Again the Germans abandoned just as they were about to get him and he managed to fall just softly enough to break nothing but "wood."

The great fight that made Putnam famous in France was over the battle field of Rheims on June 5. In a half hour combat he shot down five of an enemy squadron of ten Albatrosses. It was close and difficult work for the Germans maneuvered skillfully and closed in on him until he could see pilots plainly in their seats as their machines passed under him. He waved his hand to one of them and the German returned the salute in the thick of the fight. All Putnam says about it is that he kept out of range as best he could and watched closely every chance to fire. He finally got into a good position and the German machines began to fall. Five of them crashed before the fight was over. June 14 Putnam got three out of six Fokkers and the next day shot down one of two German observing

planes. He was about to put out of this on account of jammed guns when one of his adversaries pulled up at a sharp angle, fired ten shots, turned over and fell two hundred yards; then the machine broke in the air and crashed. Since then Putnam has accounted for an observation balloon and, on June 30, another enemy plane.

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If we wish to prevent old age coming on too soon, or if we want to increase our chances for a long life, Dr. Pierce of the Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., says that you should drink plenty of water daily between meals. Then procure at your nearest drug store, Anuric (double strength). This "An-u-ric" drives the uric acid out and cures backache and rheumatism.

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