

BRIEF NEWS OF RURAL OREGON

Forest fires are causing great damage in logging sections of Coos county. Douglas county has about 700 members of the boys' and girls' industrial clubs.

The first public market to be established at Marshfield will be built and opened this month.

The state military police is costing the taxpayers of the state \$21,000 per month for salaries.

With a hot sun and dry wind prevailing in western Oregon, danger of forest fires returned last week.

Mrs. Joe Cado killed a ferocious wildcat with her bare hands on the Cado ranch, six miles east of Crane.

The third annual field trials of the Oregon State Sportsmen's league will be held in Lebanon on September 15 and 16.

The northwest Methodist Episcopal conference, uniting the Columbia, east Columbia and Montana conferences, was held at Milton.

War activities at the University of Oregon are not to be confined to men. An emergency nurses' training course has been announced.

The 25th annual Astoria regatta, which was held under the auspices of the Soldiers', Sailors' and Shipbuilders' club, was formally opened Thursday.

Printers employed in the state printing office at Salem were granted a general increase of 50 cents a day by the state printing board, as a "war bonus."

The net income of the O-W. R. & N. for the year 1917 was \$1,141,327, according to the annual report the company filed with the public service commission.

The Brownsville public library, rejuvenated and increased by the addition of many new volumes, was formally dedicated and opened to the public last week.

The plant of the Everfresh Fruit company at Sutherlin, engaged in work upon government contracts, was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$30,000.

Wild pigeons are more plentiful in Clatsop county than any season for the past 10 years. Better protection for this species of wild fowl has resulted in the increase.

Twenty-four forest fires, caused by lightning, are raging in the Cascade national forest, according to a report received at the district forest office from Forest Supervisor Seitz.

The North Bend city council has set October 15 as the date for the holding of a special election to submit to the voters of the city a number of important amendments to the city charter.

There were between 600 and 700 hunters out in Umatilla county September 1, for China pheasant shooting, which is permitted during the week under special permit from State Game Warden Shoemaker.

In response to a call issued by the state librarian, Miss Cornelia Marvin, a meeting was held in Albany to consider the matter of bringing before the people the importance of establishing a county library.

Appointments of postmasters have been made in Oregon as follows: Wenaha, Wallowa county, Miss Ruby Bullard; Alberson, Harney county, Nick H. Vegtley; Ashwood, Jefferson county, Mrs. Nenna B. Fennell.

The public service commission was notified by H. Hirschberg, of Independence, that the Independence & Mouth road would cease operation September 1, the company disposing of its equipment and rolling stock.

Clyde Rhodes, a well-to-do farmer, was found dead at the gate of his farm in Sams valley, six miles north of Gold Hill. He is believed to have committed suicide. Coffee was found by his side containing crystals of cyanide.

A maximum of 400 men will be given intensive training at the Oregon Agricultural college to fit them for United States army bands. They will be selected by the government because of musical ability and previous training.

While plans are being made to carry out the Polk county fair the same as usual this year, the dates being September 17, 18 and 19, it has been decided not to have a fair in this county next year nor again until after the war.

Approval of a \$20,000 water bond issue will be asked of the people of the city of Pendleton at the coming election in November. The money is to be used in completing the extension of the city water systems at Chapliss springs, now under way.

Between 300 and 400 patients at the Oregon state hospital were put to work for the Oregon Packing company stringing beans for canning at the rate of 3 cents per pound. Necessity for quick action on the beans as a conservation measure gained the use of the patients, who did the work at the hospital, where the beans were delivered for stringing.

The Oregon Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis has secured the appointment of a public health nurse for Coos county, which county is the second one in Oregon to take this step. Jackson county already has the services of a public health nurse.

Supervisor Cryder of the Umatilla national forest has returned from a tour of two weeks over the forest and reports the summer range in the western part of the forest is so dry that already several bands of sheep have been driven off the forest to the winter pasture.

A "board of instruction," whose business it is to see that conscripted men leave for cantonments in proper mental and physical condition, fully advised as to their duties toward the government and their families, has been appointed by the Oregon City draft board.

District Attorney Gale S. Hill, of Linn county, submitted to the public service commission an application on behalf of the Linn county court for permission of the commission to construct a grade crossing over the track of the Southern Pacific company in road district No. 3.

Out of a total of 572 accidents reported to the state industrial commission for the week ending August 29, there were four fatalities. They were: John Ryder, Portland, shipbuilding; William Bishop, near Scappoose, logging; N. C. Nelson, Columbia City, shipbuilding; Fred W. Bradshaw, Gooch, lumbering.

Big Butte creek as the source of supply and a \$1,500,000 bond issue, to be voted upon September 28, are the recommendations of the directors of the Medford irrigation district, after 11 months' study of the entire water situation of the Rogue river valley. The Medford irrigation district was formed September 15, 1917.

To be used in improvements on Camp Custer, near Battle Creek, Mich., 17,000,000 feet of Douglas fir has just been ordered by the war department. The orders are to be distributed, as usual, through the fir production board, which maintains headquarters in Portland. They go to mills of Oregon and Washington.

J. M. Cook, of Junction City, is out more than \$800 and Linn county ahead almost that sum as the result of the importation of six suitcases full of whisky into Harrisburg. Cook paid a fine of \$500 and costs, and O. E. Trout, of Corvallis, paid a fine of \$250 and costs. In addition to the fine Cook is out \$307.50 which he paid for the booze.

Chrome and manganese mining in eastern and southern Oregon is one of the newest industries of the state arising out of wartime needs. Second in output of chrome of any state, and with a production of more than one third the output of the entire country, Oregon in the last few months has been making still bigger preparations to meet the wartime emergency.

Sale of 433,000,000 feet of timber, located on territory covering an area of approximately 5860 acres in Alesia and Lake creek valleys in Lane, Lincoln and western Benton counties, to Alfred Thomas and E. B. Kingman of Columbus, Mont., was completed by D. S. R. Walker and J. Darling of Eugene. The consideration is reported to be in the neighborhood of \$600,000. The timber runs almost clear fir.

The Buehner Lumber company, of North Bend, has made application through Colonel Disque, of the spruce production division, and Colonel Zinn, government engineer, to have the channel of South Inlet, 12 miles west of North Bend, dredged and improved in order that a large tract of fine quality spruce and fir timber owned by the company may be opened up and utilized for airplane and ship material.

The maximum price for the fall catch of salmon on the Columbia river has been fixed by the national food administration, according to an announcement received by W. B. Ayer, state food administrator, as follows: Chinook salmon, from date to September 15, inclusive, 3½ cents per pound; chinook salmon after September 15, 6½ cents per pound; steelhead salmon, from date, 9½ cents per pound; chum salmon, from date, 3¼ cents per pound.

According to an opinion of Attorney General Brown written for State School Superintendent Churchill, school districts shall continue to make up and post their budgets. The law so providing, the attorney general holds, was not affected by an opinion of the supreme court in the case of Martin vs. Gilliam county, which held invalid chapter 222, laws of 1915, applying the county budget law to all districts and corporate bodies having power to levy taxes except cities of 150,000 population or more.

Oregon commercial organizations are requested, in a letter sent out by the public service commission, to compile all data applicable to their respective communities for presentation in classified form at hearings to be conducted by Clyde B. Alchison, of the interstate commerce commission, in Portland on September 20 and 23. On those dates complaints will be heard against the 25 per cent freight rate increase on fresh fruit and vegetables, and the 10 per cent increase in express rates on fresh fruit and fresh fish.

The trouble with constructive criticism is that every critic admits that he is constructive.

WAR CALL FINDS WOMEN PREPARED FOR VITAL WORK

Heartstrings Bind Oregon Homes Close to French Battlefields—Fighters' Hands Upheld

By Mrs. Hazel Pedlar Faulkner

"Twenty-six Americans cited for conspicuous bravery and valor." Your heart thrilled, too, to that news, which now has been repeated many times. The little shivers of pride ran down your spinal columns, women of Oregon, as you read of the things those boys did over there. And honestly, down in your heart, didn't you say, for the thousandth time, "I wish I could do something worth while!"

Something worth while—of course you can. You can do something immensely worth while, just now, for those same boys and all their kind.

You can make possible the continuation of their deeds of valor and heroism. You can help them put an end to the need for such sacrifice and hardships as they have been compelled to make.

MAKE DEEDS OF VALOR POSSIBLE
You are the instruments chosen for a great work, and the time for service is here.

The government is asking you once more to bring out your hidden treasure—the dollars you have been carelessly putting away for some special need. The call for the Fourth Liberty Loan has been sounded. Our country's challenge to our patriotism has been voiced once more.

Oregon women have a record for loyal response to all of the previous Loans. There's been a generous reply to the country's war need.

The daily lists of names of American boys who have given their all for their country have found Oregon's sons among the number. It is for such as those, and for the things for which they fought and fell, that the aid of the folks at home is sought. Ours is a lesser part, but it is an essential part.

PATRIOTISM CHALLENGES

The report of what women all over the United States did for the Third Liberty Loan is an inspiring page in the history of united war effort. From east to west, from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico the story is the same. Everywhere the women came forward, bringing their dollars for the Loan.

What they will do in this Fourth Liberty Loan will be no less creditable. The time for questioning is past. The day of speculation is gone. Here and now, with one aim and one purpose, you women of Oregon in line with your sisters from all over the land, will march in the army behind the khaki-clad boys over yonder, furnishing the funds not alone for the successful carrying on of the war—that we are pledged to do,—but for the speedy complete defeat of the enemy.

Money means power in this struggle between the right and wrong. Dollars spell success in the conflict for righteousness. Yours is a vital part in the struggle, women of Oregon,—the "thing worth while" is yours to do NOW.

WHAT LIBERTY BONDS WILL BUY FOR ARMY

- \$100 bond will buy overcoats, slickers and blankets for 3 soldiers and mess kits for 15.
- \$100 bonds will buy 5 complete rifles with bayonets, 1 automatic pistol and 250 rounds of ammunition.
- \$100 bonds will buy 6 airplane demolition bombs (the kind dropped on munition factories and dumps, trains, stations, etc.) and 24 signal flares.
- \$100 bonds will buy 20 airplane incendiary bombs.
- \$100 bonds will buy 30 airplane fragmentation bombs (the kind dropped on masses of troops), and 11 hand grenades.
- \$100 bonds will buy 10 airplane flares (each of which will light up 4 square miles of ground at night).
- \$100 bonds will buy a trench knife, steel helmet and 1 day's rations for 216 men.
- \$100 bonds will buy mess kits, canteens and entrenching picks for a company.
- \$100 bonds will buy harness for the wheel horses of 4 artillery teams.
- \$100 bonds will buy each man of a company 9 hand grenades, 9 gas or phosphorus grenades, or 8 rifle grenades.
- \$1000 bond will buy 1 loaded 16-inch shell.
- \$1500 bond will buy one of the effective little 37 mm. cannon used in the trenches for breaking up enemy strong-points and machine gun nests out of range of trench mortars.

Buy a Liberty Bond today. Urgent is the nation's call. Young and old must help and say, America over all.

Buy a bond, now don't be slow. Over there our brave boys go. Need they ask you to respond, Don't be slackers—Buy a bond.

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"It is of the highest importance, affecting not merely the curriculum of our schools, but their continued existence, that all the people of the United States shall come to read and speak and think in the one prevailing language." This is the conviction expressed by Elihu Root in a statement in New York on the subject of the teaching of German in American schools.

CORRESPONDENCE

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Mrs. George Yarno has gone to Vancouver, B. C. with her two sons, Frank and James on a visit with her father and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Logan and son David have returned from their summer vacation. They reside on the southwest corner of Eighty-second and Sixty-seventh avenues.

Mrs. Frank Harrow, of Sixty-seventh avenue spent Labor Day with Mr. Harrow's mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Carr, of Clackamas.

George Eiler, who recently enlisted in the U. S. Marines expects to make a brief visit home before his departure upon his first ocean voyage.

Miss Vina Hays, of Seventy-first avenue near Ninety-second street has returned from several days visit with the Van Orton family on their beautiful farm on the Firwood road, near the Government station.

the wheel crossed it she would have been a cripple for life. She was not able to use her limb for several days. Mr. Hopper received such a fright that their little rides have been discontinued.

Theodore Rambo, formerly of St. Johns, and an "old timer" of Portland, has been laid up for several weeks with a very lame leg. He is a loyal shipbuilder and was working upon a riveting machine which broke and caused him to fall twelve feet, when a part of the heavy machinery fell upon the muscles of the left leg, squeezing the calf of the limb badly. He went to work last Monday, even before the limb was healed, rather than let Uncle Sam suffer defeat from even one ship being delayed from deficient help. He has recently moved with his large family into the residence at the Junction at Seventy-sixth and Eighty-first street.

Harry Hipperson's small daughter escaped a very serious accident one day last week. She and Jack, her elder brother, and little two-year-old "Bobbie," the baby, have been in the habit of running to meet their "daddy" when they saw him returning at night in his auto, and he would stop a little ways from the house and take them for a ride to the door. This evening he was a little late, and the babies did not see him until he was nearly to the house. They ran as usual and he told them to stand back, as he wanted to stop. All stood back as he thought, but little "Sister" had not stopped back far enough and the machine, before stopping entirely, knocked her down and ran the length of her small leg and squeezed and bruised it badly. Had her leg been so that

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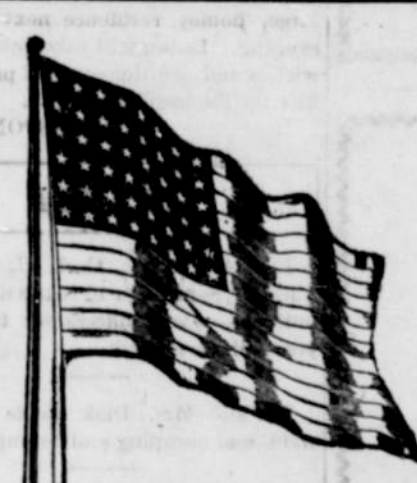
We surely had a taste of the dog-days last week.

Rev. John H. Boyd, of the First Presbyterian Church of Portland, is here at his summer home near the town.

Prof. Cruper and family, of Portland, were out to their ranch north of town Sunday. Mr. Cruper and the two elder children have good positions in the city.

It is estimated that over 2000 autos were upon the mountains Labor Day and the Sunday before. The summer hotels were taxed to their utmost and could not take care of the crowd which thronged the hills and mountains. Even the hotel here had to turn people away Sunday.

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