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#### +++++++++++++ OREGON WEATHER

Fair, continued cold: light + easterly winds. \*\*\*\*\*\*

#### ARE WE AT WAR?

It is said the president will re turn to help engineer the closing of the present congress and then beat it to Europe again to help frame the peace terms, all of which means that peace is yet many, many weeks distant. Meantime, the Poles and the Bolsheviks and the Americans in Russia are continuing ti fight. The riot of bloodshed and robbery is un-

The withdrawal of thousands of Japanese troops from Russia is a mystifying move to we common people. But all such moves are prob ably no more mystifying to the common people than to congress itself. Our law-making body at Washington is entirely in the dark. With the possible exception of the president, Col. House, Secretary Baker, Secretary Lane and Postmaster-General Burleson and Mr. McAdoo, no one in America knows what is going on. Even Senator Chamberlain, who is chairman of the military affairs comsays that he does not know-what propositions are to be put before the peace congress by the president. It is probably well to keep all such matters from the general public, but it would seem that congress, which body must -ratify any agreements, ought to have some insight as to the nature of the proceedings.

Recently one congressman asked whether we were at war with Russia. Strange, but no one could tell him whether we were or not: yet our soldiers are over there right now fighting the Russians. If we are not at war with Russia, why are we fighting them? If it is the purpose of America and the allies to eventually squelch the Bolsheviki, why 91st will soon be home. They not do it now and save the "brains should receive a rousing welcome. of Russia" which the Bolsheviki are bent on destroying? It is asserted that any man in Russia who displays any culture, dresses neatly and appears prosperous is instantly marked for death by the Reds.

Meantime the casualty list of American dead continues to come in from the vicinity of Archangel. And the common people and congress must resume their waiting game.

### RESTITUTION IN KIND

demand restitution from Germany, but she will demand restitution in

The destruction wrought by the Germans in northern France was not simply the rude vengance of Ohio legislature today voted for the

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planned system for leaving France economically helpless for years after

In some cases factories and machinery were entirely destroyed; in others, parts of machines or whole machines were confiscated and car- Dear Dad: ried off into Germany along with

It is Germany's plan to utilize these stolen French machines in manufacturing goods with which to to his dad. compete with France in the markets manns' crafty scheme to reduce France to the rank of consumer by Christmas so here goes, where she had been essentially

There is absolute justice in the French demand for restitution in kind, that Germany be made to return stolen machines and parts, and replace from her own stock those ther toward showing Germany the folly of her plans than any mere money tax could do.

It would be manifestly unfair debt-paying while innocent France struggled toward reconstruction for years before she could compete in the markets of the world.

there is none more deserving of a punishment which fits the crime than her destruction of the materials of the industries of France and Belgium.

After getting about six or seven return to Berlin and live as a private citizen, or do anything his people The majority of his people probably wish he would hang himself. It's up to Bill to make good.

That was a sad awakening that struck thousands of shipyard workers when ship contracts were can-

"Higher shoes and shorter skirts" are bound to come, says the shoe travelers' association. Oh, well, the American public has witnessed some trying spectacles lately and ought to be able to stand most anything now.

The fighting boys of the famous

## NORWEGIANS AND UNCLE SAM TO MIX MEDICINE

way and the United States, a movean exhibition of Norwegian and Amthorities that France will not only of 1919. It is being backed by a business relations with America.

OHIO LINES UP WITH DRYS

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 7 .- The war, but formed part of a carefully national prohibition amendment. fields and it made a scene

Albert Allyn Crosses on the "Orizba' November 24, 1918

The 'Stars and Stripes," the newspaper for the members of the A. E. had a little room to move around. F. in France, has named this day "Father's Day" and each soldier is camp, but we worked harder there school.

of the world, or even to sell to and we can write just about anything we please. The mail authorities are going to put forth a special effort to get these letters delivered

I will try and tell you everything lowed to a large extent in Belgium. states and I may repeat some things again just to make a connected story.

On October 4th, soon after noon mess, we got orders to roll our packs and get ready to leave Camp Mills destroyed. Such a policy will go fur- for the port of embarkation. After the packs were rolled we had to clean up the tents and company street so that everything would be left in good condition. When this was done we had our supper and that Germany should be free and then all we could do was wait until unhampered even in her business of time to go. We built a big fire out of the refuse we had left and sat around it singing and telling stories until 4 o'clock in the morning. Then the order came to fall in and we put on our packs and hiked to the train, Of all the wicked German policies the last real train we were to ride in for some time. We got to New York about noon and then took the ferry for Hoboken. There were several big transports lying at their piers all camouflaged with blues and greens and blacks and whites in all manner of queer shapes. We had to wait several hours with our packs on while certain details were arrangmillion of his subjects killed and ed and the Red Cross gave us hot robbing them of \$35,000,000, the coffee and buns while we waited. We former kaiser says he is willing to finally went up the gang plank and were assigned to "C" deck. The top deck was the boat deck and below A, B, C, D and E. Our ship was the "Orizaba," rather a small ship compared with most of the transports but she could make good time. We laid at the pier that night and all the next day and left that night about 11 o'clock. After the second day out our platoon had to do lookout duty as I told you before celled and big wages took wings. I was assigned to the crowsnest And winter is here for many weeks with a lieutenant and another private. We would be on duty for one hour and off two for 24 hours and the next 24 we would be off duty. We all had to wear life belts every minute of the day and night but they were made just like a coat so they

Every morning at a little before daybreak and every evening just before it got dark everybody would have to get out on the upper decks and stay there until it got light or dark, as that was the time when the submarines got in their dirty work, but we were very lucky and didn't see a sign of a submarine, although the first night I was on lookout duty I imagined I saw one in every wave. We had two other transports and one destroyer in our convoy until we got a day out from our destination. Then we were met by six other destroyers so that we were Christiana, Jan. 7 .- To strengthen pretty well protected. On the mornthe business reations between Nor- ing of the ninth day, just before daybreak, the lieutenant with me in the ment has been set on foot here for crows nest saw a lighthouse and a few minutes later I saw another and erican mercantile products to be the other fellow saw a hill and It is stated by high French au- held in Norway during the autumn we all heaved a sigh of relief because we knew we would be on land again large number of corporations having pretty soon. Just about noon we dropped anchor in the harbor of Brest on the western coast of France and I never saw such a sight. There were 35 transports in the harbor besides all the other craft. In the distance up on the hill was the city with its white bulldings and green

were not bothersome.

worth seeing. After we had stood at couldn't even move our feet with- all of the little defails that I haven't anchor for an hour or more, a tug came out to us and we were crowded ting cussed. We rode that way for I am still feeling as fine as ever on and taken to shore and then we two days and a night. The little and getting fatter every day. Give got our first idea of French mud. sleeping I did was done sitting up my best regards to my friends in the We had to like up those long hills on top of a pack between another Pass and tell them "Hello from for about four miles and I hope I fellows legs. We got to Le Mans France." never have to go through anything late in the afternoon and hiked PVT. ALBERT M. ALLYN, like it again.

would come around selling French you are best fitted for. eandy, grapes and English walnuts and we sure gobbled them up. We finally got to the place where we the front to recuperate. We also were to spend the night and it certainly was a relief to get those ed at that place. We had good barpacks off our backs. It was fust a flat field covered with mud but we pitched our little shelter tents, spread our raincoats on the ground to us. We had good eats there too and then our blankets and crawled and very little to do so we had a in before it was even dark. Of pretty good rest. We only stayed course it had to rain and one end there a couple of days and then rollof the tent was open and our feet sticking out, but we put our over- to Saint Algan where we are now. coats over our feet and slept until it was just a day's ride and we morning. When we woke up the sun traveled in second class French was shining bright and we all felt much better .

That afternoon we moved into another field and into bigger tents. holding eight men. We still had to slept on the floor, but the next night sleep on the wet ground, but we

supposed to write a Christmas letter than any other place since we have been in France. We had to hauf mile from here. About 10,000 men The censorship has been lifted garbage, tin cans and refuse of all are sent through there every day kinds and dump it, carry lumber after being assigned to new comall day for 750 new building they panies and divisions. We stayed were putting up there besides haul- there three or four days and then ing a big water wagon about a mile came over here to school. and a half through the mud to get course here lasts six weeks and after our drinking water. It was so scarce that we are sent to the front. I am producer. The same plan was fol- that I have done since I left the there was no chance to wash so we not going to describe the school didn't wash. We stayed in Brest for again because I have done that pret-I have told you, but I will tell them about three days and then we were ty thoroughly already and my letter loaded in box cars and sent to La is getting too long. Mans. The French box cars are just We are going to leave here some- Italian warship entered the harbor. cars. On the outside of each one is only been here ofour weeks. with 40 men or 8 horses and that is sibly it is our first step toward home just the way we were loaded .- 40 though I doubt it. in one of those little cars besides our big packs and rifles and our rations Christmas and a happy and successfor three days. I am not exagger- ful New Year and I hope that before have room to turn around.

out stepping on somebody and get- time to write about. about a mile to the camp. Le Mans We passed through the town and is a classification camp where they when we stopped for a rest the kids find out what branch of the service

It is also a place where the men who were wounded come back from got all the new equipment we needracks to sleep in there and the beds were made of chicken wire on a frame and they felt like feather beds ed our packs again and were sent coaches, eight men to a compartment, so were much more comfortable. The first night we were billeted out in barns, sheds, etc. and we had good beds in barracks. That was another elasification camp and Brest was supposed to be a rest from there we were assigned to this

That camp is only about half a

about half as long as the American time tomorrow although we have Then a launch was sent for the two a sign "40 Hommes. 8 Cheveux," haven't any idea where we are go- troyer to Venice where the people which means they are to be loaded ing, possibly into Germany and pos- gave them a vociferous welcome.

I hope you all have a very Merry

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### TWO ITALIANS IN DARING FEAT

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ladder was crowded with sailors re-

turning to their ship. Run for your lives." shouted Paolucci, straggling to reach the deck before the explosion took place. He and Rossetti had reached the deck and ran to the stern of the dreadnaught when a terrific explowio rent the air and a column of water 300 feet high shot upward. Admiral Voucovich again gave them permission to save themselves and they had been swimming away from the ship five minutes when they heard another explosion and that the other bomb which had been left adrift had been carried by the current alongside the large Austrian

liner Wien and had there exploded, The Viribus Unitis was then lying on her side, but suddenly the huge ship turned bottom upward and Lieutenant Paolucci saw Admiral Voucovich scramble upward and stand with folded arms on the keel, ready to go down with his vessel.

Major Rossetti and Lieutenant Paolucci were recaptured and taken on board another Austrian warship, where they were kept prisoners until the armistice was signed and an

### BIRD LAW INVALID

ating a bit when I say we didn't the new year is very old I will be migratory bird law was today de-Washington, Jan. 7 .- The federal We back in the states and can tell you clared invalid by the supreme court,

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