

Allied Offensive Believed to Be Nearing Crisis

GERMANS ARE AFTER VERDUN REGARDLESS OF ALLIED OFFENSIVE

BERLIN ADMITS CAPTURE OF CON-TALMAISON

Russians and Germans Preparing for a Renewal of the Struggle on Strohched River on the East Front—The Kaiser Takes Men From Scene of Fierce Fighting to Reinforce the Forces at Verdun

United Press Service
LONDON, July 13.—The extensive allied offensive apparently is nearing a crisis. Northeast of Albert the British are attacking Martinruch heights. Two German army corps are opposing the British advance on Bazanum. The Germans also are heavily counter-attacking to the southeast of Contalmaison.

The British Newfoundlanders today crossed the most formidable section of the front, facing a fierce artillery and machine gun fire. They captured an important position. Aeroplanes were active in support of the Newfoundlanders.

A German trench raid south of La-bassee was repulsed.

United Press Service
PETROGRAD, July 13.—It is reported here that both the Germans and Russians are actively redistributing their forces and manning artillery, preparatory to a renewal of the Strohched River struggle.

United Press Service
BERLIN, July 13.—It is admitted that the British have captured Contalmaison. French attacks on Barieux Estres have been repulsed. The Germans are consolidating in the positions they have captured northeast of Verdun. Today 3,400 French surrendered near Verdun.

United Press Service
PARIS, July 13.—The Germans are determined to continue their assaults on Verdun regardless of the allied offensive. This is evidenced by the repeated stormings of the Souville approach. New guns and new men have been brought from the west bank of the Meuse, where the fighting has been most violent.

No White Men Here When He First Saw City

For the first time since the spring of 1862, when he passed through what is now Klamath Falls on a mining trip, Dan Morris is here on a visit. He now resides in Los Angeles. In March of 1862, Mr. Morris and fourteen others started from Yreka on a prospecting trip, their destination being Washington. At Butte Creek they saw a few camps of cowboys, but from there to The Dalles they did not meet a white settler. On the ground where now stands Klamath Falls, Mr. Morris says, one lone Indian family was living. Somewhere along Modoc Point, Mr. Morris is not sure just where, the Indians had collected a huge pile of rocks, and left only a narrow pass

MEDFORD VOTES NEW LEDGE ROAD

THE ROAD IS TO RUN TO THE BLUE LEDGE MINE AND WORK IS TO START SOON, ACCORDING TO MEDFORD PAPER

By a vote of nearly three to one at Monday's election, the people of Medford approved the Bullis contract for the construction of a railroad to the Blue Ledge mine. The vote was 1,009 for to 366 against the contract.

"When it is considered the first election was merely on the general proposition of allowing the city to bond itself, while the second involved the acceptance of a contract against which there was considerable conspicuous opposition, the result is regarded as a great victory for the progressive citizens of Medford, the Commercial Club, Merchants' Association and the Greater Medford Club, and positive proof that an overwhelming majority of the people are behind the city and Mr. Bullis in the undertaking now before them," says the Medford Sun.

"C. M. Thomas said the result is a great victory for the people, and that Mr. Bullis would arrive from New York today prepared to enter into contract and commence work on the road at once, and to purchase it from the city at the end of five years on the conditions that have been printed and discussed heretofore. He also said the result of the election had been wired to Mr. Towne, and that he would commence work on the mine before a unit of the road is built, and will be prepared to deliver 150 tons of ore per day as promised before the road reaches the Blue Ledge."

The Hawley pulp and paper mills have built a \$10,000 warehouse.

The Germans today gained slightly near the Vaux road.

Artillery action is brisk along the Somme tonight. In an infantry action the French penetrated into the Champagne district and checked the attacks on Argonne and Vosges.

Censor for Mexican War Operations



Major Douglas MacArthur of the general staff of the army has been designated by Secretary Baker as official censor during Mexican operations. The information, whether of operations in Mexico or along the border, or of the mobilization and mustering in of National Guard, will pass through Major MacArthur's hands. He will decide what portions of the information in his possession are to be given out, but will make no effort to control the manner in which the information is used.

BIG BRUSH FIRES IMPERIL TOWNS

RAILROADS ARE RUSHING MEN TO SCENE OF FIRES—HUNDREDS ALREADY ENGAGED IN FIGHTING THE FLAMES

United Press Service
SANTA ROSA, July 13.—Hundreds of men are fighting a brush fire that is threatening Rio-Nido and Guerneville. The railroads are rushing men on special trains this afternoon. It is feared that both towns are imperiled unless more aid arrives very soon.

No August Holidays

United Press Service
LONDON, July 13.—Premier Asquith today announced that all holidays in August would be suspended to insure a steady output of munitions. He said the allies are determined to continue the offensive in the Somme region for months if this offensive is necessary to achieve a victory.

Shark Kills Four

United Press Service
NEW YORK, July 13.—Scores of small boats are cruising the New Jersey coast hunting for a man-eating shark. The shark has killed four bathers during the week. The hunters are dangling raw beef on grappling hooks.

"Lighter Than I Expected"

United Press Service
CARTHAGE, Mo., July 13.—John Austin Hooper, famous Oregon and California bandit, today was convicted of second degree murder. He was sentenced to serve ten years in the state penitentiary for killing a policeman. "Lighter than I expected," was his comment, when he heard the sentence.

Explosion Wrecks Plant

United Press Service
BUFFALO, N. Y., July 13.—An explosion this afternoon partially wrecked the Somet Selway company's plant, killing three men. Lightning struck the chemical shed.

STANDARD OIL HAS NEW MOTOR TRUCK

TO BE USED TO FILL ORDERS OUTSIDE OF CITY—WILL HOLD 600 GALLONS AND MAKE TWELVE MILES AN HOUR

A four cylinder, fifty horse power Packard motor truck was received this morning by the Standard Oil company. The truck, which holds 600 gallons in its three compartments, will be used for filling orders in all places outside of town, such as Fort Klamath and Merrill.

The new truck will make twelve miles an hour. Herman Arnold has been engaged to drive it.

Formal Notification July 31st

United Press Service
NEW YORK, July 13.—Senator Harding today announced that the formal notification to ex-Justice Charles E. Hughes of his nomination as republican presidential candidate will be held here on July 31st. Colonel Roosevelt, ex-President Taft and several prominent progressives have been invited to attend the notification.

Approves Reorganization

United Press Service
SAN FRANCISCO, July 13.—The state railroad commission today approved the reorganization plans of the Western Pacific railroad. The commission denounced the charging of big fees by attorneys and experts in the bankruptcy proceedings through which the road went.

Neidringhaus is Potentate

United Press Service
BUFFALO, N. Y., July 13.—H. F. Neidringhaus Jr., of St. Louis, today was chosen imperial potentate of the Shriners.

Seeing Crater Lake

The private car of O. E. McCormick, third vice president of the Southern Pacific company, came in last night, and is waiting on the sidetracks of the local yards for Mr. McCormick. He is at Crater Lake now, but is expected here in a few days, and will leave in his car.

KLAMATH AFTER ROAD MONEY FOR NATIONAL PARK

TELEGRAMS SENT TO SINNOTT AND GRAVES

The Farmer Says Authority is Put on State or County to Make Requests for Roads—The Matter to Be Taken Up at Once With the Governor and Board of Highway Commissioners, Says Secretary Fleet.

That Klamath county may be sure to get her due share of the \$1,000,000 authorized in a bill now before President Wilson to be spent annually on roads in national forests, Klamath Commercial Club already is on the job. The bill passed congress, but has not been signed by President Wilson.

According to a story in last Sunday's Oregonian, Portland is after a good-sized allowance for improvement of the so-called Mt. Hood loop. It is said \$2,000,000 is needed for this work alone. Also \$45,000 will be diverted, if possible, for improvement of the road to the Josephine county caves.

That Congressman N. J. Sinnott of this district will help Klamath county get her share is indicated in a telegram received this morning from him by the Commercial Club, in response to a telegram from Secretary Fred Fleet. Following are two telegrams, also the one sent to Chief Forester Graves.

"Representative N. J. Sinnott, Washington, D. C.: "Oregonians share one million national forest road appropriation going to Portland for Mount Hood loop, etc. Klamath county is entitled to substantial portion of this fund. Three Crater Lake roads run through national forest. Every road entering county except from south runs from three to forty miles through national forest. Please take up matter with Forester Graves immediately and advise result. "Klamath Commercial Club," "Klamath Commercial Club, Klamath Falls, Oregon:

"Forestry department has made no disposition of road funds. The law puts the initiative upon proper officers of state or county to make request for roads. It also requires an agreement between the state or county with the Secretary of Agriculture. The forestry department is now preparing rules and regulations for procedure. Same will not be completed for two weeks. The forestry department recommends that you file application with district forester at Portland. I would advise you to take the matter up with the governor and highway commissioners. "N. J. Sinnott."

"Chief Forester Henry S. Graves, Washington, D. C.:

"Klamath county feels entitled to substantial portion from national forest road appropriation just passed. Three Crater Lake roads run through national forest reserves. Every road entering county except from south runs from three to forty miles through forest reserve. Please take this into consideration in fund distribution. "Klamath Commercial Club."

MILITIA IS RUSHED TO SCENE OF STRIKE

United Press Service
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., July 13.—Governor Danne today ordered the state militia to patrol the towns of LaSalle and Oglesby, where 1,300 cement workers are striking. It is feared that a riot will take place.

The Albany cheese factory has started with a run of 2,000 pounds of milk per day.

MEXICAN TROUBLE ENDED-PERSHING

ESTIMATES BY DEPARTMENT OF WAR SHOWS \$10,000,000 A MONTH IS BEING SPENT TO GUARD THE BORDER

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13.—A report from General Pershing, who is at the head of the punitive expedition now in Mexico, states that he believes the Mexican trouble is settled. He says that the Mexicans near his expedition are "very friendly of late."

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13.—It is costing the United States government \$10,000,000 a month to guard the American-Mexican border, according to estimates furnished by the war department today.

United Press Service
NOGALES, July 13.—Two carloads of California cavalry horses arrived here today. Most of them will be used as mounts for men enlisted from Oregon.

Several encampments will be moved nearer to this place to be within easy striking distance of several strategic Mexican points.

United Press Service

COLUMBUS, N. M., July 13.—Well armed and mounted bandits are reported to be mobilizing in the San Simon Valley, preparatory to an attack on the American border. It is believed that Villa is leading the band, seeking to create further Mexican-American complications. American cavalry patrols are alert.

United Press Service

EL PASO, July 13.—Carranza agents have furnished American army officials with details of the Trevino plot to assist the rebels to later oust Villa from leadership of the revolutionary forces in Mexico. It is charged that General Trevino gave munitions to Villistas. General Obregon has removed Trevino for this reason. Concentration of late of Mexicans loyal to Trevino is considered significant. Carranzistas allege that Trevino sent much ammunition to Jimenes so the Villistas there could easily capture that place.

Heat Kills Eight

United Press Service
NEW YORK, July 13.—Rain this afternoon broke the heat wave here. Before it came eight deaths and scores of prostrations were reported.

Clarke May Succeed Hughes

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13.—The White House today indicated that John H. Clarke of Cleveland might succeed ex-Justice Charles E. Hughes to the United States supreme court.

JOHNSON SAYS FUNDS SECURED TO MOVE TROUT

SPORTSMEN GIVE CHEERFULLY TO MOVE FRY

Automobiles Will Start Tomorrow for Spencer Creek to Take Baby Trout to Many Streams—Money for Fish Day Was Easily Collected by Noon Today—Benefits to the Angler Will Be Large.

The 300,000 trout fry at Spencer Creek hatchery are to be saved, and everyone of them will be planted in eight different Klamath creeks and rivers. W. Paul Johnson announced at noon today that enough money had been subscribed to have automobiles and other necessary things, and that all was ready for "Fish Day."

A canvass of the business houses and of all local sportsmen this morning showed that all were eager to see that the fry were moved before they perished. Only small donations were asked, but so many came forward with money that the success of "Fish Day" was early assured.

Automobiles hired with money subscribed today will leave tomorrow morning for Spencer Creek, and there will be loaded with chilled cars containing thousands of baby trout.

The boom to the fishing in Klamath county streams by the efforts of "Fish Day" can hardly be appreciated. In three or four years the fry moved today will be rising to size and by angles from all parts of the United States. The example of Four Mile Lake proves this assertion. Three years ago Four Mile Lake was barren of fish. Fry were planted, and this spring no better fishing was enjoyed anywhere than in Four Mile Lake.

NUMBER NEW PARALYSIS CASES IS FALLING OFF

United Press Service
NEW YORK, July 13.—Despite the present torrid wave, new cases of infantile paralysis are declining. Only twenty-four deaths have occurred in the last twenty-four hours. This makes a total during the epidemic of 111 deaths.

"SHOULD BE A SPIRIT AMONG NATIONS OF WORLD"—WILSON

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13.—In addressing a citizenship convention here today, President Wilson declared that the United States should be a "spirit among the nations of the world." He said all nations should promote world standards.

\$9,000 Being Spent to Improve Phone System

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company has appropriated approximately \$9,000 for extension work in Klamath Falls. This work is now in progress. The work consists of setting new poles and placing cable from Sixth and Klamath avenue to Spring street and placing new poles on Sixth from Spring to Oak, and on Wantland from Sixth to Division. A new line will also be constructed from Upham street to Shippington via Oregon avenue.

On the west side of Cedar avenue it is planned to place a 25-pair cable, making approximately 500 new pairs and 5,000 feet of cable. The work done by the company will eliminate all of the California lines in the city. In addition to the new lines being constructed in Klamath Falls and Spencer Creek, there will be a new line from here and