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DEUTSCHLAND MAKES START ON JOURNEY TO FATHERLAND

German Merchant Submarine Goes Down Chesapeake Bay and Prepares for Dash to Open Sea

ALLIED WARSHIPS KEEP UP UNTIRING PATROL

Course of Captain Koenig is Only Matter of Conjecture—May Remain Close to Coast for Many Miles Before Putting Out

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 2.—Before the light of day again discloses the entrance of the Virginia capes to the fleet of the allied warships waiting to capture or sink the German submarine Deutschland, that elusive craft may be well out in the Atlantic ocean on her return voyage to Germany. After an interesting trip down from Baltimore, the Deutschland tonight is reported 16 miles from Cape Henry in such shallow water that it would be impossible for the allied warships to come and get her even did the daring skipper, Captain Koenig, invite them to do so.

Near Entrance to Capes

At 6 o'clock this morning the Deutschland was off Tangiers sound. Two hours later she was reported 40 miles up the bay. At 2 o'clock this afternoon she was 30 miles from Cape Henry. At last reports she was within 10 miles of the entrance to the capes, through which she must make her dash for the open sea and freedom.

The underwater craft was sighted by bay boats last night and today. She was saluted by each and in turn she blew two blasts from her air whistle. She put several private craft on board of which were reporters and photographers, off her trail and when she passed Tangiers she was reported to be followed closely by only one tug, while several miles behind lagged a small craft.

Small Boats Return to Port

Several small boats containing reporters and photographers were obliged to make for ports along the bay to get out of the rough weather and because they could not keep up with the Deutschland and her convoy, the tug Timmons, during early stages of the trip down the bay.

After losing some of her pursuers, the Deutschland did not average 10 knots an hour. In fact, she is supposed to have hove to near Tangiers for several hours and tried out her submerging machinery before day-break.

Waiting for her to come out into the Atlantic, two allied warships, the advance guard of a formidable fleet, appeared eight miles off Cape Henry today. They cruised about in a circle for hours and late this afternoon one steamed away to the north.

Converted Cruiser on Guard

A converted cruiser, with two funnels and built for speed, remained on guard, however, and was still at her post when night came. She did not show any lights tonight and she may have moved up a little closer to the entrance to the capes. The weather is thick and even were she within three mile zone she could not be seen from the shore.

The tug Thomas F. Timmons, which conveyed the Deutschland up the bay to Baltimore and performed the same service last night on her way down the bay, will not go to the entrance of the capes with the vessel.

Private Craft Cannot Follow

Captain Koenig will say good-bye to Captain Hinsch on the Timmons long before the Deutschland reaches the point where she must make her dash for the sea.

Private craft will not be permitted to go to sea in the wake of the Deutschland. The submarine will be given an opportunity to elude her would-be captors or destroyers, without having her presence made known by craft following her.

The Cruiser North Carolina and several torpedo boat destroyers, with the aid of aeroplanes, will also see that the German vessel is not attacked while proceeding outside the capes, but within the three mile limit.

May Hug Coast for Miles

Captain Koenig may follow the three

mile limit along the coast for many miles. He could do so and then run into the Delaware breakwaters or even New York if he saw his chances of escape.

If he follows the southern course he could not proceed far within the three-mile limit because of shoals around Flatteras, but he would stand a better chance of escaping on the surface, marine men say, because the allied warships are also afraid of the shoals and are forced to remain 15 miles off shore.

There is a strong probability that if the Deutschland does not sail tonight she will remain in Virginia waters until parties on private boats give up the task of waiting for her to sail. She is also reported to have been ordered to Newport News to take on more cargo.

TIMBER SECURITIES FIND FAVOR ON MONEY MARKET

Booth-Kelly Company Sells \$650,000 of Trust Notes to Promote Lumber Business

Confidence seems to be restored to the timber business. The lumber companies of the Pacific coast are finding a ready sale of securities in the eastern and western markets.

One of the most remarkable transactions yet recorded was that of last week when the Lumbermen Trust company concluded the making of a loan of \$650,000 to the Booth-Kelly Lumber company on three-year trust notes at 5 per cent annual interest, payable semi-annually in Portland, Grand Rapids, Mich., or New York, at the option of the note holders. All of the company's properties in Oregon, including timber lands, logging railways and lumber mills, are pledged as security. The large margin of assets, coupled with the company's business record, warranted the extremely low rate of interest, which is one per cent below the customary rate for this class of industrial obligations. The loan will be used to pay off existing indebtedness.

AGRICULTURIST REPORTS

N. S. Robb Tells of Busy Month in Lane County

The farmers of Lane county seem to be making good use of the county agriculturist, N. S. Robb. His report for the month of July shows that the agriculturist is giving much time to the improvement of the farm life in the county. The following is a part of his report.

Days in office, 9 1/2; days in field 13 1/2; meetings attended, 3; attendance at meetings, 500; crop demonstrations visited, 8; farm visits made, 33; calls on agent at office, 60; articles written, 2; words in articles, 1300; weed samples submitted for identification, 15; bulletins distributed, 22; letters written, 98; letters received, 112; telephone calls, 29; miles traveled by train, 140; miles traveled by auto, 369; vaccine distributed for sheep, head, \$20; clover fields inspected for "reported" midge, 8; requests for carloads of seed, 3.

R. W. Smith Leaves for Chicago

R. W. Smith, rural mail carrier for Route 2 up the McKenzie river to one mile west of Waltherville, leaves this afternoon for Chicago, where he will attend a rural letter carriers' convention, to which he is a state delegate. The meeting will be held in the roof garden of the Hotel La Salle, August 8, 9, and 10. Mr. Smith will visit one day in Spokane going and will stop at points in Illinois and Minnesota on his return trip. He plans to be absent about a month altogether. Orson Vaughn, who is Mr. Smith's substitute, will take care of the mail during the former's absence.

String Orchestra Progressing Well

For the past two months, Dr. Adeline Keeney Ferris has been meeting almost daily with the 18 members of a mandolin, violin, and guitar club, who are advancing so well that she believes they will be ready to play in public by fall. The members are 15 young men and women and three children, and Dr. Ferris offered to teach them to play, provided they assist in the church orchestra when they had learned.

FIND LOST HUNTER'S GUN

Fishermen Unearth Weapon of John C. Morgan, Lost 4 Years Ago

Carson Kendig, of Brownsville, who was in Springfield Monday night has just returned from the North Fork of the Mohawk and reports the finding there of a gun which belonged to his father-in-law, John C. Morgan. Mr. Morgan, who was lost four years ago, when 68 years old, was one of the best hunters and woodsmen in the state.

The gun was found by some fishermen lying on the ground and covered with leaves near the bank of a creek. The supposition is that Mr. Morgan became exhausted and had not the strength to find his way out, even though he had been sufficiently acquainted with the stream to follow it. The search for his body, which it is believed must be near the spot where the gun was found, will not be made until fall, when the dead leaves will be less of a hindrance than now.

CHASE IS STILL CHAMPION

Local Billiard Player Defends Title Against "Speed" Humphry

"Pete" Chase of Springfield, Northwest amateur champion pocket billiard player, defended his title Monday night at the Club billiard parlors in Eugene by defeating "Speed" Humphry of Eugene 100 to 95 in a match game.

It was evenly matched and a close run game up to the finish. A large crowd was present. Both players made numerous difficult plays, which brought repeated applause. It was necessary for Chase to extend himself at the finish to win.

"Chase has won seven out of eight games played in Eugene, recently defeating "Cowboy" Weston, ex-champion pool player of the world.

TO IMPROVE SOUTH SECOND

Council Grants Petition and Advertises Bids for Macadamizing

A special session of the city council was called Tuesday night for the purpose of passing on an improvement petitioned for on South Second street from South E to the city limits. The members of the council ordered the improvement, and the surveyors began setting the grade stakes this morning. Bids for macadamizing this stretch of street are now being advertised and the contract will be let Monday, August 14.

YOUNG PEOPLE MARRIED AT SIDWELL RESIDENCE

Herbert A. Silas and Miss Nina Iott Have Very Pretty Wedding Tuesday Evening

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sidwell was the scene of a very pretty though quiet wedding Tuesday evening, Aug. 1, at 8:30, when Herbert A. Silas, of Midland, Michigan, and Miss Nina Iott of Portland, were united in marriage by Rev. Ferris of the first Baptist church of Springfield. Mr. Silas is a prosperous farmer in Midland and is a man who is highly esteemed by all who know him, and the bride is the daughter of Mrs. M. L. Count of Coburg and a sister of Mrs. Frank Sidwell. She has scores of friends who wish her the very best in life and a long life of happiness. The house was decorated with honeysuckle, shasta daisies and sweet peas. The bride's bouquet was a beautiful bunch of pink and white carnations. The young couple were united in wedlock under an arch of honeysuckle and shasta daisies. The bride wore a beautiful brown silk traveling suit. Light refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. Those present were: Mrs. M. L. Count, Coburg, Miss Elizabeth Chitwood, Fort, of Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sidwell. Mr. and Mrs. Silas expect to leave Thursday morning for Midland, Michigan where they will be at home to their many friends after August 20. Midland is the bride's home town as well as the groom's, and there she has scores of friends who wait to welcome her back home.

Passes Teachers' Exam Successfully

Among those who successfully passed the teachers' examinations taken a short time ago was Miss Grace Walker of this city who received the grade of 94 per cent in physiology. Miss Walker is now exempt in all subjects, and her one-year certificate has almost the same value as a life certificate, since it may be renewed each year. She will teach in the Springfield school next year.

HAND-TO-HAND FIGHTING STILL GOES ON IN WEST

Great Battle in Northern France Rages With Gains Claimed by Both Sides

ADVANTAGE COSTS HEAVILY

British Army Gives Out Report of Gains Made by Heavy Artillery Fire to Protect Troops

London, Aug. 2.—British troops are still grappling in hand-to-hand combat with Germans around Pozieres, but are gaining, according to General Haig's report from the front today.

During the night the British commander-in-chief said additional progress had been made along hostile trenches east of Pozieres. There he said the fighting in "close quarters between small detachments," and is still in progress.

Hostile counter attacks yesterday evening against trenches west of High Wood failed to penetrate in view of the heavy artillery fire of the British.

Germans Repulse Attacks

Berlin, Aug. 2.—Repulse of all allied attacks along the Flanders front, except on the high road between Mari court and Elery, where completely demolished German trenches were occupied, was announced in the war office statement today.

In this gain of destroyed German trenches the statement said the enemy lost heavily.

"English patrols were particularly active in the Ypres sector," the statement asserted, "but were everywhere repulsed."

"In the Somme sector, around Maurepas the enemy in the evening vainly attacked our lines with strong forces following their sanguinary defeat at Monacu farm through our quick counter attack.

"South of the Somme local fighting was in progress near Belloy and Estrees.

Progress in German counter attacks was also reported in the statement.

"On the right of the Meuse we progressed northwest of the Thiaumont woods. We captured a hill salient to the northeast of Souville fort, pressing back the enemy considerably. We took 942 unwounded prisoners and 14 machine guns."

Waltherville W. O. W. Visit Local Camp

The members of the Waltherville camp, Woodmen of the World, visited the local camp, Springfield number 247, Tuesday evening, and five candidates from the two camps had the degree conferred upon them. About 45 Woodmen enjoyed the social hour after the business meeting, and the refreshments were served.

Leaves After a 2 Weeks' Visit

D. H. Thompson leaves this evening for his home in Bellingham, Washington, after a two weeks' visit here at the home of his brother, L. E. Thompson, and with his nieces, Mrs. Grace Roberts, Mrs. L. E. Castle, and Mrs. J. J. Bryan, and with acquaintances Mr. Thompson will visit at Seattle and Arlington enroute home.

CAMP CREEK

Oren Masterson is working for Weavers at Thurston.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Brattain and family of Springfield have been camping on their ranch here for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Page of Waltherville were callers here Sunday.

Mrs. J. J. Chase and daughter Vera are in Eugene having some dental work done.

Jim Kennedy from Donna is visiting friends and relatives here.

Misses Callie and Bessie Stephens spent Sunday with Mrs. G. E. Hartley.

Mr. David Stephens and son Toby were in Springfield on business Monday.

Mr. T. E. Edwards was here on business Monday afternoon.

Mrs. F. W. Brown and Miss Ina Crabtree were Eugene visitors this week.

A new directory for the local telephone system was distributed yesterday in Eugene, and will probably be sent to Springfield soon. The next issue will be put out about November 1st.

ANNOUNCE BAND PROGRAM

Eight Fine Selections Planned for Tonight's Concert

Following is the program for the regular weekly band concert to be given in the park, beginning at 8:00 o'clock this evening.

March, Zouaves—Huff; Overture, Living Pictures—Dalbey; Waltzes, Elegance—Strauss; Selection, Operatic Mingle—Barry; Characteristic, Mazurka—Ellenberg; Waltzes, Cupid's Dart—Hall; Medley Overture, The Best Beloved Southern Melodies—Hays; March, The Booster—Klein.

TRADE FOR FRUIT RANCH

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ames Exchange Berry Farm for Washington Sand

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ames have traded their nine-acre berry farm on the Goshen road, one quarter miles from the West Springfield school house, to Mrs. Emma D. Hampton; in exchange they received a 150 acre fruit ranch in Mesa, Franklin county, Washington, of which they plan to take possession about October 1st. Mrs. Hampton is expected to arrive here at about that date.

Mr. and Mrs. Ames and their family have lived on their farm here for almost five years, and they have found berry raising quite profitable, Mrs. Ames said.

SCHOOL BOARD WILL INSPECT

High School Will Probably Be Repaired Soon; Other Business at Special Meeting

At a special meeting of the school board held last Monday evening in the office of Clerk A. P. McKenzie, it was decided to inspect the high school building and report at the regular monthly meeting to be held next Monday evening, with a view to repairing the same, and putting it in condition for the opening of the fall term.

A bid for painting the manual training building was let to H. F. Gordon for \$65.00. The agreement calls for two coats of white paint on the outside, and for a coat of stain on the roof. The main reason for calling this meeting was to open bids for this job.

Other business transacted at the special meeting was the taking care of the regular monthly bills, and the acceptance of the resignation of Miss Verna Tagg, commercial teacher. The meeting was called at 7:30 o'clock, with all directors present.

MAIL BOX MUST CONFORM

U. S. Post Office Department Issues Specifications for Rural Use

From this time on only a certain type of rural mail box may be erected by the patrons of the various routes throughout the United States according to a bulletin just received by E. L. Campbell, Eugene postmaster.

The boxes to be erected hereafter must conform to the department's specifications. Two sizes have been designed and adopted, the dimensions being as follows:

No. 1.—18 1/2 inches long, 6 1/2 inches wide, 7 1/2 inches high; for letters and ordinary mail.

No. 2.—23 1/2 inches long, 11 inches wide, 14 inches high; for all mail, including parcel post.

Patrons may use either size preferred, according to the bulletin, and will not be required to discard boxes in use now while they remain serviceable.

Earl Parker Has Right Leg Cut

Three stitches were required to close a cut in Earl Parker's right leg below the knee, which was caused by the slipping of an axe in the hands of his younger brother, Rowland, this morning. The boys were chopping wood and Earl was holding the stick for his brother. The injured lad is not suffering very much, but will have to be rather quiet and careful of the leg for a week or so, the doctor said.

Ladies' Aid Social is a Success

Six dollars was cleared and about 65 ladies had a delightful afternoon yesterday when the Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church held a porch social at the home of Dr. and Mrs. N. W. Emery of South Second street. The ladies of the aid sold ice cream and cake, and the visitors and members not busy in serving did needlework of various kinds. Mesdames E. E. Kester, J. V. Godard, William Bishop, J. W. Coffin, and N. W. Emery served.

IRISH REBEL IS EXECUTED TODAY FOR HIGH TREASON

Sir Roger Casement Pays the Death Penalty as Leader of Dublin Revolution

ALL IRELAND IS SILENT

Prisoner Makes no Statement of Case; Chats Freely With Wardens and Friends at Prison

London, Aug. 3.—At the appointed hour of nine o'clock this morning Sir Roger Casement, who was condemned to pay the death penalty for high treason against the government of Great Britain, was hanged in the courtyard of the Pentonville prison. Sir Roger gave his life for eluding the Dublin rebellion several months ago. He made no statement before his death.

London, Aug. 2.—Unless in the early morning hours the unexpected happens and King George grants a reprieve, Sir Roger Casement will be hanged at 9 o'clock tomorrow in the courtyard of Pentonville prison.

Such action by the king would come in the face of official utterances made today to the effect that the government could see no reason justifying a reprieve in the face of the cabinet's unalterable determination to let the law take its course and it would come as a surprise even to Casement's relatives, who have given up all hope of the prisoner escaping the payment of the death penalty for high treason.

Will Make no Statement

Casement himself made no statement today and let it be known that he will make none.

In the condemned cell of Pentonville prison he betrays no emotion and evidently enjoyed his fruit and ice in the drinks today which he took in quest of the relief from the heat.

The prisoner slept remarkably well tonight. Up to the minute of retiring he maintained his customary attitude of bravado and showed not the slightest sign of remorse.

Chats With Wardens

He chatted freely, even cheerily, with the two wardens of his cell and after eating a hearty supper divested himself for the last time of his convict clothes and went to bed. He will be executed in his own clothes but will not be permitted to wear a collar.

Premier Asquith late tonight formally acknowledged the receipt of an extensively signed Irish petition in Casement's behalf. The petition was signed by many famous authors. It admits the prisoner's guilt but urges his mental irresponsibility. His execution, the decree urges, would be helpful to the German policy.

No Word From United States

The petition cites the American Civil war when leaders of the south were not executed and the breach was healed.

The foreign office states tonight that no communication had been received from the American state department regarding the question of a reprieve for Casement. It was further stated that the whole question had been carefully considered by the cabinet and the determination to let the law take its course was unalterable.

Gavin Duffy, of Casement's counsel, said tonight that the prisoner's relatives "have the strongest grounds for believing there will be no reprieve."

Returns From Two Weeks' Vacation

Miss Estella Martin returned Tuesday morning from a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Young and family and Attorney Charles Garland and family at Portland. While there she also met a cousin, Dr. I. Knight, she hadn't seen for seven years. Miss Martin returned to work at Hampton's store yesterday morning, after an absence of two weeks.

Union Services

The union services for Sunday evening will be held in the M. E. church at 8:00 o'clock. The choir of entertaining church is requested to furnish the music of its own selection. The band will give special pieces. And a silver offering in behalf of the band will be taken. Rev. E. C. Wigmore will preach the sermon, "The Uplifted Christ" will be the theme.