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UNDER MARTIAL LAW

Rear-Admiral Badger Orders American Non-Combatants to Leave on Steamer.

Vera Cruz.—Definite instructions from Rear-Admiral Badger, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet, to all American non-combatants to leave Vera Cruz by the steamer Mexico, have been posted at the consulate and other places, and Vera Cruz is under martial law, Rear-Admiral Fletcher, commanding the American naval forces on shore having issued a proclamation to this effect.

Admiral Fletcher determined there should be no more quibbling with the Mexican officials regarding forms of government. Until further notice, the residents will be judged by military law. A large number of local Mexican officials have reported their willingness to resume their duties as officers under the supervision of the Americans.

With all ceremony, the firing of a salute and dress parade, the American flag was raised Monday over the division headquarters of Rear-Admiral Frank F. Fletcher. Over the customhouse the flag has been flying since the landing of the American forces, but there had been no ceremony indicating the formal occupation of Vera Cruz.

The more friendly attitude displayed in the capital towards foreigners in the last day or two was in a measure explained when it was learned from refugees that rebel supporters in Mexico City had taken steps to change public opinion.

They circulated handbills calling upon the people to protect Americans and denouncing Huerta as the cause of the landing of the American naval forces at Vera Cruz and also as the author of false and inflammatory statements published in Mexico City.

GENERAL VILLA FRIENDLY

Rebel Commander Anxious to Pliacate His American Friends.

El Paso, Tex.—The international political situation cleared greatly as affecting the status of the rebel government and that of the United States when General Francisco Villa, who arrived at Juarez repeated his declaration that he would not be drawn into a war with the United States, particularly as that would serve only to draw the Huerta chestnuts out of the fire. Villa said that Carranza's note had been misunderstood and that the first chief was as friendly as he was to the United States.

BRYAN DECLARES NO AMERICANS ARE SLAIN

Washington.—Following the announcement that Huerta has granted permission to all Americans to leave Mexico City, Secretary Bryan said that, so far as authentic information was concerned, he knew of no American citizen having been killed in the capital or elsewhere in the Mexican republic within the last few days. Through the efforts of the British embassy here and the British legation in Mexico City, the impression that Mexicans were detained at Vera Cruz had been removed.

Advices received through the British embassy told of the completion of arrangements for the safe departure of Americans from Mexico City, while the French ambassador gave the state department a message he had received from the French legation stating that while there had been some anti-American manifestations in the Mexican capital, order now prevailed.

Refugees were reported safe at Tampico, Puerto Mexico and other east coast points, with arrangements under way to get them to Galveston.

Mexico City Fed on Weird "News."

Vera Cruz.—The newspapers of the capital are reported to be publishing stories to the effect that the American forces at Vera Cruz are slaughtering women and children, and the papers call on Mexicans in Mexico City to retaliate in a similar manner.

Other stories printed by the newspapers say that France, Germany, Great Britain and Spain had declared war against the United States.

Dr. E. F. Reamer, Specialist in diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat and the fitting of Glasses. 401 Masonic Temple Salem, Oregon.

STAYTON WENT TO LEBANON AND, RETURNED

The Stayton ball team went to Lebanon last Sunday to give the Lebanonites a chance to get their revenge and by all accounts they got it.

On account of the rain, but one and one-half innings were played but during that short time Lebanon succeeded in crossing the plate five times. One shudders to think of the carnage if the full nine innings had been played.



Wake up you Slob

The picture above illustrates the condition of some of the Stayton players. Just what the reason was we cannot say, but it must have been a "strong" one.

After old Jupiter Pluvius got real busy the game was soon called and Stayton started home looking something like this.



OREGON PRUNES

A recent survey of market conditions indicates that the demand for Oregon prunes is the best ever known in the state, and while the season so far has not been favorable for a record breaking crop, there is little reason to expect it will fall much if any below the average and the promise of unusually good prices will probably make net returns to growers better than ever before received. On account of their superior quality, Oregon prunes head the quotations in all eastern markets.

INCREASES COOS COUNTY

The population of Coos County is likely to make a rapid growth within the next few days. On her last outbound trip the steamer Breakwater carried a family consisting of father, mother, six boys and seven girls. They took with them the usual assortment of household goods, two cows, one horse, a lot of chickens, two cats in crates, and they started with three dogs but one of the latter became homesick and jumped overboard before they were out of sight of land. Immigration into Coos county is very heavy and the steamer has, on several recent trips, been offered more household goods than she could carry.

Several Stayton citizens had a narrow escape the other evening on the road home from Sublimity when Jeff Bilyeu's Ford turned turtle in the ditch in front of Geo. Keech's house. A few bruises and a broken wind shield was the extent of the injuries.

Mrs. Chas. Hudson of Salem and Mrs. Frank Mack of Stayton were week-end visitors with Mrs. Briggs at West Stayton.

BOND ISSUE WILL REDUCE TAXES; SAYS THE STATESMAN

LESS THAN ONE MILL WILL PAY OUT THE DEBT

There seems to be a misapprehension on the part of some of our taxpayers as to the nature of the indebtedness proposed to be incurred for permanent roads, and the method of payment of the \$850,000.00 bonds to be voted upon at the special election May 15th. It has been urged by some that we are mortgaging the future and transferring our burdens to posterity.

Now, there are two common methods employed for the payment of such bonds. The first would pay the interest semi-annually according to the terms of the bonds, and make no provision for retiring them at maturity. By this method it would be necessary to make an annual levy sufficient only to pay the interest. The other method, the one by which these proposed bonds will be retired, because the law so provides, is after the first three years to make a levy each year covering not only the interest but also a portion of the principal, so distributed through the last seventeen years that the sinking fund created by the annual excess of these payments over the interest will pay the principle at maturity.

The first three years it will be necessary to raise annually the interest on \$850,000.00 at 5 per cent per annum—\$42,500.00—and for the remainder of the term (seventeen years) \$76,500.00 per annum in accordance with standard 5 per cent Amortization tables, showing that \$1000 at 5 per cent is cancelled in seventeen years by annual installments of \$90.00.

Now exactly what future annual levy will be required to raise this \$76,500.00 per annum it is impossible to say, as the millage will decrease with the annually increasing assessed value of taxable property in the county, which can only be estimated.

As a basis for estimates for the future I deem the average of the seven years since that date a very conservative one especially as during this term we have had the depressing effect of a financial panic (in 1907), and of that, incident to a change in the administration and tariff policies of the government.

The average annual increase of these seven years is 7.027 per cent, eliminating the .027 per cent and using the factor of 7.1-2 per cent as the average annual increase during the life of the bonds, we have the estimated valuation in millions and tenths of millions of dollars, and the necessary levy for each year in mills, in decimals down to the third place to raise the interest, viz., \$42,500 annually for 1914-15 and 16, and \$76,500 annually for the remaining seventeen years to pay the interest and create a sinking fund to pay the principal at maturity, as follows:

Year.	Estimated Assessed valuation in millions of dollar.	Levy in mills.
1914	46.8	0.908
1915	50.2	0.846
1916	53.4	0.796
1917	56.6	1.351
1918	59.9	1.277
1919	63.2	1.210
1920	66.5	1.150
1921	69.7	1.097
1922	73.0	1.047
1923	76.3	1.002
1924	79.5	0.962
1925	82.8	0.923
1926	86.1	0.888
1927	89.3	0.856
1928	92.6	0.826
1929	95.9	0.797
1930	99.1	0.771
1931	102.4	0.747
1932	105.7	0.723
1933	109.0	0.701

This makes the average annual levy .9434 of a mill—less than 95c on an assessment of \$1000.—If the sinking fund be invested at the rate of 5 per cent as it is received, it will amount to just \$850,000.00, and pay off the bonds at maturity. Now the law requires the county treasurer with the approval of the county court to loan this fund on mortgages on improved farming lands up to 50 per cent of the assessed value, at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, just as the state school fund is loaned.

Now this measure will not increase the annual road levy but will reduce it. This is no paradox. The levy for roads and bridges for 1913 which we have just paid was 6.1-4 mills. A conservative estimate of the amount expended for maintenance on the roads named in the order of the county court for improvement, is estimated at 1-3 of the 6.1-4 mills, or 2 mills, while the annual levy of 95-100 of a mill will build the new roads, pay the interest, and pay off the bonds at maturity—nothing is "loaded onto posterity" but a first class road fully paid for.

We should remember that this expenditure of 95-100 of a mill is an investment leaving an asset worth more than the \$850,000 which it cost, and upon which it pays daily dividends to the public, while nearly all the other five mills expended upon roads and bridges, is purely an expense yielding nothing of permanent value.

It should be remembered, too, that we have at our command the services of the highway department of the state without cost, which will materially reduce the cost of engineering, an expensive item in the building of permanent roads.

Remember, your average annual tax to pay for these roads, principal and interest, will be less than one dollar on the \$1000 of your assessment.

—Salem Statesman

YEOMAN-SMITH

J. E. Yeoman and Mrs. Grace Smith went to Salem today with the avowed intention of becoming man and wife.

The bride is a highly respected widow of Stayton, and the groom is one of Linn County's best and foremost farmers. Mr. and Mrs. Yeoman will live on the groom's farm just over on the Linn county side.

The Mail joins with the numerous friends of the couple in wishing them years of prosperity and happiness.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received by the County Court of Marion County, Oregon, for the improvement of certain roads in Road District No. 34 along the Little North Fork of the Santiam River, by grading and macadamizing same, as will more fully appear by the plans and specifications of the same now on file in this office. All bids must be accompanied by a certified check of five per cent (5%) of the amount of such bid and must be filed in this office on or before the 23rd day of May, 1914, at 1 o'clock P. M. The court reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Estimated cost \$6,000.00. Max Gehlar, County Clerk.

SALEM CHERRY FAIR

The Salem Cherry Fair will be held early in July, according to a recent decision of the Salem Commercial Club. Exact dates will be selected later. A new public market building is being erected in Salem and has been offered to the committee as a location for the fair. It is possible the scope of the fair will be extended this season by the addition of other agricultural products.

Notice of Hearing Final Account

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Marion County.

In the matter of the Estate of Caroline Titze, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the final account of Albert Titze as administrator of the estate of Caroline Titze, deceased, has been filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Marion County, and that the 1st day of June, 1914, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. has been duly appointed by such court for the hearing of objections to such final account and the settlement thereof, at which time any person interested in said estate may appear and file objections thereto in writing and contest the same. Albert Titze, administrator of the estate of Caroline Titze, deceased.

SUBLIMITY TO HAVE BIG ROAD MEETING

There will be a monster meeting of the good road workers and taxpayers at the C. O. F. Hall in Sublimity tonight, Thursday April 30. The meeting will open at 8 o'clock. Everyone, men and women are invited to attend. Good music and good speakers have been secured and a thorough understanding of the subject can only result.

DIAMONDS AND HEARTS TO BE AT SUBLIMITY

The Victor Point Dramatic Club will stage a three act comedy-drama in the C. O. F. Hall at Sublimity, entitled "Diamonds and Hearts" on Friday, May 8.

These young people have played in Sublimity and Stayton before, and in both places were greeted with "standing room only" houses.

By all means attend this show. You are sure of your money's worth. The prices of admission are moderate, 15 and 25c.

ODD FELLOWS TO CONVENE HERE

Representatives from all the I. O. O. F. Lodges in Marion County will convene at Stayton, Saturday, May 9.

The session will open at 2 p. m. on the above date with an address of welcome by W. H. Hobson of this city.

Several good things are on the afternoon program and all members should be present.

The evening session will open at 7:30 with the regular lodge work including the work in Initiatory degree by the local lodge. A banquet will follow.

RACE PROGRAM OUT

The official race program of the Linn County Fair has been issued. There will be trotting, pacing and running races with nice purses hung up for the winners. All interested in entry cards should address T. K. Sanderson, Seio, Oregon. The fair will be held Sept 23-24-25.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

This is to notify the general and traveling public that Mrs. Lesley has taken full charge of the dining-room of the Stayton Hotel and will attend to the cooking in person.

You are invited to try the new service and we guarantee it to be second best to none. Yours, Resp. The Stayton Hotel.

TAKE IT IN TIME

Just as Scores of Stayton People Have.

Waiting doesn't pay. If you neglect kidney backache, Urinary troubles often follow. Act in time by curing the kidneys.

Doan's Kidney Pills are especially for weakened kidneys. Many people in this locality recommend them.

Here's one case: Mrs. S. Y. Abbott, 20 1/2 E. Ninth St., Eugene, Ore., says: "Last winter I was taken with a bad spell of kidney complaint, and I could hardly work. My back was so weak and lame I could hardly move. I doctored and took several prescriptions, but I didn't get a bit of benefit. Doan's Kidney Pills were recommended to me, and I began using them. The pains and weakness left me, my kidneys were strengthened and I got well. I can now work without the least annoyance. The endorsement I gave Doan's Kidney Pills some years ago, still holds good. They cured me and I have not had to take them since."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Abbott had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

Want Men to Call Own Recall.

Eugene.—A writ of mandamus asking the circuit court to compel William Smeed, chairman, W. H. Wood, member of the school board, and W. J. King, clerk of the Walthville school district, in this county, to call a special election for the recall of Smeed and Wood, has been filed. The recall was invoked upon these men some time ago, but they refused to call the election. In their official capacity they were the only ones who could call such an election, and it is in this unsettled state that the matter has remained. The trouble is over the employment of a teacher and his salary, about which some of the patrons of the school complained.

Registration for State is 179,716.

Salem.—Secretary of State Olcott announced Monday that the total registration as reported to him by the county clerks was 179,716. There are only four days remaining on which to register for the primary, and, unless there is a big increase on these days, the total will not be more than 200,000 or about 40,000 more than it was in 1912, when the women were not entitled to vote and the population of the state was considerably smaller.

Coos Line is Rushed.

Marshfield.—The construction work on the Willamette-Pacific railroad, between Marshfield and the Tenmile lakes, a distance of 17 miles, is progressing as fast as labor can hasten it. Hauser & Houser, the contractors, have all but three miles and a half of the right-of-way cleared and it is expected the force of about 600 men will be doubled soon.

Birds Come Back.

Klamath Falls.—Not in many years has the number of geese in the Klamath country been as large as now, when the big game birds are returning for nesting. All day and all night, the honks of flocks are to be heard, as the birds wend their way toward upper Klamath lake, and steamboat men say that the lake is literally alive with them.

CAVALRY SURVEY IS MADE

After Conference With Officials Lieutenant Hennessey Talks of Project. Portland.—Pendleton, Klamath Falls, Medford, and possibly Baker will be among the Oregon towns at which cavalry troops will be organized for the regiment projected by Lieutenant P. J. Hennessey, U. S. A., who is detailed as military instructor at the Oregon agricultural college, Corvallis.

It is regarded as certain that troops, consisting of about 65 men each, could be raised at each of these towns, and at other towns in southern, central and eastern Oregon. The Rogue River valley, of which Medford is the center, could possibly provide two or more troops. Another might be raised at Roseburg.

Lieutenant Hennessey came to Portland from Salem, where he had a conference with Governor West about raising the regiment. He found the chief executive enthusiastic over the idea, even to the point of announcing his desire to become a member of the organization.

Polk Fair is Under Way.

Monmouth.—Active preparation have been begun by the pupils in the schools of this city and other sections of southern Polk county for the annual school children's industrial fair to be held in Dallas next September. Valuable prizes in livestock and cash are on the list. More than \$500 in prizes has been offered by altruistic citizens of the county.

Manslaughter is Alexander Verdict

Grants Pass.—William Alexander, 75-year-old prospector, was convicted by a jury in the circuit court of manslaughter. Alexander was charged with the murder of John Norling and Curtis Masterson in a cabin on Sucker creek on January 13, and the present trial was for the killing of Norling, he not having yet been on trial for the killing of Masterson.

Talcum season is here and we are here with many kinds to choose from at Beauchamp's.