

SOUTHERN CALIF. BOYS GO THROUGH

476 Men in Contingent—In Charge of Van Wagenen Pullmans Furnished.

MEN WELL ORGANIZED

Many Mascots on Board—Porter Says Train Resembles Young Circus—Men of All Nationalities Are Represented.

The contingent of men from Los Angeles, Riverside and Orange counties arrived 476 strong at 11:40 this morning, and in perfect order were marched to the various restaurants for luncheon. The train was composed of thirteen coaches, two baggage cars and two engines and was the heaviest train and largest number of men that have so far reached this city. The troops were in charge of G. Van Wagenen, an S. P. passenger agent of San Francisco and although comprising the greatest number of men the organization was perfect and the men were served in an average time of 25 minutes. This is the first trainload of men having Pullman cars and as a result very little complaint was heard of the loss of sleep.

Like the trains of yesterday, men from every station in life were represented from the laborer to the millionaire. However, at this critical time they are standing man-to-man and fighting side-by-side as brothers—all seemingly pleased that they are doing their share for Old Glory.

"Much enjoyment is to be had from a trip of this kind, even under these circumstances," exclaimed one young chap, "and the boys are getting an education that mere books could not give them." The jovial spirit of good fellowship is evident on all sides and songs and gay repartee enlivens and makes happy the hearts of all. "It's mighty hard to leave one's home and friends for this almost certain doom," said a young college boy, "and in my opinion that's the only real unhappy thing about it all, for what's the use of worrying over death—it must come to us all and its one of life's most beautiful adventures."

On all sides are heard little sad tales of tearful leave-takings of sweethearts and parents. However, like all true American boys they have a smile and a gay word for all, even though many hearts are heavy.

Among the clever inscriptions on the various cars were "Look out traitors, Germans and I. W. W.s," "What part of the Kaiser do you want?" "We're going to eat Christmas dinner in the Kaiser's palace," "We're going to bring back the Kaiser's whiskers," "Just one chance at Bill, that's enough," "Riverside Liberty Boys," "Watch us go," "If you're looking for trouble don't fool with us—the U. S. Army," "Kaiser Bill is sick," "Have you seen the Kaiser's goat," and "The Kaiser's goat, he's black as hell."

The boys were in possession of many mascots which they were proudly displaying and according to a porter on board the special "If these here boys get anything else in the animal line we might as well start a circus." A pet bantam rooster serves as a clock for one of the cars and according to one of the liberty boys there are many early risers as a consequence for Master Rooster crows each morning at day break.

The next troop train arrives at 6:30 this evening and preparations are being made this afternoon for their care.

REV. J. B. COAN LEAVES FOR AMERICAN LAKE

Rev. J. B. Coan left this morning for American Lake, where he will assume the duties as secretary of the war Y. M. C. A., to which position he was recently appointed. Mrs. Coan accompanied her husband as far as Taamant, Ore., where she will make her home with her mother for some time. The best wishes of the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Coan go with them.

FRED A. RASCH ARRIVES IN CITY

Fred A. Rasch, public service commission examiner of Oregon, with headquarters in Portland, is spending a few days in Roseburg on business connected with his official work. Mr. Rasch held a conference this morning with Mayor Rice and a

committee was designated to go with Mr. Rasch and investigate the signs placed near railroad crossings. The law passed in the last legislature states that railroads must have signs at all dangerous crossings. The main idea of this work is to prevent accidents in this line and every precaution is being taken to prevent future fatalities.

TAKING ANNUAL VACATION.

Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Chapman are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Marsters in Flournoy valley. Dr. Chapman is taking his annual vacation and will not return to this city to resume his practice until October 1.

SUPT. BROWN FACES SHIPPING PROBLEM

Superintendent O. C. Brown is very busy today with the shipment of the industrial club exhibit to the state fair.

Quite a problem faces the superintendent in regard to the shipment of the goods. The S. P. Co. very generously offered to transport all juvenile exhibits to the state fair free of charge, but owing to the freight schedule, the company is unable to guarantee that the exhibit will reach Salem in time.

The Wells Fargo Express Co. will not make any concessions whatever, and as the exhibit is quite large, the cost of shipping will be considerable and there is no fund provided to meet this expense. Mr. Brown, however, has about decided to assume the responsibility of making the shipment by express as he does not want to see the boys and girls, who have worked so faithfully, and have been looking forward to this exhibit at the state fair, disappointed.

We sincerely hope that Douglas county will not see Mr. Brown bear the burden of the expense of shipping, after the untiring efforts he has put forth in the work of the industrial club exhibit.

ARBRAY FUNERAL IS HELD AT SUTHERLIN

The funeral of the late Thomas J. Arday, who died at Red Bluff, Wednesday, held at the Odd Fellows hall in Sutherlin this afternoon with interment in the Sutherlin cemetery.

The esteem in which the deceased was held was attested by a large crowd attending his funeral and the many beautiful floral offerings.

Mr. Arday was well and favorably known in this city and has many friends here who regret to learn of his death.

PHOTO OF MEMBERS STATE FAIR BOARD

In the current issue of the Oregon farmer, just received at this office today, are photographs of the members of the state fair board. In the group of six is that of A. C. Marsters, of Roseburg, vice president of the board. Others of the board are W. H. Savage, president; A. H. Lea, secretary-manager; Mrs. Edythe Torrey Wethered; J. E. Reynolds and M. L. Jones. The state fair opens next Monday, and promises to be one of the best attractions the state has ever held.

DOUGLAS COUNTY TO HAVE BIG TAX MONEY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—Secretary of the Interior Lane today recommended to congress the payment of land grant taxes aggregating \$1,594,000. Of the eighteen land grant counties in Oregon, Douglas county will receive the largest amount in back taxes, the sum there being \$399,132. It is expected that congress will concur in this recommendation and an appropriation be made available for this purpose, and all taxes on O. & C. railroad grant lands recently reverted to the government be paid accordingly.

Josephine county will receive approximately \$130,000 in the payment of back taxes by the government. Klamath will get probably \$38,000, according to Oswald West, who checked the lists for the government.

HEATING SYSTEM IS BEING TESTED

First Test of Heating Apparatus New High School Applied Today.

IS WORKING PERFECTLY

Very Large Number of Freshmen Enrolled and Hundreds of Grade Pupils Were Assigned Today.

S. P. Finnigan, contractor for the heating system for the new high school building is here and the first test of the heating system is being made today. Late this afternoon the system was working perfectly, and it is believed there will not be any difficulty encountered. The test will not be complete until Saturday night or Sunday.

F. Manson White, the architect for the new high school building is also here watching the test, as it will be necessary for him to accept the system.

A very large number of high school freshmen enrolled at the office of the principal, H. Omer Bennett, and an exceptionally large freshman class, one of the largest in the history of the school, in fact, is expected. A surprisingly large number of grade pupils appeared today at their respective buildings and secured book lists and assignments to their grades, and Superintendent Smith anticipates very little if any confusion at the opening of school Monday morning. The superintendent has also heard from a very large number of out of town high school students, who will enter high school here next Monday. The outlook is very bright for a large enrollment in the high school this year.

Superintendent Smith is arranging to give credit for music taken outside of school. Details in regard to this will be given soon. This is a feature in high school work, which has been tried in many schools and found to work perfectly. Roseburg has some very efficient music teachers, indeed, and the fact that their instruction will be recognized by the faculty this year is highly commendable.

At the meeting of the teachers to be held tomorrow afternoon at the high school building, and later at the different grade buildings, all details will be arranged for the opening of school Monday morning.

GOULD, MILLIONAIRE SERVING AS A PRIVATE

CAMP DIX, Wrightstown, N. J., Sept. 20.—Kingdon Gould, son of George Gould, of New York, began his life as an army private today by doing police duty. He has been mustered into K company of the 311th regiment.

LEBANON BUSINESS MEN ARE IN CITY

N. M. Newport, a director of the Lebanon National Bank and A. M. Reeves, vice-president and also a director of the bank, are in this city attending to business matters connected with real estate located near Glendale, and belonging to the Lebanon Investment Co.

DOUGLAS PRODUCT MAKES CLEAN SWEEP

F. A. Pierce, of Days Creek, who went to the California state fair at Sacramento with a number of his fancy non-shedding long mohair goats for exhibition, actually made a clean sweep of all the prizes offered by the fair in the department of goat exhibits.

That may not be going some, but we think it is. California is a big goat state too, but it took a little old place like the South Umpqua valley in Douglas county, Oregon, to produce the stuff that got the California goat—Riddle Tribune.

PRIZE MONEY IS READY.

Secretary Glenn Wimberly of the county fair board announced today that the warrants were all written out and ready for the winners of prizes at the recent fair. The list of awards and the winners will be published in the near future.

MANIFEST GREAT DEAL OF PATRIOTISM

A true spirit of patriotism and an unusual show of fighting spirit was shown by one Italian last evening. The young fellow was taken ill at the Umpqua hotel and a physician was called to administer to the sufferer. Noting the serious condition of the boy the physician advised him to wait over until a later train, but this he refused to do saying that "he was on his way to fight for Uncle Sam and he wasn't going to let a pain deter him from his course." He wanted to get to the lake real soon and "cross the pond" where he could show the "Fritzy's" a thing or two. "Fix me up, Doc, and let me go, they can't lose me." The patriotism of the man was admirable and he received much praise for his nerve.

TEN THOUSAND ON GERMAN'S HEAD

FORT WORTH, Texas, Sept. 20.—Citizens of Gerard, Kent county, have raised to \$10,000 found to be offered as a reward for the taking, dead or alive, of the German commander of the 11th division.

It was this commander who recently was reported in Associated Press dispatches to have offered a reward of 400 marks, or approximately \$100, for the first American soldier, dead or alive, brought behind the German lines.

LEFT FOR THE STATE FAIR LAST EVENING

Fred Schmidt, of the county hospital, and who will have charge of this year's exhibit at the state fair, left last evening for Salem where a complete arrangement of the resources of this county will be put on display. Mr. Schmidt has endeavored to assemble a creditable exhibit and the great array of produce taken with him will put this county well to the front in agricultural lines. The state fair will open next Monday and continue for the balance of the week. Many from this city are planning to attend and will leave early the coming week.

DROVE THIRTY-TWO MILES TO SAVE TWO

It is not often that a fellow takes it into his head to drive his machine thirty-two miles in order to get out of traveling two miles, but this was the case last evening when Fred Hamilton, manager of the local telephone company, and who had been enjoying a ride in his auto on the west side of the river, bumped up against the west approach to the Oak street bridge and found the structure closed for repairs, the order having gone into effect only a few moments before his arrival. The first thought that struck Mr. Hamilton was how to get across the "creek" without wading it. He decided that about the easiest way out of the dilemma was to drive back and come into the city by the way of Umpqua—some 32-mile drive—but there didn't seem to be any other course to take. So he simply "stepped on" the gasoline throttle, threw her into high gear and went to it. If he had given the matter a second thought and taken the road near the approach of the old Lane street bridge, followed the river up a short distance, he would have reached the Alexander bridge and saved some thirty miles of tire wear and a few gallons of gasoline. But what does gasoline and rubber amount to in these war times.

IMPORTANT POINTS IN LINE CAPTURED

Australian Troops are Among Those to Distinguish Themselves.

CAMP LEWIS IS ACTIVE

Thousands of Men Arriving Daily—Football Will Be a Compulsory Game—Strike Still On.

(By Associated Press.)

BRITISH FRONT, Sept. 21.—During the night the British forces improved the new line which they had taken the day before from the Germans in an offensive east of Ypres. This work was accomplished with but comparatively little opposition and the lines consolidated and positions fortified over a mile in advance of the old trenches. Today the position known as "Anzac," was captured, and the Australian flag now flutters there as a symbol of the greatest victory along the western front in the past year, not excluding Meuse. The positions captured yesterday are considered among the strongest in the German lines in Belgium.

Troops Arriving Steadily. CAMP LEWIS, Sept. 21.—Troops are arriving steadily at Camp Lewis, American Lake, near Tacoma, Wash., and 3750 men are due to arrive here today. Moo Wing, a Chinese from Vancouver, when he saw such great numbers of young hunkies coming in at almost every hour of the day, concluded that the work of cook was no snap, and stated that he cannot cook for the boys in his mess, and so will take his place in the ranks and fight in the trenches if necessary. Six hundred and eighty-five athletic teams have already been organized. Major General Green says that all of the men must participate in the regimental football team to play at Tacoma Stadium October 13.

Strike Still On. SEATTLE, Sept. 21.—The committee managing the strike for an eight hour day in Washington mills, and which was instituted against the use of lumber manufactured under a basis of ten hours labor, stated today that the strike has not been called off, despite the announcement by Aberdeen timber workers yesterday that the men may return to work if necessary.

WILL PRESIDE OVER STATE BOARD MEETING

Dr. A. C. Seely, president of the state board of health left for Portland on train No. 16, last night, where he will preside over a meeting of the board which convenes today. There are a number of very important matters to come before the board at this time. Dr. Seely will be gone for several days.

TO IMPROVE RED CROSS CONDITIONS

Permanent buildings of a modern type to supplant the tents and temporary structures now occupied by Red Cross base hospitals in France are urgently needed before a winter sets in, according to cables received from Major Grayson M. P. Murphy, Red Cross commissioner to France, who has cabled the Red Cross war council to ship quantities of building materials at once.

Increased suffering, owing especially to the shortage of coal, will result unless structures built to withstand the cold can be erected before the rigors of a French winter grip the country. The building problem is so serious in France, owing to the scarcity of timber, that Major Murphy cabled for the immediate shipment of two million feet of fir.

Giant fir trees are now being felled on the banks of the Columbia river, in Oregon and Washington, and hurriedly loaded aboard a ship waiting to carry the lumber through the Panama canal to New York where two complete portable saw mills will be taken on as well as other building material, before the ship sails for France.

The supplies requested by Major Murphy include four concrete mixers, four portable rock crushers and portable engines, and two gasoline tractors to be used in the construction work. These will be taken aboard at New York. There are already a number of expert engineers with the Red Cross commission to France who

will superintend the erection of the new hospital buildings.

The American Red Cross now has more than a dozen base hospitals in France, each equipped with at least five hundred beds, and each in charge of twenty-two physicians, two dentists, sixty-five Red Cross nurses and 150 enlisted men of the medical corps. Additional doctors and nurses have been sent to a number of the hospitals.

HALF A CENTURY AGO.

From the Oregonian September 21, 1867: The Roseburg Ensign has recently printed an article pointing out the natural advantages of that section which, though brief is a comprehensive statement of that district's advantages. Besides fine land and climate, the country boasts of some promising quartz leads which the Ensign did not overlook to mention.

SANITARY TROOP BOYS HOME ON FURLOUGH

Peter Diddel and James Goodman, popular Roseburg boys, arrived this morning from Fort Stevens and are enjoying a brief furlough with friends and relatives in this city. The boys are members of the sanitary troops of the U. S. army and when interviewed by a News representative this morning declared their work to be tremendously interesting. "While army life is all right, it seems mighty fine to be home again," said one of the young men, "and I have wished many times that Roseburg was situated nearer to the fort than it is."

It is the opinion of the boys that they will be stationed at Fort Stevens for some time as the winter quarters are nearing completion. The health and sanitary conditions are the best ever at the fort, the boys declare and the "Fighting Fourth" is living up to its name.

The boys expect to be in the city for several days.

INDIAN PREACHER WITH SOLDIER BOYS

Among the members of the two car loads of conscripted boys from Nevada and southern California was an Indian whose name was White Feather, and who is a Christian minister of the Plute tribe, at Fallon, Nevada.

This man being a minister was exempted from conscription, but because he was so anxious to go, he volunteered and was accepted. He is also a married man and leaves a wife who is a full blood Indian, with the Plute tribe.

The Nevada and California boys were a fine looking lot of men, and were travelling in good style, being furnished sleeping cars.

POST CARD FROM FRANCE.

A unique postcard, to be used by men at the front is used in the British service and is apparently the only communication permitted by post card. Frank A. Wood, of Eugene, has received one from a brother who is in the service "somewhere in France." The address side of the message bears "The address only to be written on this side. If anything else is added the post card will be destroyed." On the reverse is the following heading: "Nothing is to be written on this side except the date and signature. Sentences not required may be erased. If anything else is added the post card will be destroyed. Below are a large number of sentences carrying purely personal information."

CANNING TEAM WILL ENTER STATE CONTEST

In the canning contest held at the county fair yesterday, the Fullerton team won the first prize of \$10.00, the Yoncalla team second prize of \$7.50 and the Benson team the third prize of \$5.

The Fullerton team feel quite proud over winning the first prize as the Yoncalla team has the distinction of becoming state winners at the state fair last year and this summer won an interstate championship at the N. E. A. at Portland.

The Fullerton team owes its success to the painstaking work of their instructor, Miss Katherine Diddel. The Fullerton team which is composed of Miss Jessie Spencer and the Misses Mary and Lucy White, will enter a contest at the state fair with teams from other counties, in which they will compete for the state championship. The team will be accompanied by their instructor, Miss Diddel.

BERNSTORFF HELD FUND FOR BRIBERY

Wired Berlin For Authority to Pay Out Fifty Thousand Dollars.

TO INFLUENCE CONGRESS

Foreign Office Advised That Official Declaration Favoring Ireland Would Help Home in United States.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—Additional and astounding disclosures of German intrigue were made known to the public this morning by Secretary of State Lansing, which throw additional light on the series of unfriendly acts committed by German officials in this country prior to open hostilities and since that time, as well as elsewhere. A message to Count von Bernstorff, former German ambassador at Washington, was sent to the Berlin foreign office, requesting authority for paying fifty thousand dollars to some one whose name was not given, for influencing congress to do a certain work, or to leave something undone to the benefit and advantage of Germany. The transaction was apparently known to Berlin, because the communication refers to the payment of this sum for services which were previously arranged for through the Berlin foreign office. The message that referred to this work, and which has just been made public today, follows: "I request authority to pay up to fifty thousand in order as on former occasions, to influence congress, through organization you know of, which can perhaps prevent war. Am beginning in meantime to act accordingly in the above circumstances. A public official declaration in favor of Ireland is highly desirable in order to gain support of the Irish influence here."

It is not assumed that Bernstorff attempted to bribe or personally influence any congressman, as it is pointed out that fifty thousand would go but a short way toward buying any congressman's influence, but the money might have done much in paying agents of the machine Bernstorff is in touch with, and for producing propaganda for espionage purposes.

Some officials here think that Bernstorff meant the peace societies when he mentioned certain organizations in the communication sent to the Berlin foreign office. The reference to avoiding the war is taken to indicate that Bernstorff knew in advance of Germany's intention to proclaim on January 31 her intention to enter on a merciless submarine warfare. At the time, however, Bernstorff denied that he had any such knowledge.

Representative Hefflin, of Alabama, stated on the floor of the house today that if permitted he could name thirteen or fourteen congressmen who "acted suspiciously," and who ought to be investigated in connection with the disclosures made in the Bernstorff letter.

SPECIAL AGENT WILL HELP SETTLE STRIKE

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—Gavin McNab, a San Francisco attorney, has been named as a special representative of the government in connection with the federal shipping board, and will take part in the negotiations looking toward a settlement of the strike involving 25,000 workers in the San Francisco ship yards.

GIRLS IN RUSSIAN ARMY ATTACK LEADER

(By Associated Press.)

PETROGRAD, Sept. 21.—Vera Butchareff, the twice wounded girl commander of the women's battalion of death, was attacked by girls in the command, yesterday, and a small riot ensued. The riot took place at Moscow, where the battalion is stationed at present. Infantrymen rescued the girl from the rioters. The cause of the insubordination is not known.

Jitney Driver Arrested.

Ray Troxel, a local jitney driver, was arrested this afternoon for violating the traffic ordinance and when brought before the city recorder was found guilty and fined \$2.50 which he paid.