

# ROSEBURG REVIEW

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**MILLION DOLLAR SEASON.**  
Douglas County exports for the present fall and winter season will bring \$1,000,000 new money.

**BUSINESS IS GOOD.**  
Good crops and high prices makes money plentiful. Review advertisers get the business.

## PRESIDENT HAS ASKED NATIONS VIEWS ON PEACE

WHOLLY WITHOUT NOTICE HE DISPATCHED NOTES TO ALL BELLIGERENTS AND NEUTRALS—ALL WASHINGTON IS SURPRISED.

## SOUNDINGS TAKEN ON ISSUE

When the President's Action Became Known the Officials Expressed the Opinion That it Would Improve the Situation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—President Wilson has appealed to all the belligerents to discuss terms of peace.

Without actually proposing peace or offering mediation, the President has sent formal notes to the governments of all the warring nations suggesting "an early occasion be sought to call out from the nations now at war such an avowal of their respective views as to the terms upon which the war might be concluded and the arrangements which would be deemed satisfactory as a guarantee against its renewal or the kindling of any similar conflict in the future, as would make it possible to frankly compare them."

Wholly without notice and entirely contrary to what administration officials have described as his course, the President last night dispatched his notes to all the belligerents and to all the neutrals for their information. Summarized in the President's own words, as contained in the note, his attitude is as follows:

"The President is not proposing peace; he is not even offering mediation. He is merely proposing that soundings be taken in order that we may learn, the neutral nations with the belligerent, how near the haven of peace may be for which all mankind longs with an intense and increasing longing. He believes that the spirit in which he speaks and the objects which he seeks will be understood by all concerned, and he confidently hopes for a response which will bring a new light into the affairs of the world."

This latest development in the rapidly-moving world events toward a discussion of peace was not allowed to become known until tonight, when the notes were well on their way to the American ambassadors in the warring capitals and probably already in the hands of some of them.

**Official Washington Surprised.**  
It was a most distinct surprise to all official Washington, which had been led to believe that with the formal transmittal of the proposals of the central powers the officers of the United States would await further moves between the belligerents themselves, and that certainly, in view of the speech of Premier Lloyd-George and the announcements in Russia, France and Italy, further action by neutrals would depend upon the next careful and delicate moves of the belligerents.

The whole tenor of official opinions throughout Washington, when the President's action became known, was that it immeasurably improved the prospects for some sort of exchange looking toward an approach of peace discussions between the belligerents without impairing the position of the United States should they finally be unable to find a good ground on which to approach one another.

At the White House no statement whatever could be obtained as to whether any of the powers even had intimated how they would receive the note, and

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## FORD'S DETROIT PLANT WILL CLOSE TOMORROW TO RELIEVE RAILROADS

DETROIT, Dec. 21.—General Manager Klingensmith announced that the Ford plant will close tomorrow until January 3, for the purpose of relieving the railroad congestion. Forty-two thousand employees will receive no pay during the suspension. This means a loss of \$2,000,000. The factory will sacrifice profits on approximately 25,000 cars. The factory makes 2,500 cars daily.

## AEROPLANES ARE DESTROYED.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—It was announced that four German aeroplanes were destroyed on the Somme. Snow and rain hindered the Salonika front fighting.

## PROHIBITION FAVORED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Senate Judiciary committee favorably reported on the National prohibition bill. It provides for absolute prohibition in the United States.

## BRITISH STEAMER SUNK.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—American Consul Malta informed the State Department that the British steamer Saint Ursula, with six Americans aboard was torpedoed without warning. The Americans were saved.

## WILL INVESTIGATE HIGH COST OF COMMODITIES; EMBARGO IS PLANNED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Representative London has introduced a resolution asking for a special food commission consisting of the secretaries of agriculture, commerce and labor, to ascertain whether the United States' food supply is sufficient. If insufficient he would declare an export embargo.

## CAMPBELL IS GOVERNOR.

PHOENIX, Dec. 21.—State Secretary Osborn has issued a certificate of election to Tom Campbell, Republican, over Governor Hunt, Democrat. He claimed the victory by 30 votes. Hunt immediately renewed the contest.

## BRITISH WERE EJECTED.

BERLIN, via Sayville, Dec. 21.—It was announced that the Germans ejected the British from positions north of Arras. The Germans successfully raided west of Villers and Charbonnel. Artillery was violent on both sides of the Somme.

## New Cabinet Formed.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 21.—Vienna reported that Clem Martini has organized a new Austrian cabinet. Von Spitzmuller failed to form the ministry.

## Stock Exchange Has Panic.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Stock exchange prices crashed following Secretary Lansing's explanation of the President's note. Despite the support of big banking interests, 3,175,000 shares were dumped. It was the wildest day since the Northern Pacific panic in 1901.

## LIQUOR "PEANUTS" HAVE MORE KICK THAN LAW ALLOWS.

(Portland Journal.)  
"Gimme some peanuts."  
Joe Dietz, who runs a peanut wagon at Third and Washington streets, cast a furtive eye up and down the street.  
"Sure."  
With a satisfied smile the customer took a rather large sack of "peanuts" and disappeared in the crowd.

Last night a man from the sheriff's office strolled up to Joe's wagon and asked for two sacks of "peanuts." Joe said he was out of that particular kind, but he would get them in a few minutes. He left and soon returned with two quart bottles of "peanuts" and concluded the sale. About that time Deputy Sheriff Christofferson appeared on the scene and placed the peanut vendor under arrest on a charge of violating the prohibition law. The "peanuts" he was selling, according to the officers, were liquid and had a "kick" which is prohibited by the dry law. The officers are now looking for the person from whom Dietz obtained the two quart after his supply became exhausted.

## WOULD PROTECT LOCAL STREAMS

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING OF ROSEBURG SPORTSMEN WAS HELD AT THE OFFICES OF G. W. YOUNG & COMPANY LAST NIGHT.

## NEW TROUT HATCHERY NEEDED

An Effort Will Be Made in the Near Future to Increase the Membership of the Local Organization, It is Reported.

The sportsmen's meeting held at G. W. Young & Son's office on Cass street Wednesday night was enthusiastic and well attended. Several members of the club spoke and explained the situation and the need for co-operation in protecting the Umpqua as an angling stream. On account of the indifference manifested heretofore by the residents of the community, fishing in our streams has become almost depleted.

It was decided at Wednesday night's meeting to increase the membership of this club in order that effective work might be done in securing legislation that will regulate the condition at the mouth of the river, and permit at least our portion of the fish to get to the upper waters.

It was also decided to make every possible effort to secure a trout hatchery during the coming summer, and to have the present salmon hatchery increased in capacity sufficient to liberate at least five million salmon each year. At the present time only about one and one-half million are liberated and the balance of the eggs which are taken, amounting to eight or nine million per year, are sent to the Bonneville hatchery to build up the Columbia River and other streams at a sacrifice to the people living in the Umpqua Valley.

A committee was appointed by the chair to solicit membership and to arrange for a meeting early in January to consider the legislation matters for the purpose of arriving at some definite plan of action. This committee is composed of A. C. Marsters, G. W. Young, Charles L. Sealeman, A. J. Lilburn and S. B. Crouch. Another committee was appointed to sell tickets to the sportsmen's ball, which is to be held at the armory Friday night.

The sportsman have secured the Amlier's Theater from the EKs in order to show to the school children of the city, for educational purposes, State Biologist Finley's latest moving picture productions of the wild life. The same pictures will be shown at the entertainment to be given at the armory Friday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. These pictures are undoubtedly the best ever taken of animal life and are really worth seeing.

## HOSPITAL IS EMPTY.

As a result of the holidays, Mercy hospital had only one patient this afternoon and he will be discharged and leave for his home tomorrow. Local physicians state that they do not like to operate during the few days preceding Christmas unless the illness is of a serious character. This is due to the fact that the patients become restless, while the nurses and physicians themselves look ahead to the holidays as a time for merriment and recreation rather than for serious thought.

## LIQUOR SHIPMENTS ARE VERY HEAVY, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICERS

That the Oregon "lopers" are making preparation for the long "dry" spell that is bound to follow the convening of the State Legislature in Salem on January 8, is attested by the enormous shipments of liquor during the past few days. Train No. 16, which passed through here at 12 o'clock last night carried an express car which was filled to its capacity with liquor consigned to people of Portland and other towns in that locality. Other trains passing through here have also carried large shipments of "wet" goods to the Oregon metropolis. And in this connection it might be said that Roseburg is not very slow. A great many liquor shipments have been received here during the past few days, and it is predicted that the affidavits for December will far exceed those of the previous months.

Mrs. C. S. Heffline will leave tomorrow for Portland, where she will spend Christmas with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. O. Eldridge.

## PRES. WILSON'S NOTE CONDEMNED BY CANADIANS AS INOPPORTUNE

TORONTO, Dec. 21.—Canadian officials and the press condemned President Wilson's note. Hon. G. H. Ferguson called the move "gratuitous and inopportune." Hon. F. G. McDiarmid predicted that the British would strongly resent it. The Morning World headed its story regarding the note: "Wilson Starts His Kutting." It said the action merely safeguarded American interests. The World said the United States fears that the allies will make trade deals among themselves after the war, barring the neutrals not participating in the maintenance of the world's liberties.

## WIFE ASKS WARRANT BECAUSE OF BEATING GIVEN BY HUSBAND

Claiming that she had been attacked, beaten and thrown out of the house, Mrs. Edward Noah, who lives at Edenover, early last evening went to a neighbor's and made an effort to secure a warrant for the arrest of her husband, a local blacksmith.

Failing to locate any officials who could obtain the proper documents, she told her friends she would have to return home to finish her work and milk the cows. This morning Mrs. Noah consulted the officers, and it was learned at the office of the justice of the peace that she could have the warrant as soon as she made her appearance and supplied the necessary information. It is thought that Noah may be taken into custody this evening.

Another outcome of the case considered possible by the officers is that Mrs. Noah will start action to secure a divorce. The matrimonial differences between the couple have been known to the officials for some time. Other beatings, but not so severe as that last night, are said to have occurred previously.

## LONDON NEWSPAPERS NOT ALLOWED TO PUBLISH PRES. WILSON'S NOTE

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Private messages said that high British officials openly expressed the intensest of indignation over President Wilson's peace note. Their attitude may be responsible for the British government's action in refusing to permit the note being published in London.

Censors halted all cables regarding the note. The foreign office received an official copy of the note, but refused to divulge its contents.

## CONDITIONS ARE BECOMING INTOLERABLE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Secretary Lansing said a desire for a complete showdown by the belligerents, because American rights are being invaded, is the real purpose behind President Wilson's note. He declared frankly that the United States is "drawing nearer to the verge of war." This situation cannot continue. He authorized the following statement:

"Our rights have been invaded and the situation is becoming intolerable. The belligerents on both sides are invading American rights more and more. The situation is increasingly critical. I mean the United States is drawing nearer the verge of war and therefore is entitled to know what the belligerents want, so we can regulate our future conduct."

Secretary Lansing emphasized positively that the German peace proposal and Premier Lloyd-George's speech are in no way connected with the sending of President Wilson's note. He declared the President did not intend to therein suggest peace. He wants to render the neutrals' position less intolerable. Secretary Lansing's whole talk emphasized the idea that America must "do something" in the event its rights are further invaded.

The British, Italian, Japanese, German, Bulgarian, Russian and Turkish ambassadors visited Secretary Lansing this morning, received copies of the note and forwarded the same to their governments. Lansing said President Wilson finally decided to send this note Monday. It was forwarded Monday night and Tuesday morning.

## PINKSTON GIVEN BEAUTIFUL CANE

PRESENTATION ADDRESS WAS DELIVERED BY COUNTY JUDGE MARSTERS IN THE PRESENCE OF MANY COURTHOUSE EMPLOYEES.

## LAUDS RETIRING COMMISSIONER

Mr. Pinkston Responded Briefly and Thanked His Colleagues and Friends for Their Courtesy To Retire On Jan. 1.

Surrounded by county officers, courthouse employes and many of his friends, E. H. Pinkston, who retires from the office of county commissioner on January 1, was this morning presented with a beautiful gold-headed cane. Presentation of the cane followed a special meeting of the county court and occurred in the chambers of the county judge.

The presentation address was delivered by County Judge Marsters, who, in a few well chosen words expressed appreciation for the manner in which the retiring commissioner had handled the affairs of his office during the past four years. "Your fellow officers and friends have gathered here this morning," said Judge Marsters, "for the purpose of presenting you with a little token as an appreciation of your work since you became a member of the county court. It is a well known fact that you have labored diligently in the interests of the taxpayers of Douglas County and the least we can do is to show our appreciation of you. Your counsel has been sound and able, and through your retirement Douglas County has lost one of its most honorable and capable officials. In presenting you with this cane, we desire to make you feel that your retirement from the county court is a matter of regret among your fellow officers and friends."

Without further ceremony, Judge Marsters handed Mr. Pinkston the cane which the latter carefully unwrapped and displayed to his friends. In response to the address of Judge Marsters, the retiring commissioner said the ceremony came unexpectedly, and any remarks he might make could not convey his deep and sincere appreciation of the gift. "I have at all times tried to work in the best interests of Douglas County," said Commissioner Pinkston, "and in retiring from office I feel that my efforts have not been in vain. I have only the kindest regards for those with whom I have come in contact during my term of office, and I believe them to be my friends."

Following the ceremony, the officers and other employes at the courthouse gathered about Mr. Pinkston and wished him many years of happiness. Mr. Pinkston was almost overcome by the unexpected ceremony and plainly indicated that the presentation was a complete surprise.

## MYRTLE CREEK MAN SELECTED TO HANDLE ROSEBURG MAIL ROUTE

Postmaster L. F. Reizenstein this morning received word from the Postoffice officials at Washington, D. C., to the effect that Charles G. Carnahan, of Myrtle Creek, had been appointed carrier on rural mail route No. 1, which extends out of Roseburg. Mr. Carnahan will succeed S. I. Thornton, who resigned from the service last November. Edwin Thornton, a son of the former carrier, has been handling the mail on the route since his father's resignation was accepted.

Mr. Carnahan came to Roseburg last fall and took the civil service examination. He was successful and the position was offered to him as a result.

## RED CROSS SEALS.

In common with the practice in many other towns and cities throughout the United States, Postmaster L. F. Reizenstein this morning granted the local company of Boy Scouts permission to sell Red Cross Seals in the lobby of the postoffice.

## WILSON'S NOTE LAUDED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, presented a resolution endorsing President Wilson's note. He asked for its immediate consideration. Senator Borah opposed the move.

## FORMER ROSEBURG MAN DIED IN MARSHFIELD WEDNESDAY MORNING

Word was received here this morning to the effect that W. C. Main, lacking seven years of being 100, died at Marshfield Wednesday. Mr. Main was born in Syracuse, New York, and in later life lived in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Idaho and Oregon. He was a resident of Roseburg for four years and went to Coos Bay in 1915. Before St. Paul was founded, Mr. Main fought the Sioux Indians on its site. Mr. Main is survived by a wife and son, E. B. Main. Prior to leaving Roseburg for Marshfield, he resided on Pitzer street. He is well known in Roseburg and the news of his death came as a surprise to his many friends in this city.

## LOW IN ROSEBURG.

C. A. Low, a mining engineer who resides at Glenary, returned here this afternoon after some time spent in California, where he examined some properties in which he and J. W. Perkins are interested. After a few days passed in this vicinity, Mr. Low expects to leave for New York, where he will confer with some capitalists regarding the sale of the mines. The properties are said to be very valuable and were only recently examined by a number of prominent engineers. In each instance, the engineers pronounced the ore of high grade and of sufficient quantities to pay the owners a handsome profit.

Mark N. Tisdale was appointed by the probate court today to act as administrator in the estate of M. A. Talsman, deceased, who resided at Sutherlin. The estate is estimated to have a value of \$2500, consisting of real estate.

## COYOTE BOUNTY WAS INCREASED BY COURT; SHEEPMEN ARE PLEASED

Acting upon recommendations made at the last meeting of the County Court, the members of that body this morning increased the bounty on coyotes from \$10 to \$20. Reports have been received by the court during the past few months to the effect that coyotes were becoming very numerous and that the sheep industry of the county is threatened with destruction in the event no action is taken to exterminate the pests. As a result of the increased bounty it is predicted that a number of trappers will be attracted to Douglas County and that the coyotes will eventually be exterminated. In a number of instances ranchers reported that they had lost as many as 200 sheep during a single season. The new bounty will become effective on January 1. Several farmers have purchased dogs, and will spend a portion of the winter in hope of aiding in the campaign to do away with the coyote nuisance in this county.

## NEW LICENSES NEEDED.

Hunters should obtain a new license, or a receipt for a dollar lodged with their application before attempting to hunt after the 31st of December, according to an announcement made by local game wardens. The results of the deer season recently closed have convinced the state game wardens that the shortage of deer, which has been complained of for several seasons, is indeed real, and they now realize that something must be done quickly if one of the finest outdoor sports is to be maintained in Oregon, and especially in the interior districts. Although many suggestions have been offered, the older sportsmen believe that hunting deer should be prohibited for several years. This, they declare, is the only manner in which the sport can be continued with any degree of permanency.

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## TAX LEVY FIXED BY COURT TODAY

THE LEVY WAS FIXED AT 18.05 MILLS AND WILL RAISE APPROXIMATELY \$876,328.10 — STATE APPORTIONMENT IS \$79,602.75.

## ROAD FUNDS SHOW DECREASE

Although the Levy is a Trifle Higher for the Year 1917, Less Money Will Be Raised Than During the Present Year.

Acting upon the recommendations of the Douglas County Taxpayers' League which convened at the courthouse here yesterday, the county court met in Roseburg this morning and levied the tax for the year 1917. The levy, as fixed by the court for the next year is 13.5 mills, as against 12.3 mills levied for the year 1916.

The levy, as apportioned among the several funds by the court, and the amounts of money that will be realized, follow:

| Fund          | Rate     | Amt. Raised  |
|---------------|----------|--------------|
| State tax     | .0026425 | \$75,662.75  |
| Gen. County   | .0026264 | 99,943.17    |
| Indt. Soldier | .0000259 | 1,009.75     |
| Schl. Library | .0000252 | 702.48       |
| Com. School   | .0020980 | 56,093.19    |
| High School   | .0005250 | 14,634.98    |
| General Road  | .0050000 | 129,380.78   |
|               | .0135000 | \$376,328.10 |

The levy fixed by the court today is based on valuations totalling \$27,876,156.00, and will raise a total of \$376,328.10. Of this sum, \$73,662.75 will be turned over to the state treasurer as the Douglas County apportionment of the state tax.

The levy of 12.3 mills levied by the court late in the fall of 1915, raised \$413,203.35 for the year of 1916, of which approximately \$33,000 was paid over to the state. The saving in the state tax this year is something over \$9,000.

Today's levy will raise a few thousand dollars more than set out in the budget of estimated expenditures for the year 1917, and will care for the net deficit of \$6,140.29 for this year, as well as replenish the bounty funds and make it possible for the county to pay \$20 for coyotes instead of \$10, as at the present time.

While this year's levy is a trifle higher than that of last year, it will raise approximately \$20,000 less money. The decrease in the amount to be realized by the county from taxes for the year 1917, when compared with the funds raised this year, is due to the decrease in valuations. Had not the valuations of the corporations exceeded the estimate of the county officers by \$236,637.50, the levy might have been a trifle higher than fixed by the court this morning.

By scrutinizing the above figures the taxpayers will find that the amount of money to be raised by the general road levy in the year 1917 is approximately \$27,000 less than realized last year. This reduction was made possible for the reason that few bridges will be built next year.

There was practically no change made in the budget by the county court and the same was adopted as approved by the taxpayers who met here Wednesday. As stated in the report of the taxpayers committee, the amount set out in the budget were considered reasonable in the event the different departments of the county were to be conducted with efficiency and in a manner satisfactory to the people of the county.

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