

GENERAL BATTLE BEGINS THROUGH WESTERN THEATER

ENGAGEMENTS FROM SWITZERLAND TO BRA

Artillery is booming along heights of the Meuse and at Verdun German are active, Germans claiming gains in defeat of Russians in France—Many taken prisoners in East and West

United Press Service
PARIS, Feb. 17.—Details of various engagements from the Swiss frontier to the sea indicate that another general battle may be commencing. Heavy artillery is active along the heights of the Meuse and in the Vosges, and German troops are again attacking near Vienna.

A line of German trenches at Argonne have been destroyed. German attacks in force have been made between Tour de Paris and Bourreuilles, but have been repulsed, with heavy losses, both in killed and prisoners.

BERLIN, Feb. 17.—More than 50,000 prisoners, 50 cannons, 60 machine guns and an enormous supply of materials are the prizes won by General von Hindenburg's Prussian drive.

The ground over which the retreating Russian army passed is covered with dead and wounded, the most of whom will die, as the weather is the worst imaginable. The temperature is far below freezing, and there is constant rain.

NON-SUPPORT ACTION IS UP

JUSTICE GOWEN CONDUCTING PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION OF CHARGE MADE AGAINST UHIN BY HIS WIFE

The justice's court is this afternoon hearing the evidence in the preliminary examination of Louis Uhin, who was arrested yesterday on a charge of failure to provide for his wife. The wife is the complaining witness.

Bert C. Thomas is attorney for the prisoner, and Prosecuting Attorney Irwin appears for the state. There are quite a number of women from Fairview addition subpoenaed as witnesses.

SEEKING TO GET MORE DAIRYMEN FOR THE COUNTY

CIRCULAR LETTER BEING SENT OUT TODAY

Chamber of Commerce is securing addresses of dairymen in other sections, and writing them in an effort to induce them to locate in Klamath County, with cheap feed and other advantages

The following letter is being mailed to dairymen in other sections by Secretary Fleet, of the Klamath Chamber of Commerce. Leave the names of outside dairymen you are acquainted with at the Chamber of Commerce that they may be sent circulars.

Knowing that you are in the dairy business and thinking perhaps that you or some of your friends would be interested in the wonderful opportunities now open in Klamath County for the dairyman and stockman, we are taking the liberty of sending a few statistics for your consideration.

Klamath county is primarily a dairy country. Livestock of all kinds flourishes exceptionally well here, and is unusually free from diseases. Food can be produced here, considering the price of land, cheaper than any other place on the Pacific Coast. There is an abundance of good alfalfa hay for sale now within a few miles of Klamath Falls for six dollars a ton. If this hay could be fed to good milk cows it would be much more valuable. The only trouble is the lack of cows. The farmers here nearly all want to get into the dairy business as fast as possible, but cows are high and scarce, and it is difficult for many to secure the stock. The manager of the U. S. reclamation project here told me a few days ago that every year to pay for the maintenance of the whole project. It is estimated that about 2000 cows are now being milked in Klamath county. This is only a small per cent of what should be here. Irrigated land under the project can be secured from \$50 up. Outside land can be secured from \$10 up. Can we not interest you or your friends in getting stock in here for dairy purposes? The free government range for young and dry stock is an important factor in keeping down expenses.

Please let us hear from you in regard to this letter. Please speak of the opportunities here to your friends.

The Famous General von Kluck and His Staff at Headquarters



This is the first photograph published of General von Kluck, one of the greatest of the German leaders, and his staff. He it was who came nearest taking Paris, for his army was once within twenty-five miles of the city. He was repulsed at the last moment when an army of several hundred thousand fresh troops was sent from the city to turn him. They succeeded and the city was saved.

TAX COLLECTION STARTED TODAY

PENDING FURTHER WORD FROM SALEM TREASURER IS TAKING IN WHAT MONEY THAT COMES—LOW HAS TWO DEPUTIES

Pending official notification from Salem, County Treasurer George A. Haydon is taking in what money taxpayers offer for their 1914 taxes. He is being assisted by Claude Chastala.

Chastala and Allen Sloan have been selected by Sheriff C. C. Low to assist in the tax collections when the sheriff takes over the books. Miss Elsie Low will devote her attention to the 1913 rolls, as at present there being a big demand for tax certificates in delinquent cases.

It is possible that the sheriff may decide to have the taxes collected at the First State & Savings bank, where the treasurer's office is located.

Unless half a person's taxes are paid by April 1, a one per cent a month penalty is attached. After September 1, a ten per cent penalty is added, besides the one per cent a month.

BANK OFFICIAL IS A PLAINTIFF

ECHO OF P. C. LAVEY & CO. IS HEARD IN AN ACTION FILED AGAINST W. S. WORDEN TO RECOVER \$250

Suit to recover \$250 alleged due on a note and interest since July, 1912, has been commenced against W. S. Worden by S. G. Sargent, state superintendent of banks. The suit alleges that Worden gave the note to F. H. Goudy, and that the latter transferred it to Sargent.

Goudy was cashier of the American Bank and Trust company, of Portland, now defunct. The affairs of the bank were taken over by Sargent as a state official, and he is working to straighten out the matters.

P. C. Lavey & Co., who operated here several years ago, and who purchased the Worden, Mt. Hebron and Dorris townships from the Wordens, banked with the now defunct bank, and at the time it suspended, owed it money. E. L. Elliott filed the suit today in the circuit court.

FERN'S JOB IS IN DIRE DANGER

SCHUEBEL'S BILL ABOLISHING THE INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT COMMISSION PASSED BY THE SENATE TODAY

United Press Service
SALEM, Feb. 17.—The senate today passed Representative Schuebel's workmen's compensation bill, with amendments, abolishing the industrial accident commission, with an emergency clause attached.

If the House concurs, Miss Fern Hobbs loses her job as commissioner. The amendment provides that the law be administered by one commissioner to be appointed by the governor, instead of by three, as at present.

The senate passed the House bill repealing all continuing appropriations with very few exceptions.

OVERDRAFTS ARE ORDERED STOPPED

COMPTROLLER OF CURRENCY SENDS NOTICE TO ALL OF THE BANKS, FROWNING UPON THIS PRACTICE

The following is a copy of a circular letter received by the First National Bank from John Skelton Williams, comptroller of currency: "The granting by some banks of accommodations in the form of overdrafts is objectionable and cannot be countenanced by this office.

"This practice should cease entirely. To facilitate the accomplishment of this result, the subject has been taken up by this office with the banking departments of various states, and these authorities have generally agreed to take the necessary action to secure the effective co-operation of state banks in attaining the end desired.

"You are requested to adopt a resolution directing that no officer or employe of your bank shall pay or charge to the account of any depositor any check of such depositor when there are not sufficient funds on deposit to the credit of the drawer of the check to meet the same.

The Tillamook electric plant is being constructed at Bar View.

AFTER THE MAIL ORDER CONCERNS

ONE CONCERN HAS FOUND A WAY IN WHICH TO DEFEAT THE DREADED BUGABOO AT HIS OWN GAME

A. C. Geinger, manager of the Klamath Department store, the successor to the Ashland Fruit store, figures that he has hit upon a plan to beat the mail order houses, that bete noir of the retail merchant of the smaller cities and towns, and has proceeded to put the plan into execution.

Mr. Geinger's idea is to handle the lines with which the mail order concerns draw the strongest from this community, and meet their prices, at the same time giving the customer the advantage of a personal inspection of the articles.

He figures that in the last year he has taken at least \$50,000 that formerly went out of the county for groceries alone, and that there is almost as much to be gleaned from other lines the store intends to handle in the future.

In a statement made to the Herald today, Mr. Geinger said that more than one-third of the machinery, hardware, drygoods and clothing business of Klamath county went to the mail order concerns, and it is this business he is after, as he says that money belongs to Klamath county, and he intends to keep it here. This store will be ready for business March 1.

WANTS CHAPEL IN CRATER LAKE PARK

MEETING HELD AT MEDFORD LAST NIGHT BY PARK SUPERINTENDENT WILL G. STEEL, TO DISCUSS THE MATTER

A chapel for Crater Lake is the latest movement to be started by Superintendent Will G. Steel. He held a meeting at Medford last night, at which this was discussed.

Feeling that this is a matter that requires the attention of the individual, and if one that the government could not assist, Steel called the meeting. The plan is to erect a permanent building, which is to be used freely for religious services by persons of any religious belief, who may be at the lake.

GERMAN THREAT INCLUDES RELIEF VESSELS, ALSO

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Officials of the German embassy today stated that relief ships wintering in the war zone will be liable to attack the same as British warships and merchantmen.

Henceforth, they say, there will be no exemption of any nationality or class of ships that are suspected of being British vessels.

According to these officials, English merchantmen have already negotiated arrangements for reaching safety, by reason of the fact that they disguised themselves as relief ships. Through a belief that these vessels were on a mission of mercy, the German submarines allowed them to pass unmolested.

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Between the fires of English determination and Germany's resentment, the government officials are admittedly troubled over what will be the answers to the present protest notes sent these two countries.

Officials are firmly convinced that England will not relent in her plan to starve out Germany. Neither do they expect Germany to drop her plan to annihilate the commerce in the war zone.

Between these two attitudes, American commerce must suffer, and the possibility of the destruction of American lives and property must always be considered.

What protection the government intends to give the thousands of Americans headed toward the war zone, or what will be done to shield future commerce and passengers is being kept a diplomatic secret.

Secretary Bryan declined flatly to "outline any policy". He refused to indicate whether the silence is due to the non-arrival of Germany's answer to the American war zone protest.

RENO IS AGAIN TO BE THE DIVORCE COLONY

United Press Service
CARSON CITY, Feb. 17.—The easy divorce bill re-establishing the six month residence clause, today passed the state senate, by 13 to 10. It has already passed the House, and goes to the governor for his signature.

OLDEST PHYSICIAN IN CALIFORNIA IS DEAD

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 17.—Dr. Henry Nichols, 91 years old and the oldest practicing physician in California, died here at his home today. He was secretary of the state of California from 1867 to 1871.

Leaves After Visit

Mrs. Charles Dewitt, cousin of Mrs. O. A. Stearns, and niece of Chas. Sherman, of Dairy, left this morning for her home in Cleveland, Ohio, after a three months' visit here, during which time she made many local friends. Mrs. Dewitt will stop at the San Francisco and San Diego expositions on her way east.

Social Date Postponed

The social to have been held Friday night at the Mt. Laki church has been postponed a week. Instead it will be held Saturday, February 27.

WOMEN ATTEND FOUNTAIN TRIAL

United Press Service
SACRAMENTO, Feb. 17.—The Fountain trial, for the killing of Margaret Milling, was resumed here today. There was 200 women spectators in attendance. Mrs. Milling, the child's mother, was the first witness called. She collapsed when she told of Margaret's departure for the Sunday sewing school circle.

John Milling, the girl's father was the next witness. He was watched closely for fear he would make another attack upon Fountain.

County Physician Jones testified that the condition of Margaret's body showed the abuse to which the child was subjected to and indicated the struggle she had put up to save her honor.

It is alleged that the child was assaulted and killed by Fountain in the basement of a Sacramento church last fall.

Twin Daughters

Twin girls, weighing seven and eight and a quarter pounds, arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Chaintoff on the Merrill road yesterday.

Big Change in Battles

Civil War Veteran Draws Comparison With Europe

By BURTON K. STANDISH (Written for the United Press)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Warfare is not what it was in the olden days. More specifically, there is a vast difference between the fighting that has been listed in history under the name of the Civil War, and the fighting of today in Europe, for which the final name has not yet been found.

General I. B. Sherwood, congressman from Ohio, the only member who served in the Civil War as an officer, has been drawing comparisons for himself and his conclusions are interesting.

"Yes, indeed, there is a difference," he said. "The destructive power of modern arms and armament is probably ten times as great as in our

Civil War, which was at the time the greatest, bloodiest and most destructive war of modern times. But the ethical differences are most startling.

"Our war of over four years' duration, was fought on both sides by volunteers. With the exception of the English, all the great armies in this European conflict are regular soldiers, trained to kill for hire. In the Civil War the one vital question involved had been in the arena of fierce contention and debate for a whole decade preceding the war.

"In our war every soldier behind a gun knew what he was fighting for. In the European war, not a

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Corsets for Our Men?

Local Clothiers Refuse to Confirm or Deny This

To quote an exchange: Corsets are being worn by New York men this winter—by some New York men at least.

Attention was first called to this astounding condition by an advertisement displayed in the December number of one of our leading fashion journals:

A hasty expedition was at once organized to investigate this new and startling phenomenon of city life. In one afternoon three places in New York were discovered where corsets for men are manufactured. In one place—in a show window on Broadway—a fat youth was discovered unblushingly demonstrating one of the new corsets for men.

An interview was had with one of these corsetiers for men.

"Yes indeed," said the manufacturer, "lots and lots of New York men are wearing corsets. Of course, for a long time men inclined to embonpoint have been wearing the so-called obesity belts. These have now given away to a frank corset with ribs and elastic, just like a woman's corset.

"The stylish figure for a man this year must be four inches less around the waist than around the chest. The only way most men may attain this effect is by tight lacing, so lots of them are resorting to the corset."

The foregoing caused the thought: "Do Klamath Falls men?" "If the up-to-the-minute New Yorkers are wearing them, have Klamath Falls men?"

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