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MARINES HAVE NO DREAD OF HUNS

Wounded Are Only Anxious to Get Back Where the Battle Is Raging.

ONLY CONTEMPT FOR ENEMY

Say When They Get Into Actual Fighting Contact With Foe There Is No Fight Left in Him.

London.—A naval attaché who saw about 50 American marines in hospital suffering from wounds or gassing in the recent German offensive found every one of them full of cheer regarding the future; every one anxious to get well and be back in the fighting line. And every one of them held a poor opinion of Fritz as a fighting man. They were unanimous, the attaché declared, in stating that the Germans were long-distance fighters only. As one of them said:

"They are not so bad when they are 50 yards away with a machine gun, but at close quarters the German soldiers are no good."

Marine after marine asserted that when he and his comrades got into actual fighting contact with the enemy there was no fight left in him. Then the Germans would throw down their guns, and, waving their hands over their heads, cry out "Kamerad!"

Feel Contempt for Huns.
 "Our men," added the attaché, "gave me the impression of looking with utter contempt upon the German soldiers, who can fight only when they feel that they have the protection of artillery and gas, and surrender when it comes to hand to hand fighting."

"Far from feeling the slightest dread of the enemy, every man expressed eagerness to get out of hospital and return to the front. Every one of them wanted a chance of getting even with the Germans for having been gassed or wounded."

"The men were justly proud of the record that the marines had made, and their morale appeared to be of the very highest quality. The cheerfulness of all, including some infantry in the wards, may be summarized by the remark of one recovering from gas: 'Why,' he said, 'there's nothing in it. When all of us marines get going, we will wipe Fritz off the map, and we will eat our next Christmas dinner at home at that.'"

A British officer who has seen much of the American marines at their headquarters in France, and seen them at work against the Boche, writing on what he describes as "an instructive glimpse at the American war spirit and American efficiency in the field," says:

"On the roads to the front there is perpetual movement. Hundreds of motor lorries, each one packed with French soldiers, pass us in quick succession on their way to another part of the line. Again and again we pass bodies of American troops on the march, then a group of women and children. Although the road winds over the face of a well tilled countryside, few birds are seen, except for an occasional pair of ring doves. Such is the incongruity of war!"

Aircraft Hum Continuous.
 "We find the marines' headquarters at an old farmhouse, shut in on every side by woods. Here the hum of air-

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craft is continuous, and links up the intermittent crash of artillery fire. A Boche observation balloon hangs above the woods to eastward, and a 'woolly bear' shell lays a vivid black smudge against the limited skyline ahead. In the farmyard we seem to stand in a little world apart, but the sounds of adjacent fighting are close about us.

"A marine officer who has had no sleep for three nights comes in, dusty but cheerful, from the trenches. The marines are doing themselves proud out there, he says. There has been some stiff fighting in the woods, but the Boche will have to shift soon; that is the opinion of this old campaigner, who has fought by sea and land all over the globe. We leave the farm under the guidance of a young lieutenant, a 'broth of a boy,' with the face of a Greek god.

"A rough cart track runs behind a belt of woods, and in this vicinity the American artillery is stationed. We approach one of the batteries, well hidden even at close quarters. A telephone fixed to a tree trunk rings sharply, and the captain, capless and without tunic, a megaphone in one hand, answers the call.

"Very good, sir!" He swings 'round to the guns.

"On barrage! Fire!"
 "Through the megaphone his order penetrates to every corner of the wood, and the gunners leap to their work in a moment. Crash! Crash-Crash! Crash! The guns fling out their deafening message of death almost simultaneously, and in the momentary silence between the rounds the whizz of the shells can be heard as they fly on their way to the wood where the Boche still lingers.

"It is real team work, this gunnery, nothing else describes it—the work of a team, perfectly trained, in which keenness and efficiency produce a result beyond praise. For a time salvo follows salvo. Then comes the order 'Cease fire!' and silence descends upon the battery."

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT

The GEM Quartz Lode Claim Amended Mineral Survey No. 127 Serial No. 019277

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Gem Consolidated Gold Mining Company, a corporation, of Oregon, with its post office address at the City of Baker, Baker County, Oregon, has made application to the United States Government for United States Patent to the Gem lode claim, situated in no organized mining district, in Baker County, State of Oregon, in Sections 17 and 20, Township 8 South, Range 44 East of Willamette Meridian, as shown by the official plat posted, and designated by said plat and by the official field notes on file with the United States Surveyor General for Oregon, as Amended Mineral Survey No. 127;

Said Gem quartz lode claim being described by courses and distances as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at corner No. 1, whence the quarter Section corner between Sections 17 and 20, in Township 8 South, Range 44 East of Willamette Meridian, in Baker County, Oregon, bears South 31° 06' East 469.8 feet;
 Thence South 7° 39' West 1498.3 feet to Corner No. 2;
 Thence North 82° 23' West 599.7 feet to corner No. 3;
 Thence North 7° 42' East 1498.2 feet to corner No. 4;
 Thence South 82° 23' East 598.4 feet to corner No. 1, the place of beginning. Embracing a total area of 20,604 acres.

Adjoining claims, as shown by the official plat of the survey are:

The Northwest Gem, and Gem Extension North, both unsurveyed, on the North;

The West Gem, unsurveyed, on the West;

The Gem Extension South, and the East Gem Extension South, both unsurveyed, on the South;

The East Gem, and the Northeast Gem, both unsurveyed, on the East.

There are no conflicting claims.

All persons holding adverse claims to any portion of the lands embraced in this application are hereby notified to file notice thereof in the United States Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, during the publication of this notice of application for patent.

C. S. DUNN, Register.
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 Last publication, October 24, 1918.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Department of the Interior.
 United States Land Office,
 August 7, 1918.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the Commissioner of the General Land Office, by his Letter of June 24th, 1918, has allowed the application of John E. Macy, of Sparta, Oregon, for a hearing to determine the mineral or non-mineral character of the NW 1-4 SW 1-4, E 1-2 SW 1-4, NE 1-4, and NW 1-4 SE 1-4, Sec. 36, Tp. 8 S., R. 44 E., W. M.

The records of this office show that said land was adjudged mineral in character by Commissioner's Letter "N" of February 17th, 1894, as a result of a hearing held upon the application of the State of Oregon, and that the State has since exercised its right by selecting other land in lieu thereof.

In application for hearing it is alleged by the said John E. Macy, and two witnesses, that the lands above described are non-mineral in character.

Any and all persons, therefore, who claim any right, title, or interest in said lands or any part thereof, or who may be claiming the same for mineral purposes, by location, occupation or otherwise, or who may desire to object because of the mineral character of the land or for any other reason to the disposal of said lands, are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence, touching the character of the land above described, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on October 9th, 1918, before W. L. Patterson, a Notary Public, at his office, at Baker, Oregon, and the final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock, A. M., on November 6th, 1918, before the Register and Receiver, at the United States Land Office, in La Grande, Oregon.

C. S. Dunn, Register.
 Nolan Skiff, Receiver.
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Not Coal Land.
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 Department of the Interior.
 U. S. Land Office at LaGrande, Oregon, August 15, 1918.

Notice is hereby given that Nicholas Spyropoulos, of Home, Oregon, who, on October 2, 1914, made Homestead Entry No. 013782, for NE 1/4 SW 1/4, W 1/2 SE 1/4, Sec. 20, NW 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 20, and on May 15, 1916, made A. H. E. No. 014855 for S 1/2 NE 1/4, Sec. 20, and S 1/2 NW 1/4, Section 21, Township 11 South, Range 45 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before A. B. Combs, Jr., Clerk of County Court, at Baker, Oregon, on the 9th day of October, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses: George Spyropoulos, of Home, Oregon, Milt Spyropoulos, of Home, Oregon, Chris Coleman, of Home, Oregon, and Wm. Kirby, of Durkee, Oregon.
 O. B. Dunn, Register.
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Baker, Oregon, June 11th, 1918.
 To the heirs of John P. Carey, deceased, and all others interested herein:
 You and each of you are hereby notified and will take notice that I, the subscriber, have expended during the years 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915 and 1916, one hundred dollars for each of said years in labor and improvements upon each of the following quartz mining claims, situated in Baker County, State of Oregon, to-wit: Upon the "SWEET-STAKE" and upon the Gallagher No. 1 quartz mining claims, as said claims are described in the recorded certificates of location thereof, on file and of record in the office of the County Clerk of said County and State in Book "K" of quartz locations at pages 470 and 471. Such expenditure was made for the purpose of holding the possessory right and title to said mining claims under the provisions of Section 2324 of the Revised Statutes of the United States and the amendments thereto, said sums being necessary to hold said mining claims for said years.

If you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure within ninety days after the publication of this notice, as a co-owner in said claims, your proportion being one sixth of said sums expended by me, your interest in said claims will become the property of the subscriber under said Section 2324.

Patrick Gallagher.
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Why not send the News to a soldier friend?