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HEROES.
 The heroes of the story books are ever in a pose.
 They always die with words of high and lofty verse or prose.
 But when the old Tuscania went down with flying flag
 Our khaki gang of heroes sang a gay and foolish rag!
 "Where do we go from here, boys, where do we go from here?"
 Across the sea the melody came dancing free and clear
 They faced their fate with souls elate and hearts that knew no fear.
 With "Where do we go from here, boys, where do we go from here?"
 It is a tale whose wondrous thrill we all of us can share,
 When brave men meet their destiny with spirit debonair.
 What foe can hope with boys to cope who sing, when death is near.
 "Where do we go from here, boys, where do we go from here?"
 —Berton Brinkley, 1st Lieut.

THE GRAVITY SYSTEM IS SAFER

If the underwriters based insurance rates in Pendleton on a condition that the old pumping plant be maintained as an auxiliary it is strange that no request for the maintenance of the pump plant was ever made to the water board—the body in official charge of the water works.
 If in addition the underwriters paid so little heed to the subject that they allowed the pumping machinery to be sold and the pump plant to be out of use for four years without a protest it does not appear they were greatly concerned over the matter.

Therefore the present demand for the refitting of the pumping station naturally arouses surprise and more or less resentment. Suspicion is created that the city is not being given a square deal and that some people are more interested in increased premiums than in increased fire protection.

With an abundant supply of water assured from the Chaplin and Thorn Hollow springs, not to mention the river at that point, if needed, there is every reason to anticipate that our big reservoirs may be kept filled continuously. If so they, plus our good fire department, are the best fire defense we can obtain. The reservoirs are capable of holding as much water as the old pumping plant could pump in 48 hours. An auxiliary pump plant would be a weak reliance. There would

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be danger it would be out of shape if needed. There would be danger in pumping local river water into the water system. We drank dissolved fish in days gone by. Who wants any more of it?

Instead of putting more money into pumps for thieves to dismantle why not concentrate on further development of the gravity system?

Even at its lowest stage this summer, before river water was taken at Thorn Hollow the gravity system delivered into the reservoirs at Pendleton 1,750,000 gallons of pure water daily, whereas the old pumping project formerly in use provided but one million gallons daily. A gravity water system that does so well under the adverse conditions prevailing this year and the delays experienced in getting additional water cannot be fairly classed as a "failure."

THE BELLEAU WOOD FIGHT

FACTS are coming out about the great fight the Americans made at Belleau Wood that promises to make the name stand out in the annals of the world war and in American history as the fight at Thermopylae stands out in the records of Grecian heroism.

At Belleau Wood, says Representative Olney of Massachusetts, 10,000 American marines, flanked by four regiments of American regulars, saved Paris by refusing to retreat before a dozen or 15 Prussian regiments. We all remember how, just before that turning point, the German hordes had advanced, day after day, near and near Paris, until it filled our hearts at home here with foreboding and we looked with anxiety for some sign of a stand against the invading flood. Belleau Wood was the turning of the tide.

Of the operation at Belleau Wood, Premier Clemenceau, who visited the American front on the following day, said, in complimenting the American troops on the "neatness and dispatch" with which they had done the job, that it was "peculiarly American in conception, plan and execution."

It was at Belleau Wood that a 19-year old American boy, with his right arm rendered useless by a bullet, drew his automatic and covered five Germans. After they threw down their arms, as he was also wounded in the leg, he compelled them to make a litter and carry him back to his post command. And it was at Belleau Wood that Private Frank P. Lennert of Chicago, single-handed, took 83 Germans captive and marched them back in a bunch, refusing to give them up to a detail assigned to look after prisoners, remarking that they were "his meat."

Belleau Wood put new courage into the weary British and French armies and the fear of Uncle Sam into the hearts of the Huns, who have been shaky in their morale ever since. When the full story can be written, it will be better reading than anything that has come out of the war.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

It would require fast moving picture cameras to keep up with the German retirement.
 The cane and doll rack gambling outfits will be missed—with great pleasure.

28 YEARS AGO

(From the East Oregonian, August 29, 1890.)
 School at Nalla opens Monday with Professor Dore in charge.
 J. F. Temple is in the city today. He has 10,000 bushels of wheat to sell and is watching the market narrowly.
 The Pendleton Academy building is now on the ground, ready for the opening of the second year term, Monday, September 1. It was feared it could not be moved across the O. & W. track in time to admit of the passage of the train, but by zealous work the feat was accomplished.
 Sheriff Furnish received a telegram

from H. C. Means this afternoon to meet him at the train with two strong men; he is coming with an insane prisoner who is in a violent condition.
 R. N. Preston sold his farm yesterday in the Helix neighborhood, consisting of 240 acres choice wheat land to Chris Simpson. Consideration \$14,000.

FRENCH AIRMEN GET 184 ENEMY PLANES IN JULY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—During the month of July, French aviators shot down forty five enemy machines within the allied lines and 139 behind the enemy lines, according to an official dispatch received Monday from France. In the same period, forty nine observation balloons were set on fire.
 The dispatch summarizing the work of the French aviation arm of the month, shows that 450,380 kilos (more than 545 tons) of explosives were dropped upon German fortifications, lines and communication and towns in 1,845 flights.
 Losses in French airplanes in the month of July were only half the number lost by the enemy, while only one-third as many French balloons were destroyed as German.

The importance of the work of aerial photography during a major offensive is shown by the statement that 29,859 negatives were taken during July 5.

Hun Troop Morale Shattered by Allied Firing Superiority

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES IN FRANCE, Aug. 28.—Further evidence has been gathered that the victories of the allies have affected considerably the morale of German troops. The cause of the depression, which is quite general among the soldiers, is the conclusion that they have realized that the allies' artillery tactics are far superior to theirs. They attribute their defeat to the success of the French encircling their strongest positions and in well directed and concentrated artillery fire.

Dimensions seem to have arisen between different elements of the German army, which has resulted in bitter recriminations.
 The bulk of the Juvigny plateau is in the hands of the French. French cavalry patrols crossed the Allette today, although the Germans resisted desperately.

PROMISED STRIKE AT VLADIVOSTOK PROVES FIZZLE

VLADIVOSTOK, Aug. 23.—The threatened general strike has resolved itself into a partial strike by printers, dock workers and casual laborers, who demand the release of the imprisoned Soviet delegates, held as hostages by the Czecho-Slovaks, and the expulsion of Gen. Horvath, the anti-Bolshevik leader.
 The strikers denounce the Czecho-Slovak Government and the Entente Allies for "establishing a military dictatorship."
 Majority of the labor unions have adopted resolutions refusing to participate in the strike.

U. S. "WAR CRAZE" BLAMED BY HUNS

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 27.—Commenting on the recent interview given out by Admiral von Hintze, the German foreign secretary, in which he laid responsibility for continuation of the war upon the entente, the Frankfurt Gazette says:
 "We must continue the hard and bitter struggle for the defense of the fatherland.
 "Any sign of desire for an understanding of the part of the European allies is counterbalanced by the war craze of the United States. In such circumstances there is nothing to be done but to repress all premature hopes and arm ourselves with courage for the next developments."

ENEMY CLAIMS TO HAVE WON TANK BATTLE

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 27.—Presenting a picture of the Anglo-French plan of attack between the Ancre and the Avre, the German semi-official news agency, in a dispatch to Berlin, says that it was the intention of the allies to overrun the German defense system along this front, which was only weakly fortified. It says there has

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been no time to construct permanent defenses. The dispatch reads:
 "Under protection of a short but extremely intense bombardment the entente armies tried to cut lanes thru the German infantry and artillery lines by tank squadrons. Then the cavalry, supported by tanks, was to be rushed through the infantry lines."
 "Failure of this plan was due to the heroic resistance of trench garrisons, which at many points held their positions until surrounded. In the hurricane of fire all telegraph and telephone communications broke down.
 Signal rockets were invisible in the thick fog and while the gunners continued to put down a barrage fire before them, they suddenly found tanks upon their flank and rear whose machine gun fire laid terrible havoc in their ranks.
 "Quick as lightning gun after gun would be slowed around and would blaze into the tanks at short range, while other guns would continue to let down barrage fire to impose bringing up tank reserves. In either tactics the last surviving officers kept up machine gun fire for hours, even succeeding in fighting their way thru to the German line.

HUNS CLING TO PEACE TRICKERY

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 24.—"No changes have been made in our peace program" said Baron Buhlan, Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, in proclaiming here the result of the recent conference at German great headquarters.
 "If we are compelled to continue a war of defense we must still continue to make use of every means that could lead us to peace," said the baron.
 Dr. W. S. Solf, German secretary of state for the colonies, has declared that Belgium must rise as an independent state after the war.
 "The only thing that keeps her in chains is our enemies' will to war," he said in a public address.

Evaporation of Fruits, Vegetables Explained in New O. A. C. Bulletin

O. A. C. Corvallis, Aug. 26.—"Evaporation of Fruits and Vegetables in the Home," is the title of Extension Bulletin No. 256, just off the press, in which A. F. Barnes, assistant professor of pomology, gives sufficiently detailed information to enable anyone to construct and operate an evaporator and to evaporate satisfactorily most of the fruits and vegetables used in the average home.
 The object in evaporation is to preserve the fruits and vegetables through removal of moisture and to do this with as little change from the fresh state as possible in taste, odor, nutritive qualities and general appearance.
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Silo Construction Aid Issued by O. A. C.

O. A. C. Corvallis, Aug. 26.—A silo is a pasture under cover, the contents of which can be used at any time of the year as a profitable feed for dairy cattle, beef cattle, horses, mules, sheep, dogs and chickens, points out E. L. Westover, dairy husbandman and L. E. Robinson, assistant professor of rural architecture at O. A. C. in Extension Bulletin No. 297, just issued.
 Some of the important points in silo construction brought out are as follows:
 The foundation should be well constructed and should be of concrete, possessing the greatest possible density, so as to prevent the silage juice from seeping through into the barnyard.
 The top of the foundation should be at least ten inches above the ground line.
 The walls of the silo should be practically air-tight.
 The inner surfaces of the walls should be smooth and perpendicular.
 The inner surfaces of the walls should be free from corners; hence round silos are more efficient and economical than other types.
 A good roof makes the silo more durable, adds greatly to its appearance and assists materially in keeping the silage from drying out.
 The bulletin is entitled, "A Silo for Every Farm," and may be had for the asking.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY STRUCK BY ZEPPELIN

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Aug. 27.—Westminster Abbey was struck squarely by a bomb dropped during a Zeppelin raid over London, August 1, but the bomb failed to explode, according to Norman G. Hart, an Englishman, who arrived here today on a British steamer. Five Zeppelins participated in the raid, Hart said, two of which were brought down in flames.

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