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AMERICANS FORGE GERMANS FROM THE VESLE VALLEY

OLD SOLDIERS AND SAILORS ENCAMPMENT

MEET IN THIS CITY TOMORROW TO HOLD 26th ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

BIG DINNER NEXT THURS. NOON

Evenings to Be Enlivened by Speaking, Recitations and Music—Organization Formed 30 Years

At the special meeting held by General Logan W. R. C. Thursday afternoon, the plans for the coming week's G. A. R. encampment were outlined. At the preliminary meeting held at Medford by the committee a few weeks ago, it was decided that this reunion be different from all others held since the organization was founded nearly 30 years ago, by eliminating all special day and evening programs and the big costly dinners and suppers.

The reunion this week will be held as a fraternal camping-out vacation. The local W. R. C. will have an informal entertainment each evening, of speaking, music, readings and recitations, and the cooperations of the teachers and children will be greatly appreciated by the W. R. C.

Thursday noon a picnic dinner will be served on the grounds where a long table will be in readiness. This free picnic dinner given in honor of the guests will replace the banquet given at each gathering in the past. As it will be impossible to solicit each corps member personally, all members are asked to fill the biggest basket they have to overflowing with eatables and be on the grounds not later than 11 a. m., Thursday. The ladies will endeavor to make this picnic dinner the big event of the encampment.

Grants Pass has always been apted for its royal reception of visitors, and every effort will be made to make the Southern Oregon Soldiers' and Sailors' Association glad they chose this city for their 26th annual reunion.

The reunion will be held from September 9 to 14.

THE GOVERNMENT NEEDS 2,000 STENOGRAPHERS AND TYPISTS

San Francisco, Sept. 7.—Two thousand stenographers and typewriters are urgently needed to fill vacancies in departmental service at Washington, D. C., according to an announcement from San Francisco office of the 12th civil service district.

Examinations are being held at frequent intervals.

MORE WHEAT RAISED ON JOSEPHINE RANCHES

County Agriculturist C. D. Thompson has received reports from all threshermen in Josephine county with the exception of one threshing outfit. Last year only 9,300 bushels of wheat were raised in this county, while this year's yield will be close to 12,000 bushels, 10,150 bushels having already been reported to Mr. Thompson. While the acreage over last year was increased this season, the yield per acre was also greater. For instance, one ranch that produced only 627 bushels last year, produced 3,593 bushels this season, due almost entirely to increase in acreage.

ALL BREWING MUST END BY DEC. 1

United States Soon to Be Beerless—Time for Discontinuing Manufacture to Be Moved Up

Washington, Sept. 7.—Manufacture of beer in the United States will be prohibited after December 1 next as a war measure.

This announcement was made today by the food administration, which said the decision had been reached at conferences between President Wilson and representatives of the fuel, food and railroad administrations and the war industries board.

Action along this line, it was said, has been expected by the brewing interests, in view of the fuel administration's order of last July 3, reducing coal consumption of breweries 50 per cent and a warning that they might not be able to continue in business.

Under national prohibition legislation passed by the senate yesterday and sent to the house, which enacted similar legislation last May, manufacture of beer and wine would be prohibited after next May 1.

Today's order will move up six months the time for discontinuance of the manufacture of beer, although the breweries may be allowed to resume operations between that date and the effective operation of the dry legislation, if finally enacted, since today's order was "until further notice."

JOSEPHINE OVER TOP FOR SALVATION ARMY

Josephine county has gone "over the top" in the Salvation Army drive to raise her quota of \$400. Saturday Roscoe Bratton, chairman of the county drive, reported that the \$400 had been raised, with a few places yet to hear from.

The national drive to raise \$2,000,000 for Salvation Army war work ends on September 21, but due to the efforts of the local committee, Josephine county's share was quickly raised and the matter is now out of the way for the great Fourth Liberty loan drive.

HARVEST FESTIVAL TO REPLACE COUNTY FAIR

A harvest festival, to take the place of the county fair, will be held in the Baptist church on Sunday, September 15. Exhibits of grains, fruits and vegetables are requested. The church will be open during the day for inspection by visitors.

In connection with the festival there will be three special meetings at which Rev. Alonso W. Petty, D. D., and Mrs. Petty, of Portland, will be the speakers. A large chorus is being trained to furnish music for the occasion.

RED CROSS HOSPITAL BOMBED BY GERMANS

With the American Army in France, Sept. 7.—The Germans scored two direct hits Wednesday night on a large Red Cross hospital southeast of Soissons. There were no casualties as the patients had been removed to nearby caves when the bombing began.

BRITISH MOVE FORWARD ON FIFTEEN MILE FRONT

French Advance on One of The Keypoints of The German Defensive System—Foch's Brilliant Victories Cancel German Stroke of March 21 Last—Hans Retreat

With the American Army in France, Sept. 7.—Menaced by increasing danger in the salient in which they had been attempting to hold their ground, the Germans today began a withdrawal from the Vesle valley to the right of the Americans. The Germans fought with the spirit of their traditions, but slowly continued to give way despite their desperate resistance. The Americans swung their line forward to its junction with the French.

The slowing down of the German retreat from the Aisne enabled the Franco-American forces to bring up their big guns and supplies and get their line in full fighting strength.

With the American Army in France, Sept. 7.—The Germans fell back a short distance today before the pressure of the American-Franco forces on a line about midway between Rheims and Conde.

London, Sept. 7.—Last night the British captured three towns east of Peronne, the war office announces.

Fighting their way toward the German left flank along the Canal Du Nord, the British penetrated the

FARMER KILLS HORSE AND PLEADS GUILTY
Eugene, Sept. 7.—A. B. Mathews, of Thurston, today killed a balky horse, had a complaint issued for his own arrest and paid a fine of \$10 in Justice Wells' court.

LIEUTENANT SEES FIFTY AIRPLANE CRASHES WITHOUT A FATALITY

An American Aerodrom in England, Sept. 7.—Flying in the air is becoming rapidly more safe, veteran instructors at the British-American aerodromes in England tell their pupils. The proportion of casualties during training in the air force are now no higher, they say, than in any other branch of combatant service.

"During three years' flying experience I have seen upwards of 50 crashes, but I have not yet seen any man receive more than skin-deep injuries as the result of these crashes," declared Lieutenant L. Walmsley, of the Royal Air Force, in a talk with American airmen recently.

"Probably my experience has been unusually fortunate, but statistics show that the proportion of fatalities to crashes is extraordinarily small."

"Some of the first airplane accidents were due to the collapse of the machine in mid-air, and because the pilot in those days was merely strapped to a board or strut, without any covering whatever, the results were mostly fatal. The introduction of the fuselage or body, made strongly of steel and wood, in which the pilot's and passenger's seats were placed, made it possible for an airplane to fall from great heights without the occupants being killed. Because of the central position of the fuselage, this is always the last part to feel the effects of a crash, the main force of which is broken by the under-carriage and planes, which act as buffers."

"Two days after I joined the Royal Air Force I saw a machine come

down in a giddy spinning dive and land squarely on the roof of one of the hangars. The pilot climbed out and, lighting a cigarette, calmly asked if the 'other machine' was ready.

"During the next few weeks, I saw no fewer than five crashes, and not in a single case was either pilot or observer hurt."

"Since then, in nearly three years of flying, I must have seen perhaps 50 crashes. I have seen airplanes crash into hangars, stone walls, houses, lamp posts, trenches, motor lorries and bridges. Personally I have crashed into a barn, on a tennis court, in a flooded field, and into a tropical forest; the last at a speed of 80 miles an hour. And in all these adventures, I have not yet seen a man receive anything worse than a skinned nose as the result of a crash, and the only wound I ever got myself was made by a thorn from a prickly pear bush."

"An airman can usually tell when a crash is inevitable and like lightning he must make up his mind how he can use his undercarriage and planes if necessary, to best advantage, first of all to save the life of his observer and his own, and if possible to save the engine the most valuable part of the machine."

"He may have to 'pancake' into a patch of brush, or he may have to fly deliberately between two trees and strip his wings, but so long as he keeps his head the chances of making a successful crash are greatly in his favor."

I. W. W. CONVICTS ON WAY TO PRISON

Ninety-one Sent to Ft. Leavenworth—Long Term for Haywood—No Bail Secured

Chicago, Sept. 7.—Ninety-three members of the I. W. W., including Secretary William D. Haywood, were placed aboard a special train on the Rock Island road under heavy guard to be taken to Fort Leavenworth prison to serve the terms inflicted by Federal Judge K. M. Landis after they had been found guilty of violating the espionage act in fighting the selective draft and opposing the war otherwise.

The prisoners were taken from the county jail at 10 o'clock and conveyed to the station, more than a mile away. So secretly was the start made and so unostentatiously was the transfer made that no crowd was attracted.

All efforts of the convicts to obtain bail or legal delays were abandoned today, after many efforts had been made to keep the men from prison.

U. S. CASUALTY LIST

Killed in action	50
Missing in action	51
Wounded severely	343
Wounded, degree undetermined	191
Died of wounds	17
Died of disease	1
Died of accident	2
Wounded slightly	1
Total	536

Killed in action—Leo I. Sturtevant, Lebanon, Ore.

Wounded severely in action, Huxley L. Galbraith, Lebanon, Ore. Huxley Galbraith is the son of J. F. Galbraith, former owner and editor of the Oregon Observer of this city, and young Galbraith attended school here.

BOLSHEVIKI WARNED BY THE ALLIED POWERS

Washington, Sept. 7.—The Bolshevik authorities in Moscow have been warned by the allied powers, through ministers of Holland, Denmark, Switzerland and Norway that they will be held responsible for the safety of the allied consular officers and missions now detained in Russia.

GERMAN CAPTIVES TO BE BROUGHT TO THE U. S.

Washington, Sept. 7.—Publication today of orders providing for a substantial increase in the corps of interpreters of the army revived reports of plans or bringing to America large numbers of Germans captured on the western front. In this connection it is known that the shipment of civilian goods on returning army transports and supply ships recently was sharply curtailed by the military authorities.

FINLAND'S MANPOWER AT KAISER'S DISPOSAL

Paris, Sept. 7.—A treaty has been concluded between Germany and Finland under which the entire manpower of Finland has been placed at Germany's disposal, says a Havas dispatch from Copenhagen.

LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGN TO OPEN SEPT. 9

DR. ESTHER POHL LOVEJOY, EMINENT SPEAKER, TO TELL OF THRILLING EXPERIENCES

BIG MEETING AT OPERA HOUSE

Wm. F. Stils, Field Manager for Southwestern Oregon, Makes Tour of Coast—Outlook Bright

The Fourth Liberty loan campaign will be opened Monday evening, September 9, at the opera house at 8 o'clock, when Dr. Esther Pohl Lovejoy will speak. She has recently returned from a year's work with the Red Cross in France. She knows conditions first hand and to say that her speech is a "thriller" will be putting it mildly. She has seen the awful work of the Hun as it really is and is not afraid to tell about it. Anybody who is in doubt about the awfulness and extent of German atrocities should hear Dr. Lovejoy. She not only has the facts but knows how to present them in a vivid and pleasing way. She is an accomplished speaker.

Anybody who stays away will be sorry. This is the only platform meeting which the Liberty loan committee is planning for this campaign and the committee requests all citizens to attend the news of it. It is hoped that people from out of town as well as those living in the city will attend.

The orchestra will play and Prof. J. S. McMurray will sing a solo.

Wm. F. Stils, field manager for the six counties in southwestern Oregon, who has just completed a tour of the Oregon coast cities, arrived in the city Saturday and is very optimistic in regard to the Fourth Liberty loan.

"The outlook for the Fourth Liberty loan looks bright," says Mr. Stils, "and I venture the prediction that Oregon is going 'over the top' the first day. I find business very brisk in the coast cities, while in the interior cities business is fair."

Mr. Stils speaks very complimentary of Dr. Lovejoy, and states that she is one of the most interesting speakers in the west, her narratives of "over there" being told in a manner that grips the attention of the audiences.

Mr. Stils spent Friday in Medford and will return to Portland, his headquarters, today.

The national campaign for the next loan opens September 28, but the managers for Oregon's quota feel confident of putting the state "over the top" the first day, as the work is to commence immediately.

BOSTON TAKES THIRD GAME WORLD'S SERIES

Chicago, Sept. 7.—Carl Mays, formerly of Portland, Ore., was in the box for Boston today at the opening of the third game of the world's series, which is the last game Chicago will see until the end of the war. Some rain fell. Boston scored two runs in the third inning.

The final score was as follows:
Boston 2 7 0
Chicago 1 6 1
Batteries: Boston—Mays and Schang. Chicago, Vaughn and Killefer.