LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Gerald Sooysmith who has been suffering from an attack of pluerisy the last week was removed to the Sacred Heart hospital Monday afternoon. His condition is not serious.

Roger Bennett made a business trip to Talent Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Julia Jackson alias Levenberry, one of the most picturesque figures in Medford police annals, bound over to the federal grand jury Monday by Justice of the Peace Taylor on a charge of falsifying affidavits to secure a government pension was taken to Portland last night, after failure to provide $2000 bonds. Mrs. Jackson is now landlady of a Front street rooming house, and the Royal lodging house when it was a storm center of Medford political strife. Conviction for the offense charged carries a prison sentence of from five to ten years, with $500 to $1000 fine or bo

Mr. Robert Easton, expert ladies tailor, is now located with Mrs. E. S. Myer's dressmaking establishment. Your patronage solicited. Second floor, Deuel and company. 162*

Otto Jeldness spent Sunday hunting in the Griffin creek district for deer with no success.

D. C. Burkhardt, formerly manager of the Star Theater in this city is now owner of a moving picture theater in Albina, a suburb of Portland.

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More water is now running in Bear creek than at any time since the middle of August. Last week only a tiny rivulet was running under the Bear creek bridge, but now it is a brook, and the classic stream is expected to assume its regular proportions in a short time.

Kodak finishing the best, at Weston's Camera Shop. Over Isis Theater. *

Adrian Rose of the Griffin creek district spent Sunday in Medford visiting friends.

The leaves are beginning to fall on the trees along the streets and in the city park, though the coloring, which adds charm to the landscape in autumn, has just begun.

See R. H. McCurdy for Aetna Fidelity and Surety Bonds. *

The Gold Hill delegation boosting their industrial fair returned home last night, after a six o'clock appearance in front of the Nash Hotel, during which Joe Beeman executed a skirt dance.

The regular mid month meeting of the city council will be held this evening.

J. O. Gerking, the best all around photographer in southern Oregon. Always reliable. Negatives made anywhere, time or place. Studio 228 Main St. Phone 320-J.

Allison Jordan and wife left Monday for Portland where they will make their future home.

Game Warden A. S. Hubbard of Ashland spent Tuesday in Medford on official business.

Authentic war news received by Mail Tribune leased wire will be posted during the day at Hotel Medford. *

Miss Frances Heath of Eagle Point visited friends in this city the first of the week.

The funeral services of the late James G. Smith were held from the Perl Undertaking parlors this afternoon at three o'clock.

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The fall term of the grand jury will open October 19th, and the petit jury October 26th.

Coach Moore of the high school is lining up his men for the 1914 team. Three or four are candidates for the honors of official punter, Seldon Hill being the most promising.

Automatic base ball, that brand new out door game, has arrived in Medford. See it at DeVoes tonight, just west of Hotel Medford. *

A. V. Brown of Salem is among the out of town visitors in the city this week.

Senator H. von der Hellen of Wellen is spending the day in the city on business.

Get it at De Voe's. *

The fall distribution of Sears, Roebuck catalogues will soon be on, two carloads of the matter passing through the city Monday night for Roseburg, which is the distributing center for the mail order house for western Oregon.

For good pictures every day in the week attend the It Theater. *

James Fletcher of Roseburg spent the first of the week in the city making the trip by motorcycle.

A number of enthusiastic German supporters who wagered coin and hats that the Kaiser's armies would be in Paris by the fifteenth, are getting ready to pay the same. Medford Germans generally credit the retreat movement under way as beyond the range of possibility.

The finest equipment in Oregon for printing fruit labels. Medford Printing Co. *

Glenn Thomas and wife of Klamath Falls are among the out of town visitors in the city.

The European war has caused an increase in the demand for war and historic books at the public library, works by German authors on the recent progress of the Kaiser's realm being the most popular. The writings of the French philosophers are also in demand.

Edison records for sale at 25c each as long as they last, at Palmer's Piano Place, Garnett-Corey Bldg., 24 South Grape street. *

Arthur Chase of Gold Hill spent Monday in Medford attending to business matters.

Miss Edith McNelly of Redding, Cal., is visiting friends in this city for a few days.

Ben Lindley of Talent spent Monday in Medford attending to business matters.

Kodak finishing and supplies at Weston's Camera Shop. Over Isis Theater. *

All the race horses appearing at the Jackson county fair last week were shipped to Roseburg Monday, for the Douglas county fair, that opens tomorrow.

Both the wet and dry forces are distributing literature to the country districts, and prohibition leaders, state and county, are making energetic efforts to arouse interest. This is proving a hard job in the face of the wholesale butchering in Europe. The only interest noticeable lies in those people perpetually enthused over the downfall of John Barleycorn.

J. M. Kilgore of Rogue River spent the first of the week in Medford on business.

Citizens of Ashland will hold an "Enthusiasm Picnic" September 25th, to arouse interest in the campaign for the re-establishment of the normal school in that city.

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Steve Martin, the S. P. brakeman, mysteriously shot in the Ashland yards by two men, two weeks, ago, denies the allegation of the Ashland police, and the railroad detectives that he was intoxicated at the time the shooting occurred.

The grand conclave of the Shriners for the southern Oregon district will be held at Ashland, September 24, with visitors from Jackson, osephine, Klamath and Lake counties.

Mrs. George H. Millar is visiting friends and relatives in Canton, Ohio, her old home.

Workmen are working night and day remodeling the store room to be used by ohn C. Mann after October 1st, adjoining the present quarters.

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Intermittent rain fell over the Rogue river valley for the last 24 hours, giving promise of a substantial fall. The flurries barely settled the dust, and were typical Oregon mists. Heavy rain clouds bank the horizons. This morning there was a change in temperature, a cold wind springing up from the north.

Gus Poppas, a local Turk has received a letter from his father, who lives in one of the villages near Constantinople, in which expectation of the coming of a Russian invading army is told. A Turk hates a Muscovite bitterly, and the letter says the people are anxious for the fray.

C. E. Davis left today on a hunting and prospecting trip in the Applegate country.

The Southern Pacific section crew is now performing the annual task of tamping the ties in the local yards.

O. J. Johns and wife of Spokane are spending the week in the valley visiting friends and relatives.

Attorney Porter J. Neff and wife, and Prof. Rebec and wife have returned from an auto trip to Crescent City and Eureka.

County Clerk Gardner spent Monday evening in Medford on business.

Mrs. R. W. Ruhl who has been spending the summer in the east will return to Medford about the middle of October.

The police records show no arrests the last ten days for drunkenness, speeding or leaving dogs unmuzzled, the besetting sins with the largest percentage in the police court.

EASTERN RAILROADS ASK TO REOPEN INCREASE CASE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—The eastern railways formally petitioned the interstate commerce commission today for a rehearing in the eastern advance rate case, and to permit them to put into effect the 5 per cent increase which the commission recently denied.

AUSTRIAN DEFEATS CAUSE DEPRESSION IN OFFICIAL CIRCLES

VIENNA, Monday, Sept. 14, 10 a. m., via Paris, Sept. 15, 1 a. m.—The news of Russia's increasingly victorious occupation of Eastern GaGlicia is exercising a depressing influence in Austro-Hungary official circles and among the more intelligent classes of the monarchy, but up to the present time the mass of the people seem credously willing to accept as satisfactory the meager official bulletins given out by the authorities. They welcome eagerly any report which seems half way encouraging.

That anxiety is felt in higher circles, however, is manifested by the long audiences the ministers of the dual monarchy are holding constantly at Schoenbrunn with Emperor Francis Joseph. Last Saturday the emperor received Count Von Berchtold, the minister of foreign affairs, both in the morning and afternoon; there have been also a number of conferences since last Friday with the minister of war and the Austrian and Hungarian premiers.

The newspapers of Vienna maintain an extraordinary reserve concerning the progress of the campaigns in Galicia and on the Servian frontier. Papers of Sunday, September 13 barely mentioned the battle that is reported to have been raging around Lemberg for the last six days. The only journal offering any comment on the Lemberg situation was the Neue Freie Presse which said:

"We can say nothing more than that the high moral quality of the Austrian and the Hungarian troops must eventually prove victorious."

A telegram received in Vienna from Buda Pest quoted the Hungarian minister of national defense as saying:

"We stand well. Our position everywhere is good; more than this, I cannot say."

The frequent optimistic public utterances of Count Stephan Tisza, Hungarian premier, lately have ceased and the official bulletins given out in Buda Pest are silent regarding the campaign against Servia.

VALLEY OF DEATH FULL OF CORPSES

LONDON, Sept. 15, 3:40 a. m.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from Petrograd says:

"The fiercest fighting of all that which preceded the Russian victory at Lublin was in a gorge near the village of Mikolaieff, which the Russian soldiers reverently named the 'Valley of Death.'

"The gorge was full of dead men, lying in heaps, according to a soldier who reached here today. 'When we attacked at 3 o'clock in the morning,' he said, 'the gorge contained 15,000 Austrians, a large proportion of whom were mowed down by the artillery fire which plowed through the valley in the darkness. The Austrians surrendered and we entered the gorge to receive their arms, while their general stood quietly on a hill watching the scene. Eight of his standards being turned over to the Russians was more than he could bear for he drew a pistol and shot himself.'"

THIRTY-FIVE TO FORTY PERISH

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railroad. The train left St. Louis last night at 8:32 p. m. for Galveston, Texas and carried three Pullman sleepers, two coaches, baggage and smoker and diner. All the equipment was of steel. An early report sent by a physician who was on the wrecked train, said at least 20 passengers, including Engineer O'Brien and Fireman Stockstill were drowned. A special relief train with Assistant General Manager E. D. Levy and a corps of physicians left here immediately for the scene of the wreck.

Overturned in Gully

Four cars and the locomotive were overturned into the gully, swollen to a temporary lake, which runs beside the track. The chair car and the smoker were submerged. Seven bodies have been taken from the chair car, but it is believed that every person in the two cars wasdrowned. This estimate was based on statements of trainmen as to the number of passengers in the two cars.

One of the prisoners in the submerged chair car was Miss Mona Campbell, a nurse of St. Louis. She broke a window and climbed out to the side of the car.

Standing in water, she felt about until she touched the hands of drowning passengers. As she grasped a hand she pulled with all her strength. In this way she rescued five passengers.

TAKING OF SEMLIN CAUSES REJOICING THROUGH SERVIA

PARIS, Sept. 15, 12:25 p. m.—The taking of Semlin by the Servians has caused great manifestations and rejoicing in Belgrade, according to a dispatch to the Havas agency from Nish. A Te Deum was sung in all the churches today.

On the afternoon of September 10 two Austrian monitors approached the Servian capital and fired about fifty shots. The servian artillery at Belgrade and at Semlin replied, driving them off.

A majority of the Serbs and Croats who live in Semlin remained in the city. The Hungarians, Germans and Jews fled.

The flight of the Austrians, the dispatch says, resembled a panic. The defeat of the Austrians on two sides soon became apparent, as many of the wounded were being transported to Semlin. The Austrians took away several prominent hostages.

RECOGNITION FOR MEXICO NOT YET DECIDED UPON

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—H. Von Eckhardt, the newly appointed German minister to Mexico, asked Secretary Bryan today when the United States would recognize a new government there and learned that no conclusion had been reached.

The minister returned to New York, where he will remain awaiting a decision by the American government as to the time for recognition, as Germany, with other European powers, will not accredit her minister until the United States formally recognizes the new administration there.

WHEAT BREAKS TO LOWEST LEVEL

CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—The decline in wheat prices based on reported successes of the allies, was checked this morning on the Board of Trade. May wheat, which closed at $1.11¾ yesterday, sold to $1.15 in the first 15 minutes of trading.

Another storm of selling began before the session was half over, and prices broke to a lower level than at the worst of the semi-panic of the day previous. May wheat fell back four cents to $1.11. The new decline was due to reports of the surrender of a German army under the command of General Von Kluck.

RUSSIANS OUTNUMBERED DUAL EMPIRE'S ARMY

LONDON, Sept. 15.—In a dispatch from Copenhagen the correspondent of the Central News quotes the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger as saying that the reason the Austro-German armies were defeated in Galicia was Russia's numerical superiority, the Russians exceeding the Austrians and the Germans by 350,000 men.

The Austrian losses have been enormous, some regiments losing all their officers. The Russians broke in suddenly between the armies of General Auffenberg and General Dankl, making retreat absolutely necessary.

MEXICANS EXPEL RAILROAD MANAGERS

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Word was received today at the headquarters here of the National Railways of Mexico that the constitutionalist government had expelled all operating and other officials of the road in Mexico from their positions and substituted its own employes. It was announced here that this would be made the subject of an official complaint to the Washington government as an act of confiscation on the part of the constitutionalists.

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Resolve to smoke Gov. Johnson cigars, the best, and thereby patronize home industry. tf*

WAR TAX NOT TO BE LEVIED ON FREIGHT TRAFFIC

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—President Wilson returned to the capital this morning at 11 o'clock and drove immediately to the white house, where he had a conference with congress leaders over the war revenue bill.

Senate republicans at a conference today determined to fight any war revenue measure in any form.

Chairman Underwood of the ways and means committee yielded today to protests of democrats against the tax on freight and agreed to let tonight's caucus decide. The president, Mr. Underwood said, was not committed to a freight tax and would not insist on it.

Some democrats, like the republicans, are opposed to any war tax.

The conference of the republican senators appointed Senators Smoot, McCumber, Smith of Michigan, Weeks and Sterling to take charge of the opposition and notify absentees to return at once, unless occupied with political campaigns.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—President Wilson, Senator Simmons and Representative Underwood, decided late today not to insist on a freight tax for emergency revenue in the face of opposition within the democratic ranks. A substitute plan will be submitted to the democratic house caucus tonight.

BRITISH WIN IN SOUTH AFRICA

LONDON, Sept. 15, 10:20 a. m.—A dispatch from Capetown to Reuter's Telegram company says that the Fourth South African Mounted Rifles commanded by Colonel Daetson, after two night marches, surprised the German force which had ocupied a drift 60 miles from Steinkopf in the Namaqualand. After a sharp skirmish the Germans were compelled to surrender.

Another Capetown dispatch reports that the action took place at Ramans Drift, an important strategic position.

BATTLE HINGES ON PRINCE

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ed that the remnants of the Austro-Hungarian forces will be kept within its walls until the end of the war.

Russian Campaign

Reports of operations on the east Prussian frontier are contradictory. According to Petrograd, General Rennenkampff has resumed the offensive after winning an engagement on the border, while the same Russian sources report that the investment of Koenigsberg is continuing. On the other hand, Berlin states that Rennenkampff's defeat is almost as great as the preceding Russian disaster in this region.

Interest in the naval phase of the war has been somewhat stirred by the news from Berlin of the destruction of the German light cruiser Hela by a submarine and the unofficial story from a Scottish newspaper that the loss of the British cruiser Pathfinder has been avenged by the sinking of her submarine antagonist which went down under a hail of shots from British warships.

Forestalling Famine

Outside the zone of military operations, the chief interest centers in the efforts of the German, Dutch and French governments to forestall the possibility of famine among their peoples by regulating the use of certain staples. The regulations not only forbid the use of more than a certain amount of these staples for purposes other than for food, but instruct the people in the most economical way to use them.

The story that Russian troops had been landed on the continent after coming via England from Archangel has met with formal and specific denial both from the English official press bureau and from Belgian official sources.

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JAPANESE CLASH WITH GERMANS AT KIAO CHOW

CHI MO, Shantung Province, China Sunday, Sept. 13, 1:30 p. m., via Peking, Sept. 15.—The first encounter between German and apanese forces on land occurred this morning when there were a number of sharp skirmishes between patrols of the contesting forces at a point close to Chi Mo.

Previous to these engagements a German aeroplane flew over the district. The Japanese fired on the machine, but without success.

A considerable Japanese force is 25 miles to the north of here.

A dispatch received here from Wei Haien (60 miles northwest of Kiao Chow) says 50 Japanese troops arrived there Sunday.

PEKING, Sept. 15.—A report received here from Tsing Tau of German origin, declares that a vanguard of Japanese cavalry is at Kiao Chow city.

Germany Acts Later

The same report has been transmitted to the government. The Japanese vanguard consists of thirty men. Three hundred more cavalrymen are close behind them.

The German charge d'affaires in Peking, Baron Von Maltzan, has notified the foreign office that his government reserves the right to deal with China, at the present time and in the future, as it sees fit, because of the alleged breach of neutrality on the part of China, in permitting the landing on Chinese territory of Japanese troops whose destination was Kiao Chow. The German government further reserves the right to exact compensation for the losses which it and German subjects may sustain as a result of this action.

Both Nations Protest

The German charge disputes the Chinese contention that the situation is analogous to that which existed during the Russo-Japanese war. He declares that China should have given notification of the extension of the fighting zone before the Japanese landed, thereby giving the Germans equal opportunity to make use of this territory. In a previous protest Baron von Maltzan declared that the Chinese government should have handed the Japanese minister in Peking his passports when Japanese troops landed at Lung Kow.

The Japanese legation, on its side, has protested to the foreign office against German and Austrian soldiers, clad as civilians, traveling from Tientsin to Tsing Tau by the Chinese railroad line.

Kiao Chow city is about five miles outside of the Kiao Chow boundary to the northward.

Why Not

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