

WEEK'S FIGHTING NEAR VERDUN IS HISTORY'S WORST

BLOODY BATTLE STILL AT ITS HEIGHT

Both French and Germans Claim Decisive Stage is About Reached, and Each Side Claims to Have Gained Advantages to Turn the Tide of Battle in Their Favor—Much Hand-to-Hand Fighting

United Press Service
PARIS, May 25.—Today's communique says the French advanced along the west bank of the Meuse, east of Cumieres village. Grenade fighting is still in progress there. The Germans, attacking in strength, have captured the French trench north of Haudromont. They have also taken the quarries east of the Meuse. Violent artillery activity was noted all along the front last night. There were no important infantry struggles around Douaumont or Dead Man's Hill. The new positions won by the French around Cumieres are of especial strategic value. They expose the Germans to flanking attacks if they attempt to advance south of the village. French critics agree that this week's fighting at Verdun is the bloodiest in history. The German losses have been greater than the losses in any other battle of the war.

United Press Service
BERLIN, May 25.—French trenches south and southwest of Douaumont were captured last night, according to the official statement, and three French counter attacks against Cumieres were repulsed. German troops have captured the quarry east of the Meuse and south of Haudromont. In Caillette forest nearly 1,000 French soldiers were made prisoners. The gigantic German "nut cracker" is now closing in on Verdun, say German military experts. The right jaw has advanced along a three-mile front within the past seventy-two hours. The left jaw has recaptured positions temporarily left to the French. It is estimated that 30,000 men have been slain in the terrible hand-to-hand fighting in the underground caverns about the ruins of Douaumont. Germany positively denies that the French even temporarily occupied Fort Douaumont this week. Overeating, constipation, lack of exercise, foul air and eye strain may produce headache.

Irish-American Court Martialed



Jeremiah C. Lynch, an American citizen, has been court-martialed and convicted in Dublin on the charge of taking part in the five-day "Irish Republic," and the death of many persons. This photograph was taken when he was in the United States. Lynch's execution has been delayed as a result of a request from President Wilson, and English authorities have made a further investigation.

ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL ACCOUNTING OFFICERS MEETS

United Press Service
DES MOINES, Ia., May 16.—A three day session of the National Association of School Accounting Officers opened here today with President Charles Mason of St. Louis presiding. William Dick of Philadelphia is vice president and William T. Keough of Boston is secretary-treasurer. Visitors are here from a score of states. An efficient health officers is a good community investment.

MRS. GEO. NOLAND PASSES BEYOND

LAST MEMBER OF WELL KNOWN KLAMATH FAMILY IS DEAD. WILL BE BURIED NEAR PORTLAND SATURDAY

According to word received by friends, Mrs. George Noland passed away in Good Samaritan hospital in Portland yesterday. Death was due to tuberculosis, the effects of a severe fall she sustained here last winter, and grief over the tragic deaths of her husband and her son. For the past few days her condition has gradually become worse, and her death was but a matter of hours. The funeral service will be held at the Finley chapel in Portland tomorrow. The remains will be buried near Portland Saturday, and later the remains of Judge Noland and Virgil Noland will be moved there. The Nolands came to Klamath Falls several years ago, and after practicing law for some time, Mr. Noland was appointed circuit judge here. The only child, Virgil, entered the University of Oregon as a freshman in the fall of 1911, and he was a member of the football squad, and making great progress in his studies, when he was found dead in an electric bathrobe he had donned in an effort to cure a cold. The death of the son was a severe blow to the Nolands, and they were both undermined in health, while it was with an effort that they gave attention to business and other affairs. In January, 1915, Noland was again appointed circuit judge, and under the severe grind of the office, he was beginning to forget his sorrow and be his old self again, when late last summer, as he and his wife were taking some friends for an automobile trip, he was stricken with heart failure, and died a few minutes later. Bereft of both husband and son under such terrible circumstances, Mrs. Noland struggled hard to keep up her courage and assist in settling up the estate. She was so engaged when she accidentally fell on a slippery sidewalk last winter, receiving an injury that necessitated her removal to Portland. She was well known and liked by all her friends, and her demise is keenly regretted by many here, although they see happiness for her in her journey to the Great Beyond, where her dear ones preceded her.

GRANTS PASS TO PLAY K. F. HERE

STRONG ROGUE RIVER VALLEY AGGREGATION WILL CROSS BATS SUNDAY WITH EQUALLY STRONG LOCAL CONTINGENT.

With Grants Pass as the drawing card, a good game is assured for Sunday afternoon. Grants Pass last year, with Cornell in the box, gave Klamath Falls her hardest tussle on the local grounds. This year they are coming with Cornell, Pernoll and Osborne in the lineup. Cornell needs no introduction. Pernoll, designated "Hub" and "Piano Legs" while in the big leagues, is one of the best southpaw pitching today, and on account of his hitting he is regarded as strong enough to play outfield on the Detroit team. Pernoll is in Grants Pass, where his fruit ranch is located, so as far as Hub is concerned he is through with big league ball. Osborne, the third pitcher, is the man who led the Western Tri-State pitchers two years ago. No one has ever understood why he has not taken up any of the offers tendered him by McCredie and the Northwestern league magnates, but at present he is still pitching the best of ball for Grants Pass. It is a safe estimate that not more than two hits will be gathered off any one of the Pass pitchers, for at the first sign of weakening, another man can be sent into the box for relief. This in itself assures us that the game will not be a walk-away for the locals. It is also reported that Kenneth Williams, star third baseman for Cincinnati, who is under suspension at present, will be with the Pass team Sunday, although his name does not appear in the lineup. The bad weather has handicapped the team here as they have had no practice this week and unless the weather changes they will have none. The lineup sent in by Grants Pass is as follows: Fry, 3d; Osborne, 1st and p.; Simpson, ss; Pernoll, p; Hansen, c; Faren, 2d; Elovina, lf; Weckler, rf; Cornell, p. Klamath Falls will present the same front as last Sunday.

And the Baby Elephant Seemed to Enjoy It



Leaders of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, who believe in advertising their cause over the world, got Chin Chin to assist them the other day. She is a girl baby, so she didn't object. In fact, she was induced to hold her trunk up so picturesquely by the promise of candy. It would be going too far to say the little lady was bribed with candy, but there was a suspicion she liked it as well as other of the dead female species.

LAND GRANT BILL IS NOW STARTED; HOUSE PASSES IT

WASHINGTON LAWMAKER OPPOSES BILL

Congressman Johnson Says the Bill in Its Present Shape Will Only Cause More Confusion, and the Timber Will Ultimately Be Placed in Forest Reserve, Further Hampering the Development of Oregon
United Press Service
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 25.—The Oregon and California land grant settlement bill passed the house of representatives today. An amendment proposed by Congressman Foster, whereby Oregon counties would receive twenty, instead of thirty per cent of the proceeds of the sales of land, was defeated. Congressman Johnson of Washington opposed the bill. He declared that it will cause more litigation and confusion, and that ultimately the timber land, placed in receivership, will be placed in forest reserve, thus further hampering Oregon's development.

IRISHMEN HELD BY THE JURIES

CASEMENT AND BAILEY ARE INDICTED AND CASEMENT'S TRIAL IS SET—LLOYD-GEORGE IS IN CHARGE OF AFFAIRS

United Press Service
LONDON, May 25.—Premier Asquith announced in commons that David Lloyd-George has been given full charge of the Irish situation. He has appealed to all factions, asking them not to discuss the Irish situation while Lloyd-George is negotiating. Sir Roger Casement, and Daniel Bailey, his companion, were indicted today for high treason, as a result of their efforts in the Irish revolt. The trial of Casement has been set for June 28. John MacNeill, president of the Sinn Fein and a professor in the Irish University, has been court-martialed and convicted of being a party in the fomenting of the rebellion. He will be sentenced later. Polluted drinking water causes many deaths.

PEACE LEAGUE TO HAVE GREAT MEET

MEN OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE TO ADDRESS SESSION TOMORROW—AIMS OF LEAGUE ARE SET FORTH

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 25.—"We are not molluscoid!" Delegates to the first annual convention of the National League to Enforce Peace didn't say that in so many words when they gathered here today for the opening session under former President William Howard Taft, but that was the idea they wanted to convey. "We believe," said Herbert S. Houston, president of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World and a prominent member of the league, "that permanent international peace is a business proposition that has to be organized and pushed through by men with red blood in their veins just as anything else that is worth while has to be handled. Permanent peace means a great deal to the business interest of the world and they are behind this organization, heart, soul and body. There is nothing visionary about the plans of this league. There are no dreamers in it. Look at the lists and I think you will agree that they contain the names of big men who do things in a big way." Two of the principal speakers at the convention will be Secretary of War Newton D. Baker and Major General Leonard Wood. The arrival during the last few days of more than 2,000 delegates from every section of the country is regarded as significant of the attitude toward peace among political, commercial, social, religious and educational interests in the United States. States and cities have sent representatives, as have chambers of commerce, boards of trade, universities and colleges, labor organizations, granges and churches. The committee pointed out that the convention is not a mere pacifist gathering. The convention was called at this time, it was said, as a definite move to obtain political action on the part of the United States in favor of

Boy Scouts Will Do the Ushering

United Press Service
ST. LOUIS, May 25.—Preparations for the democratic national convention which will be called to order here June 14 were in full swing today. The police department was preparing a schedule for policemen and detectives to be followed during the stay of the delegates. Hundreds of extra policemen will be sworn in for special duty during the democrats' meeting. The Boy Scout troops will do their share of work and most likely will be used as ushers in the Coliseum, where the convention will be held. Other youngsters will act as guides to visitors. The civic organizations of the city were busy getting out literature which will aid the delegates and their families in locating the city's points of interest. Work on the preparation of the Coliseum will begin in a few days, Manager Robinson said. Hundreds of special seats in addition to the platform and arrangements for the press representatives will be arranged.

WAR DEPOPULATES TEUTONIC EMPIRES

CASUALTIES AT FRONT AND HARDSHIPS SUFFERED BY CIVILIANS HAVE SERIOUS EFFECT, SAY TRAVELERS

United Press Service
AMSTERDAM, May 25.—The war is depopulating German and Austrian cities, according to travelers arriving here from the territories of the central powers. They attribute the alleged diminution in the number of residents in such centers as Berlin and Vienna partly to casualties at the front and partly to the increased death rate incidental to the hardships the civil population has suffered. Statements that the public health is better in the war-stricken countries than before hostilities broke out are declared ridiculous. From reliable and impartial sources, it is estimated that Berlin has lost 800,000 inhabitants, Hamburg 230,000, Breslau 200,000, Dresden, Leipzig and Munich nearly 35 per cent of their populations, Vienna 700,000, and Budapest, Trieste, Lemberg, Prague and Graz respectively 80, 60, 50, 40 and 35 per cent. It is conceded that these losses will be made up in part when the troops return home at the end of the war, but a large part of them are believed certain to be permanent. Hardware Firm Moves
Manager Campbell has just completed the removal of the Klamath Hardware company stock to the Riley building. The building has been rearranged for the firm, and new goods are arriving.

WAITE'S DEFENSE TO BE INSANITY

FATHER AND BROTHERS OF ACCUSED POISONER SAY HE WAS ABNORMAL—WIFE TESTIFIES FOR PROSECUTION

United Press Service
NEW YORK, May 25.—In an effort to prove Dr. Warren Waite, the dentist on trial for poisoning his father-in-law and mother-in-law, is insane, the defense today placed the prisoner's two brothers and his father on the stand to testify that Waite was abnormal as a boy, and at times gave indications of insanity. Waite's wife testified for the state yesterday. She gave damaging evidence against her husband. Mrs. Margaret Horton, Waite's "studio companion," also testified against the dentist late yesterday. Chapman is Sued
Suit for the recovery of \$154.80, alleged due on a note, has been filed in the circuit court by J. H. Garrett & Co. of Marysville against H. F. Chapman, a merchant at Worden. The Garrett company has also filed a suit against Chapman for foreclosure of a mortgage given as security on a note for \$500. Rutenic & Kent are attorneys for the Marysville firm. Medford Man Visits
George R. Lindley, who is interested in one of Medford's banking institutions, is here to visit his brother-in-law, Deputy Sheriff George C. Ulrich.

Indian War Veterans Are Granted Pensions

After at least twelve years of effort, the veterans of the later Indian wars are at last to be rewarded for their services by the government, as the Indian pension bill has passed the senate, and now awaits the signature of the president. Captain O. C. Applegate, a leader in this fight, received a letter to this effect today from Cyrus H. Walker of Albany, an old Indian fighter, one of the oldest native sons of the Oregon territory and past grand commander of the Indian War Veterans of the North Pacific Coast, in which he congratulated Applegate on the successful termination of the fight and Applegate's connection therewith. Under the provisions of the bill as it passed the senate, all survivors of Indian wars from January, 1859, to January 1, 1890, who served at least thirty days in the Indian wars, including the wars in Southern Oregon, Northern California and Idaho from 1845 to 1868 inclusive, and in the Mexico war. This will benefit a great many residents of Southern Oregon, who responded to the call of duty when their services were needed for the protection of villages and immigrants. The veterans of the later wars rendered as valiant service as did the earlier Indian fighters, but congress was slow in giving them the same recognition accorded other veterans. In 1903 Captain Applegate prepared a memorial to congress, urging some action toward pensioning these veterans, and this was passed at the legislative session of that year. Since then there has been considerable campaigning carried on to bring about the passage of the bill. When it passed the house recently, the minimum service recognized was ninety days, and as this would benefit but few of the men who flew to arms at the first call and quickly terminated the uprisings, there has been a fight since then to bring about the changes which were finally made in the senate.

Initiative Seeks to Get Right to Brew Beer Here

The first initiative measure proposed as an amendment to the Oregon prohibition law has just been formulated. This would give breweries permission to operate in Oregon. A strong general committee, composed of residents of every part of the state, will work hard for the passage of the measure. The bill is explained as follows by the committee: We, the undersigned, feel that there is lack of logic even from a prohibition standpoint, in allowing beer and intoxicating liquors to be brought into the state, yet to forbid the manufacture of beer in the state. We have undertaken to put on the ballot an amendment to the prohibition amendment, giving to the Oregon farmer, hop grower and brewer an equal right with the outsider. We have constituted ourselves a general committee favoring this amendment, and submit to the public our reasons as follows: First. A law which permits the consumption of liquor brought into the state from the outside, yet discriminates against even a light beer made in Oregon, from Oregon barley and hops, is neither logical nor just and seems to answer no good purpose whatever. Second. Since we believe it is not even good temperance reform because it inevitably encourages the importation of the strong spirituous liquors on which transportation charges are less and discourages the use of a light, non-intoxicating malt liquor. In other words, it forces a consumption of whiskey instead of a consumption of beer. Third. It drives thousands of dollars out of the state, which if law drinking is to be permitted at all, had better go to Oregon barley and hops. Fourth. We feel that the true measure of regulation ought to be based on the amount of the drug or alcohol contained in any drink. It would