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WEATHER Fair tonight and Thursday; cooler tonight. YESTERDAY'S WEATHER DATA. Maximum temperature, 84; minimum, 52; rainfall, 0; wind, west, light; weather, clear.

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SOMME FRONT IS HUGE HORSESHOE OF SOLID FIRE

Correspondent Says Great Spectacle is Indescribable; Line Extends From Clerly to West of Soyecourt.

FRENCH HOLD REGENT GAINS

German Reconnoitering Parties in Champagne Region Are Dispersed—Last Night Calmest On Entire Front—High Topography Only Minor Engagements.

(Henry Wood.) WITH THE FRENCH ARMY. SOMME, Aug. 16.—A thirty mile horseshoe of solid artillery fire is drawing a line of flames along the Somme battle front.

Artillery fire reached its highest intensity as I arrived at the highest point of the Dompierre plateau, southwest of Peronne. On the previous day the French had captured the German third line from Hardecourt to Buscourt. At the precise moment of my arrival the French were employing all their great artillery strength to protect new positions. The Germans were sniping desperately in an effort to dislodge French counters.

The stupor-inducement of the great struggle was indescribable. A curious line of fire extended from Clerly north to the Somme to Saint Quentin, thence south to the Peronne region southwest of Hardecourt, Estrees and Soyecourt. Shells of all caliber burst every instant. On the thirty-mile horseshoe French observation balloons hung overhead. Wireless instruments directed french fire. Innumerable French aeroplanes darted among the saucages, crossing the German lines constantly. Occasionally half a dozen white puffs appeared around the aeroplanes against the clear blue sky showing the strappings from anti-aircrafts. Despite the great activity of the French air forces, not a single German aeroplane appeared. Likewise not a single German sausage was visible to offset the unbroken thirty mile semi-circle of uncountable French balloons. Nothing gave a more vivid impression of the French undisputed mastery of the air.

Your party pressed toward Laches, a mile from Peronne, the most advanced French position. We passed four villages completely leveled. The intensity of the German bombardment forced us to retire. By a circuitous route we reached aantage point where every step of the French advance was visible. Artillery fire made the men's heads swim. On the mile long line heavy guns volcanned simultaneously. The fire lessened toward midnight. The French still held recently conquered positions.

ARPIES, Aug. 16.—It is announced the French dispersed German reconnoitering parties in the Champagne region. The night was the calmest on the entire front.

LONDON, Aug. 16.—Hadj reported minor Pozieres engagements were not changing the Somme situation.

It Might Have Been Covered With Dirt

Lost—One ranch of 160 acres situated somewhere on South Cold Spring Canyon. Owner will pay suitable reward for location of same. Inquire of Frank Seagle for further particulars. The above really should appear in the advertising columns but so great is the distress of Mr. Seagle, the East Oregonian has promised to give front page space to his notice. For 25 years or more Mr. Seagle has owned a quarter section of wheat land north of Pendleton. He has not farmed it himself and seldom has visited it in recent years, having it leased out.

Sunday he decided to pay a visit to it to look over the crop. He drove out and spent many vain hours traveling over the north end of the county in search of it. He may have passed right by it without recognizing it. Anyway he had to return home without having located it. Hence, his distress.

Offspring Are All Twins 7 Sets in One Family

Among other claims he has to distinction, Col. T. P. Ledwidge of the Mexican army, who spoke here last evening, is the father of four sets of twin girls and the grandfather of three other sets.

Col. Ledwidge is a twin himself. He married a Spanish senorita of the Gonzalez family of Mexico and to them were born eight daughters, all twins. They have had no other children. The first twins are now 29 years old, the second are 27, the third 21 and the fourth 17. The four oldest daughters are married. One of the oldest twins has two sets of twin daughters and her twin sister has one set of twins.

Col. Ledwidge states that his father's family, the Ledwiski family of Poland, is noted for the twin characteristic of reproduction. Though his own father was not a twin, his grandfather was Col. Ledwidge's twin brother, now deceased, was married twice but had no children.

In Mexico it is the custom for families to live together. Thus, Col. Ledwidge states, when his four oldest daughters married neighboring young farmers, they and their husbands came to live at his big home in Monterey. With three generations of twins under one roof, he says his home became an attraction to medical men, many of whom visited him.

Apartment House Will Replace Snyder Home

H. B. Laughlin of Portland, representative of the Armour & Co. interests in Oregon, was in Pendleton this week. Mr. Laughlin is the owner of the John Snyder home at 215 south Main street, which was destroyed by fire last week. He expects to build over the house into four apartments, which are to be modern in every way. Construction is expected to be commenced in the near future.

MEXICAN POLICY IS SUPPORTED

Wilson's Stand Is Praised By Col. Ledwidge

HUERTA CALLED ASSASSINATOR

Columbus Raid Was Plotted By American Interests to Bring Out Intervention—Was Spoken of in Douglas and El Paso Before It Had Occurred.

Huerta was no more entitled to recognition from this country than was John Wilkes Booth after he had murdered Lincoln.

To have recognized Huerta would have meant sanctioning the securing of office through assassination. President Wilson has understood the Mexican situation and has been greatly and unjustly treated.

The president has been the bulwark that has saved the lives of young Americans who would have died in a mistaken cause had there been war between the United States and Mexico.

The Columbus raid was plotted by American interests to bring about intervention. The raid was spoken of in Douglas and El Paso before it occurred and was celebrated on the Harrison Gray Otis ranch at Calexico an hour before it happened.

Only 20 per cent of the wealth of Mexico is owned in Mexico. Four-seventh of the wealth is owned by American speculators. William R. Hearst owns 25,000

square miles of land in Mexico; Harrison Gray Otis, 27,750 square miles; Charles P. Taft, 22,250 square miles and Louis Terraza, 35,000 square miles.

The above are a few of the pointed facts brought to light here last night by Col. T. P. Ledwidge, officer of engineers in the Carranza army, in a talk made to an interested audience in front of the city hall. The speaker held his audience attentive for over two hours and gave a mass of first hand information regarding the situation. While he devoted almost all of his time to the Mexican side of the question he took occasion to highly compliment President Wilson for refusing to recognize Huerta and for not playing into the hands of men who for selfish reasons have plotted to bring about intervention.

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NATIONAL DEFENSE PLAN APPROVED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Congress virtually completed the national defense program yesterday by finally approving the great increase in naval construction and personnel written into the naval bill and urgently supported by the administration.

The house accepted the building program to which its conferees on the measure had refused to agree, by a vote of 283 to 51, with seven of the members present not voting. The personnel increase, on which there also was a disagreement in conference, were approved without a record vote.

HARDER RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE OVER TEUTONS BELIEVE

Slavs are Completely Halted at the Stochod River; Temporary Successes Called Desperate Strategy

GERMANS ARE REORGANIZED

Von Jagow Denies That Kaiser Intends to Seize Danish West Indies as First Step in Assaulting the Monroe Doctrine—"Sovereign Rights" Undisturbed.

(CARL ACKERMAN.) WITH HINDENBURG'S ARMY. Aug. 16.—One of the highest commanding officers on the east front told the United Press that the "worst Russian offensive was over." The Germans have completely halted the Russians at the Stochod river. The Russians shifted attacks southward always striking against the Austrians.

A German officer said: "The Russian temporary successes southeast were a desperate strategy because the faster their left wing advances the weaker grows the right wing along the Stochod."

The Teutons admit the Russians surprised the Austrians at the beginning of the offensive. Aeroplanes reported the Russians massing but nobody believed the Russians were so strong as later discovered. Russian tactics foiled the Austrians. Now the whole Teuton front is reorganized.

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TRAINMEN INSIST RAILROAD MANAGERS MUST OUTLINE 8 HOUR INVESTIGATION

Crisis of Strike Situation Will Be Reached Tomorrow When Wilson Tells 600 Employees His Reason for Not Calling a Walkout

DISTRICT CHAIRMEN OF EMPLOYEES HOLD CONFERENCE IN N. Y.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Federal Mediator Chambers announced that Wilson will put a concrete proposition before the six hundred members of the railway employees at the general committee tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—One of the most dramatic scenes in the history of American labor will be enacted tomorrow in the east room of the White House. Wilson will tell six hundred railroad workers his reason for believing that no strike is necessary.

The trainmen's district chairmen conferred in New York this morning after agreeing to meet Wilson. They considered the proposition of temporarily accepting the railroads eight hour day concession for a trial and retaining the present overtime wage. No definite decision was reached. The trainmen insist that the president or railroad managers must outline the method of investigating the eight hour day and let the trainmen decide whether it is satisfactory.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Six hundred representatives of trainmen are in Washington this afternoon to meet Wilson. W. R. Carter, the firemen's brotherhood president, announced the plans. Carter informed the delegates that railroad managers are willing to adopt an eight hour day for a trial period, continuing the present schedule of overtime pay.

Patriotic Airs of Mexican Band Stir Border Militiamen

HEADQUARTERS OREGON NATIONAL GUARD, Calexico, Aug. 16.

The fierce desert sun has failed to all the enthusiasm of Oregon and Washington guardsmen. Hundreds of northwesterners lounged under the shade trees near the international line favoring the Mexican band. It played favorite Spanish operas and the Americans shouted Spanish compliments. Cantos troopers replied in Mexicanized English. Unexpectedly the band halted the Star Spangled Banner. The Americans jumped to their feet, their heels clicked and the khaki-clad forms straightened. Hands went to salute. Cheers caused the Mexicans to play America and Dixie, while the guardsmen stood stilly at salute in the hot sun.

HUGHES SAYS HE ANSWERED CALL OF HIS COUNTRY

PORTLAND, Aug. 16.—Crowds cheered Hughes as he rode in an automobile through the streets this morning. The Benson hotel was thronged. He shook hands with hundreds at a public reception. He addressed the Ad Club luncheon. The Press Club held a reception. An automobile tour of the Columbia Highway is scheduled for this afternoon. It is expected that ten thousand will hear his speech at Ice Palace. The theme will be "America First. America efficient."

In addressing the Ad Club Hughes said: "I am a member of the republican Ad Club and for the present I am the spokesman. A short time ago I was short on speech, now I am long on speech and short on silence. The reason is I was mandamused in Oregon."

He explained why he refused to let his name enter the primaries. He said he had not desired to run, but wanted to remain in court. He decided to answer his country's call. He advocated a sound, businesslike administration and outlined a constructive program.

TRIAL OF FIVE BOMB PLOTTERS IS SET

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16.—

Thomas Mooney, Mrs. Mooney, Warren Billings, Edward Nolan and Israel Weinberg have been arraigned on a charge of murder in connection with the preparation of a parade bomb outrage. They will plead Saturday.

Says Marriage Worth Cost.

"My but it costs a lot of money to get married but it's worth it," said Henry Watson, a reservation farmer who has Indian blood, as he produced his marriage license and medical certificate to Acting Judge John Halsey Jr. yesterday afternoon. Mr. Watson was married to Rose Shuey by the judge.

The groom came to the court house yesterday with no knowledge of how to proceed. He only knew he wished to get married. Miss Marie Saling, deputy clerk, then directed him to the various necessary proceedings and the cost of each.

COUNT DE SALIS IS ENVOY.

LONDON, Aug. 16.—It is announced that the king has appointed Count De Salis as envoy extraordinary on a special mission to Pope Benedict. He succeeds Sir Henry Howard. Salis is an experienced diplomat. He served in Brussels, Madrid, Cairo and Berlin. He was minister in Montenegro when the war started.

Sept. Options Reached \$1.44 at Chicago Today

CHICAGO, Aug. 16.—(Special to the East Oregonian)—Range of prices today:

Open	High	Low	Close
Sept. \$1.41 1/2	\$1.44	\$1.40 1/2	\$1.41 1/4
Dec. \$1.45 1/2	\$1.48	\$1.43 1/2	\$1.44 1/2

Portland, Ore., Aug. 16.—(Special)—Club \$1.12; bluestem \$1.17.

ONE KILLED, 4 HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

SEATTLE, Aug. 16.—One person was killed and four injured when an interurban car struck an automobile at Lake Ballinger six miles north of here.

Reservation Farmers Told to Use Irrigation Privileges

Reservation farmers who need water from the Umatilla river for irrigation purposes are advised by the United States district attorney to use the same regardless of any requests to the contrary from the Pendleton roller mills.

The matter came to a head as the result of a request by the mill company for two farmers to refrain from taking out water for their land. Through Major Swartzlander the matter was put before the federal attorney at Portland and yesterday the following reply was received to one of them, a copy being sent to Major Swartzlander.

The letter is from Robert R. Hankin, deputy under District Attorney Swaves.

The view of Major Swartzlander and of the United States attorney's office is that the Judge Phelps decision fully sets forth the Indian right to water and that unless that decision is changed on an appeal it must remain in full force permanently.

August 14, 1916.

Mr. Dan May, Pendleton, Oregon:

Sir—I am in receipt of a letter to you from the Pendleton Roller Mills, dated July 14, 1916, forwarded by Mr. E. L. Swartzlander.

The Pendleton Roller Mills request that you refrain from using the water which supplies their mill race as the same is getting very low. You are informed that under the opinion handed down in the case of Myers vs

Wa-Wa-Nee, by Circuit Judge Gilbert W. Phelps, on the 29th day of May, 1916, the judge stated:

"In other words, it is my opinion that when the United States by its treaty of 1855 set aside for the use of the Indian, the land included within the Umatilla reservation, that such water as was or might be needed for domestic uses and for the purposes of agriculture was also set aside or reserved, and that to the extent said water may be required in the cultivation of the lands upon the reservation, there is vested in the Indian a paramount right. * * * That the Indian has a primary right to the use of the water to the extent of his needs, limited only to a beneficial use under the general rule pertaining to the duty of water. * * *"

Under this holding you are entitled to use water for agricultural and domestic purposes. Your use must be one limited by your needs and cannot be taken for any other purpose or for extravagant use in those lines, but limited to WHAT YOU NEED. If you follow this rule the Pendleton Roller Mills have no right to request you to desist in the use of water in the Umatilla river, and any such conduct upon your part would be a courtesy to them which you may grant if you so desire without in any manner limiting the future rights of the Indians.

Respectfully,
Assistant United States Attorney,
Some letter to G. W. Badgett.

Italian Cycle Corps Helped to Gain Gorizia Victory



BERSAGLIERI CYCLE CORPS. The famous Bersagliere Cycle Corps of the Italian army were greatly instrumental in gaining the Italian victory over the Austrians at Gorizia. The cycle corps are a most mobile force, climbing heights with bicycles on their backs or taking advantage of the terrain where there are suitable roads.

Grouse Hunters Find Six Men After Every Bird at Opening of the Season, Few Succeed in Bagging the Limit

The woods were full of them—mainly for several days but returned home last night. In Jack canyon he shot a rattlesnake which he bought to Pendleton. The snake was placed in an empty auto tire and it lived until the machine reached town.

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