

# The World's First Great War In the Air

## WINS PRIZE ESSAY ON "DRY" OREGON

Independence, Or., Nov. 14.—Ray Granda, a graduate of the Bienna Vista Schools last year, won the first prize of \$10 offered by the W. C. T. U. for the best essay on the advantages of a dry Oregon. His subject, "How Oregon Dry Will Affect Industrial and Economical Conditions" was handled in a very able manner.

**Matinee Race Meet.**  
This city is to have a matinee race meet on Thanksgiving afternoon. Four races have been scheduled for running horses and suitable cash prizes have been offered. It is expected that a large crowd will be present to take in the event. A football game between two teams from here and Dallas will probably be scheduled, so this will be a busy day in this city.

**Airline Shippers Complain.**  
Shippers from Airline are complaining of the Railway service maintained from that city by the Independence & Mouthmouth Railway. The Southern Pacific built tracks into Airline a number of years ago, when the line there was a narrow gauge. Business got full and they made a contract with the I. & M. to handle the traffic. About a year ago the S. P. again put in daily trains with Portland but it was soon found that there was not enough traffic to warrant regular service so the I. & M. was again called into service. One of the shippers who had established a market in Dallas is not satisfied now and so is wanting to take the matter up with the Railroad Commission and try and force the S. P. to put trains into that territory again.

**Stamps Left By Robber.**  
Stamps to the amount of \$350 were found last week in a box lying in a ditch, where they had been thrown, presumably by the men who robbed the Airline postoffice about two months ago. The box had not been opened and most of the stamps were in good condition. There has been no clue to the robbers but it is supposed that they were the same men who have been breaking into a number of small offices in the valley.

**Presbyterian Pastor Called.**  
Rev. Grover C. Bishop has been called from the state of Washington to assume the pulpit of the Presbyterian church here. He arrived here this week and will preach his first sermon next Sunday. He is a young man with a family and will reside in the Manse.

**Mayor Not Pay for Faving.**  
Notice of assessment has been sent out on the C street paving and it is said that there is a lawyer here now looking into the record of proceedings to see if everything was alright. There was a bitter fight between the ones in favor and those against paying this last spring. The remonstrators were so easily beaten that they did not even present their remonstrance and it is thought that the present move is being made by parties who are opposed to all public improvements and are seeking a way of getting out of paying the bill.

Mrs. S. E. Owen entertained the Wednesday Afternoon Needlework club at her home on C street this week. The afternoon was spent in doing needlework and discussing the past election.

A ladies choral society has been formed in this city under the name of the Frolic Club. It meets Wednesday afternoon at the Methodist church.

Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Cook entertained the Wednesday afternoon Whist Club at the home of Mrs. Brown this week.

The Civic Club held their regular meeting Tuesday afternoon at which meeting the matter of future work was taken up and discussed. At each meeting one of the club members reads a paper on some one of the countries which is now engaged in war.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Drexler entertained the Autowin club at their home on 3rd Avenue Wednesday night.

Miss Opal McDevitt spent her last week with her parents in Dallas.

The school house grounds have been improved by the building of broad cement walks on the C street side.

Mrs. D. O. Taylor and young son Howard have returned from an extended visit in Southern Oregon.

Butler and Hurley, attorneys of the city are defending the Hunnuttas in the Circuit court at Dallas today. The Hunnutt boys were arrested early in the summer for wholesale stealing from different stores and warehouses in this city.

Mrs. Ingalls of Eugene is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Guy Knapp, where her father is very ill.

Mrs. Zeubers of Portland visited with her sister Mrs. Mabel Granda Johnson this week.

Mrs. A. B. Robinson, Jr., wife of the county clerk of this county spent a few days in the city this week visiting with her mother and sister.

Mrs. Geo. Anderson and daughter Velma are visiting in the city with Mrs. Anderson's mother Mrs. E. A. Spurr.

N. B. Kellogg returned to his home in Medford Monday after a number of weeks visit with his uncle J. S. Bohannon.

J. S. Cooper spent a few days last week in the Puget Sound country.

Mrs. Hal Hiffis spent a few days in Dallas visiting with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cassidy of Pennsylvania are visiting with their daughter Mrs. B. D. Good.

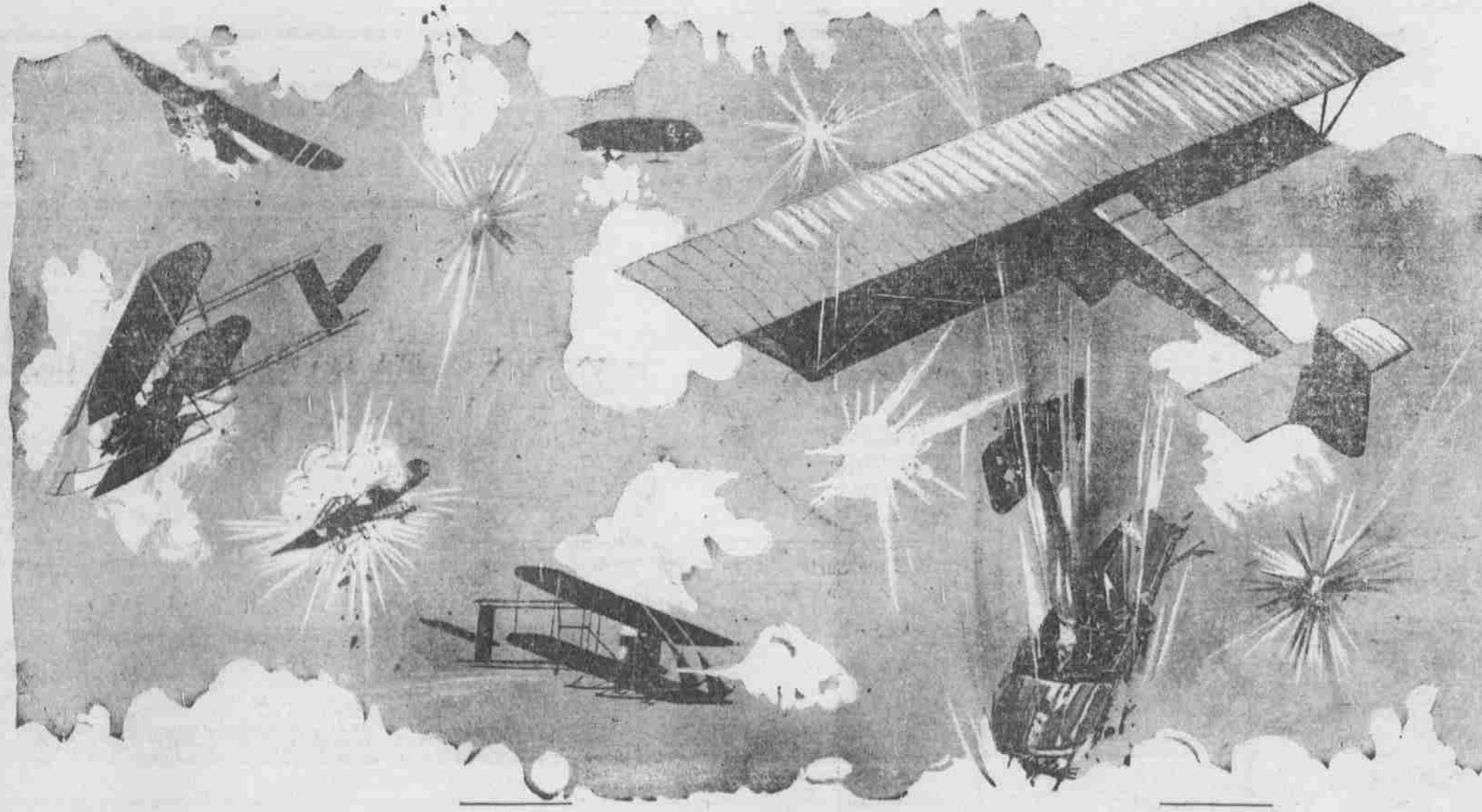
E. M. Young has built a new longhouse on his farm below the city on the Salem Road where his foreman will live.

Dr. H. Chas. Dunsmore was in Portland the first of the week taking in a meeting of the Willamette Valley Exposition Association of which body he is secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Kirkland are spending the week in Portland.

Improvements have been going on at the Post Office building the last month. The old iron lattice work over the tiers of boxes has been removed and windows have been placed instead. New rural boxes have been added and a new place for parcels post mail put in.

If to live on a farm is your ambition, why not satisfy it now—at once—in this month—through a Journal Want Ad?



### Air Fleets In a Death Grapple. German, French, British and Russian Aeroplanes and Dirigibles Battling Among the Clouds.

**B**ATTLES in the air! Aeroplanes darting at dirigible balloons, piercing their thin envelopes and exploding their gasoline tanks until attacker and attacked fall to death! Maddened with the war fury, the aviator is glad to die, if so he can but take with him the enemy who disputes with him the mastery of the atmosphere.

War in the air is a reality. Long the dream of the poet and novelist who "saw red" in the glare of the sun, it has in the present European war fulfilled all the dread prophecies that have been made about it. The military aviator, circling ever upward and outward in his search for his foe, has come upon him in the upper reaches of the air. There have been sharp, short skirmishes for position, each man intent upon guiding his own machine aright and seeking to deal a deathblow to the other's aeroplane. Speed up the propeller, feed the engine to the last ounce of power! There he is, circling around and looking for you. And then, in the last fatal dash, drive the nose of your machine into him! Your planes lock and tangle in a mortal embrace—you fall, thousands and thousands of feet—but before you land you have the fierce consciousness of having dragged your foe with you to death!

Already we have had such cases. And we have had, too, the stories of the gun and the rifle on land tilted until they pointed almost to the zenith, sending shell or bullet into aeroplanes and the dirigible balloons and bringing them down to the ground with their occupants in a helpless, shapeless mass.

Men are fighting with guns on land and sea and in the air. The last undivided element has been made to serve the purposes of slaughter. Aeroplanes and dirigibles carry guns especially designed for waging aerial battles and bombs for dropping from the heights on armies and cities.

All the great fighting powers of Europe are playing at the dreadful, deadly aerial fighting game. Great Britain, France and Russia send their hopes aloft in aeroplanes. Germany and Austria spread their faith abroad on the heavens in monster dirigible balloons. Of the heavier than air flying machines Great Britain has 400, France 1,100 and Russia 800. To Germany is credited the ownership of 1,000, and Austria-Hungary has about 400.

In dirigibles Germany is richer than any other country, thanks to the efforts of Zeppelin, Parseval and others. She has thirty "battle aerships," while France has only twenty and Great Britain seven. Austria-Hungary planned to build six, but that was before the great war began. Just how far they are toward completion no one knows but the Austrian general staff. And its members will not tell.

