

GERMAN ARMY'S RULE VERITABLE REIGN OF TERROR

Women's Dead Faces and Idiot-Like
Children in Wake of Teuton Forces
in France—Population Enslaved,
Young Girls Distributed Among
Soldiers—French Spirit Rises.

BY MILTON BRONNER.

NEW YORK, May 3.—Outrages upon women, abuse of little children, theft of personal belongings of poor persons, destruction of humble homes, convents, churches, of every growing thing in the way of trees, shrubs and bushes—these are the crimes laid at the door of the retreating German armies in their great move back from the Somme in northern France.

Correspondents of this paper had already cabled briefly how northern France, once a garden spot, had been turned into a desert, but batches of newspapers received today give fuller and more intimate details of the terror.

Reign of Terror.

Says the correspondent of the London Times:

"The walls of the houses have been burst with dynamite or burnt, the reapers and binders collected and broken, and the orchards cut down."

"But the ruins of farms, orchards and towns are nothing beside the shocking ruin to human life."

"It is as terrible as anything on the battlefield to see children who have been slowly starving for a year wandering about amid the ruins of their homes. They are wan little ghosts, just beginning to find reasons for smiling at our men."

"To be treated as we were today with smiling confidence by a child so thin she could hardly stand and whose eyes were half shut through prolonged starvation is a trying experience."

"I saw one frail woman load a barrow with what she could find in the ruins of her home—the last article was a doll without a head—and trundle the cargo away, with four shy, little weak figures clinging to her skirts."

Testimony of Priest.

Listen now to the testimony of the mild old French priest the Cure Canon of Yvonneux near Ham:

"For a year my people have not had a morsel of meat and not a drop of wine and only bad water in which the Germans put their filth."

"They gave us bread which was disgusting, and had biscuits and potatoes and not enough even, so that the children became wan and the women weak."

"The Americans sent us food, but the Germans took the best of it."

"But those things do not matter, those physical things. It was the suffering of the spirit that mattered. And, monsieur, we suffered mentally so much that it almost destroyed our intelligence."

"We were slaves after the Germans came. They ordered our men to work and punished them with prison for the slightest fault."

"They were the masters of our women. They put our young girls among the soldiers."

"They set themselves out deliberately at first to crush our spirit, to subdue us by iron rule. They failed and were astonished."

"They said, 'We cannot understand you people. Your women are so proud.' It was true. Our women raised their heads and said, 'We are French. We will never give in to the conqueror.'"

Phil Gibbs, Englishman, writes to the London Chronicle:

Women's Faces Dead.

"In Roye and Nesle I saw some of the victims of the Hun. The women's faces were dead faces, sallow and masklike and branded with the memories of great agonies."

"The children were white, so thin their cheekbones protruded. Many seemed to me like idiot children."

"These women, who are French, had to live with the men who were killing their husbands and brothers, and had to submit to the daily moods of men who were sometimes sulky and sometimes drunk."

Beach Thomas writes to the London Daily Mail:

"Nowhere did the officers ever drop their professional brutality. A poor weak old man, very shortsighted, was given three days solitary confinement on a diet of black bread and water

because he failed to salute a junior officer."

"On the treatment of women as women I will not enlarge. Great numbers of residents between 16 and 60 have been carried off into slavery, some to work in the fields and factories, some—for other purposes—and they have not been allowed to send back word of their fate."

"Mothers have no news of their daughters and are wild with grief, anxiety and rage."

Cat Is Crucified.

Stephen Pinchon, former French minister of foreign affairs, fresh from a trip to the ruined regions, writes in the Petit Journal of Paris that the Germans might excuse some of their crimes on the score of military necessity, but asks:

"Did strategic reasons cause them to desecrate cemeteries, carry off women and young girls, allow invalids to die in hospitals, hurl aged people into the streets, steal all the movable property and cut slender young fruit trees to the ground?"

One is given samples of Prussian humor—a cat crucified to a board, with a child's cap on its head and the stump of a cigar in its mouth.

In Peronne the humorists removed the statue of Catherine de Poix, who defended the city against the imperialists in 1536, and put up in its stead a lewd female figure with parts of a French uniform. A child's portrait still hanging on the wall of a ruined house was smeared over with foullest filth.

FOOD SHORTAGE SERIOUS IN ITALY ALSO IN ENGLAND

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Herbert C. Hoover, director of Belgian relief, and now chairman of the food committee of the council of national defense, arrived here today to report on the food situation abroad. He will present a comprehensive summary of conditions in the allied countries as a basis for working out a plan of apportioning American food shipments.

No secret is made of the seriousness of the food shortages in both England and Italy. France is faring somewhat better, but is in need of coal. Mr. Hoover's report deals with conditions in the northern countries and will show how much food must be sent from the United States.

Mr. Hoover will retain chairmanship of the Belgian relief commission, directing the work from Washington. His duties with the government have been defined by the defense council as advisory, but it is understood that after the administration food control bills are passed by congress he may be given wide powers in supervising food distribution abroad and perhaps in the United States.

TODAY'S MARKETS

Portland Livestock.
PORTLAND, Ore., May 4.—Hogs, steady; receipts, 364. Bulk of packing grades, \$15.55@15.65; heavy packing, \$15.65@15.85; light packing, \$15.65@15.75; rough hogs, \$14.25@15; pigs and skips, \$13.75@14.25; stock hogs, \$12.25@13.50.

Cattle, steady; receipts, 24. Steers, prime light, \$10.50@11.25; prime heavy, \$10@10.50; good, \$9.75@10; cows, choice, \$8.50@9.50; medium to good, \$8@8.50; ordinary to fair, \$6.75@7.50; heifers, \$9@10.25; bulls, \$5.50@8; calves, \$8@10.

Sheep, steady; receipts, 13. Lambs, east of mountains, \$13@13.50; lamb valley, \$12.75@13.25; lambs, shorn, \$11@11.50; prime wethers, \$11.50@12; choice ewes, \$10@10.75; heavy ewes, \$9@10.

Portland Butter.
PORTLAND, Ore., May 4.—Butter, steady.

Portland Grain.
PORTLAND, Ore., May 4.—Wheat, easier; no trading. Spot bids 1 to 2c lower. Bluestem, \$2.73; fortyfold, \$2.68; club, \$2.67; red Russian, \$2.66.

Barley, steady. No. 1 feed, \$5.2. Today's car receipts: Wheat 52, barley 1, flour 2, hay 2.

Chicago Wheat.
CHICAGO, May 4.—Wheat: Open. Close. May \$2.59 \$2.72 1/2. July 2.19 2.19.

ASHLAND AND VICINITY

On Monday night an unsuccessful attempt was made to break into the dental offices of Dr. W. E. Blake, upstairs in the First National Bank block. The doors at both entrances were considerably marred up but withstood the siege. The burglars

were evidently after the gold which dentists carry in stock. On Tuesday night the dental offices of Drs. Phipps and Mundy at Medford were also entered and with better results from the cracksmen's standpoint. Evidently a pair of robbers are working southern Oregon territory in this particular line.

H. C. Maris, industrial field worker in the employ of the state department of education, has been here this week addressing the schools in behalf of industrial club work and the food preparedness campaign.

Another chapter in the Farnham hill unit of the Pacific highway history has been written with the acceptance by the city of final deeds to a right of way from property owners involved.

Mrs. J. R. Casey has been having a visit from her niece, Mrs. E. J. Muir of Enterprise, Oregon, who was on her way home from a winter's stay with relatives in southern California.

Everett Smith, president of the Ashland chapter, Epworth League, will attend an Epworth rally at Roseburg on Sunday, May 6. Nolo Lindley of the Medford chapter, and J. Withrow of the Talent chapter will accompany him as official representatives, also various other delegates.

The name of George Lowe, son of D. M. Lowe, is mentioned among recent enlistments in the Corn Acre army as registered from Ashland. The movement is to encourage agricultural pursuits among school pupils under a system which incorporates thorough supervision at the hands of experts. Free seed, sufficient to plant an acre, is supplied to individuals as long as the supply lasts. Details furnished by E. R. Peterson, school supervisor, Medford.

Boy scouts throughout northern California towns are being enlisted in a general cleanup movement in their respective communities.

The Misses Carleton of New Jersey, sisters of C. W. Carleton of Medford, and who arrived in southern Oregon recently for a summer's stay, were among the first to cross the Sisquion this early in the season in an automobile, having shipped their car from the East to San Francisco.

The local Epworth League elected officers on Tuesday evening, preliminary to an active campaign in behalf of the district convention, which will be held here May 18-20. Everett O. Smith was chosen president. Among vice-presidents are Ches. McKinney, Misses Jessie Thatcher, Gertrude Barber and Mitha Brower. Jesse Clary is secretary and Ada Hartley treasurer. Bernice Yeo, showing remarkable proficiency in music for one of her years, is organist. A supper supplemented the business session with social features.

The police band, 35 instruments strong, will be the prominent musical attraction at the celebration here in July.

Although European sovereigns are losing their crowns and scepters, a May queen will be crowned at the Nat in this city, the event being a prominent feature of the Auxiliary Club dancing party Friday evening, May 4.

The Elks will give one of their semi-occasional parties to the members and their ladies on Saturday night. Cards, billiards and social converse will be the order of the hours, supplemented by the serving of refreshments.

The city council will "picnic" on the Dodge and Songer springs grounds next Sunday afternoon, testing the merits of the respective soda waters, determining the extent of the flow and quality of the effervescent drinks. The pumps will be run under forced pressure to meet exacting requirements.

On Thursday of this week members of the board of education and their wives, also Superintendent and Mrs. Briscoe were the guests of the domestic science students of the high school at a 6 o'clock dinner, skillfully prepared and ideally served at the hands of adept caterers. In this particular instance many cooks did not spoil the broth.

Herman Matten returned on Wednesday from a business trip to New York. He reports general business activities being worked overtime in the East.

Mrs. Belle Wright of Corning, Cal., renewed acquaintance of Mayor Lamkin's family early in the week. The

parties were old time neighbors in northwestern Iowa.

Quite a number attended the celebration at Eagle Point on Thursday. The Ashland band went along.

Rev. B. S. Davis of Eugene will occupy the pulpit of the Christian church on Sunday, preliminary to the departure of Rev. W. L. Mellinger, local pastor, who will travel for the several succeeding months on the Chautauqua circuit.

Mrs. Hannah Crews, wife of G. W. Crews, died at the family home on Granite street, Wednesday night, after a lingering illness.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Christensen are packing up their household effects preliminary to removing to California.

Mrs. Roberta C. Barr of Pittsburg, Pa., field worker in foreign missionary effort, will speak in the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning.

On Sunday morning Rev. E. H. Todd of Tacoma, president of Puget Sound college, will occupy the pulpit of the Methodist church and in the evening an appointment will be filled by Rev. R. E. Shaw of Indianapolis, Ia.

Elmer Smith has gone to Grenada, California, to accept a position with the California-Oregon Power Co.

Manuel Santos, a Portuguese, who passed through here last Friday acting strangely, left the train at Gaffney and disrobed except shoes and socks. He was overtaken while making tracks for the country districts, examined as to sanity and ordered committed to the asylum. He claimed Portland as a residence and had a ticket for San Francisco.

The commercial club, city council, women's literary club, and young people's federation are in league and working as a unit in a "city beautiful" contest for transposing the mediocre attractions of Klamath Falls into beautiful settings, especially from the landscape point of view in the way of verdant lawns dotted with posy beds.

Bert Bryant, high school student, and who has gone to Dunsmuir to enter Southern Pacific storekeeping supply service, retains membership in First Company here, holding himself in readiness to respond to summons for duties on the active list.

Regular meeting of the commercial club next Monday night.

A big delegation from here attended the field meet at Talent on Friday. Interest centered on the Olympic club contests.

The local S. P. wrecking crew were summoned to the vicinity of Hornbrook on Thursday to investigate the condition of several freight cars, the status of which was not strictly f. o. b. as to track alignments.

Mrs. Pearl Johnson Dodge leaves the first of next week to pass the summer visiting friends in the vicinity of Rexburg, Idaho, near the Yellowstone Park region.

Orville Gleck has gone to Klamath county to perfect arrangements as to possession of 80 acres of tule land which he recently acquired in the government drawing. It is located near Malin.

B. F. Willis of Corning, Cal., is here for an extended visit with the family of J. B. Ichenhower, on Nursery street, Mrs. Ichenhower being his sister.

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ORDINANCE NO. 880.
AN ORDINANCE repealing Ordinance No. 375, entitled: "An Ordinance declaring the assessment on the property benefited for the cost of laying a 4-inch water main on South Central Avenue, from East 12th Street to South Boundary, and directing the recorder to enter a statement thereof in the Water Main Lien Booklet," approved September 19, 1916.

THE CITY OF MEDFORD DOETH ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:
Section 1. Ordinance designated as number 375 of the City of Medford, Oregon, and entitled as follows: "An Ordinance declaring the assessment on the property benefited for the cost of laying a 4-inch water main on South Central Avenue, from East 12th Street to South Boundary, and directing the recorder to enter a statement thereof in the Water Main Lien Booklet," approved September 19, 1916, is hereby repealed.

The foregoing ordinance was passed by the council of the City of Medford, Oregon, on the 1st day of May, 1917, by the following vote: Emmens, "aye"; Gaddis, "aye"; Keene, "no"; Carlin, "aye"; Davis, "aye"; Hargrave, "no."

Approved May 24, 1917.

(S E A L)
Attest: (Signed) C. E. GATES, Mayor.
(Signed) E. T. FOSS, Recorder.

COURT HOUSE REPORT

Reported by Jackson County Abstract Co., Sixth and Fir Sts.

Circuit.

State vs. F. A. Hyde et al, decreed.

Probate.

Frank H. Holmes estate, inventory and appraisal.

William Perry Forlow estate, bond.

Charles P. Cottrell estate, final account.

Jacob Shreveley estate, final account.

Ellen McLeod estate, inventory and appraisal.

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SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Jackson County:

Rogues River Valley Cattle Company, a corporation, plaintiff, vs. Mable M. Zager, defendant.

In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby summoned and required to appear in the above entitled court and cause and answer the complaint of the plaintiff within six weeks after the date of the first publication of this summons, which date is March 30, 1917.

And you will further take notice that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint within the time aforesaid, that plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint, a succinct statement of which is as follows, to-wit:

That the court determine the value of the right of way hereinafter described over and across the following described tract of real estate, situate in Jackson county, Oregon, owned by the defendant, to-wit:

Commencing at a point that is south 58, east 19.05 chains from the southeast corner of Donation Land Claim No. 40 in township 35 south range 2 west, said point being the southeast corner of N. G. Andrews' deeded 20 minutes east 30 chains to the center of the Jacksonville and Ashland road; thence south 76 degrees 20 minutes east on said center line 5 chains 16 1/2 links thence south 20 degrees 20 minutes west 30 chains; thence north 76 degrees 20 minutes west 5 chains 16 1/2 links to the place of beginning, containing 15 acres.

Said right of way being particularly described as follows, to-wit: A right of way for an irrigation canal about and over a strip of land thirty feet in width being fifteen feet on each side of the center line thereof, which center line is described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point 166 feet south of the northeast corner of the premises above described; thence north 52 degrees 32 minutes west 20 feet thence north 75 degrees 39 minutes west 300 feet; thence north 55 degrees 10 minutes west 25 feet to a point 88 feet south of the northeast corner of said premises, containing 24 acres.

Said right of way to be subject to the following conditions, to-wit: That the grantee shall perform its work of construction, maintaining and repairing said canal in a workmanlike manner and shall do no unnecessary damage to the adjacent premises; that said canal shall be constructed and shall be at all times maintained in a uniform grade, so that when not in use no stagnant water shall stand or remain thereon; and that said irrigation canal shall never become a nuisance to persons being or residing upon the adjacent premises, and that plaintiff shall construct and at all times maintain suitable fences and hog gates across said right of way and canal, where the same enters and departs from the premises of the defendant above described, and shall construct and maintain over said canal at such points as defendant may designate one wagon bridge at least twelve feet in width sufficient to sustain a load of four tons, and that the court shall also determine the damage, if any, to the remaining premises of defendant above described by reason of the taking of said right of way for said purpose subject to said conditions, and that said value and said damages be ascertained in the manner provided by law.

2. That upon the payment of the amounts so ascertained into court, plaintiff have judgment against defendant appropriating to it said land for said right of way purposes, together with its cost and disbursements herein.

This summons is published pursuant to order of the Honorable F. M. Calkins, judge of the above named Court, dated, March 30th, 1917.

PORTER J. NEFF,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY.

In the county court of the state of Oregon for Clatsop county.

In the matter of the estate of Ezekiel Beers, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Ezekiel Beers, deceased, will on and after the 7th day of May, 1917, at the office of the Medford Mail Tribune, where all bids may be left, sell at private sale to the highest bidder for cash, subject to the confirmation of the court, the following described real property, to-wit: Commencing at the S. W. corner of P. L. C. No. 69, Tr. 27 S. R. 2 west of the Willamette meridian and running thence south 8.65 chains to a place of beginning; thence east 9.54 chains; thence south 8.65 chains; thence west 2.4 chains; thence north 4.35 chains; thence west 2.23 chains; thence north 4.50 chains to the place of beginning. All in Jackson county, Oregon.

FRANK BEERS, Administrator.

Date of first publication April 6, 1917. Date of last publication May 4, 1917.

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