

OREGON CITY ENTERPRISE

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BOYS OVER HERE—OVER THERE Interesting Facts About Oregon City Boys In The U. S. Service

Mr. and Mrs. E. Parker of West Linn, recently received several letters from their son, Corporal Raymond E. Parker, of Company E, First Engineers, now in Germany with the Army of Occupation. The letter written under date of November 29, 1918, is as follows: "Dear Folks at Home: "It has been nearly a month since I wrote last, so I have an idea that you are getting a bit worried about me, but I am O. K., and now on my way to Germany. Since the signing of the armistice on November 11, we have been hiking along toward Germany at the rate of about 15 miles a day for two days, and then resting for a day until we have reached a small town by the name of Costighen, about 15 miles from Luxembourg. "The last two weeks of the war were the hardest I ever put in. We were traveling the whole time through mud and over bad roads. In an effort to keep up with the lines, we traveled almost night and day, but they were sure traveling toward Germany. The nearer Germany we got the more people we find that speak the English language. "This is rather a nice country, but they sure raise crops on some queer land in Germany. As we were traveling along we saw crops growing on the sides of mountains that a man could hardly stand on, but still they farm it, but everything is done by hand. The work animals here are mostly cattle. "The weather here is not as disagreeable as in France, not having so much rain or cold weather. "Joseph Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Miller, who has been in the hospital service and for some time stationed at Brooklyn, N. Y., will soon be transferred to a ship, when entering the service he was an employe of the office of the Oregon City woolen mills. "Al Moulton of Oregon City, was heard from a few days ago by Everett Richardson of this city. Al says that he is in Germany, and is camped on the Rhine. He is a member of Company A, 107 Mounted Military Police. "Harry Payne of the Third Engineers, is stationed in France. Mr. Payne being above the draft age, was one who volunteered his services to Uncle Sam for overseas duty. He enlisted from Oregon City and was among the first to leave here for the front. "Mitchell Story, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Story of this city, a former employe of the Enterprise, who was among the first young men of Clackamas county to answer his country's call, has been transferred to a ship, much to his delight. Mitchell has been stationed in California since entering the service but wrote to friends a few days ago from Omaha, Nebraska, saying he was on his way East to be transferred to a ship, and expected to go to Europe before being mustered out of service. "Claire Miller, well-known young man of Oregon City, and son of the late C. A. Miller, writes the following letter to the Patriotic Edition for the dollar bill and letter sent him: "Staff Patriotic Edition, Morning Enterprise, "Dear Friends: "Your letter of November containing that little bill of real money came as a very pleasant surprise to me, also at a very appropriate time, for it was waiting for me when I returned from my furlough with only one franc, 20 centimes, left and unusually hungry. "You feel assured that it was put to the best of use. "I have had a most interesting trip since leaving Oregon, not to mention the couple of times that I really was busy. I have seen most of France, and I am now well satisfied to return to God's country as soon as they will let me. "I have not met many boys from home but expect to see them in Oregon City before many months have passed. "Thanking you most heartily for the remembrance from Oregon City, I am Sincerely, "Private Claire A. Miller, "Base Hospital, No. 46, France. "Word has been received in this city by Miss Helen Ely from Corporal William J. Kennedy, with headquarters company, 76 F. A., Third Division Regiment, stationed in Germany. He is a well-known young man of this city, and before enlisting was connected with the Crown Willamette Paper company at Camas, Wash. "Somewhere in Germany, Jan. 17, 1918, "I am not rushed as much as I used to be, and have a little more time to myself, and am back at my old job again after two weeks spent in the hospital, but am glad to say am not much scared up; came out of it pretty lucky. Just think, Helen, getting jammed up between two trucks while going 55 or 60 miles an hour. "I have been riding ever since I came

very good way to reach us boys over here, after the people in the States not being allowed to send packages. At present it is very easy to spend the dollar as there is a commissary and a Y. M. C. A. here. "Spent a very good Xmas here in Coblenz, but it sure would have been nicer to have been in the States. "The greatest Xmas present and Thanksgiving gift we received was when the armistice was signed. As it sure was a gloomy prospect to look forward to spending the winter at the front under war conditions. "At present our battalion is stationed in good German brick barracks. "Hope within the next year will be in Oregon City and will drop in and visit the Enterprise. "Thanking you again for the kind remembrance. Extending New Year's greetings. "Yours truly, "A. H. MILLS, Private, 1st Class, A. H. Mills, Co. C, 322 Fld. Sig. Bn., A. E. F."

The following was received by Dr. Milhken from Eimer G. Johnson, Dec. 28, 1918. "Dear Friend: "This is a rainy Saturday afternoon. The rain is melting the snow that covered the ground on Christmas day. "We moved here yesterday. We moved here (Herselbach, Germany), and the roads were slick and the horses had a bad day. "Our division crossed the Rhine near Coblenz on the thirteenth of this month. "The Germans do not seem to harbor bitter feelings, but we must consider them our enemies till peace is signed, and that may be a long time yet. There are two hundred and fifty trucks at the edge of the town waiting to be turned over to the Allies. "The date of our return still seems far off. One year ago today, we, of the 162nd Infantry sighted France at St. Nazaire-sur-Loire. We were on guard duty there three months, then about the middle of April we were transferred to the 12th. We were in the trenches in Alsace till the middle of July when we went to Chateau Thierry. I missed that drive by being in the hospital (wounded), but I was with the Division on the Soissons front, and during the fighting in the Argonne woods on the Verdun front. "We were in the front line when the armistice went into effect. In fact, when we got the order to hold our position it was about eight o'clock, and we had our packs slung ready to advance. We had to keep under cover as the armistice did not go into effect until noon. All that night the sky glowed with the light of thousands of Hun flares and rockets. We were also allowed to build fires. "The march to the Rhine through the liberated districts of France was very touching. We passed near the Belgium border, and crossed Luxembourg on our march. "Corporal James Lawson is at an army school in France. "I hope the Spanish 'flu' has not been severe in Oregon City. "Your friend, "CORP. EIMER G. JOHNSON, "Co. A, 127 U. S. Infantry, A. E. F."

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LIEUT. STORY VISITING HERE ON WAY HOME

Lieutenant Robert Clark Story, nephew of Mrs. Frank Welsh of this city, arrived here Friday evening from the officers' training camp at Fort Taylor, Louisville, Ky. On the way from the Camp Taylor to Oregon Lieutenant Story visited at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Myrtle Patton, who was formerly Miss Myrtle Taylor of this city, and now of Spirit Lake, Iowa. Lieutenant Taylor is a graduate of the Oregon City high school, having completed his studies at that institution in 1916. He entered the Willamette University at Salem, where he spent two years, and at the time of entering the service was a student there. He first entered the officers' training camp at the Presidio, San Francisco, and was later transferred to Camp Taylor, Ky. After visiting in this city, he will proceed to Wolfe Creek, Oregon, where he will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Story and sister, Miss Helen Story, who formerly resided here. Lieutenant Taylor will return to the Willamette University within a few weeks to resume his studies.

They Don't Care Much for Society But They Do Find the Water Is Fine at Palm Beach



The photographer who took this picture wrote under it the caption "Society at Palm Beach." Palm Beach, and society are all right in their way but here are the Misses Ruth Hilda and Prudence Ann Holmes, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holmes of New York City, who don't care a hang for society. However, they do like Palm Beach, as you can see. The caption as we have amended it is lively but truthful: "Come in daddy, the water's fine!"

HOT FIGHT RAGING ON DIVISION OF COUNTY

SALEM, Feb. 11.—(Special)—The Clackamas delegation in the house today won its first victory in the county division fight when by a vote of 25 ayes to 27 noes, they defeated the move to substitute a minority report of the committee on counties favoring the adoption of the bill putting the Oswego district into Multnomah county. A motion to indefinitely postpone the bill lost when the vote stood 25 to 26 and on a motion the Schuebel bill was laid on the table. It is believed now that the bill cannot muster up the 31 necessary to its passage. The Multnomah delegation is so far a unit in favor of the passage of the bill. McFarland, in his support of the bill declared that the people in the section affected by the bill mostly had business in Portland and would like to get into that county for that purpose. He also declared that the Oswego section was not treated fairly by the county court and had not received its full share of road money which they expected they could get under Multnomah county.

BILL PROVIDES MORE SALARIES FOR OFFICIALS

SALEM, Feb. 10.—(Special)—Representative Cross of Clackamas county today introduced a substitute bill providing for the salaries of county officers of Clackamas county. The bill among other things provides that the county court shall determine the number of deputies and the amount of clerical help for county offices, the appointment of such deputies and clerical help to be made, however, by respective county officials. The bill also provides the following salaries: County Judge, \$1,600. County Commissioners, \$5 a day but no expenses or mileage. County Treasurer, \$1,500. County Clerk, \$1,800. County Recorder, \$1,500. Sheriff, \$2,100. Assessor, \$1,500. School Superintendent, \$1,400 and \$75 quarterly for traveling expenses.

TWO BILLS OF CLACKAMAS MAN ARE DEFEATED

SALEM, Feb. 7.—(Special)—By defeating the consolidation committee's plan for the creation of a department of agriculture, the house today effectually defeated all plans for consolidation this session, according to declarations of members who make up the majority that killed the bill. They declared they would not stand for extensive appointive power placed in the hands of the governor to build up a vast system of political machinery and as there are other measures built up along similar lines, asserted they would take the same action on these. The effort of Cross of Clackamas to have the bill referred to the committee for amendments failed. Schuebel led the bitterest fight of the session so far staged which took the house well into the early evening to block the final action on the bill today and put it over until Monday when 11 absentees would be back, but the house voted him down. There was a heavy majority against the measure and tonight there seems not the remotest chance of any consolidation being effected. Members object to the committee using the consolidation commission's program, which may declare it theoretical and unworkable. Schuebel's bill providing for higher license fees of domestic corporations was killed by the house by a heavy vote, as also was his bill prohibiting aliens from owning lands unless they declared intention of citizenship within seven years. These three features, all revolving around Clackamas members, were the principal features of the session today.

CLACKAMAS DELEGATES FIGHT HARD FOR BILLS

SALEM, Feb. 8.—(Special)—The week just closed has been a good one in many respects for the Clackamas delegation and in some respects it has been alive with rather bitter pills. Slaughter of the consolidation program did not meet with general approval among the Clackamas delegation as Senator Dimick is chairman of the joint committee and Representative Cross is ranking member of the house committee, but it may be said that all members agree that the Clackamas men on the committee have made an honest effort to secure some sort of consolidation which would be effective as a money saving plan and that if any particular odium falls to the Legislature for not affecting something along the lines of consolidation the Clackamas delegation will have its skirts clear from such odium. Representative Schuebel along with Cross fought the hardest to preserve the Department of Agriculture consolidation bill from death, as its demise spelled ruin for the whole program and the stand he took in the house yesterday to get the bill back into committee where it could be held for further consideration was unquestionably the bitterest part up by any member in the house during the entire session. The paving bills of Dimick will be reported into the senate this week and highways committee with an evenly divided report. These bills are directed against the paving trust and patent pavements and the reports promise to raise a veritable storm when they appear on the scene for final disposition. Their disposition will mark out the course the Legislature is to pursue on the paving question in its whole program and as a result it is a safe bet the senate lobbies will be jammed to the doors when the reports are sent in. During the past week the criminal syndicalism bill of Dimick was signed by the Governor and Dimick also secured passage of bills relating to teaching without examination for a certificate and to the deposit of moneys in the state treasury monthly.

SHORTER PERIODS OF ARMISTICE IS PLANNED

PARIS, Feb. 11.—A proposal to change the allied armistice policy and greatly shorten the armistice periods is understood to be before the supreme war council. This proposal calls for the limiting of the armistice periods to about 10 days at the end of which time new terms would be imposed on Germany. The sentiment is expressed by many in attendance on the peace conference that this would give the allies a better hold on the situation and enable them to meet the constantly changing conditions. No intimation is given as to the attitude of the supreme war council in the matter.

AFFIRMATIVE TEAM WINS VICTORY OVER MOLALLA IN DEBATE

The debate held Friday night in the high school auditorium between Molalla and Oregon City affirmative teams was won by the latter by an unanimous vote of the judges. The local affirmative team was composed of Margaret Clark and Eunice King and the Molalla team was Leona Gregory and Lynar Jackson. The question debated was: "Resolved, That the United States should establish a system of military training for boys between the ages of 16 and 20 years." The negative team of the Oregon City high school journeyed to Silverton to debate on this question and suffered defeat by a score of two to one. This team was composed of Frances Drake and Lloyd Nickerson and was accompanied by Mrs. Woodward, science teacher of the local high school. The defeat at Silverton eliminates the local high school from other state debates this year as Silverton won from Molalla by an unanimous score. A large audience attended the debate Friday night, at which time a good program was rendered by the high school orchestra, under the direction of Professor Flechtner. Miss Naomi Armstrong sang in a pleasing manner and received a hearty encore.

BROTHERS MEET AND CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY ON BATTLEFIELDS

Lieutenant Langdon Spooner, who returned from the battle fields of France Sunday evening, was in Oregon City Tuesday. While here he visited his cousins, the Misses Vera and Nellie Canfield, and Percy Canfield, Lieutenant Spooner, whose former home was at Jennings Lodge, is now making his home in Portland. He and his twin brother, Lieutenant Lloyd Spooner were in the thickest of the fights in France, and although they had not seen each other for months after arriving overseas, Langdon decided to find his brother on their birthday anniversary. It was while the latter was preparing a bed of old clothing that the former found him. The two young men were tattered and torn and besmeared with mud from fighting. The meeting was most touching. Langdon says his brother is getting his company into shape to sail for home. While en route the former visited his brother, Captain Clyde Spooner, stationed in Kansas City, Mo. The young men are sons of Mrs. Ella Spooner of Jennings Lodge. All are well known here.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY TEACHERS TO MEET SATURDAY, FEB. 15

The Clackamas County Teachers' Association will meet at the high school building at Milwaukie Saturday, February 15, at which time a program will be given. The following having been arranged: 10 A. M.—Address, "Needs of the Public School", J. A. Churchill, State Superintendent. 11 A. M.—Business Session. 12 o'clock—Lunch served at the Grange hall by the women of the Grange and the Work Club. 1:30 P. M.—Departmental Session, by Miss Winifred Hayes, head of the English department of the Washington high school of Portland. Her subject will be "Co-Relation of English." Miss Margaret Thompson will have for her subject "Geography in the Intermediate Grades." Mrs. D. E. Barker will have "Geography in the Primary Department." 2:15 P. M.—Address, "The Most Vocational Subject," Professor A. McKimley, head of the language department of the Lincoln high school, Portland.

MARGARET MOLT OF CLACKAMAS DIES TUESDAY

Elizabeth Margaret Molt, eight-year-old daughter of Fred Molt of Clackamas, passed away Monday after a brief illness of influenza and pneumonia. A lease was filed Friday between the Pacific Telephone company and D. C. and C. D. Latourrette for the company to remain in its present quarters for a period of five years. The time began December 16, 1918. The company will pay \$70 a month for the building and make their own repairs.

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