

## DECISIVE FIGHT IN GREECE SEEMS IMMINENT TODAY

GREEK NEUTRALITY IS MORE- LY STRAINED

German Plan to Cross Greece, It Is Understood, and Attack Allied Expeditionary Forces as They Withdraw Through Greece Toward Salonika—Attacks of Central Allies in Serbia Continue.

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ROME, Dec. 11.—One of the most decisive battles of the European war seems imminent as the allies continue their evacuation of Serbia.

Athens and Salonika dispatches indicate that Germany intends to cross Greece, and it is expected that this means the Teutons will try to drive the allies' expeditionary forces to Salonika, thus ridding the Balkans of the enemy.

Experts are certain that in this event all the fighting will be on Greek soil. This sudden trend, it is believed, will force Greece to enter the war within a fortnight.

The small force of allies, it is believed, will be swept off by the Central allies should they put into execution their reported offensive plans.

United Press Service ATHENS, Dec. 11.—Dispatches from the frontier say the French continue their retreat. There is no mention of the evacuation of Serbia by all the allied forces.

The British forces were reinforced Thursday night, and they maintained their positions in the face of many attacks yesterday. It is admitted, however, that British retirement is inevitable.

General von Mackensen, who is to take command of Turkish troops, arrived in Constantinople yesterday, bringing with him two regiments of Bavarian infantry and several batteries of artillery. The Turks have reinforced, and attacked the British positions at the Dardanelles.

United Press Service PARIS, Dec. 11.—An Athens news agency reports that Greece will soon demobilize her forces. This was one of the principal demands of the allies, but so far the story is not confirmed.

## MORE TULE LAKE LAND IS RELEASED

TWELVE TRACTS ARE LEASED TO BIDDERS BY GOVERNMENT, AND REMAINING LAND WILL BE LEASED LATER

Twelve more tracts of reclaimed Tule Lake land were leased to farmers today by the Reclamation service. There were many bidders for these places, and the prices bid ran from 55 cents to \$1.60 per acre.

There were twenty-seven parcels of land offered for rent at this time. As all bidders bid only on the twelve leased, the others are still open, and they will be leased after the holidays. The land is rich, sandy loam soil, that was uncovered from the drainage of Tule Lake this year. The land is to be thrown open to homesteaders as soon as the lake is sufficiently drained.

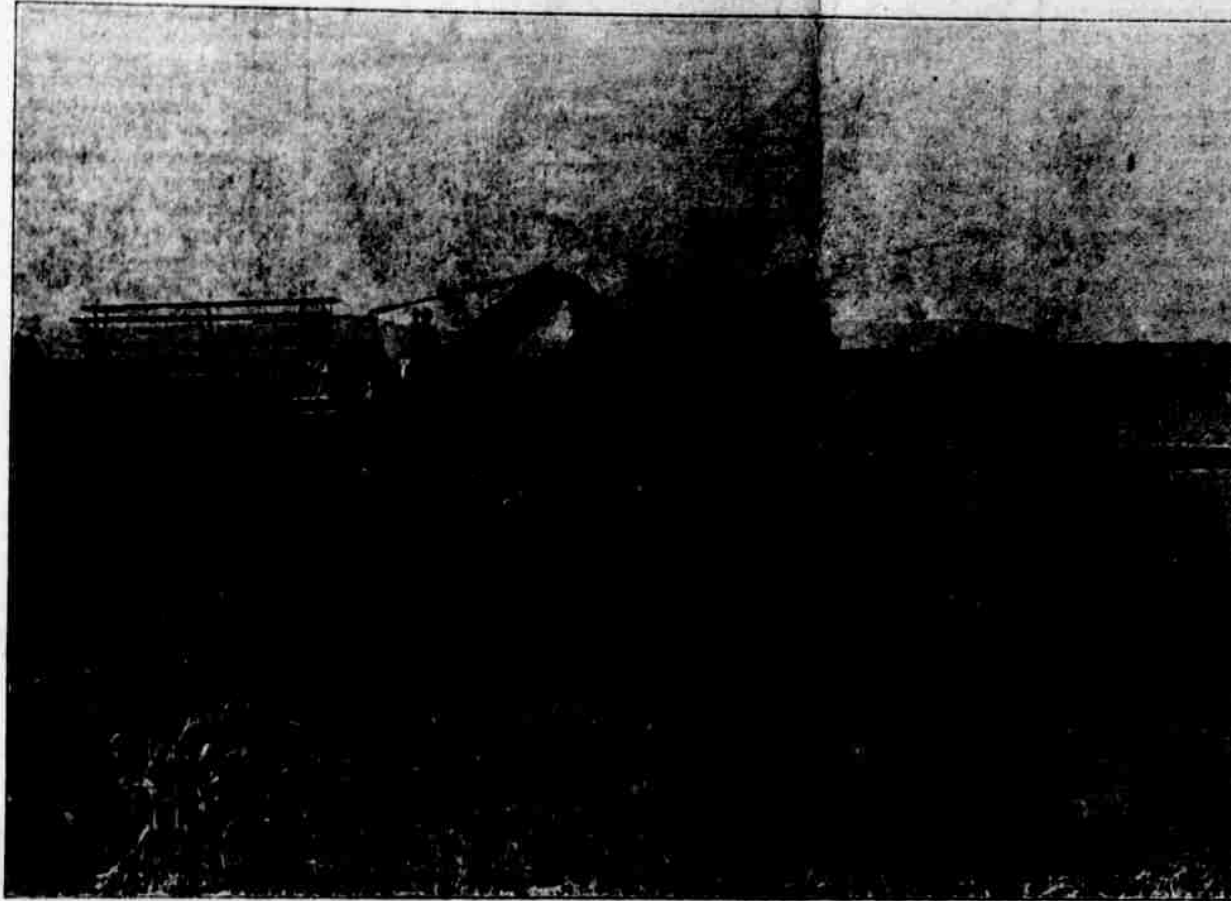
Dr. Ross Boyd and wife came home last night from San Francisco, where they spent about two weeks.

Mrs. Laura Thomas and Miss Alta Thomas are here from Los Angeles, visiting with Chas. W. Thomas and family.

W. E. Payne is down from Seattle.

# Klamath Wheat Is Praised by Big Millers

## Pillsbury Mills in Minneapolis Wants to Make Test



A TYPICAL KLAMATH COUNTY HARVEST SCENE

Klamath county's hard wheat, which tests from 40 to 46 per cent gluten, has been rated by government experts as second in quality only to the famous Kansas grain. The head of Pillsbury Flour Mills company, whose plant at Minneapolis is easily the biggest in the United States, goes a little further, and puts the Klamath wheat on the same level with Kansas wheat.

Moreover, the Pillsbury mills are anxious to secure from 1,000 to 5,000 bushels of Klamath hard wheat, to experiment with in milling.

Some time ago the Commercial Club sent small samples of Klamath county wheat to the Pillsbury mills,

the Sperry Flour company and the Portland Flouring Mills company, and these concerns were asked to test the wheat, if possible, and give an opinion on its milling qualities. The object was to make the Klamath wheat belt more widely known through the big flour millers.

The Portland concern wrote as follows:

Your letter of the 30th at hand, and also the sample of wheat, which you wish to have us test. The wheat certainly looks very good, and we will be glad to let you know the results of our examination of it for milling purposes.

From Sperry mills the following was received:

"Referring to the sample of wheat which you sent us, if we could get any quantity of wheat of this character it would be very satisfactory for milling purposes."

The letter from the Pillsbury company is signed by the president, Albert C. Loring. The fact that he personally took up the matter is very pleasing to local people, as well as the tone of his letter, which follows:

"We are in receipt of your favor of November 30th, and also the small sack of hard wheat, which came duly to hand today.

"The great difficulty we have found in Kansas wheat is the irregularity in its character. The sample you sent is a very good wheat, but of different characteristics from that which we generally use here. If arrangements could be made by some responsible party to guarantee the grades would be like sample furnished, and could make a price delivered here, we might possibly be able to do some business. We would be pleased to have a quotation on 1,000 to 5,000 bushels of wheat for experimental purposes like sample, you quote by wire, subject to immediate reply. It is impossible to tell, particularly this year, what the true milling value is, because of the peculiarities in the season's crop.

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## GET AUTO LOAD OF FINE GEESSE

SPORTSMEN FROM THIS CITY ENJOY SPLENDID SHOOT ON UPPER LAKE—BIRDS PLENTIFUL AND IN FINE CONDITION

The result of a day's shoot was brought home today by a party of four hunters, who journeyed to the Upper Lake Thursday and returned last evening. The hunters returned Friday, but they didn't bring the game.

A couple of the boys sped away in an auto this morning, returning about 11 o'clock with seventy or eighty birds. Of these thirty-seven were fine large geese, one of the honkers weighing in the neighborhood of fifteen pounds dressed.

G. P. Van Riper says it is easy enough to kill a goose. "All you've got to do is to fill him so full of lead that he can't carry it away, and you've got him."

Those in the party were Harry Tolford, J. Ginsbaugh, A. D. Miller and G. P. Van Riper.

High School Party A party was held at the high school building last evening that will linger in the memories of those present. The "doings" was in the form of an entertainment, and given in honor of the freshmen and new pupils. Starting with a grand march, led by John Houston and Miss Clara Calkins, the party was led to the main assembly room, where a cleverly arranged pro-

gram awaited those in attendance. Mr. Hogg and O. I. Gregg as monologists proved themselves a delight to the audience. Miss Claudia Spink, accompanied by Marguerite Worden, entertained with a pretty solo, and Marjorie Delsell in a piano solo gave a very pleasing rendition. Following the musical program everyone participated in many pleasant games, and concluding the evening's jollification the study room was chosen for delightful refreshments. Led by Alva Deala, the boys gave their yells.

Fire Burns Out. A fire alarm indicating a blaze at the Argraves last night caused fellows rooming there to scurry home to save their effects, and brought out the fire department. The fire was found to be only a chimney burning out, and there was no damage.

Suit to Foreclose. Suit to foreclose a mortgage on Klamath Falls property was filed in the circuit court today by Mrs. May Stowell against P. L. Fountain an executor of the Jas. C. Mongold estate, and William Mongold, a minor. The mortgage was given as security on a loan of \$100. Rutenic & Kent represent Mrs. Stowell.

In From Port. Dan Ryan is down from Fort Klamath on a business trip.

Mrs. Leavitt Ill. Mrs. A. L. Leavitt is ill at her home on Conger avenue.

Gordon Hill is a late arrival from Portland.

C. E. McChesney is a recent visitor from Portland.

### "The Dirty Stinker"

United Press Service SALEM, Dec. 11.—Alleging that her husband boasted he had not taken a bath for fifty years, and that she knows of her own knowledge that he has not taken a bath or washed his feet since their marriage September 29th, Mrs. Mary Templeton is plaintiff in a divorce action pending against Robert M. Templeton. She further alleged that Templeton refused to permit his children by a former marriage to bathe their feet.

### BONANZA BRIEFS

The Ladies Aid will hold a bazaar at the M. E. church Monday evening, December 13th, beginning at 7:30. There will be home cooking for sale, and refreshments will be served.

M. S. Pittman of the Monmouth Normal, lectured here Friday evening. The talk was very interesting, and the attendance was good.

Verdict for Gueller. A verdict in favor of the defendant, J. F. Goeller, was returned by the circuit court jury today in the action of Silas Obenshain as administrator of the estate of William Martin, to collect money alleged due for dental services performed by Dr. Martin.

John B. Tripp is here from San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Ryan are recent arrivals from Fort Klamath.

E. B. Smith is here from Sacramento.

Harry H. Katz is a business visitor from San Francisco.

## ATHLETIC CLUB'S SHOW A SUCCESS

BOXING, WRESTLING AND HORIZONTAL BAR WORK BY MEMBERS OF THE CLUB ENTERTAIN A GOOD CROWD

Manager Hank Free demonstrated his ability to please the public and at the same time instruct the young 'uns of Klamath Falls in the developing of their physical attributes to some purpose. The entertainment last night was principally along the lines of the art of self defense, and the participants ranged in size from wee 50-pounders up to husky 180-pound fellows, and every match proved interesting. The little fellows, with gloves almost as large as themselves, were only allowed to box two-minutes at a time, and their work plainly showed the instructions they are receiving at the Athletic Club.

One interesting feature to some of the audience, was to see the little fellows comparing notes with each other after their appearance before the public, and the interest taken in these discussions showed the tendency of youth to work for greater efficiency. To many present the work of the Athletic Club was a revelation, and the fact that it could do such good work for our youngsters was recognized for the first time. Many expressed surprise, along with their satisfaction, and voiced the hope that Manager Free would keep up his good work and give many more entertainments of the class of last night.

## MELHASE FUNERAL AT 2 P. M. SUNDAY

SERVICES WILL BE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF LOCAL LODGE OF ELKS, AND WILL BE HELD AT THE MELHASE RESIDENCE

The funeral of the late Frederick Melhase will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The services will be held at the Melhase residence, corner of Fifth street and Klamath avenue, and will be conducted by Klamath Lodge No. 1247, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Friends of the family are invited to attend. The remains will be interred in the Klamath Falls cemetery.

Members of the local Elks' Lodge went to the depot in a body last night, and escorted the remains of their departed brother to the Melhase home.

## FORD BOOSTED FOR PRESIDENT

NEBRASKANS SIGN PETITION ASKING THAT AUTOMOBILE MAN'S NAME BE ON BALLOT AT THE PRIMARY

United Press Service OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 11.—Thirty-five republicans today signed a petition naming Henry Ford on the presidential preference ballot, and sent it to Lincoln.

United Press Service LONDON, Dec. 11.—Switzerland advises say Germany may allow Ford and his peace party to proceed to Switzerland in case Holland will not permit a peace conference there.

## COAST KNOWN AS "CRITICAL AREA"

WAR COLLEGE RECOMMENDS SPECIAL DEFENSES FOR PUGET SOUND, CALIFORNIA AND THE ATLANTIC REGION

United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—Puget Sound, California and the Atlantic region are termed as "critical areas" needing particular defenses, by the war college of the United States army in its report to Secretary of War Garrison.

The need of the Puget Sound region is a division of troops, less divisional cavalry, and a brigade of cavalry. The needs of both California and the Atlantic region are each given as a division of troops and a brigade of cavalry.

### Eighth Grade Entertains

The Eighth Grade Domestic Science class of the Central school served luncheon in honor of M. S. Pittman Monday, December 8th. Those present were Superintendent R. H. Dunbar, Superintendent Fred Peterson, C. B. Bowman, George Walton, Miss Mabel Mears and Mr. Pittman. The courses were as follows: (1) Vegetable soup and croquettes; (2) Roast duck, creamed potatoes, hot biscuits; spiced grapes, green tomato pickles; (3) Fruit salad and cheese wafers; (4) Cranberry-cocoanut, whipped cream pudding, chocolate cake, coffee. The hostess was Esther Haines; waitresses, Dorothy Sanderson and Myler Calkins; and the cooks were Wilda Smith and Anna Hackland.

A. F. Simpson is up from Dunsmuir, Calif.

Bert Hawkins, rancher, is in the city on business.

## ANOTHER TEUTON TO BE RECALLED BY U. S. REQUEST

NUBER'S ASSISTANT IS LATEST LISTED

More Startling Evidence Against Zwiedinck Produced, It Is Stated, Than Against Any Others Involved. Activities of French in Withholding American Vessels Is Also to Be Investigated.

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—Simultaneously with the announcement that the government's Ancona note had been received in Vienna, it became known that Baron Zwiedinck, the Austrian charge d'affaires in New York, is in grave danger of following former Ambassador Dumba home—at the request of the United States. The developments in this case have been so rapid that the recall will probably be asked for before the notes regarding the matter are published here Monday.

The evidence against Zwiedinck is the most startling that has been massed against any others accused in pro-Teuton plots. Secretary Lansing has photographs of letters written by Zwiedinck from Manchester, Mass., to Consul General van Nuber, which indicated plans for the wholesale forgery or misuse of passports.

The government has formally requested England and France to guarantee safe conduct to Captains Roy-Ed and von Papeu, recalled German military attaches.

The government today announced its intention of requesting France to explain why three American ships were held up in Porto Rican waters recently.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—Hearings in the cases of Baron von Brincken and C. C. Crowley have been postponed until Tuesday at the request of the government. Grand jury indictments are expected.

## MISSIONARY TO SPEAK SUNDAY

MISS HEFTY WILL TELL OF CHINESE LIFE, CHURCH WORK, ETC., AT GRACE M. E. CHURCH TOMORROW AT BOTH SERVICES

Miss Lulu Hefty, a missionary from China, will speak at Grace Methodist church, Tenth and High streets, Sunday morning and evening at 11 and 7:30.

Miss Hefty was heard at the last session of the Methodist conference at Roseburg, and is a fascinating speaker. Her subject will be church work, life and customs in China, and she will give the subject a personal touch that will be most engaging. The public is invited.

### Talks at School.

Lindsay C. Sisemore, who is here from the Fort for jury duty, made a highly interesting talk at the Riverside school assembly this week.

Mrs. Elmer Applegate has returned from California points, where she spent about a month visiting relatives. She also attended the convention.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Brown will leave early next week for their former home in Kentucky, where they will spend the holiday season.

J. E. Becking is a late arrival from Portland.

Mary F. Ross is a late arrival from Spokane, Wash.