RAILROADS GAVE NEW ORLEANS NEW LEASE OF LIFE

F. E. Hayes, who arrived a few days ago from New Orleans, accompanied by Mrs. Hayes, to make their permanent home in this city, neat which they have orchard interests, notes with great satisfaction the effort being made to tap the great resources of surrounding districts with a railroad and bring the business that will come with vigorous development to this city and valley.

"No municipal community can progress vigorously and prosperously that depends wholly on the development of its own immediate resources. Such places never get beyond the village stage. There is a limit to the population that a small area of diversified development will support. In order to expand, the village must reach out for something substantial on which to base enlargement. Industrial enterprises are limited in output, unless the area from which raw materials are gathered is widened. In order to widen them, the people must reach out into surrounding districts, as Medford is trying to do now, develop their resources and enlarge in this manner, not only the capacity of the enterprises and the number of operatives, but the volume of substantial business transacted in the common business center.

New Orleans Awakened.

"New Orleans is a good example of what the spirit of progress will do when judiciously and energetically applied. It has been practically a slow old city for decades. Its business people appeared to be content to live upon their own limited resources rather than risk the price of enterprise in extending their trade territory. A rich country surrounds that city. Through indifference on the part of the common business center, development of outlying districts was indifferent. In late years it has retrograded.

"Business starvation finally woke it up. A year or so ago its business men, rather than suffer destitution among the sloth and cobwebs of the city, clearly saw the necessity of reaching out for help. They could do that only by building railroads into the outlying districts, rich in resources, developing them and carrying the business to New Orleans. This they did—and today that city is more active than it has been for fifty years. New enterprises are springing up on every hand, the population is increasing rapidly because there is something for more people to do. New business institutions are being established because there is more business to do.

So, Also Medford.

"Medford is similarly situated. Vast undeveloped resources lie all about it. Their development awaits only the needed transportation facilities. The proposed road to the Blue Ledge district, of which we have heard so much, and so much of which is real, will set the business wheels to whizzing. Other great things will follow. Irrigation is coming. The sugar mill, from information I have obtained since arriving, seems assured for next year. Much of the work will begin this fall. The sawmill, also, I am told, is a certainty. The box factory probably will be here this year. Other great things will follow these. Just as great things have a business habit of doing—and Medford will grow by leaps and bounds. Surely, that is what the people of this city and valley want."

GERMAN PLOTTERS GIVEN EIGHT YEARS

NEW YORK, May 9.—Robert Pfaff, former lieutenant in the German army, and his brother-in-law, Walter Scholz, convicted in the federal court yesterday of conspiring to destroy munitions ships of the allies through bomb contrivances, were today sentenced to serve eight years each in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta. Paul Daeche also convicted but with a recommendation of leniency, was sentenced to two years.

GRANDMOTHER'S MEDICINES

Our grandmothers were wise in the virtues of the herbs of the field. They used to gather and store roots and herbs and use them to cure the ailments of their families. Generations through work, song, poetry, romance the list might go on and on of the healing plants with which they made us familiar.

Now their granddaughters get the extracts from just such garden roots and herbs from the nearest druggists, ready prepared for use. One such medicine, which women find Best In their own ailments, is the well known Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.—Adv.

DANGER PASSED, GERMANY RENEWS SUBMARINE WAR

LONDON, May 9.—All the London evening newspapers today publish prominently the American reply to Germany's note on submarine warfare, but only the Westminster Gazette comments on the document. The Gazette remarks that the German concession agreeing to adopt methods of submarine warfare in the interests of neutrals is not in conformity with President Wilson's demand, which, it says, required the abandonment of submarine warfare against passenger and freight-carrying vessels of all nationalities. It also points out that although President Wilson refers to the submarine policy of Germany having been "happily abandoned," the Cymric has been sunk and attacks have been reported on the Channel ships and the French passenger steamer Dunkerk.

It has been seen again, continues the Gazette, how Germany, when called to account, marked time and proceeded as before as soon as the storm had blown over.

"Our course is plain," it adds, "is to proceed as if the policy of February 4, 1915, was in full blast."

It suggests a further limitation of imports and even limitations of the consumption of food in this country.

SENIOR PROGRAM ENJOYED BY MANY

Senior night at the high school was quite a pretentious affair in the annals of the local institution. A large audience of parents, students and others enjoyed a most entertaining program at the high school auditorium last night. Through Secress Margaret Mansfield the class prophecy was given and the class will, making generous bequests to the successors, was offered, together with the class song and the class yell. It was essentially a class affair and a high-class rendition of a very attractive program. Hugo Lundberg assisted the prophetess in that feature of the evening's exercises.

The stage setting was made to represent a rustic scene in a wild grove, evergreen boughs being so arranged as to produce a very rural effect, with a campfire at each end of the stage.

Ten years were supposed to have passed from the date of the class graduation when the prophet, instead of forecasting what each student would accomplish in that period, told what each one had done. As each name was called, that person stepped from the recesses of the forest and received the "prophecy." Each student of the class was attired in occupational dress representing the profession, trade or craft at which he or she had been employed during the period covered by the prophecy.

The scene was charmingly effected, the music, both vocal and instrumental, was excellent, and those who attended were highly pleased with the entertainment in an event of unusual and sentimental interest to all the members of the senior class.

MEXICANS PLAN TO STOP FURTHER BORDER CROSSINGS

MEXICO CITY, May 9.—Foreign Minister Aguilar at the foreign office this morning declared the constitutionalist government had, as reported officially, declared that measures would be taken to prevent the further crossing of American troops into Mexico as a result of the Glenn Springs raid.

A statement that the government had made such a declaration was published in a morning newspaper here as being an official expression of the government, but according to the foreign office it was without proper authorization. When the time comes, it was indicated, the Mexican government will express itself on this point.

521 CASUALTIES IN THE IRISH REVOLUTION

LONDON, May 9.—The casualties in Dublin in the recent uprising were 124 killed, 388 wounded and 9 missing, a total of 521, among his majesty's troops and the royal Irish constabulary. Premier Asquith announced in the house of commons today.

CUMMINS TO SPEAK THURSDAY EVENING

Senator Albert B. Cummins, who speaks at the Natatorium Thursday evening, is practical in everything he does, and has a way of getting to the core of a matter in a manner most direct.

When he undertook the defense of the independent workers of Iowa

were he donned a blouse and worked in a factory until he had learned the details of every machine, then went into court and won a victory over a giant monopoly, which saved millions to the American people.

Such acts as this have done much to endear him to the working men, who are glad to make him an honorary member of their organizations.

GERMANS CLAIM TRENCHES TAKEN NEAR HAUCOURT

BERLIN, May 9.—The capture of several French trenches on the Verdun front south of Haucourt was announced by the war office today.

Today's official statement follows:

"In connection with our success at Hill 304, we took south of Terrion hill, south of Haucourt, several trenches by storm. Attempts by the enemy to recapture with strong forces the terrain lost on Hill 304 failed.

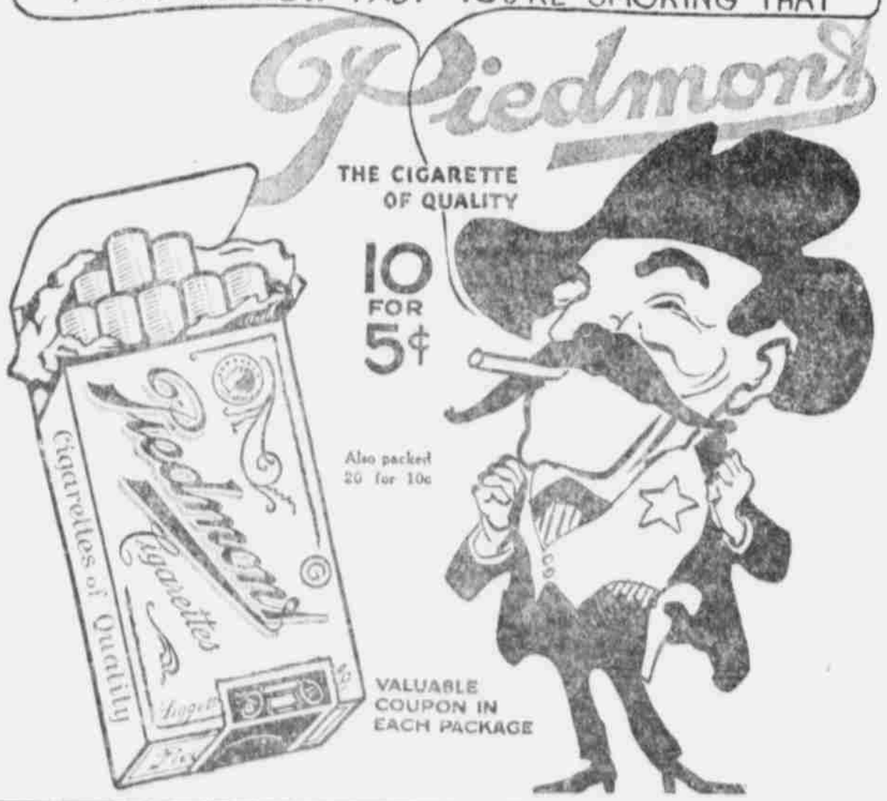
"The enemy's losses were heavy.

"Other attacks by the French on the east spur of the Meuse in the district of Thiaumont farm were equally unsuccessful. The number of French taken prisoner there increased to 3 officers and 475 men, beside 16 wounded. Nine machine guns also were taken.

"On other parts of the western front there were only a few patrol enterprises which proved successful for the Germans."

LET HIM GO!

I STOPPED FLETCH HECKER THIS MORNING FOR EXCEEDING SPEED LIMIT. "YOU'RE CRAZY," ARGUED FLETCH, "I WAS ONLY GOING FOUR MILES AN HOUR." "YES," LAUGHED I, "BUT SEE HOW FAST YOU'RE SMOKING THAT



Republican Meeting

Under the Auspices of the Lincoln Club, Assisted by the Iowa Society

Senator A. B. Cummins

of Iowa, a Prominent Candidate for the Republican Nomination for President, will speak in

MEDFORD, THURSDAY, May 11

at the Natatorium at 8 p. m. sharp

The Senator is an eloquent orator and discusses the issues of the day in a clear, clean-cut, forceful manner

LADIES SPECIALLY INVITED

PLAIN TALK

To the Women of Medford

IT'S THE TRUTH THAT HURTS

It takes lots of nerve to tell the truth at all times

HERE IS PLAIN TALK—PLAIN FACTS

It is just a plain case of the Ahrens stock—it must be exchanged for money—and money at once. We will cut and slash prices day after day. And from now on no stone will be left unturned

For This Stock Must Go

It's the dollars and cents we must have. We are going to sell this stock. The wholesale cost will be forgotten. Nothing reserved, nothing held back—

IT'S ALL GOING

Each and every day we will hand out goods lower and lower. It will pay you to come tomorrow; it will pay you to come every day.

Remember, everything is going Ladies' Suits, Coats, Skirts, Corsets, Underwear, Hosiery, Millinery and all—prices going lower every day.

Sale opens every morning at 9 o'clock

The AHRENS Store

On the corner as you go to the New Postoffice