

THANKSGIVING BALL SPLENDID SUCCESS

Happy Throng Attend Hop—
Room Adorned in Beautiful Patriotic Setting.

EVERY MINUTE ENJOYED

Grand March Led By Captain Lucile French, of Honor Guard, and Captain Fred Haynes, of the Home Guard.

Gayety and a jolly spirit of Thanksgiving prevailed last evening at the army when the Girls National Honor Guard were sponsors for one of the most pleasurable social affairs that has been scheduled in the annals of artistic events in this city. Upon entering the spacious airy patriotic setting of unusual beauty, and throughout the evening an intense feeling of Americanism was apparent upon the smiling faces of the happy ones. From every nook and corner were arrayed Old Glorias, arranged here and there with a Thanksgiving emblem and from the center of the ball room was suspended an immense round ball, representing the globe, which was completely besprinkled with miniature flags. Gracefully leading to the four corners of the hall—trailing from the centerpiece—were red, white and blue streamers. Fernery and greens from the woodlands were placed about in various nooks and the entire setting was pronounced especially clever and altogether lovely. The dance loving people of Roseburg turned out in gala attire and many beautiful new gowns were worn during the evening and to excellent harmony produced by Ott's six-piece orchestra the torpischorian art was indulged until the wee small hours, with every moment filled with pleasure. Spectators thronged the galleries and during the pleasant hours derived much enjoyment from the gayeties below.

The cares and strife of the great outside world were completely forgotten for the time and the pleasure seekers journeyed into a haven of gladness where only smiles and happiness were tolerated.

One of the impressive features of the evening was displayed in the grand march which was led by Captain Lucile French, of the Honor Guard, and Captain Fred Haynes, of the Home Guard into this march was introduced several new and entertaining steps and figures, and following this feature pretty programs were passed to the guests by Honor Guard girls.

The first Schottische was featured by a solo which was rendered by Mrs. Robert Kidd and this proved most original and charming. To the soft strains of "The Long Long Trail," the beautiful schottische was danced and the exquisite contralto voice of Mrs. Kidd blending sweetly, lent charm beyond expression. During the evening punch was dispensed at a gaily decorated booth by a committee of Honor Guard girls and a floor committee including Mrs. Bert Fritch, Mrs. R. Catching, Mrs. H. C. Waddell, Margretta Merrill, Pearl Pearce, Helen Krohn and Virginia Riggs graciously attended the guests. Patronesses for the event were Mesdames Fred Schwartz, Robert Kidd, Roy Catching, Bert Fritch, C. W. Hughes, J. A. Buchanan, Geo. E. Houck, Dean Bubar Geo. Quine, J. H. Booth and J. W. Perkins.

When the soft strains of the Blue Bird waltz announced the moment of adjournment, reluctant were the steppers to depart from the fairland of gladness, but the inevitable climax had arrived and the little sublime city of happiness was deserted for the more serious outside world. The memories of the pleasurable evening will ever be warmly inspiring upon the hearts of all in attendance and the Girls National Honor Guard of Roseburg were universally declared to be entertainers of splendid ability.

The people of Roseburg co-operated with the Honor Guard girls in their usual worth while manner and their support was intensely appreciated. After paying all expenses the remainder of the proceeds will be placed in the treasury of the Honor Guard and will be used as in the past—where needed—for the good of humanity.

PLAN OF 'MINUTE MEN' SPIKED BY MAYOR GILL

SEATTLE, Nov. 27.—The plan of the "minute men" to have a naval officer, acting as chief of police, direct a campaign against vice and pro-

Germanism in this city apparently reached an impasse today, when Mayor Hiram Gill declared he objected to Lieutenant F. W. Becker, naval reserves, navy intelligence officer here, who is said to have been the minute men's nominee for the place. Lieutenant Becker, when a civilian was manager of the Seattle Water Front Employers association during a strike here some time ago, and Mayor Gill declared he was against his appointment for this reason.

RAFE DIXON PAINFULLY INJURED THIS MORNING

Uncle Rafe Dixon, the well known Dixonville stock raiser, was painfully injured this morning about 9 o'clock when a rope attached to a heavy timber caught the thumb of his right hand in such a manner that the member was almost severed before the horse on which Mr. Dixon was mounted could be stopped. According to information received here today, Mr. Dixon was in the act of pulling logs from a creek near his home, on horse back, and in attaching the rope to the pommel of the saddle his thumb became caught in the coil with painful results. Dr. Miller dressed the unfortunate man's wounds and it is thought that the thumb can be saved.

CLOTHING SUPPLY SHORT IN GERMANY

When Buying New, Old Garments Must be Turned In.

OTHER RESTRICTIONS

Amount of Dress Goods Women May Buy Stipulated by Government—Schemes for Evasions That Are Practiced.

BERNE, Switzerland, Oct. 28.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—To conserve the diminishing supply of clothing in Germany the German government has imposed regulations requiring that, for all articles of linen or personal wear to be purchased, three similar worn articles must be returned. This increases the scope and rigor of the clothing cards introduced less than a year ago.

The regulation applies to cotton stockings, gloves, collars, table linen and cloth materials for various household purposes. For every suit or overcoat too well worn or one in good condition must be surrendered. The only articles of ordinary wear or use that are exempted from card regulations are wooden shoes and silk things.

More than a year ago there was much talk in Germany of reducing the consumption of cloth by inducing patriotic minded women to return to the old but fashionable tight skirt. The maximum quantity of material, in meters, which should be used for a dress was even stipulated. The economy was not successfully accomplished however, for the German women, though they shortened their skirts appreciably, wore them wide and full.

Now therefore, there is pending a rigid specification limiting the number of yards of cloth which may be devoted to any garment of given proportions—depending upon the size of the prospective wearer. And if the wearer needs linen and other garments than outer clothes, she must turn in three corresponding, worn-out pieces of lingerie.

MEETINGS ARE HELD.

Miss Helen Cowgill, industrial club worker for the O. A. C., held meetings yesterday afternoon in the Benson, Rose and Riverside schools. These meetings were for the purpose of organizing the clubs for the year's work. It is hoped that the work which the clubs carry on can be completed before the school year is over instead of extending into the summer months as heretofore.

ALLIES WILL WARN RUSSIA OF DANGER

Statement Will Probably be Issued to the Russian People.

THE POSITION CHANGING

Struggle for Possession of Cambria Continues on Western Front—Crisis in Italy Thought To Be Past.

(By Associated Press.)

ASSOCIATED PRESS WAR LEAD. Nov. 29.—The allies diplomats in Petrograd, while not recognizing the Bolshevik government, will acknowledge receipt of proposals from leaders of the radical party for an armistice conference next Sunday. These proposals, however, will be looked upon as those merely coming from individuals. Speaking for England, Lord Robert Cecil declared that the allies are considering the issuance of a statement for the guidance and warning of Russians, informing them of the serious results likely to follow if a separate peace with Germany is concluded.

At the western front British and German forces continue in a desperate struggle on the Burion-Fontaine Notre Dame line. The Britons are trying to advance and occupy Cambria, while the Germans are constantly counter attacking to prevent such a move. Positions are changing hands repeatedly in the fighting there. All efforts of Teutons to regain Burion wood have failed.

In Italy the crisis is past, according to Major General Maurice, of the British war office, as the Germans have not attempted any new attacks showing strength, and all of their latest efforts show lack of the vigor characterizing their earlier offensive. Arrives at Italian Front.

ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS, Nov. 29.—Brigadier General Scriven, of the U. S. army, has arrived at the front to study the situation, and will report his findings to his government. The general dined with the king on a recent day. It is not believed that the Germans will be able

AMERICAN AVIATOR ESCAPES CAPTORS

In British Service When Taken Prisoner—Eludes His Pursuers.

TRAVELS FOR 72 DAYS

After Thrilling Experience Gets Back to Friendly Lines—Boys in France Enjoy Turkey—President Spends Quiet Day.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Nov. 29.—Lieutenant Patrick O'Brien, of Molineux, Ill., and San Diego, Calif., the first American of the British flying corps to escape from Germany has arrived in London. O'Brien evaded his captors by jumping from the window of a moving train, although he was wounded at the time. For 72 days the indomitable spirit of the American enabled him to escape detection, and on one occasion he narrowly escaped electrocution from contact with charged wires along the Holland frontier. After recovering from the shock he burrowed under the wires and continued his efforts to reach friendly lines. O'Brien, who is 27 years of age, is anxious to be transferred to the United States flying corps, but wants to return home and see his aged mother first.

Boys Enjoy Turkey. PARIS, Nov. 29.—United States soldiers in France enjoyed an old-fashioned and homelike Thanksgiving dinner today. Thousands of turkeys had been provided, and each man was served an individual portion of a pound and a quarter to a pound and a half.

Forty-Pound Turkey. WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—President Wilson spent the day quietly. He attended union Thanksgiving services in the morning, then took a motor ride. The White House Thanksgiving dinner was enjoyed as (Continued on page 6.)

to cross the Piave river, as winter interfering materially with their lines of communication in the rear, hindering the arrival of supplies.

BRITISH REGIMENT BATTLES WITH RATS

Rodents in the Trenches Are Worse Than Pestilential Germans.

ALL SORTS OF DEVICES

Ferrets Brought Over and Were of Great Help in Cleaning Out Pests—Cats Failed to Do The Work.

(By Associated Press.)

BEHIND THE BRITISH LINES IN FRANCE, Nov. 1.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—There is a certain brave battalion in the British army which is known throughout the length and breadth of the line as "The Ferrets." The nickname was given them first of all because of their success in dealing with the rat nuisance in their section of the line, and the soldier who had most to do with combatting the rats is known from Dunkirk to St. Quentin as "O. C. Rats"—the initials being the regular British army abbreviation for "officer commanding."

The rats were probably worse in that battalion's section of the line last winter than anywhere else in Flanders, and many were the devices tried against the little enemy. Traps of all kinds were tried. Rat devouring dogs were brought up, but in vain. A cat with a tremendous reputation in the French villages was purchased and did well at first, killing four rats in twenty-four hours and intimidating many others. Thereupon the battalion made much of the victorious animal, to its undoing, for it adapted itself as if by instinct to the life of a regimental pet, that it, it ate as much as it could of the men's rations, took the warmest corner available, and quit work.

Finally the battalion staff held a war council, and dispatched one of its number to London to bring back three or four good ferrets.

In the trenches, the ferrets were an object of great interest. Private Thomas Merryfield emerged from obscurity and was assigned to take

charge of the newcomers. From that day forward he was known to the army as O. C. Rats. He took his duties seriously, and immediately went into action against the little enemy that had been stealing food off the tables, running over officers' faces at night, chewing even the laces from men's boots.

The ferrets and their "O. C." put up some great hunts. There were moments of great excitement when the rats bolted wholesale before the new attack and were clubbed to death in the trench by the enthusiastic men. There were also moments of breathless anxiety, when one of the precious ferrets emerged from a hole somewhere below the barbed wire and was reported steering for the German trenches. One day Merryfield won the censure of the authorities and the enthusiastic approval and praise of his comrades by retrieving a lost ferret from No Man's Land in daylight and under fire.

Little by little the art of rat hunting was learned by the whole battalion. Men became wise in ferret lore, cunning in interpreting the noises of an underground struggle between the antagonists. The rats have ever since given that section of the battle zone a wide berth and the fame of the winter's successful anti-rat offensive is known to all the army.

STRICT RULES TO GOVERN DRAFT MEN

Subjects Are Charged With Knowing All Provisions and Regulations

'MAKE NO MISTAKES'

Failure To Comply With Laws To Be Considered a Misdemeanor Punishable by Imprisonment—All Exemptions Revoked.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—All persons subject to the selective military service law, Provost Marshal General Crowder announced today, are charged with knowing the law and accompanying regulations, and failure to comply with them will be considered a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment. Failure also may cause immediate induction into military service and will operate as a waiver of any right or privilege which might otherwise have been claimed.

General Crowder pointed out that all previous exemptions are revoked under a section of the regulations which reads:

"All exemptions and discharges made prior to noon on December 15, and all certificates in evidence there of are hereby revoked from and after noon on December 15, and all such certificates theretofore issued shall have no further validity.

"In any case of deferred classification made under these rules and regulations the secret of war may order such deferred classification and any certificate issued in evidence thereof, to be revoked and the registrant to be transferred to any less deferred class designated by the secretary except only as to such registrants as have been placed in class five on account of legal exemption."

On its part the local board is to do everything possible to acquaint registrants with their order of liability. It is absolutely necessary that each registrant shall know his order number. The board is to mail to registrants notices of its actions concerning them and of any duties that they are required to perform and notice of its disposition of the claims of other persons regarding registrants shall be mailed to the registrants and the other persons as well.

JACK DAWSON VISITING CORVALLIS AND VICINITY

Jack Dawson, our former well known poultry dealer, came in from Roseburg the other day, and with his wife and daughter, a small son and Fred, he is spending some time looking over the field with the idea of re-locating, says the Corvallis Gazette. Jack went to California when he left here about five or six years ago, finally got back to Roseburg, in the heart of the turkey district, stayed there delightfully for several years and now looks to Corvallis again. If he finds what he is looking for, Jack will be with us again indefinitely. He is a "good scout" as a chicken and turkey man, and old friends will be glad to have him and his family in Corvallis again.

HUNS MAY NOT KILL CAPTURED TOMMIES

Germans Raid Trench on Western Front and Take "Liberty Boys"

EXPECTED TO BE SHOT

"Good Natured Smiles Radiating From Blue Eyes Surprise the Enemy" Asked Why U. S. at War.

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN, Sunday, Nov. 25.—Via London, Nov. 28.—A report received from the western front describing the American troops in action says: "Independent American units have been thrown into the trench line. The felt hat has given way to the English-fashioned steel helmet and the whistling and bursting of shells have become familiar sounds to American ears.

"For the first time since they have been participating as independent contingents, the Americans have tasted the real hand scuffle. But this time the shells did not merely fly over their heads but into the very trenches which they had selected and presently, with an infernal noise, these trenches which the young soldiers believed to be a firm protection began to quake and burst.

"And hard on the heels of this a firm attack by our crushing Bavarian reserves forced the way into the American trenches and musket shots and bursting hand grenades relieved the artillery firing.

"Our opponents made a most determined defense and desperate hand to hand fighting set in. But butts of guns, fists and hand grenades were freely brought into play and many men fell to the ground before the rest gave up resistance and surrendered. After a bare hour the German storming troops were back in their own trenches with booty and prisoners.

"There they stood before us, these young men from the land of liberty. They were sturdy and sportsmanlike in build. Good natured smiles radiated from their blue eyes and they were quite surprised that we did not propose to shoot them down as they had been led in the French training camp to believe we would do.

"They know no real reply to our query 'why does the United States carry on war against Germany?' The sinking of American ships by U-boats which was the favorable pretext, sounds a trifle stale. One prisoner expressed the opinion that we had treated Belgium rather badly. Another asserted that it was Lafayette who brought America French aid in the war of independence and because of this the United States would now stand by France."

PINKERSON RELEASED LEFT FOR PORTLAND

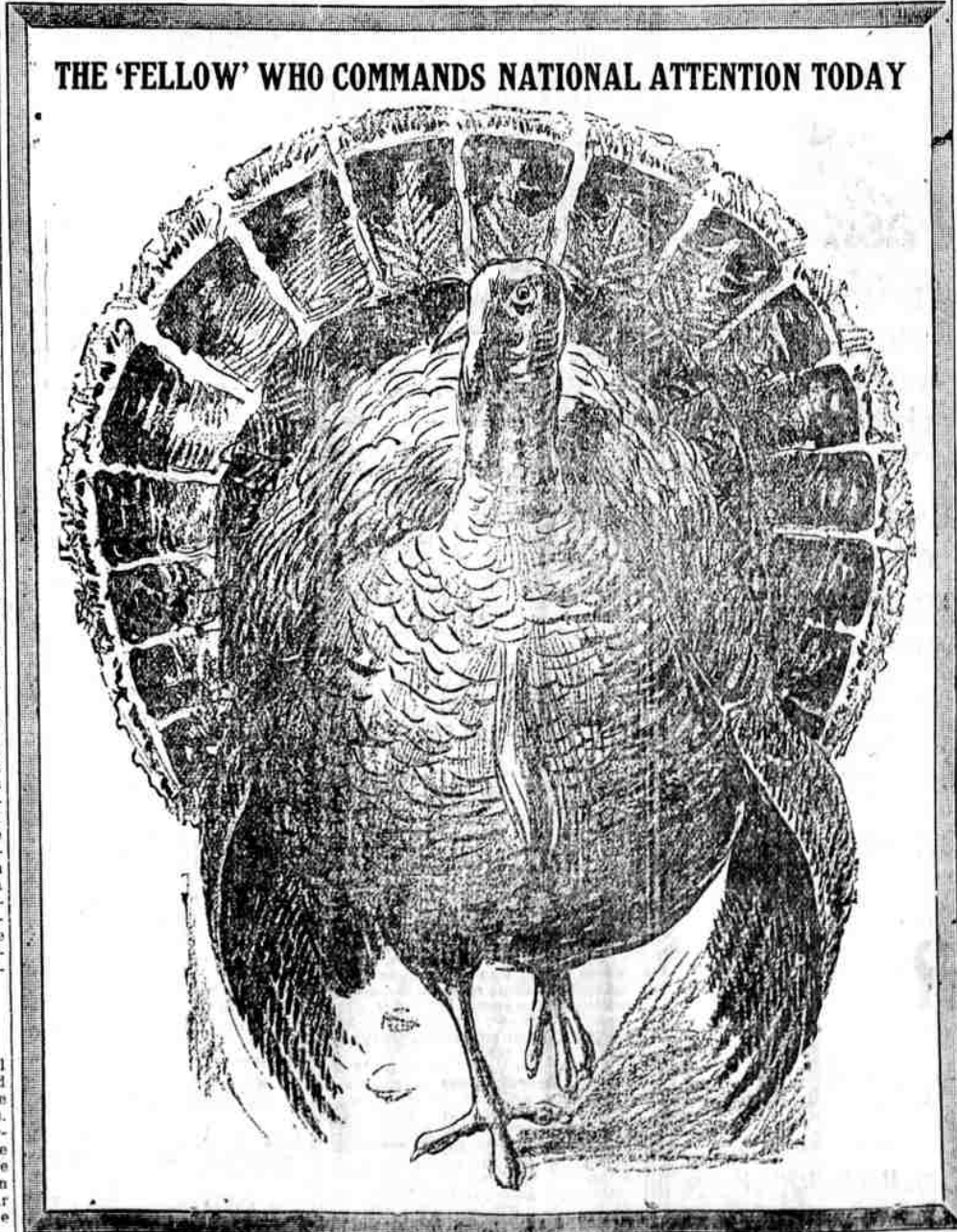
P. D. Pinkerson, who was recently convicted in Judge Riddle's court of bootlegging and placed in the county jail in default of bonds, late yesterday afternoon made arrangements for his release pending the hearing of his appeal which is to be taken in the circuit court.

Pinkerson was given the heaviest sentence ever meted out to booze traffickers in the history of the dry regime in this city. Judge Riddle, holding that the accused was guilty of wholesale violation of the prohibition laws and levied a fine of \$400 and 60 days in jail.

Pinkerson left last night for Portland and will remain there until his case comes up for re-trial probably in the February term of court.

JOE KELLEY BOOKED SLACKER STILL HELD

Joe Kelly, the I. W. W. who was picked up by Special Officer James Mahoney, of the Southern Pacific Co., and Night Patrolman Grant Wilcox, and taken into custody charged with being a "slacker" still languishes in the county jail. No word has yet been received from the Minot, North Dakota, draft board, where Kelly claims to have registered under the name of Maurice Brown, and the man will in all probability be turned over to the federal authorities, where his case will be investigated. The local authorities are of the opinion that Kelly may be wanted for a more serious crime and as a consequence his finger prints were taken and sent to various police headquarters with a view of establishing his criminal record providing the agitator has been in trouble before.



THE 'FELLOW' WHO COMMANDS NATIONAL ATTENTION TODAY