

# THE SPRINGFIELD NEWS

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## FOOD CONTROL BILL PASSED BY SENATE SOON BECOME LAW

### President Has Power to Fix Prices of Necessities and to Operate Mines

## \$2 MINIMUM FOR WHEAT

### Prevents the Use of Food Commodities or Feeds in the Manufacture of Distilled Spirits

The bill giving President Wilson control over the food and fuel of the country is now practically a law. By the vote of 66 to 7 the U. S. Senate yesterday afternoon adopted the conference report, which is equivalent to the passage of the bill.

By Friday night the bill will go to the president for his signature. So will the food survey bill, the conference report upon which was unanimously adopted just following the passage of the control bill.

### Digest of Food Measure

The food and fuel measure as passed by the senate, gives the president control over food, fuel (including fuel oil and natural gas), fertilizer ingredients, farm machinery and tools.

Allows the president to license business and plants and to revoke these licenses, farmers and stockraisers being exempt from this section.

Authorizes and empowers the president through the federal trade commission to control, take over and operate coal and coke mines and to fix the price.

Directs the president, when an emergency exists, to fix a minimum price of wheat, making the minimum \$2 for No. 1 northern, for the 1918 crop, and allows him to enhance the duty on foreign wheat to bring it to the American price.

Prevents the use of foods, fruits food materials, or feeds in the manufacture of distilled spirits and allows the president to limit the alcoholic contents of malt or vinous liquors.

Authorizes and directs the president to commandeer distilled spirits as far as necessary for war use, the courts to determine the price.

Directs the president to spend \$10,000,000 for nitrates and sell them to farmers at cost.

Prevents members of the advisory commission of the council of national defense from participating in government contracts.

Punishes hoarding and destruction of foodstuffs and speculation.

Allows the president to close grain exchanges, boards of trade, etc., in order to prevent speculation.

Authorizes the president to requisition supplies for the army and navy.

Authorizes him to buy, store and sell wheat, flour, meat, beans and potatoes.

Allows him to take over factories, packing houses, pipe lines, mines or other plants and operate them.

The sum of \$2,500,000 is provided for running expenses and \$150,000,000 to carry out the work of the whole administration.

The food control ceases at the expiration of the war.

### Infant Dies at Watterville

The six month's old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Koozer, of Watterville, died Monday morning. The funeral services were held Tuesday morning with interment in the Mt. Vernon cemetery.

### Carl Pettyplace Goes to Bremerton.

Carl Pettyplace, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Pettyplace who live on a ranch near Springfield, was sent to Bremerton yesterday for training in the naval militia which part of the service he joined some time ago.

### Former Residents Return

Mr. and Mrs. David Smith, who for the last two years have been living on their farm near Junction City, have returned to Springfield to reside. They will live in their property on F street between Sixth and Seventh streets.

## LEAVE FOR CLATSKANIE

### P. M. Stroud Will Be Superintendent of Public Schools

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Stroud shipped their household goods Tuesday for their new home at Clatskanie where Mr. Stroud has been elected to the position of superintendent of the public schools. Before going to Clatskanie they will spend a few days visiting Mr. Stroud's relatives at Pleasant Hill and will also spend a few days visiting in Portland.

The family has lived in Springfield for the past four years. During this time Mr. Stroud was principal in the high school here and took some work in the university. This year he completed his course at the University of Oregon. He is also a graduate of the State Normal school at Monmouth, Oregon.

## WILL USE 104 SIGN BOARDS

### Contract is Let to Coast Culvert Company for Guide Posts

One hundred and four metal signboards for marking distances in this county have been ordered from the Coast Culvert manufacturing company, of Portland. The background of the boards will be black with raised aluminum letters. Each post eight feet long and set in the ground three or four feet will be used to mount the guide boards on.

As soon as the boards are shipped to Eugene they will be set up at the 72 intersections in the county. At some places there will be two or three but in most of the places only one will be used.

### Is Suffering From Lumbago

Dr. R. P. Mortenson, of this place is suffering from a severe attack of lumbago.

## O. N. G. Passes to U. S. Control

### 4500 Men Affected by Change; Can Now Be Sent to Foreign Country

No formality marked the transition of the Oregon national guard from its status as state troops to federal service Monday.

The change came automatically under the provisions of the national defense act and it made it possible for President Wilson to send the erstwhile guard out of the United States for service. This could not be done while the guard retained its state status. Approximately 4500 men were affected by the change.

Those units which became federalized included:

Third Oregon infantry, Colonel John L. May, commanding.

Oregon coast artillery corps Colonel C. O. Hammond commanding.

First separate cavalry squadron, comprising four troops, Major Charles E. McDonell, commanding, as follows: Troop A, Captain Cicero F. Hogan; troop B, Captain Charles E. Gjedsted, and troop C, Captain Thomas Maguire, at Portland; troop D, Captain Lee R. Caldwell.

First separate battalion of engineers, Major H. A. Brandon commanding, as follows:

Company A, Captain W. C. Parrish; company B, Captain Leslie W. Murray, and company C, Captain Stanley Borleske.

Field artillery, comprising battery A, Captain Bert V. Clayton, and battery B, Captain Charles L. Johnson.

Field hospital company, Major Graham commanding.

### Return From Trip to Newport

Mrs. S. A. Danford, of Springfield and Mrs. Will Hartman, and little son, Will, of Livingston, Montana, returned Monday evening from a two weeks trip to Newport. Mrs. Hartman is visiting here with her parents Reverend and Mrs. S. A. Danford.

### Safe at Watterville Refuses to Open

G. A. Sachs, expert safe repair man at the Eugene Gun store was called to Watterville Saturday to fix the safe in the postoffice which refused to open. He succeeded in opening the door and adjusted the lock.

## YOUTHFUL SCOUTS OPERATE RAPID FIRE GUNS



Photo by American Press Association. Not to be behind if their turn to answer the call to duty ever comes, this detachment of boy scouts is being trained in the use of the rapid fire guns.

## BOOTH-KELLY SUES RAILROAD COMPANY

### Seek to Recover Damage Aggregating \$192,000 for Breach of Contract

The Booth-Kelly Lumber company begun suit in the circuit court in Portland Saturday for the recovery of \$192,000 damages from the Oregon and California Railroad company for an alleged breach of contract in the sale of timber lands contained in the Oregon and California land grant.

The lumber company states that in 1901 an agreement was made between the two companies whereby the lumber company should purchase 70,000 acres of timber land in Linn and Lane counties with a clear title. In 1908 the government brought suit against the railroad company for the forfeiture of certain lands under the Oregon and California land grant of 1866 on the grounds that the railroad company had violated the settler's claim by selling the land at more than \$2.50 per acre and for selling it to others than actual settlers. The lumber company states that they were to pay \$10 per acre for the land.

In order to get a clear title to the land the Booth-Kelly company paid the government \$2.50 an acre for it and now seeks to recover that amount from the railroad company.

## BOY MAY BE TRANSFERRED

### Frank Crawford Receives Offer of Position as Stenographer

Frank Crawford, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Crawford, of West Springfield, who joined the Hospital corps about six weeks ago has received notice that he will be transferred from the Hospital corps to a position of stenographer and book keeper in Washington, D. C. Sometime before joining the Hospital corps Mr. Crawford tried to get such a position but had heard nothing concerning it since.

Word has not been received stating whether he will take the offer but he will probably do so. Mr. Crawford has been stationed for the last three weeks at the Post Hospital, Presidio, in San Francisco. Other Springfield boys in the same corps are: Fern Sidwell, Ray Mulligan, Vance Cagley, Frank Casteel, and Roy Vincent.

Mr. Crawford is a competent stenographer and bookkeeper having gone to school at the Eugene Business College.

### Former Resident Very Ill

Word has been received by Mrs. L. May, of Springfield, that her brother Fred Moshier is very sick with pneumonia in a Portland hospital. Mr. Moshier formerly lived in Springfield having been a partner in the grocery firm of Miller and Moshier. He is now living in Portland.

### Home From Weed

Oran Meats, who has been employed at Weed, California, for the past year, arrived Sunday evening for a visit with relatives. His brother, Levi Meats, who has joined the Aviation corps will leave next Monday.

## NEW LOGGING ROAD FOR MILL AT DONNA

### Members Hope to Erect a New and Much Larger Plant Some Time in Future

In anticipation of great activity in the lumber business during the next few years, the Mohawk Lumber company, which owns a sawmill at Donna and large tracts of timber land in the mountains adjoining, is preparing to resume operations at the mill and for the purpose of facilitating the transportation of the logs to the mill is rebuilding the old tramway, making a modern logging railway out of it, laying steel rails in place of the wooden trams. The rebuilt logging railway will probably extend back into the hills for a distance of two miles. A crew of ten men is at work on the railway and it is probable that when more difficult construction is encountered further back a much larger crew will be employed.

The Mohawk Lumber company owns every alternate section of timber for miles back into the mountains from Donna, the other sections being owned by the Oregon and California Railroad company.

H. C. Auld, a member of the company, said yesterday that it is the intention of starting the old mill up again late in the fall and it is hoped to erect a new and much larger plant some time in the future.

Mr. Auld stated it is his opinion that the lumber business will continue to be good for a period of at least several years to come.

## BOYS AT PRESIDIO WRITE

### Ray Mulligan and Fern Sidwell Write to Brother Odd Fellows

Will Bishop, of this city, is in receipt of a letter from Fern Sidwell and Ray Mulligan, members of the Hospital corps stationed at San Francisco. The boys who are members of the local Odd Fellows lodge say that they have met several Odd Fellows among the boys at the hospital where they are stationed and that they are all fine fellows.

The six boys who left Springfield together are still together but expect to be separated soon. They have seen Jules V. Wooley, also of Springfield, who belongs to the 12th infantry and also Peter Chase, formerly of Springfield. The boys all like the training fine.

### House Undergoing Repairs

The house owned by L. K. Hall at Seventh and B streets which was damaged by fire on the Fourth of July is undergoing repairs. Practically all of the upper floor will have to be made over and repairs to the windows and doors will have to be made on the lower floor.

### Government Car Leaves

The Interstate Commerce Commission car carrying party No. 8, which has been here for several days left Monday morning. The party is making an appraisal of Southern Pacific railroad property. Party No. 8 was composed of twelve men.

## MOTHER PASSES AWAY

### Mrs. Sarah Howard Dies at Home of Son, N. L. Howard, in This City

Mrs. Sarah Howard, of this city, died Monday afternoon at the home of her son, N. L. Howard. Mrs. Howard had been an invalid for some time having broken her hip in a fall several years ago. She was taken seriously ill last Thursday and gradually grew worse until she died.

Mrs. Howard had been confined to her bed for the past two years and for the last 14 months had made her home with her son, in this city. She was 66 years of age. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at Harrisburg, her former home.

Mrs. Howard is survived by three children; Norman L. Howard, of Springfield; Mrs. Nora Harmson, of Brodget, Oregon, and Mrs. Nettie Davis, of Portland.

## Plowgirls Make Hit With Student

### Rhodes Scholar, Back From England Says Women "Take Hold" of War Problems

Luton Ackerson, of Coburg, Rhodes scholar at Oxford university from the University of Oregon, has returned from England with some definite ideas of the effect of the war on the "tight little isle." Many of the city men, he says, are comparatively helpless in the food production campaign forced on England by the submarines; but he admires the way the girls have taken hold and helped out the farming activities.

Plowgirls, he says, are becoming common. Young women from the city have formed the custom of going out into the country and doing their part in the cultivation of the soil.

The Zeppelin is accomplishing nothing of military significance, Mr. Ackerson believes. "In this matter," he said, "I admire the sanity of the English people. They seem willing to let the Zeppelin raids stand out as a mark of the difference between the English and the German method of dealing with the enemy."

### Spend Sunday in Albany

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Holbrook and son spent Sunday in Albany visiting with relatives. Their daughter, Dorothy, who had been visiting there for a week returned with them. Miss Mae Tillman of Albany a niece of Mrs. Holbrook came with them for a week's visit.

### Black Arctic Apples Keep Well

J. T. Donaldson of this city brought one of last year's Black Arctic apples into the office yesterday which has kept perfectly for eleven months. Mr. Donaldson says that all the apples kept just as well as this sample and he still has a box of the apples left.

### Transfer Horse Dies

One of the horses belonging to John Parrish, which he used with the transfer wagons died Sunday. Last Wednesday the horse was injured when it became tangled in the halter and when found its head was pinned under his body.

## UNCLE SAM'S LAND FORCES NOW TOTAL 750,000 SOLDIERS

### Regulars Expected to Be at Full War Strength This Week Says Baker

## MILITIA IS IN SHAPE, TOO

### Men Called in Draft Will Be Used to Complete Quotas Before New Army Formed

Three quarters of a million men Tuesday night were wearing Uncle Sam's khaki. The regular army needs but 2100 to fill its ranks. The national guard, of approximately 447,000 total strength, is all mustered in.

Recruiting is to be continued with vigor, however for there will be further vacancies in the national guard before the federal surgeons get through with the examination of these men.

Equipment and cantonments, Secretary Baker declares, will be ready as soon as the men are.

### Regulars Near Quota

It was generally expected that the regular army would reach its full strength yesterday. All of the regiments except some of those most recently authorized are now filling up. In the newer regiments there are approximately 17,000 vacancies. But there are 14,000 and more recruits at various depots being trained to take their places in the regiments that need them.

The regular army recruiting service has taken over the work of recruiting for the national guard in many places throughout the country, where the quotas for the regulars have been overfilled.

The war department says that about one half of the men accepted for the regulars and the national guard are men who do not come within the draft ages.

### Drafted Men Have Chance

As men subject to draft are allowed to enlist with the regulars or the guard until they have been finally called for the national army, it is not expected that recruiting will fall off to any appreciable extent.

"The government still needs men," said Secretary Baker, "for both the national guard and the regular army. Of course, it would prefer men for these branches to be outside the draft ages. These men will be needed to fill the vacancies that are bound to occur as soon as the regulars and the guard get into action. They must be trained, of course before they can be sent to France."

### Count to Be Made

The full strength of the national guard as it came into the federal service was 13,093 officers and 419,834 enlisted men. The division commanders have been directed to report to the war department just how many short of these numbers the national guard will fall when all requirements have been met.

The difference between this full authorized strength and the actual number finally mustered will be made up from those subject to draft for the national army.

### Walter Wilnot Rests Easier

Walter Wilnot, of Leona, was severely injured last Saturday when his head was crushed. Mr. Wilnot was formerly of Springfield and the people in this community will be glad to know that he is resting easier now.

### Springfield Girl Marries

Eldon M. Warner, of Fall Creek and Shirley W. Moore, of Springfield were married at the Methodist parsonage in Eugene Saturday, Reverend George H. Parkinson officiating.

### Tailor Moves to Harrisburg

Karl Heinrich who has been in the tailoring business here for the past three months left today for Harrisburg where he will conduct a tailoring shop.