

MAN WITH FIGHTING RECORD COMES HOME

Sergeant William McKennie of Juntura Returns to Prove-Up on Homestead After Long Service in A. E. F.

Back from France where he was cited for bravery, to a homestead near Juntura is about as big a jump and change in life as one can imagine. But that is just what First Sergeant William McKennie, late of the 91st has taken.

Sergeant McKennie arrived in Ontario last Friday to spend a day or two with his old Juntura friends, Frank Ryan, George Reihson and P. J. Gallagher, and spin a few yarns about hunting the Boche in France and Flanders. Then on Saturday he went to Vale to prove up on that homestead of which he had so often in France when he lay in the hospital suffering from a Boche bullet and gas.

Billy McKennie was a "Top" in the 91st. He was one of two men in his company that enlisted when the war broke out at Vancouver, Wash., and later was transferred to the 91st when that division was organized at Camp Lewis. They called him Dad. In the company for he was the oldest man in the organization. The way he talks about "his boys" indicates that they were popular with him—and that means he was so with them.

His fighting record we did not get from him, but he did tell his old Juntura pals a lot about what happened over there. He fought in the St. Mihiel for two days, September 11 to 13 and was in the Meuse Argonne from September 26 to October 4 when he was wounded and taken out of action. A bullet hit him in the shoulder and he was slightly gassed. That gave him a month in the hospital and he was on his way to join his company at Audenarde, Belgium, when the armistice was signed.

It was a sniper who "got" him. The fighting was taking place in an apple orchard and he was dodging from tree to tree when he was hit. He walked back to the dressing station alone, several miles and survived the ordeal.

Tho, he does not tell it, he was cited for bravery and was recommended for a commission just before peace was declared, and has been offered positions in a number of military schools as instructor.

Many Ontario folks know Mr. McKennie, and Mrs. McKennie, too, for when Mr. McKennie went to war, his wife came here to Ontario and entered training at the Holy Rosary hospital. Later she went to Tacoma to be with her sister and has continued her training at the Tacoma General hospital. She will finish her course this fall and then return to Juntura to make their home.

ONTARIO BAND IS TO BE ORGANIZED AGAIN

Byron Turner Plans of Rejuvenating Institution That was Prominent Before the War—More Players Here.

Ontario bids fair to have two brass bands; one of these is well on its way to organization at the High School where 30 students are engaged in inticing music out of various instruments. The other will be Ontario's Concert band, which in the days before the war was a prominent and usual organization.

The last named organization will have its rejuvenation on Monday evening at a meeting which has been called by Byron Turner, the local leader of the old organization. He asks all the old band men to gather at the Commercial club rooms at 7:30 p. m.

Now that the war is over there are a number of the old band men back and also several new musicians have come to town so that it is believed that there is material here now for a good organization.

HARD TO SECURE FULL QUOTA OF FORD CARS

V. B. Staples Local Agent Finds Portland Not Receiving as Large a Percentage as Ontario—List - ing Orders Now.

V. B. Staples, local agent for the Ford company returned Sunday night from Portland where he went in an effort to secure more cars each month for local aspirants for ownership of these cars. His mission was almost in vain.

"I found that where Portland has a quota of 50 cars per month they are getting there about 15 or twenty, while here we have a quota of 20 and are getting 10, so we are really getting a higher average than they are."

"Also the rule is being strictly adhered to that no one can have a Ford car from a new shipment without having had a prior order in, and no agency can get cars except it has an order to fill."

"The only relief that I can see to the situation for those who will want Fords in the spring is to list orders now. On that basis we are taking orders now."

Mrs. Staples who has been in Portland for some time returned with Mr. Staples and is greatly improved in health.

HIGH SCHOOL LAUNCHES MUSICAL ORGANIZATION

Twenty Students Enroll For Orchestra Work—All Members Have Had Previous Experience—Practice Twice Weekly.

Music has charms for Ontario High School students. That appears to be evident by the formation of a second organization which has for its purpose the production harmonies from instruments. The latest addition to the esthetic life of the students is an orchestra, which was brought into being this week.

The orchestra which held its first practice session Monday night will soon be heard by the public in a formal concert. This can be done in a comparatively short time for every one of the members has had previous experience. In this work the school is fortunate in the fact that Mr. Thomas, the leader, was for four years a member of the Cadet Band of the University of Missouri, and in the University Symphony Orchestra of the same institution. Prior to entering the university, and since leaving college Mr. Thomas has been connected with musical organizations for 12 years, during which time he was for three years director of the Columbia Missouri Municipal band, an organization of 40 pieces; and later was director of Richmond, Missouri, High School Band and Orchestra.

The many friends of Mrs. C. R. Seguire will be pleased to know that she rallied from the very serious operation which she underwent at the St. Alphonses hospital in Boise, Saturday, and that an early recovery is expected. Mr. Seguire who went to Boise with her returned home yesterday.

FOOT BALL BOYS ARE FAST SHOWING FORM

Boucher's Gridiron Warriors Rubbing Off Rough Edges and Taking on Some Scrimmage Work—To Play Nysaa Friday.

With two full teams out for practice every day, football prospects at O. H. S. never looked better than they do right now. The boys under the tutelage of Coach S. M. Boucher have had many of the rough edges worn off and have gotten over sore muscles and the early season Charley-horses that are the bane of the first week.

During the past week scrimmage work has been indulged in and some lively tussles have been staged. On Tuesday and Wednesday there were

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Toggery Bill

Good Clothes for Men

25 men in uniforms ready for work, and that number never before was reached here.

The problem that Coach Boucher will have to solve is to pick for the first string and subs, for competition is keen for the odd places. Several of the men, out trying are Freshmen and while not heavy enough for the big teams to be met later in the season are proving willing little mixers who in a year from now with added weight will be certain to land on the eleven.

Cody Butler Captain

At a meeting of the men of the squad held Wednesday morning, Cody Butler, left half on last year's team was elected captain and Mitch Moore was elected manager. Both officers are members of the class of 1921.

Among the players of last year's team who are out for places are: Cody and Vernon Butler, Aubrey and Gilbert Dean, Mitchell Moore, Jack and Lou Weaver, John Odell, Homer Maddux, and Newton Zahler. Among the new candidates are Pat Fortier, Harry Neece, Willis Hale, Dick Adam, Billy Lees and Frank Van Patten.

STATE CHAMBER IS WORKING FOR OREGON (Continued From Page 1)

Valley last winter. In stirring words he described the present situation of irrigation matters, so far as government aid is concerned and pointedly told the club that unless the entire West united there is little hope of government relief.

He then told of the campaign for advertising the state which the chamber has launched and of the booklet on Oregon to be issued soon. In this book each county of state is to have two pages, regardless of its size or the amount contributed to the expense of the campaign. He asked the club to endorse the work and request the County Court to appropriate \$1,000 toward the advertising fund. This carried unanimously.

A strong and determined effort he said is being made to have the duplicate line of railroad which is lying idle along the DesChutes torn up and extended from Bend toward Burns and Crane, which if done would leave only 31 miles to construct to have a new transtate railroad. The club endorsed that too.

Describing as deplorable the con-

dition of the roads in Malheur county he said: "You men must be asleep at the switch." "I know you have had the promise of the Highway commission, but you must keep after them. You are far away and other counties close to Portland are on the job getting everything they can. And to that end I pledge you the support of the State Chamber."

Mr. Bramwell then read a list of inquiries that the state chamber had received in one week concerning Oregon and opportunities for business here. All of these were men with money, seeking many of them, opportunities which exist in abundance right here in Malheur county. In fact Mr. Bramwell said that concerning some of them he did not know where they could go until he came to Malheur county and saw what was being done here.

During the afternoon Mr. Bramwell drove over the valley with the editor of the Argus and took note of the manner in which the ranchers here handle available water. Being a specialist in irrigation he said that while Malheur county farmers were not as guilty as in many parts of the state, it was evident that many of them were using more water than required to their fields.