

GERMANS ARE MAKING STAND ON THE VESLE

FRENCH HOLD BRIDGEHEADS DESPITE FIERCE
GERMAN COUNTER ATTACKS IN AN
EFFORT TO OUST

Additional Allied Units Have Crossed River Despite Ar-
tillery Fire; Heavy Rain Prevents Sub-
stantial Gains by Allies

HEAVY FIGHTING ALONG ENTIRE NEW LINE OF
DEFENSE; MACHINE GUNS SWEEP RIVER APPROACHES

BY FRED FERGUSON, U. P.
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WITH THE AMERICANS, Aug. 6.—German resistance continued along the Vesle river. There is heavy fighting on the entire line. The enemy is holding the heights along the river's north bank. His artillery increased while machineguns sweep the river crossings and the approaches to the heights. In return the American artillery is pounding the Boche positions.

Additional allied infantry and other units have crossed the river. Isolated Germans in Fismes are sniping the Americans, but are rapidly being silenced.

American cavalry is patrolling the Fismes region. Rain is falling and all roads, rivers and fields are soft, delaying troop movements. The river banks are marshy. Despite this the Americans are constantly pressing forward.

PARIS, Aug. 6.—The long-range bombardment of Paris has been resumed. There were some victims and some material damage was done.

By JOHN DEGANDT
PARIS, Aug. 6.—With the Germans resisting fiercely all along the Vesle, the French heavy artillery on the river's south bank at 4 this afternoon laid down a terrific fire on the tableland between the Vesle and the Aisne.

Escaped Convict Is Located Near Hillsboro

SALEM, Aug. 6.—U. P.—Convicted that Bennett Thompson, escaped murderer, is hiding between Hillsboro and Seppossee, Warden Murphy issued a warning that that vicinity keep a lookout.

Men knowing Thompson saw him armed. Murphy believes Thompson will stop at nothing.

Suit to Recover on Note Is Filed

R. C. Bailey today filed a complaint with the circuit court asking for the foreclosure of a mortgage against Omer E. Trout and Ella Trout, his wife. The note was given for the sum of \$2,000 and in addition to this sum the plaintiff asks for \$225 as attorney's fees. Attorney L. G. Lewelling represents the plaintiff.

German Planes Raid Men Fed Today

LONDON, Aug. 6.—U. P.—Three German airplanes raided the English east coast today. One was destroyed and another badly damaged. The raid was unsuccessful.

NEW CLASSIFIED

WANTED—A man to work on wood-saw. S. H. Bridger, 1112 Elm St. Home phone 3118. Bell 393-Y. 6a8*
TO RENT—To reliable parties, a furnished sleeping room in a cottage at Newport from August 15 to August 29. Address P. J. L., c/o Democrat. 6a8
FOR SALE—A Ford Roadster, 1917 model. Good conditions. Practically new tires, shock absorbers, etc. Will also throw in a delivery box. \$425. Inquire at Democrat office. 6a8
FOR SALE—A horse weighing 1700 pounds and 7 years old. Cheap if taken soon. Home phone 4555. 6a8*
12 WORK HORSES FOR SALE—Easy terms. H. Bryant. da5tfw
FOR SALE—Lot on paved street, will take Ford as part payment. Terms to suit on balance. Home 4546. tf

LINN PIONEER IS CALLED BY DEATH

Everett Knox Dies After a
Short Illness at Home
in Knox Butte

Everett Knox, pioneer of Linn county, died yesterday afternoon at his home at Knox Butte after a short illness.

The deceased was born in Linn county July 25th, 1863 and has resided here ever since. He was a member of the Methodist church and took an active interest in church matters.

He leaves a wife, two sons, Lyle of Knox Butte and Wallace of Portland and six brothers, including G. M. Knox of Albany.

The funeral services will be conducted at the family residence at Knox Butte tomorrow at 2:30 o'clock. G. W. Rohrbough, an old friend of the deceased, officiating.

SIXTEEN DRAFTED MEN LEAVE TONIGHT

Contingent Will Be Sent to
Camp Fremont; Fed at
Armory Today

Sixteen drafted men will leave on the 10:15 train tonight for Camp Fremont, California. They were fed at the armory at noon today.

The names of the men are as follows: Elmer L. Beebe, Albany; Elias Arthur Place, Lebanon; William Satter, Vancouver; Ray W. Billings, Foster; Louis Merle Moench (leader), Albany; Henry John Fitchau, Albany; Fred Lee Connett, Lebanon; Cyrus L. Rickard, Albany; Ernest William Rooker, Canby; Ray A. Bailey, Harrisburg; Aldred Martin, Lyons; Dan Henry Jimerfield, Waterloo; Richard Eldon Carroll, Harrisburg; Damon Ellis Waters, Brownsville; William Tappier, Elma, Wash.; Leo H. Rolfe, Harrisburg.

Transferred to Linn county from Boise, Idaho: Ben H. Powell, Lebanon.

SAM WORRELL MAKES GOOD RECORD AT SALEM

Speaking of the part that Guard Sam Worrell played in the capture of the four desperate convicts who escaped from the state penitentiary, the Oregon Statesman said:

All four were seen by Prison Guard Burgess as they started to leave the flame. They at once dodged into the brush. Burgess, without firing on the fugitives, gave the alarm and Guards E. A. Slover, former Portland chief of police, and Sam Worrell ran to the point indicated by Burgess. Worrell fired two shots at the men in brush with a Krag-Jorgensen rifle. They came out with hands up. They were removed to narrow cells and chained to the bars. Warden Murphy says they will be kept in close confinement. Thompson and Thurber had the advantage of the other four in making their escape for the reason that the former were working in the boiler room and were able to await for darkness, while the other four had been placed in cells during the night.

Visiting Brother—
Mrs. A. G. Williams of Lebanon is here visiting at the home of her brother, M. H. Crandall.

American "Gimpers" of Air Mark Cross for Every Hun Plane Downed

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By Mail.—"All gimpers have to live up to the idea of the squadron emblem," explained Lieutenant Eddie Rickenbacker, all-American ace and former auto racer.

"Every man has a picture of a hat in a ring on his machine. That means he is ready to fight at any time, whether he wants to or not. The squadron is sometimes known as the hat-in-the-ring squadron. But among ourselves it's gimpers. We adopted the hat-in-the-ring as our emblem back in our training days. Then it was our hope to be the first fighting squadron to get to the front.

"Our commanding officer who had flown with the French, used to have a hat as the emblem on his machine. Someone suggested that we take the hat, but ring a ring around it, carrying out the idea of ex-President Roosevelt's statement that we were ready to fight at any time.

"The hat we had in mind then was a derby and someone suggested when we were discussing the emblem that it be made an Uncle Sam's hat with Stars and Stripes on it. The idea was a gimpers idea and we soon designed at Uncle Sam's hat in a ring of red, white and blue on each machine.

"For a long time we could say nothing of the emblem but finally a couple of the boys were forced down in Germany. I can't say we noticed any difference in the way the German flyers treated us, for they never did have the say as to whether we would fight or not. We always have had to carry out the hat-in-the-ring idea and go after them.

"Doug Campbell added the finishing touch to the hat-in-the-ring emblem when he got his fifth Hun and became the first all-American trained ace.

"Somewhere he scared up a paint brush and painted a little black cross in the ring around the hat for each German he brought down. They were regular German crosses, just like the

ones you see on German planes just before you let them have it.

"You want to look at Doug's collection of crosses. He started them in one end of the ring and made them real small. There are now seven of them in the ring, but they stretch barely a quarter of the way across the ring. That is Doug's quiet way of showing his confidence in getting a lot of buches before the war is over. Doug wants to have room for all the crosses necessary across the ring and he's made them small.

"The rest of the boys are now putting crosses in the rings as soon as they land Germans and we're getting quite a collection of black iron settings in the gimpers squadron.

"For holes made by the Germans in our planes we also make crosses provided the holes are of large enough size. Some of the smaller ones are too common, but the large ones can be patched with a big cross.

"Not a few of the gimpers put other pictures on the planes by way of inspiration. I think the best stunt was that of a gimpers who pasted Howard Chandler Christy's war poster of the Liberty Girl on the lower wing of the machine, where he could always see it. The poster has the words: Buy Liberty Bonds or fight for her; which will you do?

"As the gimpers explained to us, it inspired him to fight.

"I see a buche up there, then always look at the girl wing," he said. "It says buy bonds or fight. I haven't any money and couldn't buy a bond if I wanted to. So there's nothing to do but fight. That's the way the girl inspires me.

"We have been out here long enough to know that the gimpers will live up to the hat-in-the-ring idea and they never run away from a fight. The idea was a happy one and it has had a lot to do with the morale of the squadron. The gimpers started out with the right kind of spirit and enthusiasm and it's worked wonders when we got into fights with Huns."

WEEKLY MARKET QUOTATIONS OF STAPLE FOOD PRODUCTS

At the request of the federal food administration, the prices of staple food products are published in every county throughout the state of Oregon. The purpose of making these weekly market quotations is to tend to establish a uniform price throughout the county, and throughout the state, of all staple food products. Naturally there is a small variation between the different communities, as local freight rates and other conditions may be the reason for that. Yet this difference should be no larger than is justified by such conditions.

The quotations given below are arrived at by a board composed of representative dealers from the towns in the county, and these quotations are determined upon from week to week, so as to give the consumer and the dealer an idea of what prices ought to be so as to prevent any overcharge on the part of any of the dealers.

	Wholesale Prices	Retail Prices
Fresh Eggs	40 to 41c	41 to 44c
Fresh Creamery Butter	50 to 51c	50 to 50c
New Potatoes	3 1/2 to 4c	4 1/2 to 5c
Full Cream Cheese	5 1/2c per pound	7 to 8c
Cornmeal, yellow, 100 pounds	6 to 6 1/2c per pound	7 to 8c
Cornmeal, white, 100 pounds	6 1/2 to 7c per pound	8c
Cornmeal, yellow, 10 pounds	6 1/2c per pound	8 1/2c
Cornmeal, white, 10 pounds	6 1/2c per pound	8c
Cornflour, bulk	7 1/2c per pound	8c
Cornflour, 10 pounds	7 1/2c per pound	8c
Rye-flour, bulk	6 to 6 1/2c per pound	8c
Rye-flour, 9 pounds	10c	10c
Rye-flour, bulk	6c	8c
Riceflour, bulk	10c	12c
Outflour, bulk	7 1/2c	8 to 8 1/2c
Hominy, 10 pounds	7 1/2c	9c
Headrice	10 to 12c	12 to 16c
Cornstarch	10 1/2c	12 1/2c
Beans, white	10 to 12c	12 1/2c
Sugar, granulated	8.05 to 8.3c	9 to 10c
Raisins, seeded, 15 oz.	10 1/2c	15c
Lard, bulk	27c	35c
Lard, 5-pound pails	\$1.39	\$1.50
Lard, compound, bulk	23c	27c
Lard, compound, 5-pound pails	27c	\$1.25
Bacon	38 to 44c	46 to 50c
Milk, per quart, delivered	12c	15c
Wheat Flour, 43-pound sacks	\$2.40 to \$2.80	\$2.75 to \$3.10
Wheat Flour, bulk	5 to 6c	6 to 7 1/2c

It is the judgment of the federal food administration in Washington that sugar will be more plentiful during the months of November and December, and all housewives are urged

Over Four Hundred Men Fed Today

Four hundred and five drafted men arrived at 1:20 this afternoon and were fed by the Red Cross ladies at the armory. The men came from Portland and Southern Idaho.

An orchestra and a ladies' quartet furnished the music and following the dinner C. H. Burggraf on behalf of the Elks lodge presented the Linn and Benton county boys with flags.

Honor Guard Meeting—
The Honor Guard girls will meet tonight at the library at 7:30.

GERMAN ARMY AT BAY SAYS SIMMS

Hindenburg Must Shorten
His Line and Abandon
Any Thought of
Offensive

DEFEAT STARES
GERMANS IN FACE

Retreat Across the Meuse
Probable; Civilians
Expect Defeat

By Will Phillip Simms, U. P. Staff
Correspondent

WITT THE BRITISH, France, Aug. 6.—The German armies are at bay. Hindenburg has only one card to play. It consists of a rearrangement of the Western Front, shortening the line and adopting the defensive strategy behind the rivers and other natural barriers.

Then he would select one spot where the remnants of his armies from everywhere will be concentrated to try for a decision. Such a bid for victory if tried must have the devil's luck to succeed.

Over the heads of what once was the world's greatest offensive army hovers the oppressive shadow of defeat. The allies should win in the fifth year of the war.

THE HAGUE, Aug. 6.—U. P.—The Berlin Vossische Zeitung in a pessimistic article hints at a German retirement to the Meuse line.

Neutral travelers returning from Berlin say the citizens are nervous and beginning to expect defeat.

Such a retirement as is mentioned above would mean the relinquishment of practically all occupied French territory and two-thirds of Belgium.

CORVALLIS SIGNS ADORN HIGHWAY

Albany Losing Much Tourist
Trade Which Now Goes
to Neighbor City

That signs giving the exact distance to Corvallis, appear at many points on the Pacific Highway south of Albany, was the statement made this morning to a Democrat representative by Dr. W. P. White, who has just returned from an auto trip through Southern Oregon and California.

"These signs," said Dr. White, "are seen 100 miles south of Albany and during the entire trip I never saw a single sign indicating the distance to Albany. The travel over the Pacific Highway is being diverted to Corvallis and it is my opinion that the matter should be taken up by the local Commercial club."

SEVEN ALBANY GIRLS ENROLL AS NURSES

Much Interest Manifested in
This Branch of War
Work Here

That there is more than a little interest among the young women of Albany in the drive now being made to increase the number of nurses is indicated by the fact that seven have already enlisted.

There are three recruiting stations: public library, Red Cross headquarters, and East End Red Cross. Many are considering the matter. The following have enrolled: Miss Ruby Roba, Albany. Gladys Rolfe, Albany. Jessie E. Sinclair, Albany. Winnifred Hadley, Albany. Jessie M. Ringo, R. F. D. Two. Elysa Smith, Albany. Hazel Gilbert, Albany.

After graduation the student nurse may receive \$100 to \$300 a month. Private-duty nurses now receive an average of from \$100 to \$120 a month, together with board, and public health nurses from \$100 to \$250 a month without maintenance.

A PAGE FROM OREGON HISTORY

Editorial in Morning Oregonian
Tells of Early History of Democrat

NAMES OF PROMINENT
MEN ARE RECALLED

Editor Piper of Oregonian
Started His Career as
"Devil" on Democrat

The following editorial, which appeared in this morning's Oregonian, has attracted a great deal of attention from the older residents of Albany and the Democrat is therefore reprinting it in full:

"The Albany Daily Democrat, published at Albany, Linn County, Oregon, is an old paper, considering the age of Oregon as a territory and state. But it has borne its present name only since 1895, the first issue appearing under the present name on the first Friday in August of that year; but it did not have the word daily attached to the name at that time, being published weekly. It was called the States Rights Democrat at the start and was a successor, so far as equipment goes, of the Oregon Democrat, which was established in Albany by Delazon Smith. Just when is a matter in dispute. It is generally understood that it first appeared in 1859. That was the year in which Oregon was admitted to the Union as a state. But Delazon Smith had left Oregon and gone to Washington shortly after the spring election in 1858, having been elected one of the United States senators, Joseph Lane being the other. Lane was already in Washington, being the territorial delegate in Congress. It was supposed that the state would soon be admitted and Smith went on to draw straws with Lane for short or long term. Lane drew the long term and Smith awaited in Washington admission of the state, then served as senator from February 14 until March 3, the close of the session. LaFayette F. Grover had been elected the first representative, and he took his seat the same day Lane and Smith were seated.

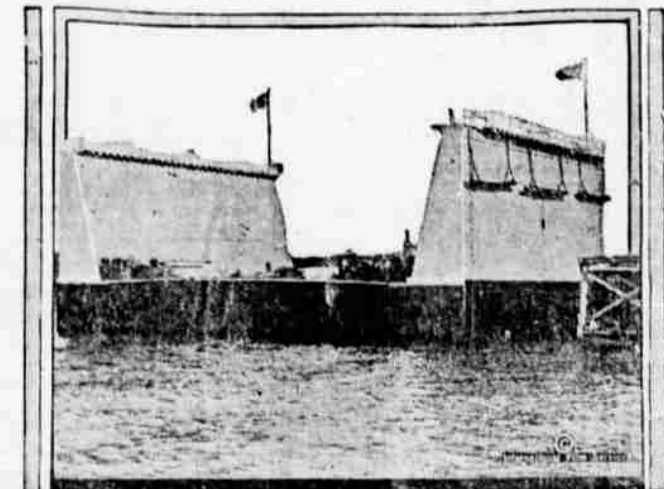
"The records show that Delazon Smith, a well-drilled newspaperman from New York state, started the Oregon Democrat, and his name at the head showed him as owner and editor. The life of the Oregon Democrat was short and full of thrills. It became so hot after the death of Smith in Portland in the fall of 1860, that its Southern sympathies could not be overlooked by the federal officials and at the instance of Secretary of War Stanton it was suppressed in 1863.

"The plant most likely remained idle until 1865. James O'Meara then bought the old plant and on the first Friday in August of that year issued the first number of the States Rights Democrat. O'Meara was a capable newspaper editor and manager and ran the paper with success until 1870, when he sold it to Dr. J. L. Hill, of Portland. O'Meara gave to the larger field at Portland to manage and edit a paper established by Ben Holladay called the Bulletin. As a matter of fact Hill took the paper for the wages due him for work done in the Democrat office.

"Hill held it for a short time only and then sold it to M. H. Abbott and Mart V. Brown, the latter quitting his job as compositor on The Oregonian to take charge of the editorial work on the States Rights Democrat, as it was still called. Brown was a good writer and a fine gentleman in every way and was so well thought of that he was later elected county clerk of Linn county, county school superintendent and state printer for two terms and was a brigadier-general of the Oregon militia. Brown had bought the interest of Abbott and sold it to a young Albany attorney by the name of C. B. Bellinger who edited the paper during Brown's office-holding days. The firm of Bellinger & Brown and remained so until about 1874, when Bellinger removed to Portland and opened a law office, later gaining great distinction as a jurist, being at first circuit judge of Multnomah county and then federal district

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LAUNCHING A SECTION OF BIGGEST DRY-DOCK



Launching the bow, the second section of the largest dry-dock in the world, at the Morse Dry-dock and Repair company's yards, Brooklyn, N. Y. There are four other sections still to be launched. When completed the dock will accommodate the largest craft afloat. It will be 700 feet long and weigh 80,000 tons.