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War Has Shot Cattle Price Sky High

In an article in Farm and Fireside, the national farm paper the author of it says:

"Not quite as many animals were shown at the American Royal Live Stock Show held at Kansas City, October 1st to 6th, as in former years, but quality and breeding were never better. There were fewer state-fair adjuncts, the show revolving itself strictly into an exhibition of the best breeding cattle of three beef herds—Hereford, Shorthorn, and Aberdeen-Angus.

"The Royal is purely a breeders' show, and each association appropriates liberal money prizes. The gate receipts are counted on to pay the running expenses of the show, and if there is a surplus it is divided among the associations and the Kansas City Stockyards Company, which is a member of the corporation. Thus the prizes are guaranteed, and do not depend on the gate receipts. The Shorthorn association appropriated \$2,500 in prizes in the future stakes alone, a feature that neither of the other associations support. This year there were 160 entries in the Shorthorn future stakes.

"A leading breeder was asked how the war was effecting the demand for pure-bred cattle, and he said: 'The war has brought high beef-cattle prices, and those breeders of beef cattle who have dropped out in recent years because of the breaking up of the ranges are now keen to get back into cattle-raising. They are buying pure-bred bulls, and getting together a herd of good heifers.'

Eugene—Work begins on Potter street improvements.

Prineville—Big 1,800 acre ranch in Crook county sold for \$40,000.

Germany Has Lost 4,000,000 Soldiers

Frank M. Simonds, the great war expert, says in the November Farm and Fireside:

"Eleven million four hundred thousand, the total figure, represents just about one sixth of the population of the German Empire at the outbreak of the war—that is, something more than 63,000,000. Germany, then, has permanently lost 4,000,000, and has 5,500,000 on the line and behind the line in necessary services. Probably not more than 3,000,000 to 3,500,000 at the most are actually engaged in fighting or are in immediate reserve. She has 600,000 men, mostly of the class of 1920—that is, of boys who are now only seventeen years old—and 600,000 more men now in the hospitals who some time in the next six months will be returned to duty. This total will be reduced before the beginning of the campaign of 1918 by the permanent losses incurred between now and the first of April. These losses will not be less than 60,000 a month, and we may safely figure that 300,000 men will thus be eliminated before the next campaign opens. In other words, the maximum of possible reserve of Germany for the campaign of 1918 will be 800,000 men, and of this number more than half will be boys not more than eighteen years of age, and 150,000 more will be boys of the class of 1919, who will have reached only the age of nineteen next year. Three fourths of the reserve that Germany will have for next year, then, are boys of nineteen and under."

Newberg—Valley Canning Co. employing 200 men and women. Car shortage serious.

Roseburg—New paving to be started soon.

Milton ice plant owned by stock company. Incorporated at \$25,000.

IT'S NOT TRUE---ABOUT CHARLIE CHAPLIN



Somebody has been trying to make the world believe that you wouldn't know Charlie Chaplin off the stage, or out of the camera—he's that serious. It isn't true. Either Charlie can make himself laugh, in real as well as in reel life, or somebody else can, as this picture of him taken in Honolulu shows. Do the little Hawaiian, Chinese and Japanese boys like Charlie as well as Young America does? Answer quick.

Soldier Writes Letter From Front

M. E. HOMMIE TELLS OF LIFE AT CAMP MILLS.

Tents Cold and Damp—Takes Out \$10,000 Policy—Japs, Chinese, Mexicans, Indians in Army.

Mr. Harris F. French has received the following letter from M. E. Hommie, who is now in France. The letter was written before he left for France:

Camp Mills, N. Y., Nov. 21, 1917. Mr. and Mrs. Harris French, La Grande, Oregon.

Kind Friends:—Your letters have been received and I was surely glad to hear from you. Shall now try to interest you with a few words in regard to myself and the service I am connected with. Glad to say I am enjoying the best of health and find the work very interesting, but we are kept mighty busy now days. We have about four hours' rehearsal a day and play for all battalion and regimental parades, guard mount, retreat. Besides that we have physical culture, squad drill (same as line companies, only we have no rifles) and some other signal practice. Have the evenings to ourselves but the tents are cold and damp and wood is scarce so we retire early. In the morning we are called at 5:45, fall in for roll call and a few minutes of setting-up exercises. The weather has been quite cold but have had neither rain nor snow during the three weeks we have been here.

Was over in New York City (22 miles from here) about ten days ago. Stayed from Saturday noon till Monday morning. Had a two-hour ride and covered about 400 blocks in one of those double-decked "rubber-neck autos, all of 20 cents. Started on 34th street, went up Fifth avenue to 110th street, from there to Broadway to 169th street, and back again to the Pennsylvania station. Couldn't begin to tell you all about the interesting sights in that city. Will get another pass next Saturday and Sunday, and then I intend to see the largest city in the world from the top of the Liberty statue. Am very much afraid I'll not have another opportunity to see New York because indications point toward an early departure for our regiment. You, I dare say this will be my last letter to you from the good old U. S. A.

About 1500 drafted men arrived from Camp Lewis last week and most of them have been assigned to the 162nd. They are from Idaho, Washington, California and the "danderest" conglomeration of nationalities you ever heard of. Sized 'em up the other day and noticed quite a few Japs, Chinese, Mexicans, Indians, Bulgarians, unbleached Americans (negroes), etc.

Have taken out a government life insurance policy for ten thousand dollars, payable to mother in case of my death while in the service and if I return totally disabled I'll manage to get along on \$82 a month the rest of my life. Think it's a good investment and it will cost me only \$7.70 a month. It's a big chance we will take on the transport and also later on if we see active service. Am not a bit worried about it and am prepared for anything that comes along.

Here's hoping I return safely with only pleasant memories of the time I spent in the service of my country. But if it should be so ordained that I must make the supreme sacrifice then remember this: "I'll face it like a man."

Am a sort of "war correspondent" for the Elks Recorder and have already sent in two articles, one of which was published October 18th, and I think the other will appear in the November 15th issue. Intend to write more later on.

Write to me real soon so I'll have a letter from you when I reach my destination. Use Camp Mills address and all mail will be forwarded. Before closing I wish to thank you for all the pleasant times I had at

your home and also for the many favors you have extended to me in the past. You have both been very good to me and it will always be remembered by

Your friend, M. E. H.

ENGLAND O. K.'S MOVIES.

By GEORGE MARTIN. (United Press Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—England took a day off from the war recently to find out what it's doing to the movies and what the movies are doing to it. The results slid quietly into Washington's musty official records today and went to sleep forever, barring this temporary resurrection. The question of abolishing the institution altogether has been agitated by a lot of professional anti-something-or-others who didn't have anything else to anti for the time being.

From these van leaders, the movie opposition rang all the changes down to quarrelling with the color of the tickets, the little nickle-plated mechanism that splits at you from the box-office.

So they hired the Bishop of Birmingham and a group of eminent assistants to look the camera situation square in the eye. It was discovered that British Isles possess 4,500 picture houses. Judging from the surfeit of posters and the prevalence of buildings with wedding-cake fronts and galloping electric signs there must be at least that many within a radius of five blocks of this correspondent's home in Washington.

These 4,500 shows, the Bishop reported, are visited by one billion and seventy-five million Britishers every year. That taken every one of the King's home flock to the films once every two weeks.

The Bishop's report said lots of the shows were naughty, naughty. But there is a heavy per centage of good little shows too, he said. Perhaps that explains it. Perhaps the naughty ones only get around every three weeks.

But even if the shows should be a little more carefully censored, the Commission declared, they are worth while because they have broken up street gangs of boys and kept thousands of husbands and fathers with their families who otherwise would be out at a pub, doing a lot of very sincere drinking.

Some folks in England disagree with the Commission and say the movies ought to be spanked and sent back to the inventor. Morally and really, the august Commission disagrees with this view.

"The abolition of the picture house," they say, "is impossible, even if it were desirable, and in our judgment it is not desirable."

It concludes, by advocating a special film service for children, under public or governmental control and financing. It also suggests that the theatres be better lighted and more closely supervised. Spouting at the movies has long been one of Britain's favorite indoor sports.

Leg of Mutton Best Cut

Farm and Fireside says: "The leg-of-mutton is the most desirable cut. The loin is termed the highest priced cut of mutton. It can be distinguished by the small muscle under the backbone, which is called the tenderloin. The rib is used the same as roast and chops."

BRIEF STATE NEWS

Mayor Gill probably gets more publicity than all the Seattle Industries.

Marshfield—Construction of new playing mill at North Bend Mill Lumber Co. progressing.

Lakeland has new \$5,000 school.

Albany—Local banks show deposits of \$2,487,000.

Corvallis to have condensed milk factory.

Grants Pass—sugar factory dismantled. Will move to North Yakima, Wash.

Roseburg—Consolidated Lumber & Timber Co's interests on Coos Bay ships included—total \$1,650,000.

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Men's Christmas Ties	25c, 49c, 98c
Men's Hose Supporter Sets	49c, 98c
Men's Christmas Handkerchief Sets	49c, \$1.49
Men's Christmas Belts	25c, 49c, 98c
Dolls, Dolls, Dolls	25c, 49c, 79c, 98c, \$1.98
Boy Scout Books	39c, 49c
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION ELKS.

On account of the death of Mrs. J. W. White the dance which was to have been held at the Elks' Home tonight will be postponed. 12-10-17. SOCIAL COMMITTEE.

STORES CLOSE TOMORROW.

The stores of La Grande will close tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock out of respect to the late Mrs. J. W. White and to permit proprietors and employees to attend her funeral.

Big Chicken Dinner.

The Baptist ladies will give a chicken dinner at the Y. M. C. A. Friday noon, December 14. Will also serve supper at 6:30 P. M. 12-10-17.

Don't forget the dance for the benefit of the Hospital Unit Tuesday night. 12-10-17.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of Mrs. J. W. White will be held from the Elks Home Tuesday at 2:00 p. m. The body will remain at the home until the services.

POLITICAL NOTES.

Supreme Justice McCamant may continue as Supreme Court Justice for his full term.

Notice to Telegram Patrons.

Anyone not receiving the Telegram or wishing to subscribe for same, please notify A. G. Herrman, agent, Red 3351. The carrier boys will collect the first of every month. 12-6-17

Elks' Dance Monday Night

Sergeant Wells Will Tell of Life In The Trenches

La Grande has long been waiting to hear, firsthand, the real story of a real participant in the conflict overseas, and the conditions in the German prison camps. The opportunity will come Wednesday and Thursday, December 12 and 13 when Sergt. "Doc" Wells, the one-time hero of the battle of Ypres and escaped prisoner-of-war from Germany will lecture at the Star Theatre for the benefit of the Army and Navy Auxiliary of Union County on his experiences in France and Germany.

Sergt. Wells is authoritatively recognized as a lecturer in Canada and throughout the United States and has done wonderful work in stimulating patriotism and arousing the people to a true realization that this

country is at war and what it really means.

Sergeant Wells is a former newspaper man and correspondent and is a forceful talker. He tells a gripping story of life in the trenches and behind the German lines, where he spent four horrible months of suffering in a prison camp.

He described with a vividness and power how the brave boys in khaki live and die, how it feels to be "under fire," how the Canadians saved the day at Ypres, and how he escaped from Germany. Although, but 26 years old he has lived through many notable experiences and has a big message for the American people.

Minus an arm, but still enthusiastic and wishing to "go back for more"—that is Sergeant Fred Wells.

The sixth dance of the season will be held at the Elks' Home Monday evening, December 10. Elks are cordially invited to bring their ladies. 12-8-17

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

Notice is hereby given that the County Superintendent of Union County, Oregon, will hold the regular examination of applicants for State Certificates at La Grande high school as follows:

Commencing Wednesday, December 19, 1917, at 9:00 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, December 22, 1917, at 4:00 o'clock P. M.

Wednesday forenoon—U. S. History, Writing (Penmanship), Music, Drawing.

Wednesday afternoon—Physiology, Reading, Manual Training, Composition, Domestic Science, Methods in Reading, Course of Study for

Drawing, Methods in Arithmetic, Thursday forenoon—Arithmetic, History of Education, Psychology, Methods in Geography, Mechanical Drawing, Domestic Art, Course of Study for Domestic Art.

Thursday afternoon—Grammar, Geography, Stenography, American Literature, Physics, Typewriting, Methods in Language, Thesis for Primary Certificate.

Friday forenoon—Theory and Practice, Orthography (Spelling), Physical Geography, English Literature, Chemistry, Physical Culture.

Friday afternoon—School Law, Geology, Algebra, Civil Government.

Saturday forenoon—Geometry, Botany.

Saturday afternoon—General History, Bookkeeping.

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