

Fair tonight, Saturday cloudy, with rain or snow. Fair in the eastern part of the state. Southeasterly winds.

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## MOVE TO QUASH IS OVERRULED

### COUNTY UNDERTAKES SECOND DEFENSE.

Striking Out of Last Part of Quo Warranto Complaint Asked Today in Circuit Court—Indignant at False Reports.

Results on the first defense established by Deschutes county were made known this morning when Vernon A. Forbes and District Attorney De Armond, counsel for the county, received word from Prineville that Circuit Judge Duffy has overruled the motion filed Wednesday to quash service in the case. The ruling was not unexpected, as the motion had not been argued, but the motion and its outcome will go on record to be used in future developments of the matter.

Immediately on the return of the court's opinion, a second motion was filed in the court at Prineville, asking the striking out of the last two paragraphs of the original complaint, where reference was made to the question of the certificate of the county clerk on the number of division votes at the general elections in the fall.

General indignation is being expressed here over false reports which have been circulated concerning the status of Deschutes county, particularly in regard to a statement according to which the county has been enjoined from doing business. No such suit has been filed, although a threat to institute such proceedings was made last week by the attorney representing the anti-divisionists.

Confident of the ultimate outcome of the quo warranto case, the county officials are continuing in their respective positions as if nothing of any consequence had happened. Instruments of all sorts are being filed in the clerk's office, the county court, by contracting with C. S. Hudson for office rooms in his proposed building, is preparing for the next two years, and all the new county officials have entered without question on the performance of their duties.

## SOLDIER MURDERER BEGINS SENTENCE

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Richard Cunningham, 34, the lance-corporal who killed his wife in a fit of grief over her betrayal while he was in the trenches, today began a sentence of one year under a man-slaughter charge. The stern English jury frankly tempered justice with mercy in Cunningham's case, in which the unwritten law played a deciding part.

Cunningham, taking his turn in the trenches, was tormented by his wife's silence. He seldom heard from her during his first few months with the colors, and later her letters ceased altogether. Friends wrote him mentioning a mysterious caller at his home in London. The soldier wrote to local authorities in an effort to learn what had become of his little son, but received scant satisfaction in the official replies with their impersonal wording and red tape.

At the first opportunity Cunningham obtained leave from France and returned home. A few days later the police found him lying unconscious across the dead form of his wife. She had been strangled. An officer said Cunningham was a high type of soldier without a single black mark against his name in the army records. His former employer gave him a similar good character.

In passing the minimum sentence the jury recommended that the convicted soldier ought not to be compelled to serve his term among common criminals.

## COLORADO TO LIMIT BOOZE IMPORTATION

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 29.—One quart of whiskey and a half case of beer will be the total amount of intoxicants permitted a family in Colorado for one month's consumption if the dry forces of the state succeed in putting through a proposed amendment to the prohibition law at the coming session of the state legislature.

A permit to import intoxicants would have to be obtained from the county clerk and placed on record, under the proposed amendment. Under the present law, unlimited quantities of liquor may be imported for personal use.

## VILLA LEVIES LOAN, EVACUATES TORREON

Bandit Chief Cuts Two Railroad Lines, and Move on Monterey and Saltillo Is Predicted.

EL PASO, Dec. 29.—After levying a loan of 100,000 pesos, Villa evacuated Torreon today, marching toward Saltillo, according to reports from Carranzistas at Juarez. Murguia has recaptured Torreon. While Torreon was in his hands, Villa was careful not to harm any foreigners, nor to damage their property. It is admitted that the Saltillo garrison has evacuated, and that Monterey is weak. Villa severed two railroad lines leading to the north and east, isolating Tampico, Saltillo and Monterey, and communicating with the south, it was authentically reported to United States authorities. Federal officials state that this presages an immediate move on Saltillo and Monterey by the bandit leader.

## BANDITS DYNAMITE BANK, GET AWAY

DENVER, Dec. 29.—Six bandits dynamited the bank at Hagerman, 18 miles west of here today, and escaped with \$6,000. A posse exchanged shots with the robbers as the latter dashed out of town in an automobile.

## STRIKES PREDICTED

Disagreement of Brotherhoods May Cause Separate Walkouts.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The disagreement of railroad brotherhoods may result in separate strikes by different organizations, on different roads throughout the country, according to the statement of brotherhood heads following the refusal to accept a compromise similar to that offered the switchmen.

A special circular is to be issued soon outlining the entire matter to members of the brotherhood.

## INSURANCE IN BEND LOWERED

### INSTALLATION OF FIRE HYDRANTS CAUSES 10 CENT REDUCTION FOR 18 BLOCKS IN THE CITY

The lowering of the fire insurance rate on eighteen blocks of building sites in Bend, as the result of recent installation of hydrants, was communicated to local agents this morning by the Underwriters' Equitable Rating board, of Portland, and will effect a material saving to property owners. The new rate is known as the special dwelling tariff.

Formerly residents of the two sections which comprise the addition to the lower rate territory, paid premiums of 75 cents on \$100 for insurance, but from now on the rate will be 65 cents.

An eight block tract is the first specified, and has the following boundaries: beginning at the intersection of Front and Lake streets, east on Lake to Wall, south on Wall to Alder, east on Alder to Staats, north on Staats to Mt. View, and west on Mt. View to Wall. This tract, as is the other as well, is adjacent to property already included in the lower rate.

The second tract is composed of irregularly shaped blocks. The boundary begins at the intersection of Washington and Front streets, runs northwest on Washington to State, and southwest through the division line between lots four and five in block 14. The continuation of the line is fixed by lots and blocks, the tract embracing approximately 10 blocks.

Maps showing the additions may be seen at the offices of H. C. Ellis and J. A. Eastes.

## FRANCE MAY ENLIST ALL BOYS OVER 17

PARIS, Dec. 29.—A bill for the mobilization of all boys and men over the age of 17 was introduced in the senate today.

## BERLIN CLAIMS FRESH VICTORY

### THREE TRENCH LINES PENETRATED

Success Crowns Attack on Deadman's Hill—Many Prisoners and Guns Taken in Transylvania. Germans Take Three Towns.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—An official statement issued today announced that the first, second and third line trenches of the French on Deadman's hill were penetrated and 222 prisoners taken. The Germans held the new positions against several counter attacks. The Baden troops captured prisoners in the forests of Choppy and Malancourt. Fourteen hundred Russians and Roumanians, 18 machine guns and three cannons were captured by the German forces on the Transylvanian front. Breaking down all resistance, the German troops penetrated to Dumitraci, 12 miles northwest of Rimnicul Sarat, Rachel and Dobrudja were captured.

## ROUMANIANS RETIRE

PETROGRAD, Dec. 29.—Retirement of the Roumanian forces before a superior enemy in the neighborhood of the river Kasino, west of Govash, was attended by fierce battles today.

## PARIS DENIES LOSS

PARIS, Dec. 29.—A sudden German offensive followed a violent bombardment between hill No. 364 and Deadman's hill, but failed, owing to the screened fire of infantry and machine guns, it is officially reported. A few Germans penetrated to the French trenches.

## NEW PROTEST MADE

Belgians Engaged in Relief Work Are Deported, Is Claim.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Germany is going so far in Belgian deportation as to arrest and transfer Belgians engaged in relief work. They have hitherto been protected by cards from the American Relief commission.

The charge is made to the United Press by the Belgian minister of justice that men already employed are being carried off, and that children from 15 to 17 years of age are being deported.

## Italy Learns Lesson of Unity During Warfare of Past Year

By John H. Hearley.

ROME, Dec. 29.—Last of the allies to enter the war, Italy has learned the lesson of military, naval, political, economic and social unity for successful prosecution of that war more quickly than her fellow nations in the entente. The year 1916 was the year in which she showed how well she had learned those lessons.

Italy joined the allies in May, 1915. Her army and navy had a theoretical training for modern war. But for months after she threw her lot with the allies Italy had to suffer the hard schooling of the present day battleground before she was actually prepared.

"Until January 1, 1916, we were like schoolboys, studying strange lessons—but learning them well," was the way a prominent general expressed it. "But we are fighting now, fighting like scientific demons and winning, slowly but surely."

Politically the Italian government is more firmly molded to the allied union than ever before. Germany's propaganda, which continually seeks to sow differences among the allies, has failed here.

Alleged German agents, who try to turn Italy against England particularly, find no response. Apparently the lid has also been effectively clamped on Giolitti and his followers. The old premier's return to power during the war is improbable.

The Salandra ministry fell in early spring. In its stead arose the Bosselli cabinet, said to be more acceptable to France and England. The immediate and most radical result of the change was Italy's declaration

## INTEREST GAINS IN FARM SCIENCE

### AGENT SYSTEM HAS RAPID GROWTH

410 Now Employed in North and West with Start of Five in 1911. Important Problems Solved Through Their Assistance.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—As a result of the realization that improved methods may be brought to the attention of the farmer more effectively by personal contact and demonstration than in any other way, the county agriculturalists who began in the Northern and Western States in 1911 by the United States Department of Agriculture with only five agents operating have increased to 419, the work having been taken up in every one of the Northern and Western States. While the general nature of the activities of the agents is the same throughout the territory, the provisions under which the States assist in the work vary considerably. In some States the cooperation of organized groups of farmers in the counties is a prerequisite to contribution of state funds, and in many instances these farmers contribute directly a substantial part of the necessary expense money.

### Agents' Plan of Work.

The work of the county agents varies with the needs of their communities, but in general is addressed to the improvement of agricultural methods, practices, and conditions wherever possible through demonstrations, talks, and publications, and through calling attention to good methods already practiced by the best farmers of the community.

How the activities of the agents vary with their environment is shown by the work with corn. In the far North and Northwest this work has been chiefly in securing varieties that will mature in the short growing season. In the corn belt principal attention has been given to the testing of seed and the standardization of varieties. In New York and New England emphasis has been placed on the growing of more satisfactory silage varieties.

### Improving Live Stock.

The county agents have been instrumental in bringing about the introduction of live stock in regions where grain farming had been exclusively or largely practiced, and in all sections of the Northwest have done much toward the standardization of breeds. One saving they have effected frequently in cattle raising is the exchange of sires by different communities. Nearly 300,000 hogs have been treated in this

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## ESCAPE FROM FIRE IN NIGHT CLOTHES

N. R. Gilbert, With Wife and Boy, Have to Force Door to Leave Burning Home—Loss \$1500.

Fire which broke out so suddenly at the home of N. R. Gilbert, on Jefferson drive, in Park addition, that it gave Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert barely time to escape in their night-clothes with their four year old son, totally destroyed the building, which together with furnishings and money in the house represented a loss of \$1500. There is no insurance. Mr. Gilbert intends to rebuild within a short time.

The blaze is thought to have started shortly before 5 o'clock this morning. At 4:30 o'clock Mr. Gilbert arose, built a fire in the kitchen stove, and went back to bed for a few minutes' nap. Half an hour later, he awoke to see the kitchen, through the open door, a mass of flames and smoke. He endeavored to make his way into the room to get possession of his coat, containing \$200 in checks and money, but was repulsed by the intense heat. With his wife and child, he attempted to escape through the front door, but it was swollen and would not open, and for a moment it seemed that they would be caught by the flames. He rushed to a window, then back to the door, and succeeded in opening it. Pushing the other two outside, he went back into the bedroom, seized some quilts and, wrapped in these, the three made their way to the home of Mr. Gilbert's father, N. E. Gilbert, next door, and secured other clothing.

A telephone call brought Chief of Police Nixon and the fire department, but frozen hose would have prevented effective work even if the fire fighters had not arrived after the building was doomed.

Snow on the roof of N. R. Gilbert's house, and a stream of water from a garden hose, kept that building from catching fire.

The fire is thought to have been caused by the stove door dropping open and allowing live coals to drop out on the floor.

Until he can erect a new dwelling, the younger Mr. Gilbert, with his family, is making his home with his brother, N. H. Gilbert.

## COURT PLANS TO MEET JANUARY 3

### MUCH BUSINESS SCHEDULED AT FIRST REGULAR SESSION, SET BY LAW—ROAD POLICY MAY BE OUTLINED.

To make preparations for the business of the year, the Deschutes county court will hold its first regular session on January 3, Judge W. D. Barnes announced this morning. What will probably be the most important business to come up will be in regard to road work, as road supervisors are scheduled to be appointed at that time, while a general outlining of the road policy of the county is expected to be brought up at that date.

The session is fixed by statute, and considerable routine business will be transacted.

There will be no necessity for fixing a budget this year, District Attorney H. H. De Armond announced today, as expenses for both Deschutes and Crook counties were fixed in the original Crook budget. This will mean a transferral of records and funds from Crook county. According to a rough estimate, these will total about 60 per cent as Deschutes county's share.

Definite expenses for the coming year, however, cannot be accurately fixed until the passage in the legislature of a bill naming the salaries of county officers. This is to be introduced by Vernon A. Forbes.

## U. S. IS IN A QUANDARY

Attitude to Be Taken Toward Mexico to Be Fixed Tuesday.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—The American government found itself in a quandary today over the diplomatic side of the Mexican situation. The government had to decide whether to stay in the game, to tell Carranza that the American-Mexican conference is at an end, or to relax the recently firm position. Members of the joint commission will meet Tuesday in the office of Secretary Lane, it was announced.

## PEACE EFFORTS MAY BE IN VAIN

### ALLIED OFFENSIVE TO COME FIRST

Preparations Are Being Made for Gigantic Attack to Break German Front—Outcome of Winter Battles Is Now Awaited.

By Carl W. Ackerman.

BERLIN, by wireless, Dec. 29.—Judging from reports being received from the front, the diplomatic comment and the efforts of President Wilson, the Central Powers and Switzerland are now making, will not succeed in bringing the war to an end immediately. That the war will not end without a gigantic effort on the part of the Allies to break the German front, is indicated by the preparations which are being made.

England in the west, with the Allies in Greece, and Russia and Roumania, expect to accept the winter battle challenge of Von Hindenburg. When these battles commence, peace talk will probably subside to await the outcome.

## NOTES FORWARDED

LONDON, Dec. 29.—An exchange telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen insists that the Scandinavian governments have forwarded the peace notes of the belligerents.

## TURK NOTE RECEIVED

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—The answer of the Turkish government to Wilson's note requesting a statement of peace terms was received here today.

## AMBASSADOR'S CALL SPECULATION CAUSE

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Ambassador Page visited Lloyd George today for the first time since the British premier attained his present position. A great deal of speculation is rife concerning the object of the call, although it was announced that the ambassador merely visited to pay his respects.

## 300 KILLED IN SAN-KOKU MARU WRECK

TOKIO, Dec. 29.—Three hundred, mostly Chinese laborers, perished in the wreck of the Sankoku Maru, according to estimates made today. Some of those killed were Chinese priests, who attempted to board the grounded ship.

## CORONER'S VERDICT FAILS TO SATISFY

EUREKA, Cal., Dec. 29.—Despite the coroner's verdict of accidental death passed on the body found at the Snow ranch in Humboldt county, the mystery is not yet wholly cleared up. A bullet hole was found in the temple.

## MURDER SUSPECTS CONFESS TO CRIME

SHREVEPORT, Dec. 29.—John Long and Henry Waller, arrested at Minden, have confessed to the murder of John Reeves. Three sons of one of the men, his wife and two negroes have also confessed.

## LAWSON INVITED TO AID INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—Chairman Henry wired Thomas Lawson of the invitation to Washington to attend a conference to be held immediately by the committee investigating the Wall street leak of Wilson's note.

## APPEALED CASE SET

Supreme Court to Hear Arguments in Suit Against Norris et Al.

Vernon A. Forbes received word from Salem this morning that the appealed case of the state vs. E. Res Norris, John Collins and Ethel Howell, will be heard January 11 before the supreme court. The case is based on an alleged statutory offense, and was tried in the circuit court a year ago last September.