

**NEW GERMAN WAR CREDIT OPPOSED**

**German Socialists Will Vote as a Unit Against Measure Unless Michaelis Goes**

**GOVERNMENT ASKS FOR TEN BILLION MARKS**

**Fight Against Michaelis Will Be Staged at Next Session of Reichstag**

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—German newspapers declared that the socialists will vote solidly against the ten billion marks' war credit at the next Reichstag session, unless Michaelis resigns.

The socialists decided to fight for the removal of Michaelis at the congress of the majority socialists, held at Wartburg, Bavaria.

**Allies Make Gains**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—The allies are successfully driving a wedge into the German lines which may permit a flanking move instead of the continuous frontal attacks, declared Secretary of War Baker's weekly war summary.

The Germans were forced to change their defense tactics because of the British typhoon of fire. The present fighting on the Flanders front is practically revolutionary.

The summary declared that the allied Flanders offensive is continuing methodically. The assigned objectives have been attained with increasing regularity, indicating efficient coordination of artillery preparation and infantry attacks.

The allied casualties are low because of a highly-developed barrage fire.

**Iowa Votes Wet by Two Thousand Majority**

DES MOINES, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—Iowa voted wet by a majority of two thousand, according to practically complete returns.

**Bell Officials and Men Are Still Deadlocked**

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—The conference board of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. employees and officials attempting to reach an agreement and avert a strike remained in deadlock today. The danger of a general telephone strike is increasing.

**Patrol Ship Boiler Explodes; One Killed**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—The navy department announced that Dennis Sheehan was killed and Vance Perkins seriously scalded, when a United States' patrol ship's boiler exploded. The vessel was patrolling off an Atlantic port.

**FOOD CONSERVATION MEETING WILL BE HELD**

A food conservation meeting will be held at Shedd on Friday night at 7:30 o'clock. This announcement was made this morning by A. C. Schmitt, chairman of the Linn county committee having this work in charge.

The meeting will be addressed by A. C. Schmitt and one of the professors of Oregon Agricultural college.

**Return From Astoria—**

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Shaw have returned from a trip to Astoria. They made the trip by automobile. Returns to Albany—

**NEW CLASSIFIED**

FOR SALE—50 head of good sheep. Both phones. F. H. Pfeiffer. 017-19\*

WANTED—Girl to assist in housework, at 1032 Washington St. Call Bell 588-J. 017-19

**146 U. of O. Men In Country's Service**

EUGENE, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—One hundred and forty-six University of Oregon students have left the university to take up military service, according to statistics compiled today in the office of A. R. Tiffany, registrar. It is declared likely that other students have gone to the colors whose names have not been turned into the registrar's office.

The largest single group of Oregon men enlisted is the 46 who are in the Coast Artillery stationed at Fort Stevens. Another group of 36 in the Eugene ambulance corps is now in training at American Lake.

**EDGAR PIPER DRAWS LARGE CROWDS IN LINN**

**Editor of Oregonian Urging the Support of the Second Liberty Loan**

Denouncing Kaiser Wilhelm as the author of the world war and declaring that the success or failure of American arms will depend upon the financing of the three billion dollar Liberty Loan, Hon. Edgar B. Piper, editor of the Morning Oregonian, addressed a large and enthusiastic audience yesterday afternoon at Scio. The same evening Editor Piper and State Senator E. D. Cosick spoke at Lebanon before a large crowd.

This afternoon the same speakers will address a meeting at Shedd, and this evening will speak at Harrisburg. Editor Piper is a brilliant and forceful speaker, and is contributing in no small measure to the success of the Liberty Loan campaign in Linn county.

**HALSEY SENDS OUT MUCH BUTTER AND EGGS**

HALSEY, Ore., Oct. 17.—(Special to the Democrat)—Over \$6 00 a day for cream and \$65 a day for eggs are being paid out on the average by one firm in this city. The Mutual Creamery, which was established here two years ago, is doing a good business and bringing prosperity to this vicinity.

The Halsey State bank is quartered in its new building, which is constructed from concrete and faced with white pressed brick. Modern furnishings are installed, making the bank one of the most complete in the valley. President D. Taylor and the other officers and stockholders are proud of their new quarters.

**ANOTHER ALBANY MAN HEARD CAMILLA URSO**

Judge D. B. McKnight's story about violins and violin players in last Wednesday's Democrat has stirred the recollections of many old residents who also heard Camilla Urso. Today C. W. Sears informed this office that he not only heard Camilla Urso, but was one of the leading bass soloists at a concert which she directed in San Francisco about 1868. The people of San Francisco gave a three day concert for the benefit of the Mercantile Library. Over \$100,000 was raised. Singers were present from every state in the union. The chorus, which Urso directed, contained hundreds of voices. There was an immense orchestra. The bass drum was ten feet in diameter and was beaten with a long-handled stick. Over 50 anvils were used in the anvil chorus. This took place the year before Mr. Sears came to Oregon, and is described as one of the greatest concerts ever given.

**Tangent Odd Fellows Hold Pleasant Feed**

A fine entertainment and China pheasant feed was held at Tangent last night by the Odd Fellows of that place. Dr. G. H. Young and Attorney G. W. Wright, P. G. R. of the Odd Fellows, were present and addressed the meeting by special invitation. Mrs. Young and Mrs. Wright accompanied their husbands. Several musical numbers and recitations, as well as addresses, were given and greatly enjoyed by the large crowd which was present.

**RUSSIA SPURNS PEACE PROPOSAL**

**Foreign Minister Cables Washington that German Offer is Regarded as Ridiculous**

**HINDENBURG DIRECTING OPERATIONS AGAINST RUSSIA**

**Russian Fleet Forced to Retire According to Berlin Reports; Prisoners Taken**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—Russia considers the Kaiser's peace offers as hypocritical, enigmatic and even contrary to the Reichstag resolutions, Foreign Minister Terechenko cabled the Russian embassy today.

**Russians Retire**

LONDON, Oct. 17.—It is reported that Hindenburg is personally directing the German operations on Oesel Island, and that German activities there are increasingly successful. The Berlin statement declared that the German navy encountered the Russian fleet and compelled them to retire. Eleven hundred Russians were made prisoners yesterday.

**FORMER ALBANY WOMAN DEAD AT GRANTS PASS**

Mrs. Jennie M. Clevenger passed away at Grants Pass on Sunday, October 14th, just six years to a day from the date of her husband's death.

Mrs. Clevenger was born in New York and located with her husband, Dawson A. Clevenger, in Albany in the year 1890. They lived here for several years and moved to Grants Pass.

Sam Clevenger of this city attended the funeral.

**HARRISBERG CHEESE FACTORY IS MODERN**

**New Industry Opens With Good Batch; Adds Prosperity to County**

HARRISBURG, Ore., Oct. 17.—(Special to the Democrat)—With a batch of 3,000 pounds of milk which produced 300 pounds of cheese, the Harrisburg cheese factory began operations last Thursday. The plant is controlled by K. C. Eldridge, pioneer Independence creameryman, who has won many prizes with his butter at the state and other fairs.

The building, which is new and sanitary, is 60 by 30 feet in dimensions. The plant and machinery are valued at \$4,000. The building and equipment are of the most approved types and contain every convenience for working. The cooling room and boiler room are attached to the main building. The plant has a capacity of handling 15,000 pounds of milk and producing 1,600 pounds of cheese daily.

Christ Martin, who came here from Minnesota, is cheesemaker. He learned his profession in Switzerland and is rated a high class maker of curd products.

Cheese, being susceptible to its surroundings, will not cure properly in a painted building, and the floor must be a sufficient distance from the earth. Precautions have been taken in this plant for the best results.

The factory is paying 57 cents for butterfat at present, and the farmers receive their whey in return. They make excellent feed for hogs and chickens.

Dr. O. B. Long is owner of the building in which the factory is situated.

Frank Patton left Tuesday afternoon for his home at Albany, after having enjoyed a couple of days' visit with friends in Eugene.—Eugene Guard.

**Meanest Man in Portland Discovered**

PORTLAND, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—There's a mean man somewhere in the northwest. True, probably there's several, but there is one in particular—one crowned king of the mean ones, by employes of Mayor Baker's office today.

For four days a little woman in black crept into the office, selected an out-of-the-way chair and waited—two hours a day. Police inquiries from the office force brought her only, "I'm just a-waitin' for some one."

The fourth day she was closely questioned. "A man promised to marry me and he said he would meet me here," she explained. "I'm only waiting for him."

Employes of the mayor's office were unable to convince her that he probably lied to her.

**LIBERTY BOND SALES ARE SLOW**

**Germans in Southwest States Said to Be Opposing Banks Which Back Bonds**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—Southwestern Germans are endeavoring to intimidate the banks which the Liberty Loan, according to treasury department reports. Simultaneously the department launched a direct drive for subscriptions from the German element.

Minneapolis reported that German-born farmers are buying the bonds. The treasury department stated that the situation is critical. Only the hardest kind of work can bring success, it is stated.

**GERMAN IS CHARGED WITH STOCKYARDS FIRE**

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—The police arrested a German who was formerly a stockyards employe, in connection with the alleged incendiary fire yesterday. His name is not announced. Fire Warden Martin formally reported the stockyard fire as incendiary.

**CITY NEWS**

**Soldier Boys Return—**

Arthur and Perov Ralston, of Albany, Clyde Denny, of Corvallis, and Ernest Soderstrom, of Halsey, returned to Fort Canby to join the Fifth Co., after a four-day furlough.

**Elk Fine Received—**

County Treasurer W. W. Francis today received from Sheriff Bodine the sum of \$175.20 out of the \$200 fine paid by B. R. Doughton, who pleaded guilty to killing an elk this week. The costs of the case were \$24.30.

**Final Account Filed—** The final account in the estate of Geo. A. Asche Jr., was filed today in probate court by Geo. A. Arche Sr. Geo. Asche died last spring as a result of injuries received in a dynamite explosion northeast of this city.

**Marriage License Issued—** Frank Fogarty, 35, a Newport steamboatman, and Miss Domeschelli Anna Svota, 22, of Albany, were granted a license to marry this morning.

**First Frost Comes—** The first heavy frost of the season occurred last night, a heavy white coating being on the ground this morning. It is likely that tomatoes and many other vegetables subject to frost-kill were injured.

**Called to Portland—**

A. C. Schmitt was called to Portland today in connection with the food conservation campaign which will soon be launched in Linn county.

**Attend Grand Opera—** Mrs. W. H. Davis left last night for Portland where she will attend grand opera during the present week and visit with Mrs. Wolfe. She will be joined tonight by Dr. Davis.

**At American Lake—**

Captain Lester Humphreys, brother of J. A. Humphreys of this city, has been transferred from Fort Sill to American Lake. He says that Mark Weatherford is still at Fort Sill.

**BRITISH PUSHING LINES FORWARD**

**Germans Rushing Construction of Big Dam; Expect to Flood Contested Territory**

**WEDGE BEING DRIVEN INTO GERMAN LINE**

**Flanking Movement Is Expected; Loss of Allies Said to Be Slight**

By William Phillip Simms, United Press Staff Correspondent

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS, Oct. 17.—While the British advance the Germans are rushing the construction of a dam two miles above Nieuport, which will flood the ground beyond Passchendaele Ridge. The Germans hope the flood will stop the advance.

Prisoned German officers said that plans have been laid so the Germans can retreat five miles to prepared positions. The Germans are faintly rattled.

LONDON, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—Clearing weather and a resumption of heavy British artillery fire caused the belief here today that General Haig is preparing for another Flanders drive. General Haig reported extraordinary aerial raiding activities.

**German Dreadnought Hits Mine; Is Damaged**

PETROGRAD, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—A German dreadnought struck a mine around Oesel Island and was apparently damaged, it is officially stated. The vessel's fate is unknown. The war office lost communication with the Oesel Island garrison today.

**Munition Makers Try to Avoid Paying Tax**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—The treasury department disclosed alleged attempts of munition manufacturers to evade \$17,000,000 taxes. The government is forcing the manufacturers to pay up.

**TANGENT MAN MAKES FINE STEEL ARTICLES**

TANGENT, Ore., Oct. 17.—(Special to the Democrat)—Although Tangent is not known as a manufacturing center it does, however, boast of at least one factory. B. A. Smith, in a quiet sort of way, conducts a little machine shop in the town and turns out a fine grade of razors, knives, scissors, sack needles, and other tools. Using a high grade of steel, Smith forges a product that is said to compare favorably with the best goods on the market. He gets a fair price for his goods and has a great deal of work in this line. His friends pronounce him one of the best mechanics in the valley.

**GAME SEASON NOT TO BE CUT SHORT**

The following letter has been received by Hauser Brothers from the State Game Department:

Gentlemen: Replying to your letter of the 19th inst., in reference to closing the Chinese Pheasant Hunting season before the date set by law, will say that the season will not be closed. This rumor has bobbed up a number of times lately, but there is nothing to it. Rest assured that the season will remain open the full limit set by law.

Yours very truly,  
CARE D. SHOEMAKER,  
State Game Warden.  
By F. M. BROWN, Chief Clerk.

**Last Half of School Money Is Apportioned**

County Treasurer W. W. Francis has completed the apportionment of the last half of the moneys due the various school districts of the county. Last April \$34,000 was sent out, and the last installment amounted to \$30,496.

Each district gets \$100, \$5 for each teacher who attends an institute, and \$8 for every child of school age in the district. There are 8062 children in the county.

**HONOR GUARD GIRLS GETTING READY FOR WORK**

**Will Accomplish Many Useful Things for Soldiers This Winter**

With the coming of winter the Honor Guard girls are getting down to hard work and plan to spend the dreary months in useful occupation for the benefit of soldiers and sailors and otherwise assist in carrying on the great war.

The new officers are, leader, Miss Winnifred Patterson; assistant leader, Miss Lee Fortmiller; secretary, Miss Thelma Richards; treasurer, Miss Ruth Beals; Sgt. at Arms, Miss Grace McCauley.

The corps leaders are, Miss Bertha Lee, first division, first aid; Miss Madeleine Rawlings, second division, sewing and cooking; Miss Janet Dawson, 3d division, automobile driving, telegraphy, riding, shooting and drilling.

The drill work will be resumed in a short time. Last spring the members became quite efficient in drill work, and this will be taken up more thoroughly this year.

A membership campaign will be started in a few days, and it is the hope of the leaders to fill the organization to full strength.

During the past year the Honor Guard girls have accomplished considerable useful work. They formed themselves into an auxiliary for the Fifth company when the boys left for Fort Canby, and raised money to purchase a phonograph and records, which they presented to the members. They have since sent gun wipers, candy, beans and other articles. They plan to do still more work for the soldiers of the local company.

All members of the Honor Guards are requested to meet at the bean patch as soon as possible after school to assist in gathering the rest of the bean crop which was planted last spring.

**CITY NEWS**

**Season Closes Soon—**

According to a statement made this morning by Deputy Game Warden E. S. Hawker the pheasant season closes on November first.

**Visiting Here—** D. Wilkins and family are visiting at the home of Mrs. R. S. Wilkins. They motored from California and will spend several days here.

**Mrs. White Here—** Mrs. O. V. White of Brownsville is visiting with friends in Albany.

**Goes to Arizona—**

J. L. Irvine and family left this afternoon in their car on a trip to Phoenix, Arizona, and do not expect to return to Albany until about the first of January.

**American Escapes From German Prison Camp**

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 17.—(U. P.) Charles Smith of Norwalk, Conn., is the first American escaping from a German prison camp housing prisoners, taken by the German raider Moe-we. He reached Stockholm after six waterless days concealed in the hold of a ship from Kiel.

**GARFIELD, COAL DICTATOR. WILL DECIDE DISPUTE**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—Fuel Administrator Garfield promised a decision on the coal miners' wage demands soon. He refused to be intimidated by threats of a nation-wide bituminous strike.

**WIRING A MENACE SAYS MARSHALL**

**State Officers Visit City and Pronounce Electric Wiring Dangerous**

**OREGON POWER CO. DENIES STATEMENT**

**Inside Wiring Said to Be Bad; Recommends Full Salary for Fire Chief**

SALEM, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—Three deputy state fire marshals reported to State Fire Marshal Wells today that Albany is subjected to great fire hazards through improper electric wiring. The report declares: "We find the electrical wiring in this city by far the most dangerous fire hazard. For many blocks we found places where electric service wires are absolutely bare of insulation or where insulation is ready to drop off."

One hundred and seven places out of 279 inspected were found to have defective wiring. The inspectors found the mercantile establishments in good condition. They recommend that the fire chief be put on a full salary.

When shown the above dispatch, J. L. White, superintendent of the Oregon Power company for Western Oregon, stated that the part of the report is true, but that the part regarding the lack of insulation on wires is wrong. "Even if it were true," he stated, "it would not constitute a fire hazard, for there is no better insulation than air." He got in touch with Fire Marshal Wells, who promises to make a correction to the report.

Firemen state that the report tells the truth with regard to the general wiring in business establishments, and many residences. They state that the wiring in many places is actually a menace and that steps should be taken to improve the condition.

The report recommends that the fire chief of this city be put on a regular salary and be able to devote his entire time to looking after the interests of the city with regard to prospective fires.

**GOOD RECORDS MADE BY LOCAL P.O. MEN**

Handling a total of 3772 pieces, four men in the post office yesterday taking the case test made a total time of 140 minutes with but three errors. This averaged 943 pieces to the man with an average speed of 35 minutes.

Albert S. Rand, chief clerk of the Railway mail service, was greatly pleased with the result of the showing, as is Postmaster Stewart and the boys making the tests. The government allows 55 minutes for each applicant. The following were the individual scores:

R. N. Torbet, 30 minutes, 2 errors.  
Wm. G. Meyers, 30 minutes, 1 error.  
J. A. Humphreys, 37 minutes, perfect.  
Dave Patterson, 40 minutes, perfect.  
The 943 cards represent the number of postoffices in the state, and to know the location of each one and to place it instantly is quite a task. All knew the locations, but the greater speed of Torbet and Meyer caused their errors.

**Many French Killed by German Air Raid**

PARIS, Oct. 17.—(U. P.)—Numerous civilians were killed when the Germans air-raided Nancy last night it is officially stated today.

The French retallied by bombing half a dozen important German military establishments.

**Saw Albany Men—**

Mrs. Edwin Fortmiller who is now in Tacoma writes that she saw Dr. B. R. Wallace and Lieutenant Lee Bennett, who are stationed at that point.