

ERNEST ADAMS KILLED IN FLIGHT ON ENGLISH FIELD

News was received in Medford today thru a wire from J. J. Adams of Evanston, Illinois, which brings the casualties of war home to citizens of this valley as perhaps nothing heretofore has done. The message came to W. M. Holmes, and reads as follows: "Just received official report from Washington of the death of Ernest by aeroplane accident June twenty-sixth."

Ernest J. Adams had resided in this valley about ten years, and was one of our most respected orchardists. He had assumed care of his parents' orchard on Griffin creek, which he handled in connection with the adjoining tract owned by himself and his brother, Clarence Adams, salesman for the Goodrich Rubber company of Akron, O.

Took Up Flying
Knowing full well the hazard connected with aviation, when he found that he was gifted with the sense of equilibrium so essential to success in the air, he abandoned the idea of shop work which actuated him when enlisting, and immediately after arriving in England began preliminary training for overhead work. A letter received in the valley only yesterday, which is added below, states how well he was progressing towards the finishing school in aircraft.

Of all the young men who have gone to the front from the Rogue River valley, there was none of greater capacity for effective work, and none governed by higher motives than Ernest Adams. He leaves to mourn his untimely death his father and mother, living still with their only daughter in Evanston, Ill., and his brother Clarence. As a wife of condolence to them states, it will comfort them to know he assumed the hazard to do the work he thought he was best fitted to do in a great cause.

All Round Athlete
An all-round athlete, he took especial pride in his skill at tennis, and had a number of silver cups which he had earned the right for permanent possession in tournament following tournament. He represented his squadron in a baseball team in Great Britain, which had engaged in several winning contests. A clean, wholesome young man, it is with great regret that all who had the good fortune of his acquaintance here learn of his death. It is the daring, invincible spirit which is shown by men of his type which renders the American Expeditionary forces paramount to any other war forces assembled in the world war.

The following letter, tho it reads like a description of a joy ride in the air, describes aerial stunts proscribed in the army aviation training curriculum:

His Last Letter
England, June 6, 1918.
My Dear Friend: Last night I had perfectly good intentions of spending most of the day, today, (this being our semi-monthly holiday) in writing letters; but the afternoon is now nearly gone, and with but one letter to mother written. After tea "Blondy" Z. and I are going in to see a movie, so that two letters will probably be the extent of my day's work.

Ever since our arrival in England we have been on British rations. Last Sunday we started getting U. S. rations in our own mess tent, and it is a welcome change. It seems good to get coffee in place of tea, and also more sugar than we were formerly getting.

Looping the Loop
Since arriving here I have had a good many rides in aeroplanes, but they were all in slow machines, that are not safe for "stunting," and my one ambition, since my first ride, has been to loop the loop and do other stunts. A few evenings ago I went up with an English instructor in one of the best of the "stunting" machines, and he surely gave me a wonderful ride, doing everything that he knew how to do. I had two Immelman turns, looped the loop three times, several very sharp turns or banks at an angle of 90 degrees, and finally a "nose dive" and "spiral spin." It is quite a sensation in looping, to be standing on your head 2000 feet in the air, with nothing under you, then to see the ground seeming to rapidly come up to meet you. The Immelman turn, however, is the more thrilling of the two. The "nose dive" with the nose of the machine pointed straight down, is not so thrilling as I imagined it would be, altho it takes your breath away owing to the very great rate of speed that you are traveling. It surely was a ride I will never forget.

Planned to See London
I am enclosing a clipping and a few pictures of our baseball game of two weeks ago at Nottingham. The same two teams will probably play

YANKEES SHOWED FIGHTING SPIRIT IN TAKING HAMEL

WITH THE AMERICAN FORCES IN FRANCE, July 6.—(By the Associated Press.)—American fighting spirit and courage as displayed in assisting the Australians in taking Hamel and Vaire woods, Thursday, has brought forth much commendation. Soldiers were glad of the opportunity to meet the enemy, and the general in command of the American troops was pleased with the work his men had done.

"Our troops understood when they went over the top that they were expected to do no less than any of their allies," said the general today. "Reports which I have received from the Australians indicate that our boys conducted themselves with great credit and did all that could have been wished."

"They had more than done their bit and he well knew it."

The Americans were exceedingly keen to participate in the attack, the general said, and several units which had expected to take part were disappointed when they found they would not be employed. The American casualties apparently were light.

again next Saturday in the nearby city to settle the tie.

After our next pay day (about June 17th), I am going to try and get a two-day pass and go to London. I don't want to leave England without seeing the big city, and a few of its old historical places.

According to today's papers, the people in the U. S., especially along the Atlantic coast, must feel as tho the war is getting pretty close to home, with the submarines sinking boats almost within sight of the Statue of Liberty, but they certainly can not keep that up for long, operating so far from their base of supplies.

Hoping to hear from you soon and with best wishes to all, from your friend,

ERNEST ADAMS.

41 YOUTHS OFF TO JOIN COLORS AT FORT M'DOWELL

The 41 young men of this county who departed at 11 a. m. today to begin their army service in the heavy artillery at Fort McDowell, Calif., made up the liveliest contingent of selected men that have yet left this city. The county's allotment for this contingent was 44 men. Only 40 were to entrain at Medford, the other four having been transferred to leave with contingents of other counties. About train time E. Z. Boyden having failed to appear and answer to roll call, the draft board assigned another man to take his place. But just as the train started to pull out Boyden, who had been delayed by the illness of his father, arrived in time to jump aboard.

The long special train loaded down with cheering drafted men from all parts of Oregon, and with an empty coach for the Jackson county boys, was a half hour late. The local boys said their last farewells and hastily climbed aboard their coach, and as the train pulled out were cheered by the several hundred relatives and friends present at the depot. The boys cheered back and shouted jolly farewell messages. M. L. Wade was appointed by the draft board to have charge of the county contingent during the trip.

The 41 men who entrained here were:

- 716—Ben Lamini.
- 718—Frank Willeke.
- 725-A.—A. E. McClelland.
- 725-A.—H. E. Van Dyke.
- 728—R. E. Richmond.
- 729—H. V. Aiken.
- 1082—P. L. McDonald.
- 742—V. H. Doran.
- 771—Dan Stone.
- 778—L. C. Van Dyke.
- 781—Clarence Boyer.
- 785—Edward Learned.
- 794—W. R. Williams.
- 975—Arthur Boggs.
- 802—L. J. Strang.
- 820—B. H. Gentry.
- 827—S. S. Aiken.

- 833—Archie Rhoten.
- 830—Hartzell Holmes.
- 836—M. L. Wade.
- 840—W. E. Wilcox.
- 851—F. W. Peck.
- 855—C. Z. Boyden.
- 858—B. F. Forbes.
- 861—W. E. Rosecrans.
- 864—A. B. Van Goshem.
- 865—H. E. Carnell.
- 868—L. L. Osman.
- 869—H. F. Williams.
- 871—H. F. McKinnis.
- 874—J. A. Mahan.
- 880—G. W. Wendt.
- 882—Lloyd Wilson.
- 883—O. E. Frey.
- 888—C. E. Wooden.
- 892—Jake Nelson.
- 905—F. J. Hall.
- 908—H. L. Hartley.
- 930—M. F. Lewis.
- 936—Clarence Bates.
- 943—T. L. Edsall.

SEEK NO HUN SOIL.

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of an intention to do so. Because he will not do so is the very reason we are fighting.

"What are we here for? Not because we covet a single yard of German soil. Not because we desire to dispossess Germany of her inheritance. Not because we desire to deprive the German people of their legitimate rights. We are fighting for the great principles laid down by President Wilson.

"I am delighted to have seen those men here near the field of the greatest battle the world has ever known. We stand here, as a great American has said, 'at Armageddon fighting for the Lord.'"

As Mr. Lloyd George concluded the countryside resounded with three cheers in regular American style.

Soldier's Cough Is Cured
Private Harold Hamel, 66th Regiment, Ft. Adams, R. I., writes: "I was troubled with a bad cough for three months. I tried a sample of Foley's Honey and Tar and felt greatly relieved. I have since used two 50c bottles and I recommend Foley's Honey and Tar will always keep it on hand." Foley's Honey and Tar covers inflamed, irritated surfaces with a soothing, healing coating and relieves coughs, colds, croup and bronchial affections. Sold everywhere.

TURKISH SULTAN LONG AN INVALID REPORTED DEAD

AMSTERDAM, July 6.—The reported death of Mohammed V. Sultan of Turkey, is confirmed according to a Constantinople dispatch received here today by way of Vienna.

Mohammed V., 25th sovereign of Turkey in direct descent of the House of Osman, founder of the empire, came to the throne by a coup d'etat on April 27, 1909, after having been



held for 33 years a prisoner by his brother, Sultan Abdul II, in the royal palace and gardens in Constantinople.

Abdul II intended that his own son, Prince Burhan Edino, should succeed him. But this plan was thwarted, when parliament deposed Abdul and placed his prisoner brother, Mohammed Roschad Effendi, on the throne as Mohammed V.

Mohammed V was born in Constantinople November 3, 1845. He was of a studious disposition and read widely in Turkish literature. He was characterized as good-na-

tured, weak and ingenuous, with an almost infantile curiosity, and of a religious nature.

The was merely a pawn of the Young Turk party. His hand in the government was never strong. Illness, a naturally easy disposition and weak will-power kept him continually at the mercy of the Turkish officers and the liberal party.

In 1914, at the outbreak of the present war, Mohammed issued a proclamation blaming the triple entente with thrusting war on Turkey. He exchanged telegrams of greeting with the German emperor from whom he later received the Iron Cross. When England and France declared that a

state of war existed with Turkey he arranged to send troops to Germany whenever needed. In return he was appointed field marshal by the German emperor and received the baton of that office from Field Marshal von Mackensen.

The heir to the throne, Yussef Izzedune, is the son of the late Sultan Abdul Aziz.

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