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CALLS ARE OUT FOR 54 ADDITIONAL MEN

MALHEUR COUNTY LISTS ARE RAPIDLY BEING DEPLETED; QUOTAS NOW BEING FILLED FROM RECLASSIFICATIONS.

MANY CASES STILL PENDING

Owing to Failure of Other Oregon Counties to Meet Call No. 1240 Malheur Asked to Increase Its Original Number.

On August 26, 12 men will leave Malheur county for Camp Lewis and on September 3 another group totaling 42 will depart for training.

When these calls are completed the county's Class One list will be reduced to 10 or 12 men, but additions are being made thru re-classifications. In fact the present calls are largely being filled from this source. Others are coming from the newly registered men, that is the boys who were registered June 5, 1918.

The county will be able, however, to supply a number of additional men before the new draft law is passed for there is still a large number of men whose reclassification is expected by the board. Their cases are pending. When the local appeal agent, R. D. Lyle assisted by the local board and the local advisory committee completes the presentation of such cases to the district board there will be an end to the complaints concerning the young men who have secured deferred classifications for every effort is being made to clean up the evaders.

The following are the men ordered to report on August 26:

James Hamilton, Nyssa, Or.; Lloyd Kenneth Johnson, Nyssa, Or.; Martin Cornelius, Vale, Or.; Lester W. Linton, Migvale, Idaho; Clinton Beethoven Hill, Harper, Or.; William A. Murphy, Beulah, Oregon; Lloyd Edmondson, Westfall, Or.; Andrew Peterson, Vale, Or.; Robert James Manning, Payette, Idaho; Charles Edward Schweizer, Nyssa, Or.; Warren Stewart Parke, Vale, Or.; George Elmer Hommoek, Nyssa, Or.

These will report on September 3: Dewey Albert Turner, Riverdale, Or.; Harry Jurgens, Parma, Ida.; Wayne Lily Romph, Ontario, Or.; Carl McDermitt Roe, Ironside, Or.; Hugh Harrison Scott, Jordan Valley, Or.; Coy Jennings Brown, Skullsprings, Or.; Hugh Winston Gould, Skullsprings, Or.; George H. Blake, Los Angeles, Cal.; Robert J. McConnell, Jordan Valley, Or.; Vera Gardner, Calk, Or.; Albert S. Murray, Whitehall, Mont.; Leroy Warren, Nyssa, Or.; Andrew McDonald, Beulah, Or.; Karl Lelan Friedrich, Ontario, Or.; John Thomas Donnelly, Vale, Oregon; Klaus Tensen, Ontario, Or.; Roy Arthur Richey, Juntura, Or.; Francis Marine Striland, Watson, Or.; George F. Vanderhoof, Vale, Or.; Odice Le Roy Ashcroft, Parma, Ida.; Domingo Valente Laca, Jordan Valley, Or.; David John Rogers, Preston, Or.; Elmer Guy Turner, Weiser, Ida.; Harry Knard, Harper, Oregon; George Lorell Oster, Juntura, Or.; Hamilton A. Connor, Payette, Ida.; Ralph Cross, Nampa, Ida.; Clarence Colman Oliver, Ontario, Or.; William B. Colvard, Sparta, Or.; Harry Lester Tomlin, Harper, Or.; Walsey Grady McEwen, Doeville, Tenn.; Claude W. Sachuk, Parma, Idaho; Earl Dewey Ward, Nyssa, Or.; George Alvin Palmer, Watson, Or.; Arthur William Palmer, Watson, Or.; William Henry Quinn, Watson, Or.; Thomas Geo. Heald, Payette, Idaho; Thomas H. Anderson, Ontario, Oregon; John H. Edmondson, Juntura, Oregon; James Clinton Stacey, Vale, Or.; Charles C. Kelley, Jamieson, Or.; and Walter Volney Gramse, Ontario, Or.

Another Malheur county boy will leave soon, too. He is James Harvey Test, who enlisted in the navy last May. He received instructions to report at Seattle on August 31. His brother, Fred Test, who is not yet 21, filed application for enlistment in the navy recently but has not heard from his application, as yet.

—BUY W.S.S.—
Mrs. J. A. Walter and son Wesley returned this morning from a month's visit spent with friends and relatives in Spokane, Walla Walla and Chewelah, Wa. In Walla Walla Mrs. Walter visited with Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Milligan, formerly of Ontario.

EMPLOYMENT BUREAU IS WORKING NICELY

The new employment bureau started off nicely last week. Already there has been a number of calls for help, work, rooms, roomers, board, boarders, and houses to rent. The bureau reports that there is on file several applications for clerical positions by qualified candidates that have not been filled yet.

Superintendent H. R. Douglas, who has the matter in charge for the present, requests those who wish help, work, rooms and boarders, roomers to list their wants with him at once.

SHOTGUN DISCHARGES BLOWS LEFT HAND OFF

Joe Sterling Is Victim of Accident—Was Carrying Gun Across Shoulder—Amputation Necessary.

Joe Sterling, who has lived in Ontario for some time past, was the victim of his own carelessness Tuesday noon thru which he lost his left hand.

The young man was carrying a shotgun balanced across his neck and shoulders with his right hand on the butt and his left hand over the muzzle, when in some manner the trigger caught in his clothing and discharged the shell. The charge entered his hand and practically tore it off. The injury was so great that the amputation of the member was necessary.

—BUY W.S.S.—

VALE TRADING CO. DISPLAYS ITS CARS

Salesman A. J. Kessler Here to Arrange for Display Space at Fair's Auto Show-Tractor Demonstration

That the plans of the directors for an auto show and tractor demonstration for the fair this fall are taking hold was demonstrated this week when A. J. Kessler of the Vale Trading Co. came to Ontario to arrange for space for its big line of cars, trucks and tractors. This is the firm that recently purchased the Kessler & Harvey garage and line at Vale and the agencies of E. C. Propst of this city.

Mr. Kessler will have beside auto lines, two Case tractors which will give daily demonstrations, and show ranchers what the power driven machines will do. Beside this he will show Hupmobiles, Chevrolets, Nash and Scripps-Booths pleasure cars and Denby, Nash, White and Jeffries Quad trucks.

—BUY W.S.S.—

YOUNG MAN YOU MUST REGISTER SATURDAY

Failure to Place Name on Uncle Sam's Roll Subject of Severe Penalty—It's Up to You.

WHO MUST REGISTER. All male persons (citizens or aliens) born between June 6, 1897, and August 24, 1897, both dates inclusive, except officers and enlisted men of the regular army, navy and marine corps, and the national guard while in the Federal service, and officers in Officers' Reserve Corps, and enlisted men in Enlisted Reserve Corps while in active service.

WHEN.—On Saturday, August 24, 1918, between 7 a. m. and 9 p. m.

WHERE.—At office of local board having jurisdiction where persons to be registered permanently resides, or other place designated by that local board.

HOW.—Go in person on August 24 to your registration place. If you expect to be absent from home on August 24, go AT ONCE to the office

JUSTICE WILL AWAIT HARVEST OF CROPS

Judge Biggs Considers Need for Men Greater Than Speed in Trying Law Suits—Cases to Be Postponed.

That the nation's need for crops is greater than the need of attorney's fees or litigants for justice, is the position evidently taken by Judge Dalton Biggs of the district court.

Judge Biggs made it known this week that he will postpone all but the essential cases set for the September term which is to convene on September 3. The reason given is that the men called upon by the jury, witnesses and litigants are needed to harvest the crops of this section and that the cases can be tried in the January term. The Judge indicated that this procedure would be continued during the war so that the summer and fall will not be used by the court to impede the prosecution of the essential work of the nation during the crisis.

Of course, essential cases an criminal actions will be tried so that no hardship will be imposed on anyone but the legal lights who will have to wait for settlement of actions for their fees. Their harvest will be delayed while the crop harvest proceeds.

—BUY W.S.S.—

COUNTY CITIES SHOW INTEREST IN FAIR

Brogan, Jamieson, Nyssa, Boulevard, Big Bend and Dead Ox Flat Have Big Exhibits—Fruit From Brogan Valley.

The people of the surrounding counties are planning to come to take in the Malheur Fair in numbers greater than formerly, according to reports made by assistant Secretary Douglass who has been touring the cities and communities of the county. A committee of Fair Directors composed of A. L. Cockrum, E. A. Fraser and P. J. Gallagher visited Brogan and Jamieson Sunday. Fruit in that section is as good as usual, there being little loss from frost. These communities promise good crowds and good exhibits. Geo. K. Aiken and H. R. Douglas took in Nyssa and Parma last Saturday where they were assured of co-operation and good delegations at the fair. Director H. H. Tunny and Dr. A. G. Moore, superintendent of the department of horses and mules made a trip into the Idaho country and were greeted by excellent receptions wherever they went.

Mr. Douglas reports a strong spirit of co-operation from Vale youngsters, and keen interest in the fair at Payette, Fruitland and New Plymouth.

There being no fairs this year at Baker, Canyon City, Burns, or Caldwell, the local fair will virtually be an Eastern Oregon Fair and that fact coupled with the prosperity of the section and the large increase in the number of automobiles should make the 1918 fair a record breaker in attendance.

—BUY W.S.S.—

HONOR GUARD GIRLS PLAN SOCIAL DANCE

The Honor Guard girls are busy now working on comfort kits for the soldiers. The kits were given out several days ago and most of them have been completed by now. At the last meeting plans were made for a dance during fair week as the funds in the Honor Guard treasury are growing rather low now owing to \$100 donated to Red Cross fund and monthly sums sent east to the hospital in Brooklyn, New York, and also to the parting gifts to the soldier boys who leave from here and several other various reasons. One of these is a \$100 payment that is to be made on October 1 to help out the National Soldiers' fund.

—BUY W.S.S.—

COUSIN OF ONTARIO WOMAN BRINGS DOWN SECOND PLANE

Mrs. Fred Canfield received word this week that her cousin, Lieut. Vaughan McCormack of Columbus, Ohio, had been officially credited with his second Hun plane in a few weeks. He is one of the newest of Uncle Sam's air fighters and has been in France but a few months.

FOOD COMPTROLLERS BOOST WARMSPRINGS

J. R. Blackaby Secures Aid of Ayer and Houser for Meritorious Project — Directors Expect Approval Soon.

While returning from Portland Sunday where he attended the conference of County Liberty Loan Chairman, J. R. Blackaby had the good luck to be a traveling companion of W. A. Ayer and Eric A. Houser, state food comptroller and grain commissioner of Oregon, respectively.

On the trip he had the opportunity of showing them what this section can produce and to urge their endorsement of the Warmsprings bonds to the War securities committee.

They also declared that it is the intention of the people of Portland to build a great city, after the war, and that one of the methods to be used is that of developing Eastern Oregon. They declared that they would keep Malheur county in mind and do their utmost towards its ultimate advancement.

The war securities committee. This they did soon after their arrival in Boise.

The directors of the Warmsprings board learned of the endorsement of Messrs. Ayer and Houser thru the papers and one of them, Rex Marquis, declared that the board appreciated their action. He also declared that a message from Representative Sinnott indicated that final action by the war securities committee could be looked for early next week.

—BUY W.S.S.—

SUGAR FOR CANNING MAY BE SECURED NOW

By Making Application to County Judge Geo. W. McKnight Housewives Can Call Fruit on Proper Showing.

Malheur county housewives who have had visions of no peaches or pears or plums and other fruit on their cellar shelves this winter can breathe easily now. On a proper showing they may secure permits for additional 25 pound allotments by applying to County Judge Geo. W. McKnight at Vale.

This good news was conveyed to the ARGUS in the following bulletin from Judge McKnight:

"To the Public.—Special permits can now be had for extra fruit canning purposes.

"While we care for the fruit crop, we must be ever mindful of the urgent need of further rigid sugar conservation, therefore extravagance and waste will not be tolerated.

"Upon application to this office in person or by mail, showing the first, second or third fruit canning allowance, also that fruit is available, I will issue special permit of 25 pounds. Upon proper showing of larger family needs will issue second or third permits.

—BUY W.S.S.—
GEO. W. MCKNIGHT,
Chairman Federal Food Administration, Malheur County Oregon.

REGISTRATION BOARDS TO SIT AT CITY HALL

Men From All Precincts to Be Listed at One Place—Three Boards However Will Be Used.

To simplify registration of all men in Ontario between the ages to be determined by Congress in the near future, there will be but one registration place here. That place will be the City Hall.

However the three boards will be used, one for each precinct and all will sit at the Council table in the Council room. If the men of the city do not reach the registration room at one time there will be no difficulty in handling the entire number since there will be nine men present to do the work.

—BUY W.S.S.—
Dr. E. S. Fortner is spending this week in Boise.

MONTANA BOY WHO GUARDED BRIDGE KILLED IN ACTION

Word was received here this week that Clifford Jones, one of the Montana boys who guarded the bridge here last summer, was killed in action in France on July 29. Mr. Jones made many friends among the young people of Ontario while here and his death was sad news to them.

Among the Americans given in the Canadian list of wounded this week was D. McDonald of Nyssa. Young McDonald was numbered just a few months ago among those who had been gassed. Nyssa also has another name among the heroes. Leonard Fenn is reported among the wounded, suffering from a gash in the hip from which it will take him months to recover.

—BUY W.S.S.—

WILL BUILD LATERAL SYSTEM ON EASTSIDE

Owing to Expense of Construction Council Changes Plans and Will Consider Petition Next Monday Evening.

After a lengthy discussion of sewer problems and the number of vacant and unused property on the East side the City Council at its special meeting last Monday night abandoned his plan for a trunk system in that part of the city. In lieu thereof the property owners interested were advised to petition for a lateral sewer to connect with sewer No. 2 on the West side of the tracks. This they indicated they would do at once.

The argument presented against the trunk system were twofold, the cost of construction and the fact that there is so large a proportion of the property that would fall to the city by reason of failure to pay assessments. To make good the city's lien on such property it would be necessary for the municipality to pay the other county and state taxes which was deemed too great a burden at this time.

A special meeting will be held next Monday evening to consider the new petition.

—BUY W.S.S.—

INEXPENSIVE, THOUGH PRETTY ARE UNIFORMS

High School Girls Making Dresses Which Will More Than Prove Patriotism of Ontario Girls.

That High School girls can be well dressed in the neat, pretty uniforms that have been selected is being proven every day as the girls report the completion of their outfits.

The total average cost of the uniforms made thus far is but \$7.25, each divided as follows: Four and a quarter yards of good, at \$1 per yard, \$4.25; findings 50c; hat \$1.50. To this must be added the shoes, which however are to be the plain black and not the high-topped-high priced kind that have been worn by many of the young women.

The uniforms already completed at the above figure demonstrate absolutely that the Ontario girls will be a well dressed, smartly appearing group, while at the same time giving proof of their democratic spirit and their practical patriotism by economizing on clothes. There is no doubt that the city will be as proud of its uniformed girls as it is of the high school cadet company. That ought to make the effort worth while for the young women.

—BUY W.S.S.—
W. H. Stevenson is in town at the present while auditing the books of the Studebaker Co. before the change of managers comes into effect, as Mr. Bush, the former manager, is leaving soon for his ranch in Southern Idaho.

—BUY W.S.S.—

George Bender is in Vale this week on grand jury duty.

MOTHER THINKS SON HAS BEEN KIDNAPPED

MRS. W. J. CRAWFORD WORRIED OVER DISAPPEARANCE OF FRED CUMMINGS, AGED 72, AND HER SON, GEORGE.

LEFT HERE ABOUT JUNE 10TH

No Motive for Crime, If Such It Proves to Be, Is Known—Were to Go to Cascade, Idaho, But Never Reached There.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Crawford who have lived in and about Ontario for some time believe that their 10 year-old son George has been kidnapped by Fred Cummings, an old man who took a fancy to him, and with whom the boy lived on the Eastside while the parents were in the country last June.

Nothing has been seen or heard of the boy and Mr. Cummings, who is said to be 72 years old, since they left Ontario sometime between June 5 and 10th. They were supposed to have gone to Cascade, Idaho, but according to reports they have never reached there. What motive could have prompted the old man to take the boy is puzzling the officials to whom the parents have made complaint.

According to the story told to District Attorney R. W. Swagler Cummings came here from Colorado and soon afterward became acquainted with the Crawfords, taking a particular liking to the boy. When the parents went to the country they left George with the old man at his home on the Eastside. He asked for permission to have the boy accompany him on a trip to Cascade, Ida., and it was granted.

Neighbors saw the pair leaving Ontario about 1 a. m. one morning in June, the exact date is not certain, but it was some time between June 5 and 10th. They were driving in a new spring wagon and were leading a two year-old mare.

Officials of the surrounding towns and counties have been notified and a search is being made for the lost pair. The boy is described as follows: light hair, blue eyes, face freckled, and weight between 80 and 90 pounds. Little is known of Cummings and his description is not given.

—BUY W.S.S.—

EVERY MAN MUST SEE THAT HE IS LISTED

Date of Extended Draft Registration Not Yet Set, But Men Subject to Law Are Warned to Register.

Adjutant General's Office, Morgan Building, Portland, Or., August 21.—So important is haste in registering all men who will be affected by the new draft law soon to be passed by Congress, which probably will extend the draft provisions to include men from 18 to 29, and from 32 to 45, inclusive, that local boards are completing all preparations now to conduct the registration.

The date of the new registration day for these men cannot be foretold definitely until Congress actually enacts the law. But it will in all probability be before September 15.

Consequently, for their own protection, all men within the ages mentioned should keep very carefully posted through the newspapers in regard to the date of the Registration Day.

This is necessary because there will be no time to give long notices beforehand. Registration Day probably will follow very closely the passage of the bill, because the urgent need for more men to keep filled the ranks of Class 1.

No excuses will be accepted for failure to register. Even ignorance of the date of Registration Day will not be accepted. As the penalty for failure to register will be severe, it is doubly imperative on every man affected to protect himself by learning the date as soon as it is announced.

—BUY W.S.S.—
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