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THE EVENING NEWS

THE WEATHER

Fair; Continued Warm.
Highest temp. yesterday 83
Lowest temp. last night 47

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TROOP TRAINS WILL ARRIVE TOMORROW

13,000 Men to Pass Through
With Second Quota—8027
To Be Served Here.

WICK AND KRUGER HERE

Preparations Complete for Handling
Men—Past Experience Will Be
Profited—Local Men
To Assist.

Today the second 40 per cent quota of the men drafted into the Liberty army will start their journey toward American lake and the movement of over 13,000 men through Roseburg will be completed by October 5. The trains are coming from the south and east during the present week, the first ones reaching here tomorrow, and their movements are being handled much the same as before with schedules prepared by the railroad company. However it is thought that even more exactness will result at this time because of the experience of the former trains and the railroaders are sure that they will profit to a great extent by the former heavy traffic.

Eight thousand twenty seven men are to be served in Roseburg out of the total of 13,000 and as before this city will probably handle the largest number outside of Portland. Foutch's cafe, the Grand restaurant and the Cuppus hotel are making preparations today and though the meals will be served practically the same, a few minor details of certain benefit have been added and with the help of the Red Cross ladies, Honor Guard and employees of the caterers, the men will be handled here with splendid success.

According to the officials, Roseburg has better facilities for handling the men than any town along the line, therefore the greater number are fed here. Alvin D. Wick, general passenger agent, and A. E. Kruger, of the commissary department of the S. P. Co., arrived today and are conferring with local people as to plans for the coming troop movement. The gentlemen express the opinion that facilities are excellent and no trouble will be experienced in handling the 8000 men in this city and with the general co-operation of the local people the results will be admirable.

The first train will arrive here Thursday at one o'clock and will be composed of men from Oakland, Suisun, Fairfield and Dixon, with a total of 491 men, this will be followed by a train at 7:30 p. m., bringing men from Bakersfield, Porterville, Dinuba and Redwood and the last train for Thursday is expected at 8:45 p. m., containing the quota from Stockton, Sonora, Placerville, San Rafael, Sebastopol, Santa Rosa and Napa. In all 1532 men will be fed in Roseburg on Thursday. However on Saturday the greatest number yet to arrive will be served in the immense total of 1546 men.

Those who will handle the second movement of troop trains in this city are Quartermaster John W. Parker, Alvin D. Wick and A. E. Kruger and Special Officers H. M. Bullwinkle, C. W. Parrott, J. E. McClintock, Roy Bellows, J. W. Perkins, Roscoe Green, E. C. Benson, Harry Pearce, A. J. Lilburn, T. A. Rafferty, H. B. Church, George Quine, E. L. Parrott and Joe Murphy.

FORMER ROSEBURG BOY IS MARRIED

Word was received in this city today announcing the marriage of a former Roseburg boy, Harlan L. McCurdy, and Miss Della Davidson, both young people residing in Ione, Ore. The ceremony occurred on September 16, at the home of the bride's parents and was attended by a large number of relatives and friends. Harlan McCurdy is a brother of Mrs. S. K. Sykes, of this city, and Mrs. A. R. Marsh, of Riddle, and several years ago attended the public and high schools here. After graduating from the latter, Mr. McCurdy was employed in the Sykes hardware store for a number of years, later leaving for Ione where he has since been in business. The happy couple will reside in Ione. The many friends of Mr. McCurdy in Roseburg join in wishing him much happiness.

"CHLORINATED" PLANT INSTALLED YESTERDAY

Kenneth Shibley, manager of the California Jewell Filter Company,

H. G. WILSON IMPROVED.

Horace G. Wilson, who is seriously ill with typhoid fever at Mercy hospital is slightly improved this afternoon and is said to be holding his own nicely. A trained nurse arrived from Good Samaritan hospital in Portland on the morning train and will be at the bedside of the sick man until the crisis is past.

who arrived in this city recently to superintend the installation of the new "chlorinator" apparatus, left this morning for Portland. Mr. Shibley will return to Roseburg in the near future to see that the machine installed near the intake of the city water supply is giving satisfaction. According to Mr. Shibley the work of installing the apparatus was completed about four o'clock yesterday afternoon and that by this time the water should be free from the much-talked-of germs, if the river is contaminated.

CLUCK PLEADS GUILTY; NO ACTION TAKEN

J. H. Cluck today appeared before Judge Riddle and entered a plea of guilty to the assault and battery charge filed yesterday by Jack Dawson, of Melrose. Judge Riddle has deferred sentence until such time as he can confer with eye witnesses and ascertain if possible the straight of the story. According to Mr. Riddle, the stories told by both men differ widely and until the exact facts are learned, no action will be taken. Mr. Dawson claims that he had occasion to take a cow over to the Green farm, near Melrose, and arriving at his destination went up through the field where Green's cattle were supposed to be. According to his statements he was met by Cluck, who demanded to know by whose authority he was bringing the cow. Violent language was used and in the fracas Mr. Dawson claims he was kicked by the defendant.

POLITICAL PARTY SPRUNG ON PUBLIC

Public Ownership, National Prohibition, and Other Things Endorsed.

ISHII VISITS THE COL.

Calls at Oyster Bay Today—Peru Is Stirred Up Over German Situation—Congress Considerers Issues.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Oct. 3.—A new national political party sprung into existence in Chicago today and its members, which are supposed to be recruited from the prohibition, progressive, single tax and social democrat organizations throughout the country, will attempt to purify the political atmosphere of the nation. The new party has not yet been named, but it is thought a fitting cognomen, expressing the ideals of the founders of this newest aspirant for favor at the hands of American voters may be found. The platform of the party approves prohibition, endorses public ownership and proposes to abolish land monopoly in the United States.

ISHII VISITS ROOSEVELT

NEW YORK, Oct. 3.—Viscount Ishii and fellow Japanese statesmen composing the mission to this country from the Mikado's realm, visited Col. Roosevelt at his home in Oyster Bay, today. The mission will leave New York Saturday, enroute homeward.

Peru Considering Situation.

LIMA, Peru, Oct. 3.—The Peruvian congress has under consideration the international situation as affecting her relations with Germany. The foreign minister was summoned before congress to be questioned on points at issue.

Third Series Training Camps.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—The third series of officers' training camps will be opened January 5 and April 5, 1918 the war department announced today. This third series of training will primarily be for enlisted men in the regular army, members of the national guard and men in the national army, giving them the training necessary for acquiring commissions. In addition, 2490 graduates or undergraduates from 93 specified schools will be admitted to the training.

Coalition Government.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 3.—The democratic congress, by a narrow margin, today voted in favor of a coalition government.

WATER SUPPLY IS EXCELLENT

Visit to Company's Plant and Surroundings Made At Winchester Today.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM

Mayor and Councilmen Make Tour of Inspection and Find Conditions Perfectly Sanitary in Every Particular.

On invitation of Manager O. B. Frank, of the Douglas County Light & Water Co., Mayor Rice and Councilmen Creason and Bullwinkle this morning drove to Winchester to make a thorough examination concerning the reports circulated in reference to the condition of the North Umpqua river near the intake that furnishes this city with its water supply, and during their visit of inspection the mayor and councilmen also took the opportunity of thoroughly going over the plant of the water and light company that they may become fully conversant with all the details concerning the source from which water is supplied to the inhabitants of Roseburg. They also followed the river for a half mile above the dam to ascertain whether or not there was any refuse matter that would in any way contaminate the waters of the river.

Upon their return to this city a News representative was informed that during their entire tour of inspection not a single instance was discovered wherein a complaint could be made concerning the purity of the water. R. E. Burchfield, who has charge of the plant at Winchester, has left nothing undone to keep and maintain the plant in the most sanitary condition, and the mayor and councilmen are very high in their praise of his efficient services shown on the ground where he has complete charge.

The report circulated, and which has gained much ground, to the effect that refuse matter above the dam was endangering the purity of the water, was found upon examination, to have been greatly exaggerated. A visit to the plant and surrounding grounds showed conclusively that the water company had done everything within their power to keep anything that would contaminate the water clear of the river, and a visit to the company's holdings this morning fully convinced the mayor and councilmen that there is no cause for any alarm concerning the water furnished this city.

However, as a matter of further precaution, the water company today slushed their reservoirs and all the hydrants in the city will be given a like treatment tomorrow.

The installation of the new sterilizing plant at Winchester is now complete and in full working order. If there has been any germs in the water of any consequence this new apparatus will do away with them at once and from now on there need not be any worry concerning the purity of Roseburg water.

No announcement has ever been received in Roseburg that the water contained typhoid germs, though several analyses have been made by the state board of health. All reports simply stating that it was slightly contaminated, which has now been remedied.

BOYS AT FT. STEVENS RECEIVE PAY TODAY

FORT STEVENS, Or., Oct. 2.—Tomorrow will be payday at Fort Stevens. With the fast improving organization of the regular form and procedure connected with the payment of the troops, the payday this month is several days in advance of that last month. The first sergeants of all the companies had their payrolls made out and turned in to the quartermaster on time to the day, where the first month's muster and payrolls of the new Oregon troops came straggling in to the quartermaster from one to six or eight days late the preceding month.

In connection with this, the second payday of the Oregon troops stationed on the mouth of the Columbia, Colonel Hammond of the Oregon coast artillery, has just circulated to be read before all troops of the Oregon coast artillery a few points to be remembered by the men as they receive their pay from the government. It is desired and every precaution taken, that the men of the Oregon coast artillery will emerge from this great war prepared to take up the duties and responsibility of civilian life again where they left it. Colonel Hammond is bending every

WILL ADJOURN SATURDAY.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—Arrangements were made today for an adjournment of congress next Saturday.

effort that the morale and general good character of the men shall be well taken care of, that, upon their discharge, they will do credit to themselves and to the country.

The following appointments are announced: second company, Oregon coast artillery, Private Russell C. Ralston to sergeant; Corporal Burnice R. Nelson, to sergeant.

REFUSES TO SIGN SEARCH WARRANT

George Quine and Ira Riddle are quite sleepy today as a result of waiting until midnight to issue a search warrant for a lady traveling on train No. 16, who was accused of stealing two diamond rings from a fellow passenger on the train. After patiently waiting for the arrival of the train which was several hours late, it was discovered that the husband of the plaintiff refused to sign the search warrant on the grounds that the accused might not have the jewelry in her possession and would sue him for libel.

NEW UNION HIGH SCHOOL AT ELKTON

Eight School Districts Lying Along the Umpqua River Consolidate.

FIRST ELECTION VOID

Second Election Carries And School Supt. to Set Date for Organization—Fred Goff and Wife Will Have Charge.

According to the official count of the vote received here today school districts Nos. 34, 38, 54, 66, 85, 86 and 121 have voted for their consolidation, thereby insuring the new union high school. These districts extend from Scottsburg to Kellogg along the Umpqua river and contain much valuable property and are quite thickly populated. The students will attend their respective schools as heretofore, until after passing the eighth grade examinations. Previous to this consolidation of districts parents were forced to send their children to Roseburg or Eugene to further their education, but under the present plan adopted they will have the advanced school at their back door so to speak, where competent instructors will be employed and much trouble and expense saved.

The uniting of public and high schools in different localities in Oregon and in other states where the districts are large, is receiving a great deal of attention now-a-days and many moves toward better educational facilities have been made in the consolidation plan and much benefit has been derived therefrom.

The new union high school, will be located at Elkton, Ore., and as no new building can be built this year the students will be cared for in the old school building, which is large enough to accommodate the new arrivals for some time. Fred Goff and wife, both being able instructors, will have charge of the new school for the coming year and without a doubt will be well liked by the whole community, as well as the student body.

County School Superintendent Brown, when interviewed this afternoon said that Elkton would be looked to to build up an educational center that Douglas county will be proud of. According to Mr. Brown they have the territory, the valuation and the population, and there is no reason why this district should not make wonderful strides in the near future.

The first election was held June 18, last year, but upon examination it was found that irregularities appeared, owing to the fact that the laws governing school elections had not been properly observed, and as a consequence the results were thrown out. The next election was held September 29 and today the boundary board met and canvassed the vote, and declared the election carried and Superintendent Brown will soon set the date for the organization of the new union high school.

The valuation of all the districts was found to be \$1,254,870.

STEPS TAKEN FOR ARMY HOSPITAL

Roseburg Citizens Get Busy And Inform Washington Delegation of Fact.

CHAMBERLAIN WIRES

Effort Will Be Made to Encourage the Government to Look Upon This Section of State as Favorable Location for Hospital

STATEMENTS SUBMITTED.

Napoleon Rice, Roseburg, Oregon—Surgeon general of army has directed full investigation to determine best site in Oregon for location hospital for reconstruction purposes when such an institution is needed on Pacific coast. Am submitting to him your statements in behalf of Roseburg. GEO. E. CHAMBERLAIN.

That a determined effort will be made at once to encourage the government to look upon this section of the state as a favorable location for an army reconstruction hospital as tentatively planned by the government and to be located in some part of Oregon, the exact location to be determined later, was evident at a meeting held late yesterday afternoon in the office of J. W. Perkins, by a representative body of business men.

After going into the matter fully it was suggested that this city at once offer a site and other inducements to the department that the hospital be located at or near Roseburg. No definite number of acres were decided on as an inducement, this to be left up to the government and decided later when the matter has reached a more concrete form.

Upon motion the following committee was appointed to wire the Oregon delegation at Washington the wishes of the people of this community and urge them to endorse this section as a very desirable location for the hospital: Mayor Napoleon Rice, chairman; Attorney B. L. Eddy, A. C. Masters, president of the Roseburg Merchants Association; Dexter Rice, president of the Roseburg Commercial Club; L. Wimberly, attorney O. P. Coshow and B. W. Bates. The following telegram was immediately prepared and wired to the Oregon delegation last evening:

Roseburg, Ore., October 2.—Hon. Geo. E. Chamberlain, U. S. Senate, Washington D. C.—Understanding that convenient hospital contemplated for Oregon, and your recommendation of site has been requested, citizens of Roseburg, through representatives assisting offer government suitable site. Mild, bracing climate, medium moisture, drainage, scenery and other attractions make Roseburg ideal location. State soldiers' home here. Earnestly request your endorsement and active aid. Kindly wire situation. NAPOLÉON RICE, mayor, B. L. EDDY, A. C. MAISTERS, Pres. Merchants Assn., DEXTER RICE, Pres. Commercial Club, L. WIMBERLY, Roseburg Review, B. W. BATES, Evening News, O. P. COSHOW.

Early this afternoon the foregoing telegram was received by Mayor Rice from Senator Geo. E. Chamberlain in answer to the above, which in evidence that the surgeon-general has been advised of the offer made by the city of Roseburg and developments will be anxiously awaited.

It was first thought that an offer of the fair grounds as a site be made outright to the government, but on further consideration and taking the magnitude of the enterprise into mind, it was decided that this piece of ground would hardly prove large enough to accommodate the plans of the department and was left open for a matter to be later considered.

SEATTLE HAS TWO MEN KILLED IN ONE NIGHT

(By Associate Press.) SEATTLE, Oct. 2.—Two men were shot to death at almost the same hour, but in different parts of the city last night. Koute Merlitz, a sailor, was killed during a dispute aboard the steamer Strovoenk, lying at a dock here, and Lonnie Burnett

MRS. TRAVIS GETS CONTRACT

The county court late this afternoon accepted the bid of Mrs. Travis, of Albany, for paving the county road from the west city limits to the Oregon soldiers' home. Mrs. Travis' bid was for \$7616.22 and was the lowest submitted by nearly \$1,000. Construction work will start within the next two weeks.

MOTORSHIP ASTRI IS DAMAGED BY STORM

(By Associated Press.) SAN DIEGO, Oct. 3.—The new motorship, Astri, enroute from Portland to Valparaiso with lumber, put in here today. The vessel had encountered a severe gale and was badly damaged, and will await repairs before continuing southward. A number of the crew were suffering from a contagious disease, and will require medical treatment.

OXMAN IS CLEARED OF CHARGE OF PERJURY

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 3.—The charge that Frank C. Oxman, of Durkee, Ore., had perjured himself in his testimony against Thomas J. Mooney, convicted of murder in the bomb case here, was dismissed today.

TONS OF BOMBS DROPPED BY FRENCH

(By Associated Press.) PARIS, Oct. 3.—Berlin announcements allege that German troops captured a section of French trenches, yesterday, twelve hundred yards wide, east of the river Meuse, in the vicinity of Verdun. French reprisals for German air raids were continued last night, when, according to Paris announcement, airmen dropped bombs on the town of Baden, 55 miles beyond the frontier. Several tons of explosives were also dropped on military objectives in German-held territory. Along the French front, it is stated officially, artillery duels are being vigorously carried on at various points in the line, and especially in this front near Verdun, where the French are preparing for another advance.

SHIPPERS STRIKE IMMINENT

VICTORIA, B. C., Oct. 2.—Ship building plants here, are today taking a referendum vote to decide the question of a strike, in event the demand for higher wages is refused.

TYPHOON HITS TOKIO

LONDON, Oct. 3.—A dispatch from Shanghai to Reuters states that as a result of a typhoon which struck Tokio, Monday, four hundred thousand people are homeless. One hundred and eighty three were killed in the storm, and another 217 persons are missing, and it is believed that many of the latter are dead.

Men Entraining Today.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—About 200,000 men representing the third increment to the national army bound for cantonments in various parts of the United States, are today entraining for their several destinations. Probably half of the 687,000 men called to the colors in the first draft are already at the cantonment camps.

Not a Traitor.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—Representative Mason, of Illinois, in a speech in the house today, alleged that Representative Heflin had charged him with treason and in that connection linked him up with Emma Goldman. Heflin asked for time in which to reply to the remarks of Mason.

HONOR GUARD HAVE DRILLS LAST NIGHT

Business Meeting Precedes—Box of Delicacies To Be Sent Boys at Forts.

100 ACTIVE MEMBERS

A. O. K. Club, of Eugene, Witnesses Drill—Girls Becoming Proficient Tremendous Interest Shown in Ranks.

The Girls' National Honor Guard held its regular weekly military drill last evening and 70 members were in attendance. A business meeting preceded the drill and important matters were discussed relating to future plans and worthy pursuits. On next Tuesday each girl of the Honor Guard will fill a box with delicacies for the boys at Fort Stevens and Fort Canby and present them at the meeting where they will be expressed to the soldiers at once.

Throughout the winter at various times the girls will supply the home boys at the forts with good things and as far as possible their every wish is to be fulfilled by the Honor Guard. The drill last evening was witnessed by members of the A. O. K. club of Eugene who expressed their highest admiration of the excellency of the demonstration. It has been decided to eliminate spectators hereafter until more proficiency is acquired. However, before many weeks have passed a public demonstration is to occur and those who doubt the ability of girls—as soldiers—will be given an opportunity of witnessing a splendid exhibition.

In the future military law will prevail and "guard houses" and court martial will figure prominently. The object of the military organization is merely to place before the girls a new phase—something original—something to hold the interest of all. However, as members of the organization the rules must be obeyed in all earnestness and unless they are followed, immediate resignation is desired. Three new members were taken into the Honor Guard last evening which brings the active membership roll to 100. The Girls' National Honor Guard is every ready to co-operate in the assistance of those who are in need, from our soldier boys to the civilians at home, for many times "charity begins at home."

The next meeting of the Honor Guard will be held Tuesday evening at the armory and at this time all past members who have failed to report will be eliminated from the rolls. The "out of town" members are always welcome to re-enter the rolls at any time. However, those of the Guard in the city who can and do not come to meetings will be dropped on Tuesday.

MISS RUTH CORBETT TALKS IN EUGENE

That the use of vetch seed for human food is one of the best means in western Oregon is the opinion of Miss Ruth Corbett, who is in charge of the government conservation work in Lane and Douglas counties, says in the Eugene Guard. Miss Corbett is of this opinion for several reasons. Vetch is equal in feed value and of similar constituents to beans which cost from two to four times as much. The beans thus displaced can be sent abroad where people are not used to vetch, and at the front cannot be well taught its use.

It will also make a welcome change when alternated with beans, both beans and vetch being good meat substitutes. On Wednesday afternoon she will give demonstrations at the county fair on various ways to cook vetch. She hopes to have ample supply of pamphlets giving recipes for this vegetable which Oregon grows so plentifully and so easily. Among the dishes demonstrated will be vetch in combination with beans, peanuts and other vegetables.

On Thursday Miss Corbett will demonstrate canning of flesh, fowl and fish. On Friday the demonstration will be devoted to the preparation of dried fruits and vegetables for the table.

B. L. Markee Visiting Parents.

B. L. Markee, of Portland, son of Commandant and Mrs. Markee, of the Oregon soldiers' home, is visiting with his parents in this city. Mr. Markee recently returned from a two months' business trip throughout the east. The young man is a representative of the Monarch range, with headquarters in Portland.