



### WAGE FOR COMMON LABOR MAY BE \$5.

#### Offers in Lower Columbia District of \$4 Fail to Fill Demand.

Portland, June 2.—Industries in the lower Columbia river district are calling for common laborers at a daily wage of \$4 and 8-hour shifts and the response is far short of filling the demand. Soon the wage scale is expected to go to \$5. Skilled labor wages, now from \$1 to \$1.50 a day higher than during the peak of the war, are due for further advances, employers believe.

This was the situation learned by A. J. Davidson, federal manager of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway system, and R. W. Pickard, assistant traffic manager, on an inspection trip this week to Astoria, Warrenton and Seaside, where they found things going on in a "peppermistic" fashion, rather than optimistically, and where the beach people are preparing for a record run of business this summer at all the resorts.

"Lumber producers in the lower river district are in trouble because laborers even at the highest wage scales ever known and another advance in lumber prices must ensue, they predict," said Pickard. "East of the mountains in the farming districts the situation concerning labor shortage and high wages is just as serious, so reports reaching me indicate."

#### New Steamer to be Built at St. Helens.

St. Helens, Or., June 2.—Charles R. McCormick, president of the company that bears his name and of the St. Helens Lumber company, is here to attend the annual meeting of the directors of the lumber company, and to make plans for the construction of another steamer. The McCormick company controls the St. Helens Shipbuilding company and it is its purpose to keep the yard running. As soon as the water will permit a keel will be laid for a double ender steam schooner which is to be 250 feet in length, 46-foot beam and 20-foot depth of hold. It is thought the vessel will easily carry 1,000,000 feet of lumber and it will be suitable for either coastwise, Mexican or West coast trade.

The building of the new steamer means that not less than 150 men will have steady employment at the yard for the next year.

### MAJOR GILBERT URGES GREATER PATRIOTISM.

#### Deportation of All Not Willing to Become Americans is Strongly Advised.

Astoria, Or., May 31.—"Let us think Americans, speak American, be American, or else go away from America." This was the keynote of the Memorial Day address in Astoria yesterday. It was delivered by Major W. S. Gilbert, senior chaplain of the 1st army corps in France and pastor of the First Presbyterian church here.

"There is a movement on foot to deport from America those who are not willing to be Americans and I hope it becomes a reality soon," said Major Gilbert. "Earth's highest privilege is American citizenship. The nations of Europe are longing for America and if there is the slightest opportunity, thousands upon thousands of the world's oppressed and weary will come to America."

#### Would Return Railroads to Owners.

Washington, June 3.—Favorable report on the bill of Senator Kellogg, republican, of Minnesota, for the immediate return of telephone and telegraph wires to private ownership, was ordered today by the senate interstate commerce committee after the measure had been amended so as to continue existing telephone rates for 60 days after final action by congress. The vote of the committee was unanimous.

No provision was made for continuing telegraph rates which recently were increased by order of Postmaster General Burleson, whose action was sustained yesterday by the supreme court. Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Postal Telegraph Cable company in recent letters to members of congress urging immediate return of the wires, promised a 20 per cent decrease in rates by his company.

#### Wyoming Has Snowstorm.

Denver, June 2.—Snow was falling at 6 o'clock this morning at Lander, Wyo., and Leadville, Colo. A heavy frost prevailed at Denver last night, with damage to vegetables and fruit. The mercury here dropped to 32 degrees.

Lowest temperature in Colorado and Wyoming last night were: Yellowstone 28; Cheyenne, 32; Denver, 32.

### ANTI-RED WAR DECLARED.

#### Hoquiam Ex-Servicemen Plan Campaign Against Bolshevism.

Hoquiam, June 1.—The Soldiers' and Sailors' league has decided on a general campaign here against bolshevism. It is planned to have a committee make advance investigation of all meetings at which there is a possibility of seditious talk and warning will be given that the league is pledged to prevent such meetings. If offenders persist in carrying out their plans the league proposes drastic action.

Mayor Paulbrick and Chief of Police Havens have conferred with officials of the league regarding the latter's procedure, the officials declaring themselves thoroughly in accord with the ex-servicemen and guaranteeing police protection.

"Every man, woman and child must enlist in our army for 100 per cent Americanism or leave Grays Harbor," is the league's slogan.

#### Aberdeen Mill Plant Badly Scorched Today.

Aberdeen, Wash., May 31.—The Donavan Lumber company's mill, one of the largest on the harbor, was damaged by fire this morning to the extent of \$10,000 or \$15,000. The loss is chiefly in belting and machinery. The mill was saved from total destruction by hard fighting by the employees and the fire department. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

#### England Plans A Big War Loan.

London, June 2.—In the house of commons today a resolution was adopted authorizing the treasury to raise a loan to a limit of 250,000,000 pounds to cover the estimated deficit of the year and any sum required for the repayment of maturing securities and the creation of a sinking fund.

#### Gold Found in Chicken.

Centralia, Wash., June 2.—A gold nugget was found yesterday by Mrs. J. W. Curry in the gizzard of a chicken that she was cleaning. Mrs. Curry lives on the Kelsey place, a mile east of Centralia, which was prospected several years ago by Captain Kelsey, who at that time believed he would find gold there.

### OUR OWN STATE

#### Some Recent Happenings In Various Parts of Oregon

##### Dr. Steiner Assumes Management of Pen.

Salem, June 2.—Dr. R. E. Steiner assumed management of the state penitentiary under the temporary appointment made Friday by Governor Olcott.

Dr. Steiner has not yet outlined any policies for the prison, but he indicated that a statement of some character would be forthcoming this week. Under the arrangements made with Governor Olcott he will remain as warden of the penitentiary just long enough to bring it up to a high point of efficiency. When this is done he will be reappointed superintendent of the state hospital.

##### Liquor Carrier is Taken.

Roseburg, Or., June 2.—J. M. Thall was arrested here early this morning and relieved of 21 pint bottles of whiskey. Thall, who is a Southern Pacific brakeman, pleaded not guilty when arraigned in court this morning, alleging that he was acting under orders to turn the liquor over to railway officials and that he had found it in a locker in the caboose.

The liquor was in two suitcases, and when hailed by the officers as he was nearing his home, Thall is alleged to have said the suitcases contained dishes.

##### Auto Party Rolls Down Steep Bank.

Roseburg, Or., May 31.—An auto accident 10 miles west of Oakland, on the Kellogg road one night this week resulted in the wrecking of a large Maxwell car, in which were four people, two daughters and a son of Captain Maupin, of Oakland, one of the young women suffering a broken leg. The other members of the party were badly shaken up, as the car rolled 50 feet down a steep bank. An attempt to pass another car by running on the bank caused the accident.

##### School Budget is Large.

Pendleton, Or., June 2.—Seventeen thousand dollars more than last year is asked by the city school board for the maintenance of the Pendleton schools for the coming year. The budget to be submitted to the voters at the June 18 election here asks authorization for the expenditure of \$98,500. About three-fourths of this will have to be raised by taxation.

Advanced salaries for teachers accounts for \$10,180 of the increase, while repairs to buildings take \$9,000, as against \$5500 last year.

##### Chamber Open to Loggers.

Eugene, Or., June 4.—Members of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen in this district have all been sent a personal invitation by the Eugene Chamber of Commerce to make the chamber rooms their headquarters and lounging place while in the city. The chamber at its last business meeting having voted to extend such an invitation.

Loggers and lumbermen often lack a place to spend their idle hours while in Eugene, and this action on the part of the chamber of commerce is intended to furnish them such a place. There is a well-equipped reading room, billiard and pool tables and card tables in the building.

##### Pigeons Numerous in Coos.

Marshfield, Or., May 31.—J. M. Thomas, deputy game warden, has been informed that wild pigeons are so numerous on several inlets of Coos Bay that ranchers are destined to suffer heavy losses from their depredations. The wild pigeons are protected by law from slaughter and the situation is one that needs a Solomon to handle. North Inlet reports the presence of many pigeons which are eating grain in that district. Deputy Warden Thomas will make investigation of the reports of killing.

##### La Grande Business Man Dies.

La Grande, Or., June 2.—A. S. Geddes, for many years prominently connected with the Latter Day Saints' Church and business affairs of this city, died yesterday at Preston, Idaho, according to information received here. A widow and several children survive.

### JUDGE MAKES SON CITIZEN.

#### Unusual Scene Witnessed in Tacoma Federal Court.

Tacoma, Wash., May 31.—An unusual scene was witnessed in federal court today when Frank F. Cushman, son of Federal Judge Edward E. Cushman, took the oath of allegiance to the United States and renounced all affiliation with Great Britain. The oath was taken before his father.

Frank Cushman enlisted in the Canadian army before the United States declared war. Under an old law by such a course he was deemed to have expatriated himself. To make sure that all legal difficulties would be done away with, the son decided to appear before his father and take the oath of allegiance to the United States.

#### "SKY PILOT" SOON REALITY.

#### Methodist Minister Will Preach Sermon From Airplane.

New York, June 1.—The first sermon from the air, preached by a "sky pilot" of the Methodist church, will be a headliner at Columbus, O., June 20 to July 14, according to tentative plans announced here today.

The organizers of the exposition have taken a leaf from the book of the ordinary work-a-day circus and have obtained the services of a press agent, who states the aerial sermon will be preached by a minister who will float above the heads of his congregation at a height of 2000 feet or so. His message will be audible to all by means of a wireless telephone and a megaphone attachment.

#### 320,000 Soldiers Returned in Month.

Washington, May 31.—Secretary Baker, in a letter today to Secretary Daniels thanking the navy for the expeditious conversion of eight German liners into transports, estimated the homeward movement of troops this month at 320,000 men, a new high record.

Twenty five combatant and 17 skeletonized divisions will have been returned home when the movement of the 81st and 90th divisions now in progress has been completed. The expeditionary forces now are practically reduced to the seven regular divisions, four of which have been released for early return.

Demobilization of the army has returned 2,276,299 officers and men to civil life.

#### Switzerland Insists Blockade be Raised.

Berne, May 31.—The Swiss federal council has given out a statement in which complaint is made that Switzerland had been unable to obtain from the allies modification of the blockade of Germany, the maintenance of which it is said, is putting Switzerland in "a more untenable position." The statement gives the text of a note which has been sent to the allied governments demanding that the blockade be raised insofar as it concerns Switzerland, and saying, in case the request is not granted, Switzerland "will find it necessary to recover her liberty of action."

#### Road Construction Under Way.

Cottage Grove, Or., June 2.—After several years of petitioning and remonstrating on the part of residents served by the Cottage Grove-Lorane road and repeated delays upon the part of the county court because of lack of funds, work on the road is now in progress.

#### Woman Flies From New York to Capital.

Washington, May 31.—The first woman to make the air journey from Washington to New York, the army air service announced last night, is Mrs. H. E. Harmon, wife of an army lieutenant, who left here at 11:20 a. m. yesterday and arrived at Hazelhurst field two hours and 45 minutes later.

### INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

#### Manufactures, Enterprises and Improvements, Providing Payrolls and Promoting Development of Oregon.

Oregon City—Hawley Pulp & Laper Co. to expend \$150,000 immediately upon construction of additional pulp mill at this point.

Hood River—Contract to be let soon for paving of the 2 1/2-mile stretch of Columbia Highway between here and Cascade Locks.

Sorghum industry promises to become a permanent fixture for Umatilla county.

Roseburg—First building for new box factory about complete.

Marshfield—New buildings to be erected during coming summer include \$10,000 armory, modern club rooms for B. P. O. E., a fireproof garage and several reinforced concrete and brick buildings.

On a political movement such as the Non Partisan league based on arranging class hatred against capital success in our country.

Pendleton—\$60,000 hospital to be completed here by fall.

Portland—Oregon, Washington and Idaho to have greatest grain crop on record.

Astoria—Contract for electric wiring and extension of main warehouse lot to J. A. McEachern Co. for \$14,170.

Milton ranch of 897.45 sold for sum of \$66,500.

The Dailies—Tum-a-Lum Lumber Co. to erect 84 by 100 foot structure here. Season opens at Seaside resort.

Homestead—Iron Dyke mill running again.

Haines plans new school buildings to be completed by November.

Homestead—Surveyors at work on the Rand-McCarty mine.

Klamath Falls—Several brick building to be built here.

Pendleton—Permit granted for \$30,000 structure; now under way.

Astoria—Contract let for \$500,000 flour mill.

Albany is promised cannery; means big payroll for city and county.

Reedsport—Bond Island, opposite here, sold for over \$20,000 to Western Development Co.

Marshfield—Coos Bay short of workers.

Astoria—Contracts for improvement of five streets, involving expenditure of \$128,699.45 awarded by city council.

Grants Pass—Stretch of coast road, two and four-tenths miles in length to be improved at cost of \$32,500.

Pilot Rock—125,000 lbs. wool sells above 52 cents per pound.

#### Blast Breaks Leg of Man Four Blocks Away.

Seattle, June 2.—Constant Durant, aged 53 years, lies in a hospital here with both legs broken and injuries which may prove fatal as the result of a blow from a piece of stump blown up four blocks away from where he was hurt. The stump and force of the explosion stripped both shoes from Durant's feet, blew the heel of one through the side of his house and reduced the ladder on which he stood to kindling wood.

#### U. S. Buys French Planes.

Washington, June 2.—One thousand Nieuport and 600 Spad airplanes and 1000 Hispano-Suiza and 800 Gnome motors will be shipped to the United States under the terms of an agreement between the French government and the United States liquidation commission. The planes and motors represent a part of the aviation equipment contracted for abroad by the war department.

#### Oil Depot is Proposed.

Marshfield, Or., June 4.—The government will construct a dock and oil depot at Empire this summer to provide unloading facilities for vessels and serve as an oil depot for the dredge Colonel P. S. Michie, which now operates at the bar. Much expense will be avoided by the establishment of this depot, as trips to the upper bay for fuel oil occupy half a day, and this time is lost to the dredging project.

## New Tan Shoes

for Children and growing girls: Same shape as the foot and as comfortable as the old shoe.

## Prices Right

## Lewis Ulrich

General - Merchandise

Jacksonville - Oregon