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## ALL CLASS 1 MEN HAVE BEEN CALLED

Following is the list of the Polk county boys called into the service. Those for California will go about July 5 and those for Camp Lewis about July 22. Polk's county's class one is exhausted, altho a reclassification may add to its ranks, and may also remove a few at the end of the Camp Lewis list for this particular call:

Mechanical Training School at San Francisco—Charles Edgar Winters, Metolius; Roy Martin, Independence; Peter J. Voth, Dallas; Delbert Scott, Willamina.

Artillery Service Fort McDowell—Otto G. Knebone, South Dakota; M. Sandona, Mist; Ed Guy, Dallas; Louis Resenau, Dallas; Ellis R. Wilson, Suver; Frank Belshee, Moro; Mangus Johnson, Banks; Edwin Fleishman, Suver; Elmer E. Hamilton, Rickreall; Austin G. Phillips, Leona; Ernest L. Graham, Portland; Charles Kuhnke, Salem; Stephen D. Porter, Sheridan; Raymond J. Ferguson, Salem; William Canoy, Oklahama; Glen E. Plessinger Independence; Merle F. Holman, Dallas; Albert G. Mann, Willamina; Claude W. Hickerson, Rickreall; Jesse P. Soon, Salem; Nelson Gates, Washington; Joseph Oberson, Independence; Peter P. S. Syron, Sheridan; John R. Quiring, Dallas; Fred D. Towns, Suver; Fred Guy, Dallas; Armine Cooper, Independence; Jesse B. Ford, Independence.

Alternates—Lester Porter, Sheridan; John R. Chamberlain, Nrtons; Harry Gross, Sheridan; James Vass Baker; Benedict Hartless, Grande Ronde; Clyde H. Southwick, Buell; Emil Thiessies, Dallas; Walter E. Ballantyne, Dallas; Walter J. Erickson, Dallas; Joseph Pardo, Minnesota.

Camp Lewis—Charles E. Anderson, The Dalles; James B. Brady, Falls City; George E. Smith, Salem; Floyd H. Boekett, Portland; Oliver Jones, Neverstill; Ellis R. Ireland, Seattle; Bernard Freer, Black Rock; Henry M. Lehman, Independence; Ernest Schmid, Grande Ronde; Byron A. Murray, Falls City; Reuben Rosenau, Dallas; John L. Mason, Independence; Harold Gano, Independence; Norris E. Wells, Hoquiam Wash.; Fred H. Steinberg, North Dakota; William G. Gose, Rickreall; William H. Kodah, Dallas; Ernest D. Hagenbuch, Monmouth; Ralph B. Grant, Dallas; Walter J. Kerr, Suver; Glendon Whiteaker, Portland; Wm. C. Hoppes, Salem; Glenn J. Ferguson, Falls City; Lee A. Butts, Airlie; Edwin A. Olson, Salem; Arthur D. Seymour, California; Ernest W. Larson, California; Charles E. Ray, Willamina; George R. Bruce, Huntington; George M. Kendall, Airlie; Benjamin H. Darling, Dallas; Ercei H. Hedrick, Drain; Oscar J. Agee, Independence; Harry E. Brady, Falls City; Wright Huber, Hoquiam, Wash.; Ernest E. Phelps, Black Rock.

### Only Three Here

Three alien women registered in Independence with P. M. Wood.

### NO POST TUESDAY

Owing to the fact that Independence Day comes next week, there will be no issue of The Post on Tuesday. The Friday issue will appear as usual, but will be printed on Wednesday. The Post editor will wash behind the ears and accompanied by the better looking half and part of the children will celebrate the day in an old fashioned manner starting with a salute of 100 guns at sunrise and ending with an aching stomach at midnight. Please subscribe before next Saturday night.

### COOPER FAMILY REUNION HELD AT McMinnville

McMinnville—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cooper celebrated their golden wedding anniversary here last Saturday in connection with the annual reunion of the Cooper family. Of their immediate family all members were present except one son, Wells Cooper of Seattle. One feature of the occasion was the gift of a new auto to Mr. and Mrs. Cooper from their children.

Members of the Cooper family to the number of 48 gathered, some coming long distances to celebrate the event. A Hooverized banquet was enjoyed at noon, during which messages of congratulations were read from from absent members of the family, one being a cablegram from Lieutenant Ted Cooper from "Somewhere in France." It was found that twelve members of the family are in active service in the army and navy.

The oldest member of the family is Daniel J. Cooper, 82 years old, of The Dalles, who was present, and the youngest member there was John Francis Kraus, aged six months.

The afternoon was spent on the lawn under the big walnut tree. During the day walnuts were in evidence and partaken of by all.

Next year's reunion is to be held with J. S. Cooper at Independence.

Those present besides the host and hostess, all residing in Oregon except where address is given, were Mrs. Nora Cooper Doane and son, Donald, Palo Alto, Cal.; Dr. Arthur S. Cooper, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Langman and children, Pauline and Bruce, Palo Alto, Cal.; Dr. and Mrs. Paul B. Cooper and daughter, Margaret, Yakima, Wash.; Fred G. Cooper, New York City; Miss Nellie Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Cooper, Dr. Belle Cooper Ferguson, Mrs. Nan Cooper Thomas and daughter, Elizabeth, Mrs. Prudence Cooper Bayley, Cyrus Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ireland, Mrs. Ted Cooper and children, Elizabeth and James Shelby III, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Williams, Centralia, Wash., Mr. and Mrs. John R. Kraus and son, Francis, Miss Genevieve Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Mann and daughter Faye and son Layton, Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Mann, Mr. and Mrs. William Gildow and sons, Orman and Rex, J. E. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Cooper and Mrs. Patience Cooper Craft.

## The Best Way to Celebrate the 4th.

(Walt Mason.)

Write a letter to a soldier when you haven't much to do; it will brace some homesick fellow who is feeling awful blue. Oh, our boys are lionhearted, and they'll whip their weight in snakes, but they have their lonesome moments when their hearts are full of aches; there are hours when they are longing for the homes so far away, and the girls they left behind them, and the parents old and gray; and a letter full of sunshine makes their melancholy shrink—therefore get your pen in action with demijohn of ink. Write a letter to a soldier, full of happiness and joy; let the sob stuff go to thunder—it won't help a lonesome boy. Tell the soldier you are betting he will make the Teuton fly, tell him all is hunkydory, and the goose is hanging high. Tell him all his friends are banking on the big things he'll achieve, let him know he's not forgotten since he took his final leave. Write a letter to a soldier when he's billed to face the foe. Make it bright and brave and breezy, full of courage, smiles and snap, show the confidence you're feeling in the outcome of the scrap, and some soldier boy will bless you as he takes his little gun, and prepares to shoot the gizzard from a lewd, immoral Hun.

### PERFECTLY PRETTY PLEASANT PICKERS PICNIC PLUCKINGLY

Perfectly pretty, pleasant cherry pickers of the feminine type have donned perky unionalls and are climbing the ladder that leads to delicious Oregon cherries. The Independence young ladies who are indulging in this sport are the Misses Babe Butler, Leona Sloper, Helen Jones, Lourene Miller, Ruth Girard and Lula Grigsby. They have a perfectly comfortable camp out at the Ferguson Bros. cherry farm at Eola and every one of them is taking on an extra amount of avordupois. The girls are enjoying the outing and when asked how long they are going to stay, replied: "Oh, we are here for the whole cherry picking season for if we stay all the time we get 1 1/2 cents a pound when if we stay just part of the season they only give us a cent a pound." All the girls average more than two dollars per day and declare they are going to save enough to pay for their unionalls.

### DEPARTING YOUNG LADY IS HONORED SOCIALLY

On the verge of her departure for Astoria, Miss Gladys Irvine is being showered with pretty social attentions. Last Monday evening Miss Emma Henkle presided over a delightful dinner party for Miss Irvine. The table was beautifully appointed and centered with crimson roses. Patriotic place cards with the names of each guest disarranged marked places for Misses Vivian Whiteaker, Lucile Craven, Hazel Porterfield, Bessie Swope, Marietta Shinn, Emma Henkle, Gladys Irvine and Misses Hattie Henkle.

After the excellent three course dinner, the merry party passed the time with a variety of music and games.

### SUVER NEIGHBORHOOD IS PATRIOTICALLY ON TOP

"Suver prides itself on being one of the most patriotic spots in Polk county," says the Monmouth Herald. "They are organizing a home guard down there and the local Red Cross society, organized a year ago by a delegation from Monmouth is one of the most wide awake in this section. They have so many members of the Red Cross that they have grown tired counting them and the list includes every man, woman and child in the district and also several dogs and a pony or two. They also have a patriotic society there and plan to have this over three school districts, Suver, Fairview and Mountainview with semi-monthly meetings alternating in the different districts. A meeting of this sort was held in the Suver hall Wednesday night to boost the sale of War Savings Stamps and Prof. T. H. Gentle of Monmouth was the speaker of the occasion. Mrs. Chamberlain presided at the meeting which was well attended and a fine showing of interest was manifested."

### EARL WHITEAKER IS GLAD TO GO TO FRANCE

Camp McClellan, Anniston, Alabama, June 15—Well, at last I am transferred to a real branch of the service. We left Lake Charles on the 11th, and laid over in New Orleans the 12th. We had four hours to look the town over. I got acquainted with a pretty girl who worked in a restaurant. She was the sweetest looking girl that I ever saw. We sure had some time together. If I had stayed there much longer, I would have probably brought a wife home with me. But I didn't stay long enough to get married. We went thru Mississippi and Birmingham, Alabama. Of all the Southern states we have been thru Alabama looks more like home because there are hills and wild places. The hill people here are sure poor. Their homes look like they are all in. On the whole trip seven fellows got left.

I am in the ammunition train, and expect to go to France soon. In France we will haul ammunition to the front. I am in the horse train. There are eight men to a wagon. I will either have to ride a horse or ride the wagon. This isn't such a dangerous branch. Yesterday we had a gas mask drill. You have to breathe thru your mouth.

I am glad I am going to France where I can see some action. It seems funny to me that I'm not scared. The only thing I will worry about is those darn gas masks, and for the love of Mike, don't you folks worry about me. If I know you are not worrying, I won't either. I don't know what this war is about, but, by gosh, I am going to find out. Ha! Ha! I am going to take out an allotment now and will make it out to Velma for \$15 a month.

EARL P. WHITEAKER.

### MRS. LUCINDA BALDWIN IS GUEST OF HONOR MONDAY

For the pleasure of Mrs. Lucinda Baldwin, who has been a shut-in for several months, Mrs. Clyde Ecker invited in a few of the "younger set" to spend last Monday afternoon. Vases and bowls of roses added cheer to the rooms and the "young ladies" made a regular talk-fest of the occasion. A perplexing menu created much laughter and amusement tho when interpreted and served not much strength to the inner man was gained. The luncheon table was centered with a basket of red, white and blue sweet peas around which tiny flags peeped here and there. Hoover nectar and war cake were dispensed to the following guests: Mrs. Lucinda Baldwin, Mrs. L. E. Baldwin, Mrs. N. L. Butler, Mrs. M. A. Robinson, Mrs. M. O. Fluke, Mrs. I. Claggett, Mrs. Alice Skinner, Mrs. D. P. Patterson, Mrs. Nancy Whiteaker, Mrs. V. A. Heath and Mrs. Abe Nelson.

Mrs. Ecker expects to entertain others of the "younger set" soon. She was capably assisted during the afternoon by Mrs. Sara C. Young.

### W. S. S. CAMPAIGN

The War Saving Stamp campaign is moving right along. Committees are enthusiastically at work and as a rule are meeting with a cordial reception and liberal response at every place they visit. The drive is supposed to end with a meeting in each school house tonight. However, it is understood that each district will complete its quota before finishing.

### CRAZY MAN PULLS GUN ON SHERIFF JOHN ORR

A man named Young went insane at Monmouth Wednesday and pulled a gun on Sheriff Orr when the officer found him in a hay mow. When the sheriff grabbed the gun the man attempted to shoot himself.

He was taken to the asylum the same day. Young came to Monmouth a few weeks ago from Nebraska where at one time he was in an insane asylum.

### 212,000 POUNDS OF FLOUR SHIPPED FROM POLK COUNTY

The following amounts of wheat flour have been returned in various sections of Polk county, to be shipped to Europe, a total of 212,000 pounds: Dallas, 50,000; Independence, 37,000; Monmouth, 12,000; Falls City, 9,000; Airlie, 2,600; McCoy, 1,700; Rickreall, 1,500; Suver, 1,400; West Salem, 1,200; Perrydale, 1,000; Parker, 1,000.

### \$2.20 FOR 1918 WHEAT IS WASHINGTON REPORT

A telegram was received in Portland today saying that the government had set \$2.20 as a wheat price.

## SKELETON DUG UP AT HORST RANCH

While digging a pit on the Horst ranch last Friday, workmen dug up the skeleton of a human being, evidently that of a woman or small man. The teeth indicated old age. It probably is the remains of an Indian or old settler buried many years ago.

The district attorney, sheriff and coroner visited the place and will attempt to establish the race of the deceased and the probable time of death.

### MOTHER OF E. M. BLENIS DIES AT ALBANY HOME

Albany—Mrs. Jennie E. Blenis died Wednesday at the home of her son, E. M. Blenis, formerly of Independence, in this city, at the age of 59 years. She has resided here the past year, coming from Waterloo, Iowa, where she spent almost all her life. She is survived by a husband and nine children.

### PROSPECTIVE SOLDIER WEDS BEFORE ENTERING ARMY

Edwin Fleischman, who enters the artillery service at Fort McDowell, Cal., July 5, was married in Dallas Thursday morning to Miss Hilda Aebi. May the young man return safely to his bride is the wish of their many friends.

### WILLIAM S. KURRE PASSES; FUNERAL WELL ATTENDED

The funeral of William S. Kurre, who passed from this life on Tuesday, June 25, was held at the Baptist church.

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## Canning Season

is approaching and the far-sighted housewife will this year above all others buy her requirements early.

We advise that you do not delay in buying all of the jars that you need as a traveling salesman told us that only about ten per cent of the glass factories in the United States are running. We have quite a generous supply on hand and are selling Mason's for—

Pints .....	85c dozen
Quarts .....	\$1.0 dozen
1/2 Gallons .....	\$1.25 dozen
Zinc Caps .....	30c dozen

Yours Truly,

**JOHNSON & COLLINS**