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FOURTH CO. LEAVES FOR FORT STEVENS

All of Roseburg and Hundreds of Others Turn Out to Bid The Boys Farewell.

WERE IN GOOD SPIRITS

Boys Are Given Fruits and Delicacies As They Depart—Ashland and Medford Companies on the Same Train.

Not since the home coming, 18 years ago, of the Spanish-American war veterans has Roseburg witnessed so impressive a scene as the one of yesterday afternoon when all of Roseburg and hundreds from other parts of the county turned out to bid farewell to the boys who were leaving for the honor of their country.

Nor was the home-coming of our Spanish-American war boys an event such as the one of yesterday, for then it was a scene of great rejoicing, at a triumphant return, while this was one of departure into an unknown future.

Thousands of good-byes were said. Mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers, wives and sweethearts, with aching hearts and tear dimmed eyes were there to bravely give up the boys, whose only regret in going was the leaving of the loved ones at home.

Friends by the hundreds clasped the hands of the brave boys and offered words of encouragement. Men who have been bitterly opposed to the war were present to say a word of cheer to the boys, who were leaving. It was indeed a solemn occasion and few were the hearts not deeply touched, as they realized fully the reality of the occasion.

That one thing to brighten the gloom was the spirit in which the boys went away, all seeming so willing, anxious, as it were, to do their part in the great struggle for humanity, and wherever our boys may be sent, we know there will be but one result—they will do what they are called upon to do and Douglas county will never have cause to be ashamed of one of them.

Many things, not on the army bill of fare, such as fruits and delicacies were given to the boys as they departed.

Just before the train pulled out, Rev. J. C. Spencer called for three cheers for the boys, which was given and repeated, with a hearty good will by the crowd, and responded to in like manner by the Fourth company boys, while the hospital corps sang their famous song, "Where Do We Go From Here."

Attached to the train bearing the boys were cars of the Ashland and Medford companies, who also seemed to be in the very best of spirits. The boys will all be taken to Fort Stevens, and will there be mustered into the federal service on August 5. On the cars were written the names of the different companies and company slogans.

As the train pulled out, the fire whistle and bells sounded good bye, flags and handkerchiefs were waved, hats were lifted, more good-byes were said and our boys were gone.

BOYS RECEIVED OVATIONS ALL WAY TO PORTLAND

Judging from the newspaper reports received in Roseburg today the soldier boys who left this city yesterday received great ovations at every city where the train stopped. The mayors of most all towns issued a proclamation to the citizens requesting them to drop everything and devote the entire day, Sunday to the welfare and comfort of the departing soldiers. In each city great crowds assembled to bid a fond farewell to the home boys. The soldiers from the southern part of the state were loudly cheered upon entering each city and words of cheer passed to them by the fathers and mothers who were represented in the ranks by one or more sons, as well as the citizens at large in each community. The boys were all in excellent spirits and always had a good "come back" to deliver to their admirers.

SICK MAN TAKEN TO VANCOUVER BARRACKS

George Tuck, the 4th company boy who has been lying critically ill at the armory for the past few days, was placed aboard train No. 16 last

night and will be taken to Vancouver barracks for medical treatment by order of the western department, of San Francisco. Mr. Tuck was little known to most of the boys prior to the mobilization on the 25th, but since his sickness each and every member of both the hospital corps and the 4th company have been deeply interested in his welfare and everything possible was done to make the man comfortable under the circumstances thus showing that the boys hearts are right to start with. It is hoped that Mr. Tuck will recover quickly and soon be able to take up his place in the ranks.

C. MORTON HADLEY GIVEN PROMOTION

A letter received by Mrs. C. L. Hadley from her son, Morton, states that he has been transferred from the ambulance corps of which he was formerly a member, to a new company. The transfer is in the form of a promotion, in that he has been appointed an instructor and has charge of a platoon of 173 men. Four hours being used for drill and four hours for class instruction. He writes that it is "some job," as 150 of the men have never had any training.

Morton is a former Roseburg boy and his many friends here will be glad to know of his promotion.

NEWSPAPER EDITOR AND VETERAN DEAD

General Harrison Gray Otis Passes While at Breakfast This Morning.

FOE ORGANIZED LABOR

Labor Fight Culminated in Blowing Up of Los Angeles Times Building in 1910, Killing Twenty Men.

(By Associated Press.) LOS ANGELES, July 29.—General Harrison Gray Otis, for many years owner and editor of the Los Angeles Times, died in that city of heart failure while at breakfast this morning, at the home of his son-in-law, Harry Chandler.

The maid bringing the tray to Otis' room, stated that the general, feeling the end had come, said: "Take it away, I am gone." General Otis, himself a veteran of two wars, came of a long line of military and statesmanship ancestry. His grandfather was a soldier of note in the Revolutionary war, and the Otis stock produced James Otis, Revolutionary patriot and orator.

Over five years of General Otis' life were spent as a volunteer soldier of the United States. In 1861, at the age of 24, he enlisted in the 12th Ohio volunteers, was promoted through all grades to a captain in 1864. In that year a consolidation of regiments placed him in the 23rd Ohio veteran volunteers, his colonel and captain being, respectively, Rutherford B. Hayes and William McKinley. He was twice wounded and received seven promotions.

With the outbreak of the Spanish-American war in 1898, Major Otis, at the age of 61, volunteered his services to President McKinley and was made brigadier general of volunteers. He was assigned to duty, first at Camp Merritt, Calif., and then to the Philippines.

Following the Civil war, Otis returned to the trade of printer, for which he had abandoned school at an early age, acquiring, finally in 1882, a fourth interest in the Los Angeles Times. Previously he had served for four years as foreman of the government printing office at Washington.

Quite early in his career as editor and publisher of the Times, for he speedily secured full control, Otis came into conflict with organized labor and thereafter until the day of his death he waged an unrelenting warfare for what he termed industrial freedom. On October 10, 1919, his building and printing plant was dynamited and twenty of his workmen killed. The arrests and trials which followed were matters of national wide interest.

The bride of General Otis' young manhood, Miss Eliza Wetherby, was his constant associate in journalism and literature until her death in 1904. Of the five children born to them, two daughters survive.

Phil Harth Arrives Home. Phil Harth, who has been employed in Portland for the past few months, arrived in this city last night and after spending a few days with his parents will leave for Newport on a vacation.

OFFICIAL DRAFT LIST RECEIVED

Evening News First to Get Copy of War Department Regulation.

HAS 10,500 NUMBERS

Two Sections in Document—Applies to Every Man of the Ten Million Registered Within Military Age.

The Evening News was in receipt, Sunday, of a copy of the official draft list directed from the war department, and officially signed by Newton D. Baker, secretary of war, and Geo. E. Chamberlain, chairman of the senate committee on military affairs, and S. Hubert Dent, chairman of the house committee on military affairs. This authentic document was obtained through the Associated Press, of which this paper is a member, and was in advance of any other information relative to the draft that was received in this city. In fact, Sheriff Quine, at the head of the local exemption board, had not received any information of the kind up to noon today. The remarkable document not only contains the draft number of the whole 68,000 men who will be called to the service at this time, but every man of the nearly ten million registered is therein given his official draft number and the order in which he may be called to the colors.

Part first of the document received pertains to the "Regulations for Determining the Order of Call," and these rules may be modified at any time by the president of the United States. Part two is a "schedule prepared by the provost marshal general, which shall control and determine the exact order in which the persons whose registration cards are in possession of the respective local boards, and which have been given their serial numbers are liable to be called for military service by the local board.

In this list the serial number 258 was the first one drawn, which means that all men in the various counties of the United States holding that number will be the very first ones called. No. 3794 was the last serial drawn, and therefore men holding this number will be the last one of the entire ten million to be drafted. The highest serial number drawn was 10,500, and stands 238 in the list, and men whose number correspond will be two hundred and thirty-eighth. In other words, men are drafted in the order that their number appears in the drawing, regardless of what that number may be.

Since Douglas county has filled its quota by regular enlistments, this first draft does not apply to this locality, and no additional men will be called this year, it is stated. The war department believes that with the regular army enlistments, combined with federalizing of all national guard units, that a million men will be in training within a few weeks at farthest, and these will answer the demands of the government until about the first of the year, when doubtless another call will be made.

SHERIFF QUINE GIVES MOTHER SOME ADVICE

After eleven o'clock last night Sheriff Quine and Deputy Sheriff Rafferty found a small boy wandering about the streets alone. Upon calling the boy and asking for whom he was looking, they received the reply "I'm looking for my mother."

Upon closer questioning the officers found that the mother had brought the boy up town, left him at a show and had then gone out with a soldier. They took the little fellow home and found the mother there. When asked by the sheriff where the soldier was, she denied having been out with him, but the little fellow promptly said "Yes you did, mamma."

A REGULAR BOOTLEGGER ARRIVES IN ROSEBURG

Information was received at The News office this afternoon that a regular "licensed" bootlegger had arrived in our midst and that his mode of conveyance was by automobile from

DIDN'T STOP AT PORTLAND.

A telegram received in Roseburg from the 4th company and hospital corps this morning, stated that the troops did not remain at Portland upon their arrival last night, but went straight through to Ft. Stevens, arriving at the latter place this morning. Some were under the impression when they left here yesterday they would only go as far as Portland Sunday, remaining there until this morning, then embarking for Ft. Stevens, but only a short stop was made at the former place. In all probability the company is now located in the new quarters and are a busy set of boys arranging their camping quarters.

Coos Bay to this city. He was formerly a resident of the above city and vicinity, and while The News is not authority for the statement that he is a booze dispenser, we have from reliable authority that he has heretofore handled the "stuff" quite extensively and is on to all the "ropes"—in fact, it is stated he has a process for making his product and that it has a "kick" that lasts over night and away into the next day. Whether or not any of his "special brew" has been put on the market it is not definitely known, however, judging from recent "demonstrations" in this city, it is believed some of his goods has been passed around.

COUNTY COURT AT PORTLAND

Conferring With Members of The State Highway Commission.

DIST. ATTORNEY NEUNER

And Assistant Highway Engineer Kelly Accompany Members of Court—Plans Will Be Devised For Early Construction.

Judge R. W. Marsters and County Commissioners W. E. St. John and B. F. Nichols, accompanied by District Attorney George Neuner and Assistant Highway Engineer Kelly, left last night for Portland where they spent today conferring with the state highway commission. It is understood their mission is due to the fact that no satisfactory bids were received Saturday for the local bond issue, and that ways and means will, in all probability be devised for carrying out the plans under consideration by the county court for meeting the county's proportion of its expense for the construction of the Pacific highway.

The state commission has already made an order that it will meet Douglas county dollar for dollar for improvement work on the highway, and the county court is anxious that immediate operations be commenced that they may take advantage of the offer of the state commission. It was given out by the commission some weeks ago that the state's apportionment would be expended on the most objectionable points of the highway in this county, but it is the general opinion that after this work is complete, there will be a sufficient sum of money on hand to do a great deal more on the highway at other points. It is expected that the total sum to be expended on this road will be close to \$2,000,000. The county court sees the advisability of taking quick action, and it is with this view in mind that the trip to Portland was made today that their plans may be put before the commission for immediate consideration.

Owing to the inability to sell the local bonds at what the court termed reasonable price, some ways and means must at once be devised to get them on the market. It has been proposed, which seems to be the only way to get quick action, to let the state take entire charge of the road building and arrange for this county to pay its proportion of funds toward the improvement in bonds drawing four and one-half per cent interest. Another proposition is to issue a series of warrants, drawing the above interest, and proceed with the work. The foregoing suggestions, or rather plans of the county court, are only tentative, but the fact that there were no successful bidders for the road bonds is not in any way going to retard the progress of the work if it is within the power of the court to legally proceed.

District Attorney George Neuner is looking after the legal end of the transaction. As to his opinion on the matter The News was unable to learn, but upon his return and that of the county court, no doubt matters will be in such shape that work on the Pacific highway will soon be under way and important road work under construction.

TEN MILE POST-MASTER ARRESTED

George France Alleged German Sympathizer Taken In Yesterday.

BEEN CAUSING TROUBLE

Once Examined as to His Sanity—Taken to Portland This Morning By United States Marshal Fuller.

Charged with influencing young men not to enlist in the United States army George France, postmaster of Ten Mile was arrested at that place yesterday by United States Marshal Fuller and Deputy Sheriff Rafferty and brought to this city late last evening and lodged in the county jail for safe keeping.

France is the man who was examined here some time ago as to his sanity, but was released and allowed to return to his duties. Many complaints were received soon after he got back to the Ten Mile vicinity and the matter was at once investigated by Sheriff Quine and the proper government officials were notified with the result that the United States marshal arrived here Sunday.

France's bonds were fixed at \$3000, which he was unable to furnish and as a consequence will remain behind the bars.

He was taken to Portland today on the early morning train and will be tried before the federal court at that place. In all probability he faces a long term at McNeil's Island.

France has been a conspicuous character in police circles for some months, giving the officers more or less trouble, and continually complaining of the alleged treatment accorded by residents of Ten Mile. He claimed that a "gang" in that vicinity were annoying him constantly much of which was no doubt a myth, and every time he visited this city a "rehash" of his troubles would be given out to the officers and various people whom he was well acquainted with here. In all probability his mind is affected and the action of the officers in taking charge of the man yesterday is timely as it allowed to continue at large he might have committed a more serious offense than that for which he was arrested.

Sheriff Quine and his deputy in keeping a close watch for non-patriots and any one reported will be taken in at once. This is no time to attempt to befuddle the nation.

WILL BUILD HIGHWAYS SIXTEEN FEET WIDE

(By Associated Press.)

PORTLAND, July 30.—The Oregon highway commission today decided to build all roadways 16 feet wide instead of 12 feet, as first proposed. It was also decided to ask the federal government to build the proposed economic roads for heavy traffic before the purely scenic roads are constructed.

SEATTLE STREET CARS STILL TIED BY STRIKE

(By Associated Press.)

SEATTLE, July 30.—No attempt was made here today to operate the street car lines owned by the Puget Sound Traction, Light & Power Co. Officials of the company would make no statement concerning the men's proposal to arbitrate the differences by a board of three.

LOCAL GROCERY STORE ENTERED BY THIEVES

Entering through a rear window, unknown parties sometime during Saturday night or early Sunday morning ransacked the grocery store owned by Harness & Johnson and situated near the corner of Jackson and Washington streets. A pick, taken from the Oregon Gas & Electric Co.'s repair wagon which stood in the rear of the building, was used as a "jimmy". The thin slats which hold the frames in place were first removed then the flat edge of the pick was brought into play and inserted under the bottom of the window and in that manner

the thieves had little trouble in getting inside.

The safe and cash register were both rifled, but as they contained nothing of value all the thieves received for their trouble was a few Canadian dimes which were left in the cash drawer, as nothing else is missing.

The sheriff's office was notified and a careful search will be made in an attempt to apprehend the men responsible for the crime, but as no clue was left behind by the robbers, little hope is entertained in catching them.

TO INVESTIGATE STORY OF CATTLE POISONING

(By Associated Press.)

SALEM, July 30.—State officials will investigate reports from eastern Multnomah and Clackamas counties that 50 cattle have died in those sections from poisoning.

Miss Margaret Schleanman, the popular young actress who for the past year has been employed at the Lilburn furniture store, has resigned her position and is at present enjoining at Bandon. Her place will be filled by Miss Ruth Larson, of Toledo, Ore.

MAY SEE SERVICE IN FRANCE SOON

Roseburg Boys at Fort Riley Kansas Have Inkling of Future.

"HOT TALE" IS RELATED

Temperature "Hitting" Around 110, But the Boys Are Well and Happy—Woodley Stephenson Writes.

Through the courtesy of Mattie Lee Stephenson some interesting facts were learned of the further movements of the Roseburg boys who are now stationed at Fort Riley, Kans. Miss Stephenson received a letter from her brother, Woodley, who was a member of the Roseburg contingent which left for the eastern front recently in which a splendid picture of himself, Ralph and Herbert Quine and Archie Milligan, was enclosed.

According to Mr. Stephenson it will be utterly impossible to get a furrow as it is thought, according to present plans, they will be sent to see service in France by October 1. A detachment of American troops of the medical department will sail around that date and the Roseburg boys expect to accompany them.

While not anxious to leave the United States the boys are looking forward to their experience with interest and are willing to do all in their power for their country.

A clipping was enclosed in Mr. Stephenson's letter in which some idea can be gained of the terrific heat now being experienced by the boys. Outside of this disagreeable feature they are feeling splendid. From the following paragraph some "hot" tale is related:

"Acel Pyle, a farmer near here, came near losing several hundred dollars' worth of hogs in a peculiar manner. The porkers had been in a mud wallow, and to get dry lay down in the sunshine with a temperature of 110 prevailing in the shade. The mud soon baked hard, and they were rapidly cooking in the shell when their plight was discovered by their owner. Aided by several farm hands, he hastily dragged the hogs to shade and removed the hard crust with a garden rake, saving the lives of all but three of them. Several of the porkers, however, lost all their hair by the scalding steam."

PRESIDENT HAS WAY IN FOOD BILL DICTATOR

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, July 30.—Conferees on the food bill have agreed to the president's demand for elimination of the amendment providing for three food directors instead of one. The apportionment of the individual food director will not be subject to confirmation by the senate, but the president has sole discretion in the matter.

A. A. Wilder and wife left today for a month's vacation at Sharps creek, near Cottage Grove.

FRED BELL WAS SERIOUSLY INJURED

Former Roseburg Boy Run Over by Automobile in Portland.

DRIVER DID NOT STOP

Unfortunate Young Man Was Brother of W. D. Bell, L. L. Bell and Miss Minnie Bell—Miss Bell Left for Portland Today.

Word was received here this afternoon that Fred Bell, who is engaged in the furniture business in Portland, was run over by an automobile today as he was going to lunch. While all the particulars of the accident could not be learned it is known that the unfortunate young man had his head crushed, one leg and several ribs broken. The automobile which ran over him did not stop, but the officers believe they know the car, and every effort will be used to apprehend the driver. The injured young man was taken to St. Vincent's hospital, where he is under the care of skillful surgeons.

According to the message an operation will be necessary. Fred Bell is well and favorably known in Roseburg, where he attended school for a number of years. He is a brother of W. D. Bell, proprietor of "The Rose"; of L. L. Bell, of the firm of Parslow & Bell and also of Miss Minnie Bell, proprietor of the Bell millinery store, all of this city. His father and mother reside at Elkton, Ore. Miss Minnie Bell left this afternoon for Portland, in response to the message telling of her brother's injury.

The many friends of the young man will await anxiously for favorable reports of his condition.

I CO. WILL BE SENT TO CAMP WITCOMBE

I company soldiers, who are stationed in this city doing guard duty, will probably be sent to Camp Witcombe, near Clackamas, Wednesday. It is unofficially announced that the guards from A and B companies, of Portland, will take the place of the I company boys, here.

ALLEGES THOUSANDS OF SLACKERS EVADED LAW

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, July 30.—Declaring that it is evident that thousands of men of draft age evaded registration and escaped the call for service in the army, the United States attorney general has instructed federal attorneys in various parts of the country to begin a general roundup of slackers. Criminal proceedings will be instituted against all those who, being of military age, refused to register.

URGES WOMEN TO SAVE PERISHABLE PRODUCTS

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, July 30.—Reports from 24 states, showing that there are enormous surpluses of perishable fruits and vegetables threatened with total loss, has prompted Secretary Houston to issue an appeal to women in the affected localities to help in saving these products from being wasted. Washington is among the affected states.

TRANSPORT DAMAGED WHILE AWAITING ORDERS

(By Associated Press.)

AN ATLANTIC PORT, July 30.—The United States transport Saratoga while at anchor waiting for orders to sail for Europe, was ransacked by the steamer Panama,eward bound. The Panama's captain, seeing the situation, kept the ship's engines going and held his vessel close against the transport, thus blocking the rush of water into the hold of the disabled vessel until the men were all taken off by tugs that promptly came to the scene. The transport was beached toward the beach in a sinking condition.