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#### NAVY YARDS MUST TAKE BACK FORMER EMPLOYEES

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Naval stations and yards were directed by Secretary Daniels Wednesday to restore to his former position upon discharge every man who left noncombatant work to enter a fighting branch of the service.

Every effort will be made, Mr. Daniels said, to take care of the returning veterans without leaving jobless other men who, at the call of the government, entered the naval establishments' essential industries. He asked that anyone who knew of a returning soldier or sailor failing to obtain his old position under the navy department, to report the fact to him personally.

#### STAY IN EUROPE BECOMES TEDIOUS

LA GRANDE SOLDIER, WRITING HOME, EXPRESSES SELF IN UNMISTAKABLE MANNER

Sergt. Homer E. Barbour, one of La Grande's soldiers who is still overseas, acquaints his friends here with his ideas in connection with the continued stay of the American soldiers in Europe in a very expressive manner. He sent home a program issued by the "Merry Medical Men," who, with headquarters at Ehrenbreitstein, Germany, are "barnstorming over the international circuit, France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany," in their first of a series of two hours of "mirth, music and minstrelsy." On the back of the program is the following "refined version" of Silver Threads Among the Gold:

"Darling, I am coming back. Now that peace in Europe nears, Silver threads show with the black. I'll be home in seven years.

I'll drop in on you some night, With my whiskers long and white. Yes, the war is over, dear, And we're going home, I hear.

Home again with you once more, Say by nineteen-twenty-four; Once I thought by now I'd be sailing back across the sea.

Back to where you sit and pine, But I'm stuck here on the Rhine; You can hear the gang all curse— War is hell, but peace is worse.

When the next war comes around In the front ranks I'll be found; I'll rush in again pell mell, Yes, I will,—like (you know well).



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#### HAMPERS GERMAN CLUBS

CLINTON, Mass., March 6.—With fully \$100,000 invested in the four halls maintained by the German societies, the Turnverein, the Schiller Verein, Lichtenstein lodge of Harvard and Washington lodge, Sons of Hermann, in this town, there is much speculation among members and citizens as to what is to be the fate of this property under national prohibition. The officers of the organization admit they are enabled to keep the

#### INCREASES BANK SURPLUS

Amendment of Reserve Act Affects Federal Institutions.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Amendment of the federal reserve act by the congress just adjourned has resulted in increasing from \$22,739,900 to \$49,468,140 the combined surplus of the twelve federal reserve banks, said a reserve board statement Wednesday.

The law before amendment provided that after payment of expenses and dividends one-half of the net earnings of the banks should be paid to the government as a franchise tax, and the remaining one-half, up to 40 per cent of their paid-in capital, could be retained by the banks as surplus. As amended the law permits the federal reserve banks to retain as surplus their net earnings, including those for 1918, up to 100 per cent of their subscribed capital and 10 per cent there-

#### FROM ABROAD IN THE STATE.

Little progress in the case of James Fullerton, indicted by the Lane county grand jury on five counts for criminal libel against the University of Oregon officials and students, was made Monday.

Word has been received this week of the death of Bert Saunders in France, while in action on November 4. Mr. Saunders was one of the first boys in Grant county to offer his services to his country. He is a son of Mrs. Sabina Saunders of Pine creek.

Climbing through a broken sash in a window in an upper story and falling 14 feet to the ground below without injuring himself to such an extent as to awaken from his sleep is the thrilling stunt pulled off by the 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Robbins of Cottage Grove.

#### TAUSSIG TO HELP MAKE COMMERCIAL TREATIES

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Dr. E. W. Taussig, chairman of the tariff commission, has been directed by the president to proceed to Paris for the purpose of taking part in the readjustment of commercial treaties and similar problems. He will leave for Europe at once.

#### COTTON SEIZED IN CIVIL WAR

MACON, Ga., March 6.—For cotton confiscated in 1865 by the federal government a claim for \$1485 has just been adjudged in the court of claims in Washington, D. C., and the money will be paid over to the Alex. McDonald estate of Fort Valley, Ga. The staple was seized during Sherman's "March to the Sea" and shipped to New York, sold and the proceeds were placed in the federal treasury.

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### Instant Postum


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While there are indications of the approach of spring in Powder River Valley, snow continues to pile up in the mountains and the late rains have packed it solidly, thus offering assurance that it will not disappear in a flood when touched by the rays of old Sol. Farmers are highly elated over the prospect of a good irrigation season and will put every available acre of ground in crops.

#### WATERMELONS IN MIDWINTER

FULTON, Mo., March 6.—Clarence Craighead claims the honor of growing watermelons in Missouri that will ripen in mid-winter. Recently he brought two watermelons to town and gave them to a friend, Mr. Craighead also had home grown ripe tomatoes, string beans and peas for his Christmas dinner.

#### OLE HANSON IS NOW NEW IDOL OF WEST



A new idol has appeared on the western horizon of this nation. It is Mayor Ole Hanson of Seattle, Washington, who proved a man big enough for the place he held in the prompt action he took to suppress the recent strike which threatened bloodshed.

#### PAROLED YOUTH TAKES HORSE AND MAKES GET-AWAY

Chester Thomas, 17 years old, who was brought up in the juvenile court about ten days ago and paroled under the care of E. W. Eastman, stole a horse last Monday from a man at Wisdom a mill, near Elgin, and made his escape. Young Thomas had been sent by Mr. Eastman to work at the mill, and he was promised a good job and good care. The first night he was there, however, he rigged up a saddle and bridle and he and the horse have not yet been found. Though the theft occurred last Monday, the matter was not reported to the police here until last night. Thomas was an Idaho youth who rode the humpers into La Grande and then got into trouble at the Palmer mill.

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#### CHARGE FRAUD USED IN PATENTING OIL LANDS

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Arguments in proceedings brought to cancel patents held by the Southern Pacific company to 6000 acres of California oil lands, located in naval reserve No. 1, which the government claims were obtained by fraud, were heard Wednesday by the supreme court.

In seeking annulment of the patents the government alleged that which oil had not actually been discovered on the lands, they were known to be mineral in character before patents were issued. The federal district court sustained the government's contention, but the decision was later reversed by the circuit court of appeals.

#### FOOD SHORTAGE MAKES TOURISTS UNWELCOME

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The serious food situation in Switzerland and the scarcity of coal, resulting in only a few trains being operated, are given in cable advices to the state department Wednesday as reasons for urging the department to further discourage travel of Americans in Europe at this time.

#### SHEDDING THE ARMOR OF WAR

and donning the garments of peace—many returned soldiers are seeking—and finding—their particular places in the commercial and industrial world.

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