

RECOVERS ANCHOR AND CHAIN

Brooklyn Lost Sinker on Last Trip Into Local Port.

The tug Kihyam last Friday recovered the anchor and 60 fathoms of chain, belonging to the steamer Brooklyn. While awaiting high tide during the rough weather on her last trip to Bandon from the south, the chain that holds the Brooklyn's anchor snapped and it sank in many fathoms of water. However precautionary measures had been taken by the Brooklyn crew, they having had a line with a buoy fastened to the chain. The buoy marked the place where the anchor lay, and with grappling hooks the tug soon had it located.

Join the Red Cross today. Every man, woman and child in Oregon should be a member.

Very Special SALE

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For Christmas

COPPER, BRUSH BRASS and NICKEL FINISH.

These Clocks are made by the CORRECT TIME COMPANY.

Compare the prices we quote with any others in town and you will realize the bargain.

JUMBO WIRELESS, intermittent alarm, our special price, \$2.25

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These clocks are guaranteed by the Manufacturer

Why not take advantage of this extraordinary offering in selecting a practical gift for the busy man.

BOYLE JEWELRY CO.

REPORT YOUR CHANGE OF RESIDENCE AT ONCE

Portland, Or., Dec. 4.—Every man registered under the draft law who has changed his residence or post-office address should immediately, without fail, notify his local board of his present address so that he will receive the Questionnaire he is required to fill out under the new draft regulations.

This applies to all registered men, even those previously exempted or discharged. All previous exemptions and discharges from the draft are automatically revoked on December 15. The Questionnaires will begin to be sent to registered men on December 15. Each man will have seven days in which to fill out answers to the many questions asked and return the Questionnaire to his local board.

Failure to answer the Questionnaire and return it to the board within this seven-day limit will endanger a man's right to claim exemption, regardless of whether he did not receive the Questionnaire.

Hence it is urgent that every registered man whose address has been changed should, for his own protection, at once notify his local board of his change in address.

DO NOT HOARD SUGAR

To prevent the hoarding of sugar by short-sighted or unpatriotic individuals, Acting Federal Food Administrator W. K. Newell has issued instructions to all the retail grocers of Oregon, restricting the sale of sugar as follows:

Sales to family consumers are limited to \$1.00 lots, sales to be repeated only at reasonable intervals.

Farmers living at a distance from purchasing points will be permitted to purchase in 25 pound lots.

Hotels, restaurants and boarding houses are limited to a ten days' supply at one purchase.

Sugar shall not be used as a leader for special sales or to encourage the sale of other merchandise.

In exceptional cases, where purchasers live at great distances, special arrangements may be made in sack lots, such sales to be reported with all details to the United States Food Administration at Portland by the grocer making same. This exception to be made only in cases where repeated trips for additional sugar in the winter season would work a real hardship to the purchaser.

These restrictions will be in force until further notice.

Persons discovered hoarding sugar are subject to penalty for obstructing the administration of the Food Control law, and the hoarded sugar is subject to confiscation.

JERUSALEM HAS BEEN CAPTURED

MUNITIONS SHIP EXPLODES—HALIFAX IS DESTROYED—THOUSANDS LOSE ALL.

Strain of Trench Warfare Compelling Central Powers to Attempt in West What They Failed to Do in Italy, War Department's View of War Situation.

The secretary of war today authorized the publication of the following review of the military operations for the week ending December 1:

The outstanding feature of the general military situation today is to be found in the ever-increasing mobility of action of the forces engaged. Artillery duels are giving way to active engagements and advances. It seems that a decision is being sought by the enemy, who realizes that he can not endure for a much longer period the strain of trench warfare imposed by the allies in the west.

German Tactics Revealed

This explains the efforts of the central powers in massing considerable forces in order to invade Italy—a concentration of troops made possible by the internal situation in Russia. This offensive was undertaken to crush the Italians and compel them to sue for peace. Five weeks of desperate effort have brought them no nearer to their real objective in this theatre.

The Italian armies suffered serious reverses in the early stages of the battle. They were compelled to give way and for a time the military situation along the Italian front was serious. But the enemy had underestimated the resisting power of the Italians and discounted the splendid morale which their forces would display when the full magnitude of the impending crisis was visualized.

Political Intrigue Unavailing

The hoped-for revolution in Italy, which had been sedulously fomented by German propagandists and which was an important part of the German plan of invasion, failed to materialize. The Italians by a magnificent effort, reorganized their broken forces, rapidly reformed their regiments and backed by the allies with troops and guns, were able to check the Austro-German advance. It would be futile to underestimate the great losses, both of men and material, suffered by the Italians. These losses should serve to set forth in bolder relief the heroic efforts of those elements of the Italian armies which were able to thwart the plans of the

central empires.

Closing of Swiss Frontier

The closing of the Swiss frontier for two weeks indicates that the enemy is transporting large forces, both men and guns, to the west. The enemy is constantly detaching large contingents from the eastern theatre of war. All good troops which can possibly be spared are being dispatched to other zones of operations. So that, though the season is not favorable for engaging in military enterprises, further German attacks in force are expected.

On the other hand the allies will give the enemy no respite, and any offensive undertaken by the Germans will be severely met by a counterstroke of greater severity.

The battle of Cambrai continues with intensity. The enemy after the first extended rush of General Byng's forces over a thirty-two mile front, by bringing up reinforcements, has been able to bolster up his weakened defenses which for a time imperilled the security of the Hindenburg line. However, when the Germans had recovered from the first blow and were able to stand their ground, no further extensive gains of ground by the British were anticipated. The British forces have been able to hold over two-thirds of the territory occupied by the advance of their troops in the first rush of the battle.

The shelling of Cambrai has begun. Infantry activity somewhat abated during the week when the enemy apparently passed to the offensive and was able to break through the newly won British positions to the south of Masnières. Hostile reaction has been extremely heavy, and costly counterattacks made by the Germans have enabled them to retake a certain area as well as occupy new territory to the southwest of the British advance where a German attack in force broke the British line for two miles. The British succeeded in driving back the enemy, and severe fighting still continues in this sector.

In the Ypres Sector

In the Ypres sector, especially the Passchendaele district, artillery activity was noted. No infantry activity took place, owing perhaps to the water-soaked condition of the ground. Along the French front minor operations are recorded. To the north of the Aisne artillery duels continue. In the Argonne the increasing intensity of the hostile artillery is noted. On the right bank of the Meuse the French carried forward a successful thrust of a local character, while the enemy raided various sectors of the French front.

During the week the enemy made repeated attempts to shatter the Italian lines in mountain regions between the Brenta and the Piave. These were, in every case, repulsed. Intense bombardments, followed by furiously massed attacks, were repulsed and the Italians even counter-attacked with vigor, driving the enemy back for some distance.

The situation along the Italian front is rapidly becoming normal and enemy assaults are subsiding. Allied cooperation has now been firmly established, in a measure relieving the Italians.

Jerusalem Has Been Captured

London, Dec. 10.—British troops captured Jerusalem, Chancellor Bonar Law announced in the house of commons today. The news was received with great rejoicing. The capture brings the city under Christian control for the first time in 401 years. The taking of Jerusalem is expected to be a tremendous blow to the Turkish morale. Possession of the Holy City has been boasted of by the Moslems for centuries.

The Halifax Explosion

The collision of a French munitions ship, the Mt. Blanc, and the Norwegian relief ship, Imo, carrying food for the Belgians, last Thursday in the inner harbor of Halifax,

Nova Scotia, Canada, caused the explosion of 4,000 tons of high-explosives on board the Mt. Blanc and laid the city of Halifax in ruins. Approximately 4,000 dead, 5,000 wounded and 25,000 homeless is the gist of the official reports which state that every building in an area of 2 1-2 square miles was destroyed. The Mt. Blanc is supposed to have been to blame for the collision. She signaled the Imo that she was to pass to starboard and the Imo answered. The distance between the vessels was too short and the Imo rammed the Mt. Blanc. Neither were apparently seriously damaged and proceeded on their way. However tins of gasoline on board the Mt. Blanc were burst open and the contents quickly seeped to the engine room, catching fire. The captain of the Imo, who was on the bridge of his vessel, a few hundred yards away by that time, caught the full blast of the explosion. His head was blown from his body. All other members of the crew who were on deck were killed and the vessel blown far in shore by the force of the flying water and gasses.

Gift Suggestions That May Be Useful

A NICE present from a disobedient boy to his father is a shingle. To please a husband a wife can do nothing better than buy a cheap dress for herself.

A gift which bears signs of careful attention on the part of the giver is always appreciated more than one carelessly purchased in a store. To make a baby grand piano, buy a full sized grand and a piano and place it down to the requisite size for a flat.

An excellent motorcycle may be made at little cost if one uses a little common sense. Look around for a second hand wheel and place it in the cellar. Then find a second hand motorboat, which can usually be purchased at a low price in towns that are far from water. Extract the motor from the boat and affix it to the cycle. Then you have a motorcycle that will astonish anybody in the world.

A charming gift for any man who does not smoke is a box of five cent cigars.

A pair of skates will prove a very economical present if you happen to have two one legged friends.

To make an acceptable cravat for a young man proceed as follows: Cut a piece six inches long off the dining room carpet. Clip the fringe off any velvet curtains you may find in the house. Take the spangles off some fancy dress costume. Now sew the fringe on the carpet and fasten on the spangles. The completed cravat will delight the heart of any young man who can afford not to wear it.

A ten carat diamond is a suitable gift to a fiancée. If you can't afford the diamond try a touring car.

A set of Milton's works may please a ten-year-old boy.

*Note the "may."—C. B. Quincy in New York American.

A GAMBREL roof in a sheltered lane And a laughing group therein, But it's Christmas, Father Christmas, Hath the keeping of his kin.

Outside, a traveler in the snow, And a glad "Hello!" once more; Within a hearth fire all aglow And a dear face at the door, And it's Christmas, Father Christmas, Giveth greetings o'er and o'er.

The circles, wonderful circles, where They are gathered today, The kindness, beautiful kindness, there, And the welcome words they say, For it's Christmas, Father Christmas, Turne no prodigal away. —Frank Walcott Hutt in New Orleans Times-Democrat.

LOGGERS AND EMPLOYERS ARE CALLED UPON

Government Not Getting Fifty Per Cent of the Airplane Spruce It Must Have.

"The government is not getting fifty per cent of the airplane stock required," says Col. B. P. Disque of the Aviation Section of the U. S. Signal Corps, Portland. He continues, "It is understood that climatic conditions will naturally curtail production during December and January. Knowing the situation here and having in mind the critical condition of our war program for 1918, in so far as it relates to aircraft, I feel justified in asking all logging camps to continue operations through the holiday period, closing down only December 24, 25 and 26th."

"There are some 20,000 loggers at work in Washington and Oregon, and every day is vital to our mutual national welfare at this time. We must not lose one hour unnecessarily if our slogan—'If spruce will win, the kaiser's licked'—is a true one."

"Godmothering" Not Sanctioned

"Neither the war department nor the woman's committee of the council of national defense is furnishing names of soldiers for godmothering," says an official dispatch. Experiences in England and France, continues the report, have proven that the practice of indiscriminate correspondence between soldiers and the women of the country have done more harm than good. The practice has been frowned upon by the U. S. army authorities, who favor the correspondence being restricted to relatives and pre-war friends.

Care Should Be Taken in Packing

The postoffice department has issued a warning that persons sending parcel post packages to soldiers and sailors should take extreme care in packing the articles properly, and hundreds of packages are being lost thru careless packing. The department also states that perishable matter should not be included as a minimum of thirty days time usually expires before a package reaches a soldier or sailor on active service in France.

Registrants Over 31 Still Subject

The U. S. official bulletin states that all registrants under the selective service law who have attained the age of their thirty-first birthday are still subject to call to the colors under the draft unless exempted or discharged.

Looking for Spruce

F. I. Gannon of the Gannon timber interests, of Portland, accompanied by John Watt, was in Bandon Tuesday investigating the spruce timber situation. They had made the circuit of Grants Pass, Crescent City and Curry county points, and from here went to the Bay. Government airplane stock orders have so increased the demand for spruce timber that it commands a big premium and is becoming more scarce every day. Only spruce of many years growth and free from knots and imperfections is used for this grade of lumber.

Sells Old Chronometer

Thomas Howard, the pioneer jeweler of Coos Bay, has just sold a chronometer to the U. S. government for \$150 dollars, says the Times. These instruments are needed by every ship and are very scarce. Nearly all have been made in England and Europe and as a result of the big increase in ship production and the number sunk by submarines, they are hard to obtain. When told that the government wanted it Mr. Howard said he would take just what it cost him, not being desirous to exact a war profit on anything that he felt would aid in putting the kaiser out of the way.

BUILD SAWMILL AT REEDSPORT

C. McC. Johnson and Nonda Anderson to Hustle Aircraft Spruce.

C. McC. Johnson, who was in Bandon last week, has decided to engage in the sawmill business at Reedsport where construction of a new sawmill will begin shortly. Mr. Johnson will be one of the heavy investors in the project and will operate the plant.

Cut Mostly Spruce

The first few months of operation will be devoted almost exclusively to cutting spruce for aircraft timbers. The plant will cut approximately 50,000 feet of lumber per day, and with proper selection of logs they contemplate a high percentage of first grade spruce lumber.

Nonda Anderson, who has been foreman at Craine's camp, will be associated with Mr. Johnson, and is now at Reedsport. He will handle the logging operations. Construction will begin in a few days and the plant will probably be operating before April first, as the machinery has been arranged for and will soon be shipped.

To Join Red Cross Service

Miss Edna Jamieson of Riverton, well known local trained nurse, has taken the examination for active Red Cross service in France and expects to be in New York, enroute to the front, by the first of the year. Miss Jamieson is an expert at the profession. She has a host of friends around the county who regret to see her leave yet are proud of the fact that she will be one of the administering angels to the boys of the firing line.

"Something for Everybody"

THAT'S OUR SLOGAN

And we have it too. Useful gifts for old and young that will be appreciated for their real worth as well as for the spirit in which they are given.

What is more appropriate; more sensible; more suitable in these days of conservation than good furniture; or to send to a friend or relative, a useful article of beautiful Coos County Myrtle Wood.

To children, give for pleasure; that means toys. We have them.

Below are a few suggestions:

FOR CHILDREN

We have this year added a complete line of new toys for the children. Just the things the little folks crave. These are some: Big Game Hunter, a gun, ammunition, belt, lion and all; Erector sets of steel that develop the mechanical instinct; Safes for saving; Billiken banks; Blackboards; Drums; Metallophones that make sweet music; Trunks; Wheelbarrows; Dressers; and Chairs; Wagons; Dolls; Buggies; Rocking Horses; Tricycles; Lots of other things.

FOR PARENTS

FOR SON
FOR DAUGHTER
FOR HOME

Big Leather Easy Chairs, the "Royal" and the "Monarch," the Morris kind of solid comfort; Beautiful pictures in beautiful frames; Fancy Hand Painted China, Vases, Casseroles, Trinkets; Bed Room Sets; Dressers; Dressing Tables; Desks; Rugs; Rockers; Ranges; Furniture and Household Articles of all kinds.

FOR EVERYBODY

That beautiful popular Coos County Myrtle that is now finding the most exclusive market everywhere. We have a large assortment, made up in Acorn thimble and needle holders; napkin rings; toothpick holders; pin trays; card trays; Cuff boxes; collar boxes; hair receivers; jewel boxes; bowls; serving trays; stocking darning; vases; tobacco jars; candle sticks; nut sets; nappies; pin cushions; crochet needle holders; work boxes; yarn holders, etc.



Sam Johnson's Furniture Store
"The House of Quality"

Holiday Fares

Reduced round-trip fares to California, Oregon, Washington and Idaho points will enable you to go home for Christmas and New Years.

California

Sale dates to California points December 21st to 23rd and 25th to 28th, inclusive. Return limit January 15th.

Oregon Washington Idaho

Sale dates between all stations in Oregon and from all stations in Oregon to stations on other lines in Oregon, Washington and Idaho December 22nd to 25th, inclusive. Return limit January 3rd.

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John M. Scott,
General Passenger Agent
Portland, Oregon

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