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## TRAIN OF TROPHIES GREETED BY THOUSANDS

At 6 o'clock Wednesday evening amid firing of bombs and star shells the Northwest Trophy Train arrived in Oregon City and was greeted by over 2,000 people who were anxiously awaiting its arrival. There were five cars of trophies from the battlefields of Europe and veterans of the great war were in attendance to explain the different pieces of the exhibit. There were many kinds of German guns and other instruments of war and several pieces used by the French army. Probably the most interesting part of the exhibit was the French Whip-lash tank that was badly scared from German gunfire. This tank had been in the thickest of the fighting and the two occupants were killed during battle. Private Bert Hates of Roseburg, who had seen service on five battlefronts, with the 65th Artillery, explained many of the exhibits as also did Private Clarence Likens. The latter was severely wounded in the Argonne Forest and wears the much coveted French Croix de Guerre with a palm. H. T. Irvine of Portland, made a fitting address on the coming Victory Loan and the speakers were introduced by E. E. Brodie, who went to Dusseldorf, California, to accompany the train on the journey north. Mr. Brodie accompanied the train 1,237 miles on its journey.

## SOLDIER BOYS ARE GIVEN BIG PARTY SATURDAY EVENING

A number of young men recently returning from overseas and members of the 162d Infantry band were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cook at 915 Madison street Saturday evening. A most enjoyable time was spent, and among the features of the evening were the musical selections played by the former band boys. Accompanying them were Miss Hazel Farr on the violin, and Miss Martha McLarty, piano. Miss Fern Worts and Roy Mattoon played the clarinets, Edward Miller, first cornet, and Bill Kerr, second cornet. Miss Worts also sang a number of selections. Among these were "Forgotten" and "Beautiful Ohio." The remainder of the evening was devoted to games, and followed by refreshments. The rooms of the Cook home were prettily decorated with spring blossoms. Attending were Roy Mattoon, Edward Miller, Bill Kerr, Mr. Verhagen, Everett Dye, Leonard Thomson, James McGeehan, Mr. and Mrs. Verne Roake, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Roake, Miss Dolly Pratt, Miss Margaret Thomson, Miss Fern Worts, Miss Martha McLarty, Miss Florence White, Miss Esther Harris, Miss Hazel Farr, Miss Cis Barclay Pratt, Miss Evangeline Dye, Miss Agnes Harris, Miss Florence McGeehan, Dorine Cook, Miss Esther Mattoon, Mrs. P. M. Thomson, Mr. and Mrs. Mattoon, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Dillman, Mrs. Lillian Cook, Carl Quinby and son, Robert, William McLarty, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Cook and daughter, Ruth, and Mr. and Mrs. John Lama and son.

## FARMERS SHOW GREAT INTEREST IN COUNTY WORK

A Farm Bureau organization meeting was held at the Macksburg hall Tuesday evening, March 26. About a hundred people of that section attended. Great interest was shown in the organization to make farming more profitable. The same interest was shown in the Home Demonstration work, and the club work was discussed and adopted by the community as a whole. Thursday evening, April 10, there will be a meeting at the Macksburg hall, when R. G. Scott, A. L. Olmstead and Miss Marie Anthony will preside. There will be a program given during the evening, and refreshments will be served. At the meeting held Tuesday evening County Agent R. G. Scott, A. L. Olmstead, who has charge of the Boys' and Girls' Club work, Miss Marie Anthony, who has charge of the home demonstration work, were in attendance, and had charge of the meeting.

## State Industrial Commission Sues

The State Industrial Accident Commission entered suit Wednesday against Anton Zielaskaski to collect \$62.97 alleged to be due the commission from the defendant. Plaintiff alleges the defendant was engaged in baling and employed a number of men but failed to inform the commission of their intentions to contribute to the accident fund or not. Plaintiff alleges the payrolls of defendant from July 1 to October 1, 1917 were audited and showed that \$1,155 had been paid out to the workmen. The commission asks for 4 per cent of this amount and one cent a day each for the men employed and interest and penalties.

## Monroe Doctrine Is To Be Safeguarded

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Publication of the amended draft of the League of Nations covenant within a few days with a provision safeguarding the Monroe doctrine is expected by administration officials here as a result of informal advice received today from the members of the American party at Paris. It is understood here that the amended covenant will be given to the public simultaneously in all the associated countries.

## TELEGRAPH RATES UP

The Western Union office advises that in addition to the 20 per cent increase in telegraph rates established by the Postmaster General as effective April 1, 1919, the Federal Tax on telegrams is also changed to 5 cents tax on each message when the tolls are more than 14 cents and not more than 50 cents; and 10 cents on each message when the tolls are more than 50 cents. Hereafter the local office will close at 6 o'clock instead of 8 as heretofore.

President Wilson plans to submit his League of Nations to the States.



## LIVE WIRES OPPOSED TO SPECIAL SPEED COP

Were the Live Wires to hold a voting contest as to the most popular man in Oregon City, the present speed cop would not head the list; neither would his name be found among those who also ran. The Live Wires at their noon luncheon Tuesday went on record as being unalterably opposed to a special speed cop in Oregon City. Nearly one-half the members present told of their experience with the traffic officers of Portland, Washington and California, and were unanimous in pronouncing the methods of the various officials superior to those of the home city. So impressed were those who had signed against the ordinance regulating automobiles, and had come face to face with the powers that administer stern justice that they joined in passing a resolution "condemning the administration of the law, in that no distinction is made for first offenders, or those from the rural districts, who have not had the opportunity to learn its various requirements as to lights, speed, etc." Portland officials, it seems, are quite lenient when dealing with Oregon City offenders, and like action on the part of local officers for the stranger within the gates is urged. To obtain these results the city officials will be urged to abolish the special office created and place the enforcement of the traffic laws in the hands of the chief of police. Also to inaugurate a campaign of education, as to just what points the traffic laws cover. Laboring under the impression that the officer was on a fee basis the Wires strongly condemned this manner of conducting the office. The city officials maintain that the office is on a salary basis and the officer has explicit instructions to administer the law without fear or favor. Dr. L. A. Morris of the committee on roads, reported the State Highway Commission have taken over the west side road and will grade it this year preparatory to paving next year. The state commission will also complete paving portions of the highway between Canby and Aurora, cutting out two grade crossings.

## Work To Start On Mount Hood Road

PORTLAND, March 27.—Work will start on the Mount Hood loop as quickly as possible and the project will be completed in two years with in the forest route. This was one of the various matters determined today at a conference between the state highway commission and Dr. L. I. Howes and George H. Cecil representing the federal government. There are 37.2 miles within the forest and the road will be 16 feet wide, of dirt, and cost \$514,000. This cost will be divided equally between the government and the state.

## WORK OF WAR OFFICE COMPLETED; RECORDS SHIPPED TO CAPITOL

Questionnaires, classification cards and all other records of the local war office were shipped to Washington, D. C. Thursday and the business of the office is completed. Chief Clerk Iva Harrington received orders some time ago to wind up the work of the office and all records were classified for shipment. They will be filed at the capitol and kept for future reference. There were 2,350 pounds of the matter shipped. During the existence of the local office there were 7,102 men handled through the office from Clatsop county and over 200 were transferred from outside to this office. All supplies have been sold and Monday will be the last day for Miss Harrington in the office as her work is completed.

## LOGANBERRY GROWERS HOLD MEETING LAST THURSDAY AFTERNOON

A large number who are interested in horticulture met in the county court rooms Thursday at the call of County Agent R. G. Scott to discuss the probability of a larger acreage being set out to berries. Representatives of the Phox company of Salem, were present and urged the advantages of Loganberry growing. The Salem company offers to contract all loganberry growers in this section at \$100 per ton for the first two years and \$80 for the next three years. The Salem company will either establish a shipping and pressing station in Oregon City and hope to make contracts for at least 100 acres. A committee composed of A. J. Lewis, H. A. Heater and S. D. Barner was appointed to canvass the prospective growers for the purpose of securing the desired acreage.

## BOLSHEVIK PLOT NIPPED IN BUD BY AMERICANS

LONDON, March 28.—Action by American troops looking after Russian prisoners in Germany is believed to have nipped in the bud an important Bolsheviki plot, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Berlin dated Thursday. The Spartacists in Spandau, the feasting camp, had planned a big rising for Thursday, intending to arm several thousand Russians from the Rubleben camp. The Americans, however, rushed the Russians on board trains Wednesday night and scattered them under the Americans throughout Germany.

## Adults Play Ball Six Against Five Woman Kicks Goal

There were more comical situations chucked into the two basket ball games at Mount Pleasant Friday night than is likely to be seen for some time. The team captained by W. L. Arant played a good game but lost to James Hylton's team by a score of 12 to 10. After the game was over it was discovered that the winners had been using six men against the losers five. When one of the winners was put out of the game there were two substitutes put in instead of one. The game was fast and furious and very few fouls were called but there were plenty of them. Several of the players evidently thought it was a foot ball game as they tried to make a touchdown and carried the ball across the hall. The women put up a game that will long be remembered. They did not know a thing about the game but they sure tried. One lady got so enthusiastic she tried to kick a goal but missed by a narrow margin. The team of Mrs. James Hylton won the game by a score of 10 to 8. The losers were captained by Mrs. L. Hartke. Sack races and peanut races featured the evening and everybody enjoyed themselves.

## MEMBERS OF LAND BOARD ARE CHOSEN

SALEM, March 29.—Governor Olcott today announced appointment of the members of the Oregon state land settlement commission, which was created by an act passed by the recent legislature. As the act carried an emergency clause it is now in effect and the appointments become effective immediately. Members of the new commission are as follows: Emery Olmstead, Portland, president of the Northwestern National bank. Robert N. Stanfield, Stanfield, prominent farmer, stockman and capitalist of Eastern Oregon. Whitney L. Bolse, Portland, virtually father of the land settlement act, and prominent in affairs of Portland and the Willamette valley. G. H. Baker, secretary of the Central Labor Council of that city, and endorsed by leaders of the State Federation of Labor. Charles Hall, Marshfield, president of the State Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Hall is also president of the bank of Southwestern Oregon and of the Coos & Curry Telephone company, and prominently identified with varied activities in Southern Oregon.

## Youth Killed by State Legislator

BANDON, March 31.—George Chenoweth, joint representative for Coos and Curry counties in the last Oregon legislature, and a veteran of the Canadian army in the last years of the war, shot and killed G. W. Sydman, 18, at a dance in Langlois, Saturday night. Chenoweth immediately surrendered himself to Sheriff Tolman of Curry county, and was placed in jail. The shooting is said to have resulted from a dispute over Chenoweth's daughter, who was in attendance at the dance. The shooting occurred in the dance hall.

## OFFICIALS ANXIOUSLY AWAITING WORD ON JAPANESE SITUATION

WASHINGTON, April 1.—While awaiting official word from Mexico regarding the reported land concession in Lower California to Japanese interests, diplomats, officials and members of congress today discussed the situation at length. Mexican and Japanese diplomats continued to minimize the importance of the alleged movement of Japanese interests, while members of congress saw in the action serious danger. Some of the latter who are opposing the proposed League of Nations say that the situation proves conclusively the necessity of adhering to the Monroe doctrine in whatever league may be formed.

## ENJOYABLE TRIP IS MADE LAST SUNDAY BY LOCAL MOTORISTS

Mrs. Harry Harding, accompanied by Mrs. Walter Bennett and Tim Reardon, the latter as driver, left Thursday morning in the Harding touring car on the Pacific Highway through Washington going by way of Vancouver and through LaCenter and Woodland. Their intention was to motor further, but owing to a landslide, they were compelled to return as far as Vancouver, and then to St. John's where the party crossed the ferry to Linnton. From that place they motored to Goble and crossing the ferry at Kalama, Washington, proceeded on and passed through Kelso and Toledo. Near the latter place they had a narrow escape by barely missing going over a steep bank and being pitched into the Cowlitz river. At that point there is no danger sign posted to warn the motorists, and here the road comes to a sudden ending, as it had been washed away recently by the high water. Before returning home the party motored through Vader, Wash.

## MANY FISHERMEN OUT ON SUNDAY MORNING WOMAN IS CHAMPION

There were over 200 coming to Oregon City to try their luck at fishing for salmon in the Willamette Sunday. The day was unfavorable for the fishermen, and very few were caught. Some of those residing in this city, and who have had excellent luck in other years, arose at 4 o'clock and started for the river, expecting to go early and avoid the rush. Others were there trying their luck. One of the women, who started from here at 1 o'clock, had engaged in fishing for only about one hour when a big fish struck, and she landed him safely. It weighed 24 pounds, and was a beauty. This was caught by Mrs. Harry Calvert of this city, and has been on display in the window of the Jones drug store. Mrs. Calvert has always been very successful each year in landing salmon, and she has the reputation of being the first woman to catch a salmon this season. She has also made a reputation in being a good shot, for she killed two large deer last year, and the year previous she secured the largest deer in the party she accompanied. At the present time the water is somewhat high, and unfavorable for fishing. Very few salmon were caught here Sunday. Many disheartened fishermen returned to Portland late in the evening.

## GRAND JURY RETURNS SEVERAL TRUE BILLS

Six true bills and three not true bills were returned by the grand jury Friday. One of the true bills was secret and the others were as follows: Charles Krueger, charged with burglary of the Seventh street market some time ago. He was arrested shortly after the crime and has been in jail since waiting action of the grand jury. Arthur McKinnis, George McKinnis and Cecil Stewart, charged with contributing to the delinquency of minors. It is alleged the three boys took three girls for a joy ride a short time ago and were out so late the girls were afraid to go home and two of them ran away. They were afterwards found at Canby and brought home by Sheriff Wilson. A true bill was also found against E. H. Myers of Oswego, charged with cruelty to animals. It is alleged the man has about 15 head of stock and did not feed them sufficiently and failed to provide proper shelter for them. A complaint was sworn out by a humane officer from Portland and the arrest was made by Constable Fortune. The humane officer claimed he found two of the animals in such shape that he was forced to kill them. A true bill was also found against Jacob Adler, charged with robbing the store of Joe Swartz in this city. The young man was formerly employed at the store and later came here on a visit and after leaving here one night, it is alleged he came back and robbed the store. A Liberty bond and considerable cash and checks were taken. The checks were later thrown away at Gladstone where the man said he had walked after the robbery. When the officers arrested him in Portland he had checked his trunk and purchased a ticket for the East and would have left within 30 minutes from the time he was taken. Ray Turner was accused of non-support and a true bill was found against him. He was recently in the navy and is now employed in this city. Lloyd Baxter, Wilbur Wilson and Albert Lundgren, arrested with Krueger in connection with the Seventh street market robbery, were released as the grand jury did not find true bills against them.

## L. E. Baron on Way Home From the War

Mrs. L. E. Baron received word from her husband, L. E. Baron, Tuesday, saying he was on his way home from France. He has been in France for more than a year, and arrived at Halifax on March 27, and expects to reach his home in this city soon. He is speeding on his way to the dispersal area. He enlisted in Portland in the Canadian army, after failing to pass the required examination in the American army. He is with H Company, Seventh Battalion Railway Engineers. Mr. Baron has two bright little daughters in this city, who are anxiously awaiting the arrival of their daddy. They have written him regularly telling of the reception they are to give him upon his return home. These little tots have also done their bit for their country while their father has been fighting in France, and have added their pennies to the various patriotic causes.

## PROMINENT PLEASANT HOME MAN IS SUICIDE

Martin Berg, a well-known resident of Pleasant Home, in the Sandy country, about 30 miles from Oregon City, committed suicide near his little cabin either during Tuesday night or Wednesday, by shooting himself in the head. A Springfield military gun was used to commit the deed. His body was found near the main road by J. H. Revenue, a prominent resident of that section, and his son, H. L. Revenue, who were on their way home from Cottrell, Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock. The body was then stiff and cold, and it is believed by those viewing the remains that he had shot himself either during Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning. Berg had seated himself on the side of the road leading to his cabin, just inside of the enclosure, and close to the main road passing the place. When found the gun and a piece of wood he had evidently used in discharging it were lying between his knees. The entire back of Berg's head was blown away, and blood was still coming from the cavity caused by the shot. His right eye was also shot away and his face near the forehead was blackened by the powder. The gun had evidently been placed close to the head. This was a fearful spectacle for Mr. Revenue and his son, and others who visited the scene of the tragedy. As Berg had been employed by W. A. Proctor, county commissioner, for the past two years the latter was at once notified by Mr. Revenue, and Mr. Proctor and others visited the scene. E. L. Johnson, county coroner, of this city, was notified, and left immediately for the scene of the tragedy, and was accompanied by Dr. W. E. Hempstead. After their arrival at Pleasant Home and viewing the position of the body of the dead man, they at once pronounced it a plain case of suicide. His clothing was searched for a clue that might lead to his cause of committing the deed, but nothing was found, and his little cabin near by was also searched. This was in orderly condition, and from the indications Berg had commenced to prepare a meal and did not partake of it, for a number of victuals were left standing on the stove. His watch on the table had stopped at 3 o'clock. The faithful old black collie dog, "Sandy," was there to guard the little home of the bachelor, and looked in wonderment at those who were there. No doubt he had been well fed before Berg took his life, for he was given food, and he refused it, but made friends with a number of the men, especially J. Jones, who had given Berg the dog last spring. The dog had always been given the best of care by Berg, as well as the handsome white cat that scampered about those who were visiting the little cabin Wednesday evening. These sole companions at the little cabin, and he always found much comfort in having them with him. Mr. Proctor who is one of the big-hearted men of that section, is to give the cat a home at his farm, and says he will find a good home for the dog, while Mr. Jones is to take the chickens. Mr. Proctor says: "I see no reason why Berg should take his life, for he was comfortably situated, and had money in the bank and also had invested in liberty bonds. He was a fine old man, and it grieves me to see him take his life like this." Others said "Berg was a friend to everybody."

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