

HANCOCK IS PNEUMONIA VICTIM IN ENGINEERS

The first Oregon City boy to die in France is William E. Hancock, of the 18th Engineers Railway, whose death was reported Wednesday. Hancock was born in Smith Mills, Ky., and was 24 years of age last month. He had lived in Oregon City several years, for the last three years at the home of C. O. Dryden, and was employed by the Hawley Pulp & Paper Co. Two years ago he fell heir to a fortune of \$50,000, consisting of property in Kentucky, but it was known to only a few of his close friends, for he continued his work here in the paper mills. He was unmarried. When the 18th engineers was organized in the northwest he was among the first to enlist, along with Harold Swafford, "Blacksmith" Martin, William Folger, Blake Howland and a number of other Oregon City young men, 15 of them in all. He died December 2 "somewhere in France." In a letter received here December 5 from Martin, dated November 8, it was stated that Hancock was in the hospital, suffering from a severe cold, and it is supposed this developed into pneumonia. He was a member of Captain Hansen's company. A sister at Smith Mills, Ky., survives him.

CITY GETS SOME COIN AS RESULT OF MORE STRIKE DIFFICULTIES

F. Yarc, arrested by Chief of Police Cooke on a charge of disorderly conduct, pleaded guilty Thursday and was fined \$5 by Recorder Loder. The cases against D. Burgess and E. L. Moore, who were charged with assault, have been dismissed. They were arrested Sunday by state deputies and were released on \$25 bail. It was stated Thursday night that Parole Officer Keller, who came down here Wednesday to take charge of the operations of the force of state deputies, desired to start his work with a clean slate and that the dismissal of Moore and Burgess followed.

SALARY INCREASES GRANTED TO HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS

School holidays will begin on the Friday evening preceding Christmas, and the sessions will be resumed Wednesday morning, January 2, according to a rule made by the school board Thursday night. Permission was granted the Live Wire committee, represented by A. E. Ruge, to place Red Cross Christmas seals on sale in the schools. Two salary increases were granted by the board Thursday night of \$5 a month each to W. L. Arant, principal of the high school, and to Burr E. Tatro, head of the commercial department, who were not included in the increases in salaries granted last month.

ERNEST MASS LEAVES MILL TO SERVE HIS FLAG IN U. S. NAVY

Ernest Mass, Jr., who has been paymaster of the Oregon City Manufacturing company for the past three and one-half years, has resigned the position, enlisted in the navy, and will leave Portland Thursday evening, at the present time not knowing his destination. Mr. Mass' position will be filled by Miss Marie Harvey, who has been in charge of the private telephone service, and Miss Harvey's former position is to be filled by Miss Eva Callif.

Dimick Loves Chicken But Would Eat Ham No Meat At Live Wires

If there is any member of the Commercial club who attends the Tuesday noon luncheons of the Live Wires and expects to be fed up with meat, he will have to go elsewhere for his meal, for by unanimous vote Monday the Wires decided to observe strictly the government's request that Tuesday be a meatless day. At Monday's luncheon there was chicken and boiled ham on the table, and Senator Walter A. Dimick, who raised the point, was accused by Dr. Clyde Mount of passing up the chicken and eating the ham. President Eby declared that Dimick wanted chicken every Tuesday and Dimick explained that he usually ate what was set before him. Hereafter the Wires will be served with fish or fowl, and will observe the spirit and the letter of the food conservation campaign.

Girls at Work in British Munitions Factory.



Here is the way in which British women help the war. This is an actual scene in a munitions factory, and it shows women doing not only the light work of stenciling shells, but of wheeling them about, and lifting them.

MRS. JENNIE NILES GIVES THREE SONS FOR COUNTRY'S WAR

With the enlistment Wednesday of her oldest son, Ralph, Mrs. Jennie Niles, a widow, well known resident of Lawton Heights gives her third and last son to Uncle Sam. About six months ago, Eugene, the youngest son decided to join the U. S. forces. Last week Royal, a teacher in the Klamath high school enlisted in the southern part of the state, and is now in active service. Wednesday Ralph, who is a mail carrier from the local postoffice under Postmaster Cooke, decided that he, too, would get into the big game of saving the world for democracy, and he went down to the enlistment headquarters in Portland. He was accepted and will report for duty at once.

BULL CALF GIFT TO MRS. HUGHES BY CATTLE CLUB

In appreciation of her services on behalf of the organization, the Clackamas County Guernsey Cattle club has presented to Mrs. A. L. Hughes, a pure bred Guernsey bull calf, and the animal has been added to the famous Hughes herd. Mrs. Hughes is secretary of the club, and it is said to have been largely through her persistent efforts for the improvement of Guernsey herds in the county that the recent \$11,000 importation of pure bred cattle was possible. With her husband, J. Hughes, Mrs. Hughes maintains what is reputed to be one of the finest Guernsey herds in the northwest.

MILWAUKIE PEOPLE FILE A COMPLAINT ON CARVER'S ROAD

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 12.—Residents of Milwaukee have filed a petition with the Public Service commission complaining as to the car service given by the Portland & Oregon City road and asking for a hearing. They state that the car service is irregular and inadequate; that there are poor station facilities at Milwaukee, and they also state that lives of passengers are endangered by filling the gasoline tank while passengers are on the car, and in case of fire there would be no exit except through the flames. They also charge that no car barn is provided, and that delay is caused by people "monkeying with the mechanism" of the gasoline engine.

ITALIANS DRIVE GERMAN OUT OF PIAVE POSITION

ROME, Dec. 10.—Teutonic troops were driven in flight out of the whole Casale position on the lower Piave river and that point was recaptured by Italian troops, today's official statement said. The Italians achieved their victory early last night. Numerous enemy support lines were seen in hasty flight. The enemy suffered severe losses in killed. Thirty-five prisoners were taken.

WOMAN FROZEN TO DEATH.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Frank Drake, aged 40, wife of a Paupack farmer, was frozen to death two miles from this place. She was driving with a horse and buggy and is believed to have lost her way in the blinding snowstorm.

CONKLIN JOINS ARMY.

Louis Conklin is the sixth Oregon City young man to be sent to join the third company, coast artillery corps, stationed at Fort Stevens, Oregon.

Gee, Ain't It Fierce Lady Fires Big Gun Vain Search Is Made

Under the belief that there were mysterious prowlers about her home in Willamette, Mrs. Joe Robinson fired three pistol shots through the doorway of her home about 8 o'clock Friday night. Local officers were notified and rushed to the scene, but could find no trace of any persons in the vicinity of the Robinson home. According to Mrs. Robinson's story she stepped from the door of her home last evening to see some men standing in her back yard and she immediately returned into the house, seized a small pistol and fired three shots at the intruders. The officers could find no trace of any prowlers and searched the neighborhood thoroughly. Sheriff Wilson and Deputy Frost scoured the locality until a late hour last night.

AMERICA IS NOW READY TO TAKE ON SECOND FOE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The declaration of war on Austria was passed by both houses of congress today with brief debate. President Wilson's signature is now the only thing required. The house accepted the senate resolution.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Labor conscription to prevent interference with war work is regarded as unnecessary by Secretary of Labor Wilson in his annual report sent to congress today. Noting a "sudden and enormous increase" in the number of labor disputes with the beginning of war, the secretary blamed most labor lawlessness on employers who permit organization by their workmen only on the pain of dismissal. Secretary Wilson endorsed labor unions. But should labor conscription finally become necessary, he declared in favor of making such workers government employees, rather than compelling them to work "for private profit."

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"By simple and fair systems of collective bargaining between the government, labor organizations and business organizations," said Secretary Wilson, "all labor disputes prejudicial to an effective prosecution of the war can be promptly eliminated. "Since war was declared, on April 6, 1917, and up to October 25, the department of labor had assigned commissioners of conciliation in 521 cases, made up of 281 strikes, 212 disputes, that threatened a suspension of work, and 28 lockouts. It has been successful in satisfactorily adjusting 323 of these; has been unable to adjust 43; has 104 cases pending, a comparatively small number of which have reached the strike stage; and in 51 cases its commissioners found on their arrival that the matters in dispute had been settled or that the plant was in operation and the former employees had secured work elsewhere.

Insult Added to Injury Thief Steals Money Then Officer's Star

While State Officer L. R. Morlack peacefully slept and audibly snored in his room at the Electric hotel Wednesday night, some evil-disposed personage boldly walked into his room, went through his trousers pockets, and removed some \$40 therefrom. To add insult to injury, the thief carried away a fine large state officer's star, which Mr. Morlack had tacked to his coat in a very conspicuous position. The robbery occurred about 2:00, according to the best opinion of Officer Morlack, and it was reported Thursday morning that two other rooms in the hotel were ransacked during the night. No clew has been obtained in discovering the thief. Morlack's money was in the form of silver and check which had been endorsed by him. Morlack has been in Oregon City for some time as one of the special officers appointed by the governor to maintain order here during the strike.

Why is a Bookkeeper? Telegram Pulls Boner Can "Marquis" Write?

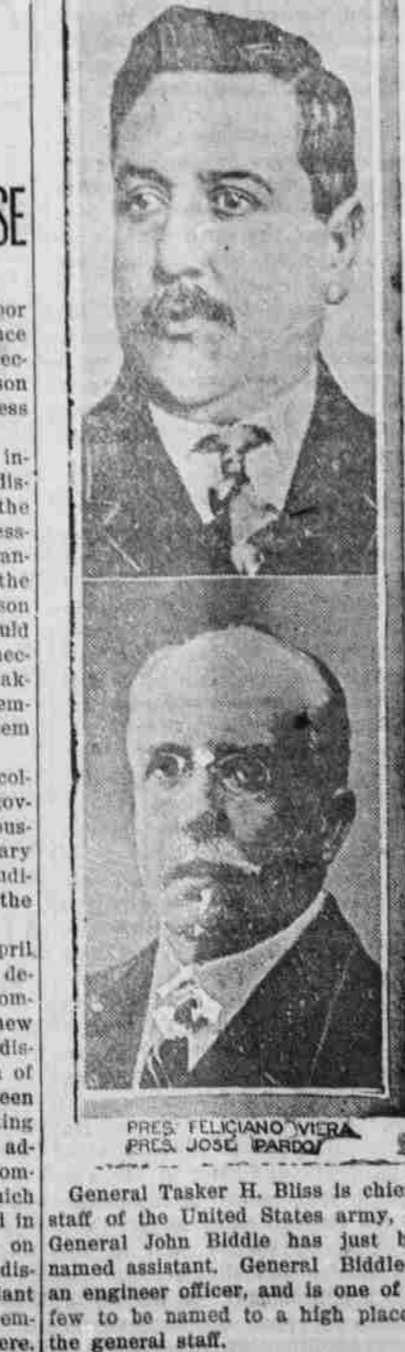
If Edward F. de Reymonte is all his personal papers indicate, the county jail now holds as a federal prisoner a man who has seen much war service and should bear the title "marquis." But the government officials, particularly United States Marshal Alexander, suspect that the "marquis" is an imposter. He was arrested at Oregon City Saturday, along with Otto Rose, a German, for investigation. Rose says de Reymonte is an Austrian. But the "marquis" insists that he is a subject of Great Britain and a native of Russia. Incidentally he insists that he graduated from the Royal university at Petrograd and served as major in the medical corps in the British army in Egypt and in the Russian army under General Kutropatkin during the Russo-Japanese war. He claims also to be the heir of a large estate in Corsica. He was working as a bookkeeper for a paper company at Oregon City when federal officials arrested him.

The above is from the Portland Telegram. Just why it is stated that de Reymonte was a bookkeeper in the paper mills is difficult to understand. He came here with a party of men from Seattle last week to work in the mills as a laborer, and spent two days in Oregon City. The moral to this is the bona fide news of Oregon City is printed in the Morning Enterprise, printed and published in Oregon City, and a home institution.

COUNCIL REVOLT IS MENACING TO RUSSIAN PARTY

SEATTLE, Dec. 10.—Seattle's master butchers today stand ready to back up the packing houses in the fight against the striking union workers. At a special meeting of the Seattle Master Butchers' association yesterday it was voted to continue in business and to obtain their meat supplies through the regular channels patronized by them for several years past whether they be fair to union labor or not. This action, it is believed, will result in the calling of a general strike of the union butchers of the city.

South American Rulers Who Broke With Germany



General Taaker H. Bliss is chief of staff of the United States army, and General John Biddle has just been named assistant. General Biddle is an engineer officer, and is one of the few to be named to a high place in the general staff.

PATRIOTIC FUND WOULD PRODUCE \$5000 IN 1918

A plan is being considered by County Clerk Iva M. Harrington to appoint patriotic women of the county as the judges and clerks of election for the next two years, with the understanding that the volunteers for the places will devote their salaries aggregating \$2500 at each election, to the Red Cross. The appointments will be made in the January term of the county court and if patriotic Red Cross workers will volunteer for the task and the court sees fit to appoint them, a tidy sum of approximately \$2500 can be turned

over to the Red Cross activities at each general or primary election. There are 81 precincts in the county and the average cost for night and day boards is in the neighborhood of \$30.00, or \$23.00 apiece for three judges and two clerks for each shift. Of course the proposition is entirely a patriotic one, but Red Cross workers all over the county believe that enough patriotic and responsible women can be recruited for the task, so that the full amount of the pay checks can be turned over. Miss Harrington plans to hold the

project open during the next week or so before making any recommendations for the county election judges and clerks who are appointed for two year terms. In the meantime the Red Cross workers are to begin a definite "drive" among their membership to get the required number of volunteers. When asked if she thought the women were capable of handling the election Miss Harrington called attention to precincts where women sat on the board, and where their work has been neater and better in every way than that of boards handled by men.

Rhode Island Governor Flies English Channel



Governor R. S. Beeckman of Rhode Island, who has been in Europe looking into war conditions for some time, flew from England to France in an aeroplane recently. He has been making a study of the war at first hand.

PHILLIPS REPLIES TO OBSERVATIONS OF H. G. SHANDY

OREGON CITY, Dec. 9.—(Editor of the Enterprise)—I would like to say a few words at this time in answer to the letter of H. G. Shandy, in your issue of November 27. It appears to me, from the tone of his letter that Mr. Shandy is either one of the foremen employed at the mills, or had there been no strike-breakers to come to his help, would have been a few dollars short in his bank account; or one of those worst kind of things on earth. I would not insult a man by calling them one.

He claims a striker is a traitor to his family, his God and his country. In what way? For trying to get better conditions for himself, and thus benefit his family and his country? Never. Judas betrayed his God for 30 pieces of silver and afterwards hanged himself. Benedict Arnold was a traitor to his country, on the promise of a commission in the British Army. Was not he shot? Esau sold his birthright for a mess of pottage; is not the "scab" doing the same thing today? There are two sides to every question and it is my opinion that it is the strike-breaker who is the traitor. No only is he betraying his God, family and country, but is also a traitor to his fellow man.

In the writer's opinion, shooting or hanging is too good for them. In fact I would not insult a gun or a rope by using either on them. Christ went around preaching for better conditions. He was an "agitator." Men have been doing the same thing ever since. They also are agitators. Who gave any one the right to think for me? Yet under present conditions that is what is actually taking place.

The "bosses" have been doing all the thinking so far. Now that men and women are beginning to do a little for themselves they are traitors! For nearly 22 years I was content to let my employers or father do the thinking for me, but am now beginning to make use of one of God's gifts to me—my brain, and do some thinking for myself.

The working man of today has not as much freedom (?) as had the negroes of the south prior to the Civil War. I would advise Mr. Shandy and any others who share his opinion to put on their thinking cap and do a little for themselves. I do not think, personally, that the men are asking too much. The world owes each person a living at least, and how can one do that if they do not earn enough.

I am not a Socialist, but would like to know why one man can ride around in automobiles and eat ham and eggs, when the employees of the same mill have to walk and in some cases be lucky if they get butter to put on their bread. What is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander. All men are equal, and I and the rest have the same rights to the best as the other. T. J. PHILLIPS.

Astoria will pave highway to Smith's point.

Paddocks Celebrate Golden Wedding Well Known and Popular Gladstone Couple Have Been Married 50 Years

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Paddock, of Gladstone, well known and prominent residents of Clackamas county, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home Wednesday afternoon, at which time many of the old time friends from various sections of the county called at the Paddock home in Gladstone to extend their congratulations and best wishes. Many pretty gifts were presented to this couple. The Paddock home was prettily decorated, yellow and green being used in the reception hall, yellow chrysanthemums were used in the living room, while the decorations of the dining room were bright red carnations and asparagus ferns. Assisting in receiving were Misses Laura and Jessie Paddock, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Paddock, Mrs. A. D. Paddock and Mrs. Harry Paddock of Gladstone; Mrs. S. P. Hunter, of Raymond, Wash., sister-in-law of Mrs. J. C. Paddock. Refreshments were served. Mrs. Harry Paddock and Miss Ona Renner poured tea, while Mrs. Arthur Paddock, Mrs. Henry Dedman, the latter of Canby; Mrs. Don McKenzie, of Portland, sister of Mrs. Paddock, assisted the Misses Paddock in the dining room. As this was also the birthday anniversary of E. P. Dedman, of Clackamas, brother of Mrs. J. C. Paddock, this event was also celebrated in connection with the golden wedding anniversary. Mr. Dedman received his share of congratulations. Mrs. Paddock's maiden name was Mary Dedman, and was the daughter of the late E. P. and Martha Dedman. She was born in Missouri, December 9th, 1848, and was united in wedded marriage to J. C. Paddock December 12, 1867. In 1885 Mrs. Paddock accompanied her husband and family from Des Moines, Iowa, to Clackamas county, where they have since made their home, and have made a host of friends among the old and young. Mr. Paddock was born at Burlington, Iowa, November 10th, 1842. His father was the late Johnson Paddock, of Burlington. Mr. Paddock after residing in Clackamas county for several years was elected by a large majority to the office of county treasurer, and served two terms in that capacity. He is a member of Meade Post, G. A. R. Among the pleasing features at the wedding anniversary on Wednesday were the vocal selections by Mrs. Thomas Burke, who sang "Why You Come Home" and "I Love You Truly," and the selections given by Mrs. W. Dedman, of Portland.

JUDGE SIEVERS HAS COURT ON SIDEWALK AND COLLECTS FINE

Judge J. N. Sievers held court on the Main street sidewalk Monday morning, when Deputy District Attorney Burke prosecuting Charles Pinkery of Portland, on a prohibition violation charge. Pinkery was fined \$12.50 and paid his fine. While attorneys in the paper strike preliminary were holding a consultation, the judge's court room and private office were both filled with spectators. Pinkery, who is a ship yard employee, was anxious to get back on the job, so court convened in the street in front of the judge's office. Pinkery was arrested Sunday evening, in company with three other Italians on charge of possessing intoxicating liquor. Two bottles of wine were found concealed in the back seat of his automobile. He denied ownership of the liquor but finally decided to plead guilty before the court.

CASUALTY LIST SHOWS 25,000 ARE HOMELESS

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 10.—Revised figures were issued today regarding casualties resulting from the explosion as follows: Known dead, 1200. Unaccounted for, 2000. Identified dead, 900. Wounded, 800. Homeless, 25,000.

TWO OF DRAFTED MEN SENT HOME FOR DISABILITY

Russell Scramlin of Macksburg, and Robert Rosenau of Sunnyside, two of the six members of the draft quota which left December 3 for Camp Lewis, returned home Saturday, following their dismissal by medical authorities at the camp, for physical defects. It is not known whether the other members of the quota passed the examination or not.

BIG FIRE IN ATTLEBORO.

ATTLEBORO, Mass., Dec. 12.—Three large business blocks in the center of this city were destroyed by fire and 17 dwellings damaged with a total loss of \$500,000 early today. The fire was put under control after aid had been summoned from all surrounding cities. The fire was one of the most disastrous in the city's history.

WEST LINN SOLDIER IS COOK OF COMPANY AT CAMP MILLS, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Armstrong, of West Linn, are in receipt of a number of letters from their son, Fred, who is cook with Company G, 162 infantry, and stationed at Fort Mills, New York. In the letter Mr. Armstrong states that all of the boys from Oregon City are in the best of health, and are ready to sail for Europe at any time the call comes. "I have seen some of the big cities of the east, and they sure look fine. When it rains here the mud is knee deep at Camp Mills. At the present time the thermometer registers ten degrees below zero, and the nights are very cold, and also the mornings. "We are camped close to an aviation field, and all you can see are the airships. I have seen as many as ten in the air at one time, and it is interesting to watch them. They make an awful noise. "I have seen one of the largest post-offices in the United States. It is right here under New York City. When we arrived here the town was lighted up, and the people cheered to "beat the band" as we passed by. We have gotten a hearty welcome wherever we have gone. "I am at the Y. M. C. A. now, and you should see the bunch of fellows writing to their sweethearts or mothers. "Well, I am back in the kitchen again, but do not know for how long. I have taken an interest in the kitchen, and this goes a long way in camp. "Talk about men—well there are at least 50,000 here in camp, and more coming all the time. We have some of the finest fellows you ever have met in this camp. "We have been invited for Thanksgiving dinner, and there are hundreds of boys in camp that will be feasted by the people of this city on that day. We certainly appreciate any favors that are extended us. FRED ARMSTRONG, Company G, 162 Infantry, Camp Mills, N. Y."

RED CROSS MARKET NETS \$248.

The committee having charge of the market recently given in this city for the benefit of the Red Cross of this city, Wednesday checked up all accounts, and mailed to Mrs. L. E. Jones, chairman of the relief committee, a check for \$248.46. This amount is to be used for the purchase of supplies, as the affair was given for this purpose.

PANAMA DECLARES WAR.

PANAMA, Dec. 12.—Panama declared war on Austria yesterday. The government, in co-operation with the canal zone authorities, is interning Austrians. The zone has now been cleared of Germans and Austrians, in accordance with President Wilson's recent order.