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EXPERTS OPPOSE ROOSEVELT DIVISION.

A great many people have been wondering why the so-called Roosevelt division or volunteer army is not to be sent at once to the battle lines in northern France. Briefly stated, it is because the experts from France and England who lately came to this country for a war conference advised against such an expedition.

"I shall not avail myself, at any rate at the present stage of the war, of the authorization conferred by the act to organize volunteer divisions. To do so would seriously interfere with the carrying out of the chief and most immediately important purpose contemplated by this legislation, the prompt creation and early use of an effective army, and would contribute practically nothing to the effective strength of the armies now engaged against Germany.

"I understand that the section of this act which authorizes the creation of volunteer divisions, in addition to the draft, was added with a view of providing an independent command for Mr. Roosevelt, and giving that military authority an opportunity to use his fine vigor and enthusiasm at the western front.

"It would be very agreeable to me to pay Mr. Roosevelt this compliment and the allies the compliment of sending to their aid one of our most distinguished public men and ex-President, who has rendered many conspicuous public services and proved his gallantry in many striking ways. Politically, too, it would no doubt have a very fine effect and make a profound impression. But this is not the time or the occasion for compliments or for any action not calculated to contribute to the immediate success of the war.

The business in hand now is undramatic, practical and of scientific definiteness and precision. I shall act with regard to it at every step and in every particular under expert and professional advice from both sides of the water.

"That advice is that the men most needed are men of the ages contemplated in the draft provision of the present bill, not men of the age and sort contemplated in the section which authorizes the formation of volunteer units, and that for the preliminary training of the men who are to be drafted we shall need all of our experienced officers.

"Mr. Roosevelt told me, when I had the pleasure of seeing him a few weeks ago, that he would wish to have associated with him some of the most effective officers of the regular army. He named many of those whom he would desire to have designated for the service, and they were men who cannot possibly be spared from the too small force of officers at our command for the much more pressing and necessary duty of training regular troops to be put into the field in France and Belgium as fast as they can be got ready.

"The first troops sent to France will be taken from the present forces of the regular army and will be under the command of trained soldiers only. The responsibility for the successful conduct of our own part in this great war rests upon me. I could not escape it if I would. I am too much interested in the cause we are fighting for to be interested in anything but success. The issues involved are too immense for me to take into consideration anything whatever except the best, most effective, most immediate means of military action. What these means are I know from the mouths of men who have seen war as it is now conducted, who have no illusions, and to whom the whole grim matter is a matter of business. I shall center my attention upon those means and let everything else wait. I should be deeply to blame should I do otherwise, whatever the argument of policy for a personal gratification or advantage."

When shown President Wilson's statement, Colonel Roosevelt declined to comment on the President's refusal of his offer to raise a volunteer army for immediate service in France, but expressed keen interest in the news of Major General Pershing's order to lead an expeditionary force of regulars there. General Pershing is one of the few regular army officers Colonel Roosevelt has often mentioned as suitable to command the initial American overseas force.

It is a matter of widespread gratification that the referendum movement failed on the measure for reducing the terms of school directors to three years in districts of the first class. This will give the patrons of any school district the power to smash any imperialistic or machine rule of their school affairs at any annual school election. It was such conditions as have existed in Portland, Roseburg and other places that caused the enactment of this measure and the law for the recall of school directors, and created such a strong sentiment in their favor that not enough signatures could be secured to invoke a referendum thereon. These enactments very properly place the power in the hands of the people to get rid of school directors or superintendents whom they do not want. We shall now have the opportunity of electing a school board on June 16 which will co-operate with the patrons instead of trying to dictate to them or ignore their petitions.

That was a splendid showing made by the Granges in Saturday's parade. It was also remarkable that most of the Grangers are good roads boosters, too, and carried banners to that effect.

As the present year's "equinoctial storm" has lasted over sixty days, we may now expect some fine weather soon.

POPULAR COUPLE WERE MARRIED IN ROSEBURG LAST SATURDAY NIGHT

Coming as wife a surprise to their many friends, Mrs. Maudie Northern and Harry Parkeger, when they were united in marriage at the parsonage of the Methodist Episcopal Church, wearing a march on their numerous friends and acquaintances and leaving on the early train for Portland and Seattle, where they will visit until June, when they will return to make their home in this city.

The pretty ring ceremony was performed by Rev. J. C. Spencer, at 7 a. m., with only a few friends and relatives present. The bride was simply attired in a tasteful traveling suit of soft gray and wore a large

cluster of white carnations. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. W. H. Northrup, of Astoria, and was a popular assembly in the mercantile store of Leander Abraham. The groom is connected with the Douglas County Abolition Office, is secretary of the Douglas County Fire Patrol Association, and holds a number of other important offices. He is prominent in fraternal organizations and very widely known. The couple will spend a few weeks visiting at other points in the state before returning here to make their home, where they are extended best wishes by a host of friends.

Miss Miriam Rice returned to Eugene this morning after spending several days here.

Leo L. Wimberly returned to train on Sunday afternoon after a short visit here.

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CROWDS ENJOYED CONFETTI BATTLE

SATURDAY NIGHT WITNESSED THE CLOSE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL CARNIVAL EVER HELD IN ROSEBURG—THOUSANDS THROUGH STREETS.

BAND CONCERT WAS PLEASING

Local Business Men Declared the Carnival Just Closed Was the Most Profitable One in the History of the City.

What could have been a more fitting climax to a strawberry carnival than the confetti battle which raged in the business district here from 7 until 12 o'clock Saturday night? In the language of the victors this feature of the carnival was an event that will be long remembered by those who participated. The streets were thronged with a good natured crowd during the entire evening and not one unpleasant incident occurred to mar the pleasure of those who joined in the fun. Rowdyism was conspicuous by its absence and was supplanted by a more elevating class of amusement. It was a battle royal—a riot of fun.

Besides the confetti battle and attendant amusements, the carnival visitors were entertained by a concert held during the early evening at the armory. This concert was given by the Corvallis band, and the several numbers were thoroughly enjoyed. What made this attraction even more pleasing was the appearance of Mrs. Daisy Beechett Middleton, of Eugene, who tendered two delightful solos. Mrs. Middleton has a most pleasing voice and her renditions were applauded liberally. A jigsaw dance followed the concert, and this, too, proved a great attraction. The floor was in fine condition, the music was good, and the tripping of the light fantastic continued until midnight.

Although undelayed at times by the threatening weather that prevailed, the carnival just closed was probably the most successful event of its kind ever held in Roseburg. Working in strict co-operation with the various committees, John W. Parker, secretary of the executive committee of the carnival, had the details so well in hand that everything moved like clockwork. Friction was absent throughout the three days of festivities, and there was nothing lacking which could possibly result in criticism. The careful and painstaking manner in which the many details of the carnival were handled was expressed by Harry Beard, director of the Corvallis band, who said this year's carnival compared favorably with the events staged by the larger and more important towns of the Pacific Northwest.

The merchants, hotels, restaurants and other business establishments of the city are well pleased with results, and pronounced the carnival the best ever held in Roseburg. In illustrating the effect of the carnival upon business conditions it might be said that the Unique Hotel last Saturday night concluded the banner week in the history of the hostelry. Other hotels and restaurants reported a similar rush, and notwithstanding the almost perfect arrangements that preceded the event, a number of people were unable to obtain rooms Saturday night. These unfortunate beings passed the night in the chairs in the lobbies of the hotels and on the benches in the Southern Pacific depot.

A careful survey of the merchants here today indicates that there is no desire to do away with the annual carnival, and it will probably be made a permanent event.

While there is always more or less speculation in holding carnivals, the event just closed here was a grand success, and Mr. Parker and his co-workers are to be congratulated on the manner in which they handled the various details which combined to make it the banner festive occasion for Roseburg.

Registration Cards

Shelby Quinn stated this morning that he had received a word from Portland to the effect that the registration cards for the war census to be taken here on June 5, will reach Roseburg some time tomorrow. The sheriff received several calls for the cards this morning, and the persons requesting the same were told to return to the office of the county clerk tomorrow.

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FORMER ROSEBURG PASTOR IS DEAD

REV. J. N. MCCONNELL DIED AT DALLAS LATE SATURDAY FOLLOWING AN ILLNESS OF MORE THAN SIX MONTHS—FUNERAL HELD THIS AFTERNOON.

PRESIDED OVER CHURCH HERE

Rev. McConnell Was One of the Best Known Ministers in Oregon, and Had Many Friends in Roseburg and Vicinity.

A telegram was received here Sunday telling of the death of Rev. J. N. McConnell, who died at the home of his son, Howard McConnell, at Dallas, late Saturday night. The funeral was held at Dallas this afternoon.

Rev. McConnell was pastor of the local Christian Church for about five years, and left here three years ago for the East. He remained there for nearly a year when he returned to McMinnville and accepted the pastorate of the church there. Rev. McConnell sustained a stroke of paralysis about six months ago, and although everything possible was done to relieve his suffering, he continued to grow weaker until Saturday, when he died. He is survived by his wife and two sons, Rev. Howard McConnell, of Dallas, and Charles McConnell, who lives at home. Rev. McConnell was a man of sterling character and the news of his death was received here with profound regret. He was about 48 years of age, and was a native of the East. Rev. McConnell was so well liked by the people of McMinnville that he was able to draw his salary regularly, regardless of the fact that he had not been able to serve the church for six months.

Roseburg people who know Rev. McConnell best stated today that he was a person of affectionate disposition, and a man who won the confidence of those with whom he came in contact. He loved his family, and it was ever his aim in life to help those who were unfortunate. In his death the Christian Church of Oregon has lost one of its most capable pastors and a person whose words will stand out prominently in the history of that denomination in Oregon.

JOHN HEDDEN ARRIVED IN ROSEBURG SUNDAY; CALLED AS WITNESS

John Hedden, prominent Scottsburg merchant and one of the pioneer residents of Northern Douglas County, arrived here late last night to spend a couple of days on business. Incidentally, he appeared at a witness today in the case of C. H. Baker, of Astoria, vs. M. Wolff, et al., of this city. Mr. Hedden says quite a number of Scottsburg young men have joined the different branches of the military service, while others there have identified taking similar action during the present war.

L. W. Wise and H. R. Parks were among the Yoncalla people in Roseburg Saturday.

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BARTRUM BACK FROM PORTLAND WHERE HE WAS CALLED FRIDAY

S. C. Bartrum, of the local forestry office, returned here Sunday from Portland, where he spent a couple of days conferring with the officials of the district office there regarding the campaign for increased food production in Oregon, as far as it pertains to the lands embraced in the Federal reserves.

Following his return here Mr. Bartrum said the Government has decided to aid materially in increasing the food production in Oregon and that every available foot of grazing land embraced in the National forests and situated in this section of the state would be placed at the disposal of persons engaged in raising live cattle, sheep and other domestic animals. Statistics prepared by Mr. Bartrum indicate that the reserve lands are quite productive and eight head of sheep can be grazed on a single acre. Three acres of the land are said to be necessary for grazing cattle or horses.

Mr. Bartrum also reported that the Government has decided to send a regiment of forestry workers with the first expedition to France to engage in the war.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich, of Portland, have arrived here to spend a few days with friends.

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WOMEN OF THE WORLD, Oak Camp No. 125.—Meets in the Odd Fellows' hall in Roseburg every 1st & 3rd Monday evenings. Visiting neighbors always welcome. J. M. THORNE, C. C. M. M. MILLER, Clerk.

WOMEN OF WOODCRAFT, Elias Circle No. 49.—Meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday evening of each month at Odd Fellows' hall. Visiting members in good standing are invited to attend. DORA GILBERT, G. N. CLARA CAWFIELD, Clerk.

B. P. O. Elks, Roseburg Lodge, No. 326.—Holds regular communications at the Elks' Temple on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. All members requested to attend regularly, and all visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend. E. B. STEWART, E. R. IRA B. RIDDLE, Sec'y.

EAGLES, Roseburg Arle meets in their hall on Jackson St., on 2nd and 4th Monday evenings of each month, at 8 o'clock. Visiting brethren in good standing always welcome. J. C. KOENIG, W. P. H. F. GOODMAN, W. Sec. Phone M 182.

REBEKAHS, Roseburg Rebekah Lodge, No. 41 I. O. O. F.—Meets in Odd Fellows' Temple every Tuesday evening. Visiting sisters and brethren invited to attend. MRS. EMMA LENOX, N. G. MRS. TILLEY JOHNSON, Sec. ELSIE HUMPHREY, P. S.

I. O. O. F., Rising Star Lodge No. 174 meets in the Odd Fellows' Temple every Friday evening. Visiting brethren always welcome. W. S. POWELL, N. G. CARL W. OHMAN, Sec. Secy M. PICKLE, P. S.

LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE, Roseburg Lodge No. 1927.—Meets Monday evening of each week, at 8 o'clock in Maccabee Hall, on Saturday evening of each week. Members of the order in good standing are invited to attend. W. J. MOON, Dictator. H. O. PARGETER, Secy.

I. O. O. F., Union Encampment No. 9.—Meets in Odd Fellows' Temple every Thursday evening. Visiting brethren always welcome. O. H. PICKENS, C. P. J. R. BAILEY, H. P. J. E. PICKENS, R. S. JAMES EWART, P. S.

I. O. O. F., Philaretian Lodge No. 8.—Meets in Odd Fellows' Temple, corner Jackson and Cass Sts., on Saturday evening of each week. Members of the order in good standing are invited to attend. V. T. JACKSON, N. G. A. J. GEDDES, Sec. Secy J. B. BAILEY, Fin. Secy.

O. E. S., Roseburg Chapter No. 8.—Holds their regular meeting on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays in each month. Visiting members in good standing are respectfully invited to attend. MISS MARGARET PAGE, W. M. FRANK JOHNSON, Secy.

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