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HARBOR BILL IS REPORTED TO CONGRESS

Washington, Dec. 17.—The annual river and harbor appropriation bill carrying \$34,138,580 for waterway improvements throughout the country, was completed today by the house river and harbor committee.

It carries a cash appropriation of \$1,250,000 for continuing work on the north jetty at the mouth of the Columbia River, \$500,000 less than the amount recommended by the Army engineers. The bill does not place this work on a continuing contract basis.

All other Oregon and Washington items in the bill are in strict conformity with the estimates sent to Congress the opening day of the session. The total appropriation authorized for the northwest is \$2,521,675.

The itemized statement of northwestern appropriations carried by the bill as it will be reported to the House is as follows:

Mouth of Columbia, \$1,250,000; Columbia and Willamette, (Portland to sea), \$600,000; Willamette, above Portland, \$42,500; Coos Bay, \$80,000; Nehalem Bay \$116,175; Coquille River, \$76,000; Siuslaw River, \$117,500; Cellilo Canal, \$80,000; Yaquina River, \$3,000; Snake River, \$20,000; Columbia, from Celilo to the mouth of the Snake River, \$45,000; Canal at Cascades, \$10,000; Coos River, \$3,000; Clatskanie, \$1,000; Inner Grays Harbor, \$15,000; Lake Washington Canal, \$5,000; Grays River, \$500; Puget Sound, \$25,000; Skagit River, \$10,000; Cowlitz and Lewis Riv-

BOTH SIDES ANNOUNCE VICTORIES

Berlin, via London, Dec. 17.—11:10 p. m.—The people of Berlin were aroused to enthusiasm today by the announcement of a great Austro-German victory over the Russians in Poland. An official bulletin to this effect was issued shortly after noon. Within half an hour extra editions of the papers appeared and the whole city literally flashed into bunting.

In contradistinction to this, the latest official bulletins issued at Petrograd declare that the Russian cavalry and vanguard troops "are chasing energetically the beaten Germans," in the direction of Miawa.

Direct from Warsaw comes word that a great battle is in progress 30 miles to the westward.

In Belgium and France the allies are carrying on their offensive operations, begun a few days ago, slowly and steadily. Progress is noted in the French official statement, and it is believed that the infantry on the two sides of the western battlefront have come to grips at many places, the number of wounded indicating the desperate nature of the struggle.

Several young people from the University passed through Florence Wednesday, on their way to Marshfield to be with their families during the Christmas holidays.

Johnson Porter and H. P. Dutton when in Florence both said "that unless the bar conditions were better next year the mill will not operate." This company distributes many thousands of dollars in the port district, and if the Tide Water Mill Co's plant were to remain idle for a year or two, the whole Siuslaw would feel a direct financial loss, as well as resulting in the retarding development of the lumber industry several years, if not causing a radical change in the company's operations.

If everybody planted a kind word in the poorest place he came to, it would not be long before this old world of ours would be a perfect garden spot. The way to make the world better is to help all the poor, the tempted and the sorely pressed wherever we find them.

Laughter is better than medicine, and a friendly smile is a tonic to us. And the best of it is a man does not need to have a medical degree to dispense them.

Not many of us will ever have anything great to do, but we may do many little things as if they were great, which will amount to the same thing.

BOY'S AND GIRL'S INDUSTRIAL CLUBS

Section 45, Chapter 1, of the School Law authorizes the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to supervise and promote the development of industrial work in the public schools, including such subjects as agriculture, manual training and home economics, and promote industrial school fairs and school garden contests, in co-operation with the Agricultural College. Out of this and through the co-operation of the State department of Education, the Agricultural College and the U. S. Department of Agriculture has developed one of the best plans in the United States by which industrial work can be taught to the boys and girls of Oregon.

The club plans for this year have just been completed and are ready for distribution. It might be interesting to know something of the club plans. The work of the club is carried along twelve different lines called projects. Any boy or girl between the ages of nine and nineteen may take up club project work and by carrying it through to completion and making the proper reports wins a Star-Clover Achievement Series Emblem which has been adopted by the State Agent of Club Work and the State Superintendent as a reward for club work, or a trip to the State Fair.

The Industrial Club Projects are as follows:

Club projects for girls.—Sewing, Baking.

Club projects for boys and girls.—Canning, Vegetable gardening, Poultry raising.

Club projects for boys.—Dairy-herd record keeping, Pig raising, Corn growing, Potatoe growing, Fruit growing, Field-pea raising, Grain selection.

The work is carried on largely at home but should be correlated with the study of agriculture in school. There is no better means of bringing the home and school together. The work of each member is planned and directed by the State Field Agent, and the local officials are the supervisor, the county agriculturist, and the teacher. The success of a club in any school depends almost entirely on the interest and enthusiasm of the teacher.

The Industrial Club movement is new in this part of the county, but plans are being formulated

organized work will be brought before the school people. Miss Bossen, Supervisor of Schools, has made arrangements with the Field Industrial Worker, Mr. L. P. Harrington of Salem for a weeks service in this District. While here as many of the schools as possible will be visited. The work in Agriculture will be especially emphasized during these visits and Industrial Clubs will be organized in as many schools as possible. Evening meetings will be held wherever practical, so that Mr. Harrington will have a greater opportunity of meeting the people. The date scheduled for these meetings is the week beginning January 24th., continuing throughout the week. On Saturday a teacher-patrons' meeting of all the teachers and patrons of the valley will be held in Florence, closing Mr. Harrington's work in this district.

POINT TERRACE HAPPENINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Bushnell are visiting their daughter Mrs. R. W. Johnson.

Mrs. Bester went to Florence Tuesday.

Steve Wright went to Gardiner Saturday to work in the mill.

A scow load of hay was taken up Sweet creek Tuesday by M. E. Coburn for R. W. Johnson.

The Point Terrace mill started to run again Monday for a three months run.

Mr. Walter Simons came down Sweet creek Tuesday from his homestead on Smith river.

Curtis Sweet went to Gardiner Saturday and later intends to move his family there.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardiner went to the jetty for a visit Tuesday.

R. W. Johnson went to Mapleton Wednesday.

The people of Point Terrace are very sorry that the Siuslaw Pilot has froze in, and hope it will thaw out soon as there is two numbers missing.

M. J. Sweet towed lumber for Anderson's brothers Tuesday up Sweet creek.

C. W. Curran visited at Pt. Terrace Tuesday and from there was on his way to California.

J. E. Thompson went to Eri-

Thursday to look after his stock there.

Every one around Point Terrace are going around with their shoulders stooped and their teeth chattering.

—MOSS BACK

ICE SKATING NEAR FLORENCE

The young people of Florence are having an experience seldom realized here.

The last few days have been so cold that the ponds have frozen over so that the ice will bear the smaller boys and they are having the time of their lives sliding, and some of them trying to skate on ice.

Thursday and Friday a number of young people enjoyed skating at Three Mile Prairie near town. Some of them had never been on ice thick enough to hold them.

MASONS ELECT OFFICERS

At their regular meeting Thursday night, Florence Lodge No. 107, A. F. & A. M., elected the following officers to serve the coming year. C. H. Young, W. M., Bert Williams, S. W., John Holt, J. W., R. S. Huston, Secy., Warner Waite, Treas. The following members were appointed to fill the following offices. Neil Grindall, S. D., J. L. MacKechnie, J. D., Thos. Stear, S. S., J. H. Flint, J. S., O. M. Baldwin, Tyler.

The officers will be installed on the evening of December 26, and all brothers are invited to attend.

The youngest child of Marshall McLaughlin is quite sick. The illness of Mrs. McLaughlin makes it doubly hard for the family.

GERMAN FLEET RAIDS ENGLAND

London, Dec. 16.—For the first time in centuries England has been struck by a foreign foe. A squadron of swift German cruisers crept through the fog last night to the eastern coast and turned their guns against the Britons.

When day broke they began the bombardment of three important towns—Hartlepool, at the mouth of the Tees; Whitby, 35 miles southward, and Scarborough, noted as a pleasure resort, 15 miles beyond.

Men, women and children of the civilian population were left dead or wounded—struck without warning while at breakfast or at work. In all, the casualty list totals 110, according to the official estimates, of whom 31 are known to be dead.

Three churches were damaged, the gas works and lumber yards at Hartlepool were set afire and the abbey at Whitby was struck. The Balmoral Hotel at Scarborough received the full effects of a shell. Several houses and shops were shattered and partly burned in each of the towns.

The hostile squadron escaped in the mist after an encounter with coast guard vessels patrolling the neighborhood, which were reinforced as soon as the presence of the Germans was signaled.

Porter Bros., took away the last of the railroad iron from the city dock Friday.

Holiday Suggestions

Christmas Stationery, both bulk and package. A neat and desirable present to a lady or gentleman. A Non-Leakable Fountain Pen is appreciated by everyone.

Perfumery of the most delicate and fragrant odor. Toilet Soaps and Toilet Articles especially prepared for the Xmas trade. Japanese Napkins. Tinsel Paper. Ornaments.

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