

YOUNG LAD POSTOFFICE ROBBER AT WEST LINN

A bold daylight robbery of the West Linn postoffice Tuesday morning, has resulted in the arrest of Albert Kidder, 16-year-old son of Albert Kidder, Sr., of Willamette.

The youthful robber has made a complete confession. According to his story he was loitering about the West Linn postoffice Tuesday morning, unknown to Postmaster George Horton, who had placed three sacks of coin, currency and checks, aggregating probably \$250 on a desk in the back end of the office.

The young robber destroyed the checks and took the money to Portland where he spent the day. Suspicion was directed toward the young lad, by reason of some former escapades which had brought him into the juvenile court and a search was made for him at once, a guard being placed near the home of his father.

VEHICLES MUST STOP FOR ESPEE CROSSING COMMISSION ORDERS

SALEM, Or., July 31.—(Special to the Enterprise)—Green Point crossing at the northern limits of Oregon City, is formally designated as a stop crossing in an order issued by the Public Service Commission today, following an investigation of the situation made some time since by Commissioner Buchtel.

While the commission is fully aware "recites the order, of the necessity of conserving the resources of carriers during the present crisis and is prone to discourage expenditures but absolutely essential to the safety and convenience of the public, it is believed in this instance that the extreme hazard now existing may be materially reduced without excess inconvenience to the traveling public or placing an unreasonable burden upon the carrier by designating this crossing a 'stop crossing.'"

FARE INCREASES TO FOLLOW

NEW YORK, July 27.—The Brooklyn Rapid Transit company Friday announced a voluntary increase of wages to its employees, amounting approximately to \$1,000,000 annually.

HIGHWAY ENGINEER ANNOUNCES ROADS OPEN FOR TRAFFIC

SALEM, Or., July 29.—State Highway Engineer Nunn returned to Salem Saturday after a trip with S. Benson and R. A. Booth, of the state highway commission, over the Pacific highway to the California line, thence to Klamath Falls, Bend and The Dalles and back to Portland.

MECHANICS IN DRAFT ARE CALLED FOR SERVICE IN ARMY

Clackamas county is called upon to furnish 12 qualified men for a course in mechanics at the Benson Polytechnic school at Portland. The men must have a common school education, and experience in automobile work, plumbing, tinning, carpentry, electricity, or other mechanical lines.

ELEVEN CLACKAMAS SELECTS REJECTED FROM CAMP LEWIS

The local war board has received notices from Camp Lewis of the rejection of the following 11 men sent with the last contingent of 92 men from this county on July 24: Burton Taylor Moore, Martin Kordt, George Rudolph Hofstetter, Warren William Preece, Fred Giles Daugherty, Albert Robert Hoygaard, Arlington J. Johnson, Murvin Allen Richey, Leonard Leon Elton A. Harrington and George Morgan Sagar.

U. S. OFFICERS KILLED DURING BIG OFFENSIVE

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE AISNE-MARNE FRONT, JULY 24.—Colonel Hamilton Smith, of the United States Army, died on July 22, within a few hours after receiving a machine gun wound below the heart.

Colonel Smith was making observations after a morning attack in anticipation of improving the American positions south of Soissons, near Missy-au-Bois.

Lieutenant-Colonel Clark Elliott was killed by machine gun fire in the same sector, while inspecting the American front lines.

CANDIDATE FOR JOB AS SHERIFF IS IN CLASS 1 OF DRAFT

WARRINGTON, Or., July 29.—Ole Nelson, Republican candidate for sheriff next fall for Clatsop county, has been re-classified by the draft board in Astoria and placed in class 1. He may now get a call to army service at any time, but announces that he will continue his candidacy regardless of what the war may do to him.

WAGES TO SHOP WORKERS FIXED BY GOVERNMENT

WASHINGTON, July 31.—Wages for shop workers were fixed today by the railway administration in a supplement to the general order in which increases for the other classes of employees were granted.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—Railway employees were told by Director General McAdoo in announcing details of the wage increase for more than 500,000 shopmen that the nation expected new energy from the workers in return for pay increases and improvements in employment conditions.

WILLIAM BLACK DESERTER FACES COURT MARTIAL

William James Black, of Estacada, who didn't believe in war and who failed to report when called by the local board, was taken to Vancouver and turned over to military authorities as a deserter by Vancouver police Saturday afternoon.

A meeting of the local board was held Saturday and Black's fate was quickly decided, when it was learned he had drawn all his savings from a Portland bank, and was preparing for a trip of some kind. He surprised the board last night by the statement in his questionnaire that "war was unconstitutional," and that there were millions of people in the United States who viewed the matter just as he himself did.

Officer Burk returned Saturday evening after starting the young objector off in military life at Vancouver where his views on constitutionalism will probably be aired before a military court martial.

OREGON CITY MUST HOLD ITS ELECTION UNDER STATE'S LAW

SALEM, Or., July 29.—Cities and towns must hold their municipal elections next November at the same time the regular general state election is held. The constitutional amendment providing for all elections to be held the same day is operative without awaiting additional legislation at the hands of the legislature.

This is substance of an opinion written today by Attorney General Brown to John F. Hall, district attorney of Marshfield. While it was written today by Attorney General Noyes to Coos county, it applies to all cities and towns in the state, and answers questions which have been pouring into the attorney general's office from many different cities.

ANTAGONISTIC TREATMENT IS CAUSE OF SUIT

"A studied course of antagonistic treatment" is the main reason for the divorce suit of Verena James against her husband, Cecil A. James, filed Saturday, according to the wife's complaint. She declares she shunned her society continually, but took an active interest in dancing parties, auto rides and theatrical parties—as long as his wife was not a member of the particular party. A further charge is that she was forced to wear clothes owned before her marriage, she claims, in spite of the fact that her antagonistic spouse was earning \$250 per month. She asks a decree, the custody of her minor child, \$100 per month permanent alimony and \$150 attorney's fees.

NINETEEN BOYS GO AUGUST 6 TO CAMP FREMONT

Entrainment orders for the nineteen Class 1 boys have been received at the office of the local board, and this quota, which practically takes all Class 1 men of the 1917 class, is to leave for Camp Fremont, California, Tuesday, August 6th.

BOYS LOOT HOME ARRESTED WHEN LIGHT IS SHOWN

J. C. Taylor, aged 16, and Nathan Taylor, aged 14, were arrested Wednesday night by H. Bierman, 514 Pleasant Avenue while they were looting the home of Mr. Wisk near the Molalla Road. The family was away, and Mr. Bierman's attention was attracted by lights in the house. The boys were turned over to the police and are in the city jail.

FROM ARMY DUTY FOR DESERTION TWO ARE POSTED

Clackamas county has two men posted as deserters. The country is being scoured for them, and when apprehended they will be subject to military court-martial and a stiff penalty of imprisonment at hard labor. One of these men, Carl Soderblom, registered with the 1917 class, and had his questionnaire filled out, but when called for examination he failed to show up. He was found working in a Silverton saw mill under the assumed name of Carl Blom. After being brought here, he was examined and called for the July 24th draft. Wednesday he failed to show up to go with the boys, and he has been posted by the local board as a deserter. The other man is William Black, of Estacada, a conscientious objector, who had made the statement that "war is unconstitutional." He was called for this draft, also, and upon failing to show up was immediately listed as a deserter.

OFFICERS HOT ON TRAIL OF TWO DANGEROUS MEN

SALEM, Or., July 30.—Bennett Thompson and Fred Thurber, "hard bolts" working in the Penitentiary boiler room, made their way out of that room some time last night, sneaked across the prison yard and scaled the walls. Their escape was not discovered until this morning.

PORTLAND, July 30.—Thompson is believed to be surrounded in the woods and dense undergrowth near Hillsdale by deputies from the Sheriff's office and prison guards from the Penitentiary, under the direction of Warden Murphy. Sheriff Hulburt and all the deputies of the Sheriff's office, together with a posse of the prison guards, are engaged in the man-hunt for Thompson, the murderer, and Fred Thurber, who was serving time for burglary, and made his escape with Thompson.

BOYS IN FRANCE WILL BE GIVEN GIFTS OF MONEY

The boys of Clackamas county serving their country "Over There" are to be remembered with letters of cheer, each letter to contain a little remembrance. The letters have already been commenced, and the first "batch" will be mailed Wednesday morning, and sent on their way across the "pond."

19 SELECTIVES TO LEAVE OREGON CITY ON AUGUST SIXTH

The call for 19 selectives to be sent to Camp Fremont, California, requires that the men report here at 8 A. M., August 6, and the entrainment orders state that the departure from here will be made at 8 o'clock the same evening.

LICENSED TO WED

Sarah R. Combs and Travis E. Manning of 514 Artie Building, Seattle, were granted a license to wed by Clerk Harrington Wednesday.

STATE FAIR IS PLEDGING HELP TO WORLD WAR

SALEM, July 31.—"With the nation engaged in war, and a shortage existing in both food and clothing all exhibits shown at the State Fair this year will be of a practical nature and will be designed to give instruction in the increasing and conserving of the food and clothing supplies of the state," said A. H. Lea, Secretary of the State Fair Board today in commenting on the Fifty-Seventh Annual State Fair, which will open in Salem on September 23 for one week.

Present indications are that the livestock show will be equally as good, if not better, than last year. The widely known Aberdeen-Angus herd of Congodons & Battles will be shown for the first time at the fair, and Clise's Ayrshire herd, the largest west of the Mississippi, will also be on exhibition. H. B. Thornberry, of Spokane, the biggest importer of horses in the United States, has signified his intention of competing for prizes with A. C. Ruby, Oregon's famous horseman.

Excepting fat barrows, all swine under a new rule promulgated by the Board, must be under one year and for the first time in the history of the fair juvenile exhibitors will be permitted to compete with adults in the swine department. The goat department has been reinstated and it is expected that in both the goat and sheep divisions the exhibits will be unusually good.

ADDRESSES WANTED OF LOCAL SOLDIERS IN SERVICE ABROAD

It is desired by the committee from the patriotic edition of the Enterprise to have the addresses of the boys from Clackamas county, who are serving their country in Europe. The young women do not know their proper addresses, and as letters and little remembrances in the form of a small amount of money is to be sent them, the addresses will be greatly appreciated. The letters are being written, and it is desired to have many leave Oregon City this week. A large number will be mailed Wednesday morning. The addresses may be forwarded to the Enterprise office, and turned over to the committee writing the letters.

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COUNTY HAS NINE BOYS WHO FELL IN COUNTRY'S SERVICE

Nine Clackamas county boys have died in service, according to reports on file in the office of Adjutant-General Williams, as follows: William Hancock, engineer corps, died of pneumonia in France, December, 1917.

Henry C. Ast, seaman, navy, died of acute pneumonia, early in 1917. Carl Callif, sergeant, cavalry, fell from train in California, October, 1917. Verner G. Branland, Molalla, Tuscania victim. Thomas Burton Brown, Oregon City, private Co. I, 3d Oregon infantry. Shot himself while on duty at Medford, Or., July 23, 1917. Believed to have been insane. Enlisted April 9, 1917. Edmond C. Bollack, Portland, private 120th regiment, 1st replacement battalion, U. S. marine corps. Died April 15, 1918, of wounds received in action in France. Enlisted June 15, 1917. Frank E. Kohn, Logan, Or., private Co. E, 117th U. S. Engineers. Died March 23, 1918, in France, as result of pneumonia. Clifford Wiley Brown, Oregon City, Or., seaman second class, U. S. navy. Died of rheumatic fever, Hampton Roads, Va., February 13, 1918. Enlisted May 19, 1917. Harry Richard Melvin, Oregon City, Or., corporal, 162d infantry. Died February 19, 1918, at Williamsbridge, N. Y., after month's illness. Enlisted May 22, 1917.

BOYS AT CAMP LEWIS TO RECEIVE CANDY VALUED AT \$200,000

The largest order for candy yet placed by the government calls for the delivery of \$200,000 worth of candy to Camp Lewis, according to information received in Portland by candy manufacturers. The order is taken as an indication that the government realizes the big food value of candy and its importance from a dietary standpoint.

PRESBYTERIANS URGE M'ARTHUR TO VOTE DRY

EUGENE, Or., July 26.—The Presbyterian synod here late yesterday had a lively debate over the proposition of wiring Congressman McArthur, urging him to vote for prohibition as a war emergency measure, along with messages to the other members of the Oregon delegation. Edwin Rawdon of the Oregon Anti-Saloon League, reported that McArthur had told him that he would not vote for prohibition as a war measure. Dr. John H. Boyd, of Portland, made the motion for the message to McArthur.

BODY OF MOTORMAN DROWNED IN RIVER FOUND ON SATURDAY

The body of William Murray, the motorman of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, who lost his life when a car went through a bridge several weeks ago near Estacada, was recovered Saturday morning. The remains are at an undertaking parlor in Sellwood. The body of Mr. Kinder, the conductor, was recovered the day of the accident, and interment was in Oregon City. The wife of Mr. Murray has been seriously ill since her husband lost his life.

OFFENSIVE OF ALLIES SLACKENS IN FRANCE

WASHINGTON, July 31.—Through attacks by American troops in the vicinity of Serzy, southeast of Ferre-en-Tardenois, military observers here believe General Foch has made the preliminary step toward forcing another withdrawal of the German forces.

The fourteenth day of the great allied offensive saw little activity on the part of either of the contending forces, except in the nature of reciprocal bombardments.

CLASS ONE WILL BE EXHAUSTED BEFORE CONGRESS CAN ACT

WASHINGTON, July 29.—There is a possibility of exhaustion of draft class one before congress can finally act to extend draft ages. Some states have wired to Provost Marshal General Crowder that they are on the verge of drawing their last men of the first class. To rescue the situation so that it will not necessitate invasion of deferred classes, it is likely that a call for the men who have turned 21 will be issued before January 1, 1919. That, however, may not prevent invasion of the second class unless congress acts hastily upon extension of draft ages when it reconvenes at the end of August.

FIVE CONVICTS AT LARGE

Three more convicts broke out of the penitentiary at Salem Wednesday night and local police officers were wired to be on the lookout for them. They are H. Armstrong, James Tolpy and C. E. Jones. The escape was discovered about 7 o'clock. Bennett Thompson and Fred Thurber, who escaped Tuesday, are still at large.