

VOLE BY GUARDSMEN PROVIDED IN BILL

Representative Laurgaard to Present Measure if Legislature Is Called.

NEED IS DECLARED URGENT

Laws of Other States Are to Be Followed—Lawmakers Believe Special Session Necessary to Help Dependents.

Oregon soldiers and sailors in the service of the country outside the state would have the right to vote at all elections in which they could vote if they were at home under provisions of a measure that now is being drafted by O. Laurgaard, Representative in the Legislature from Multnomah County.

Most of the other states now have similar laws. Nearly all the states organized at the time of the Civil War allowed their soldier citizens to vote while in the field.

In lamentable distinction from this situation was the condition in Oregon at Fall when several hundred loyal citizens of the state in the service of the country on the Mexican border were deprived of their franchise.

"It is a condition that needs correction," commented Representative Laurgaard yesterday. "There is urgent need for such a measure when you stop to consider that the National Guard and volunteer regiments will attract, in almost every case, thinking men who should not be deprived of their right to vote because they are serving the state and country."

"If the special session is called I propose to introduce a bill of this kind and anticipate no opposition to it."

Mr. Laurgaard is studying the laws of other states, and with the aid of counsel will have his bill drafted and ready for introduction on the day the special session convenes.

Other members of the Legislature believe that if the war provisions continue for any length of time a special session will be necessary so that the dependent families of the boys at the front will not need to call on charity for aid.

Bond Issue Will Be Necessary. The only way in which state relief can be provided, however, is through a bond issue. The appropriations made by the regular session of the Legislature exhausted all the funds that can be spent under the 6 per cent tax amendment.

It is believed that the Legislature can authorize the proper state officials to issue bonds as they are needed and that the money can be paid to the families of those men whose employers have not guaranteed to pay their wages during their absence.

It has been suggested that the bonds be issued in small denominations, as low as \$25 and multiples thereof, so they could be sold by popular subscription. This would enable women and many other classes of citizens not able to perform active service in the Army or Navy to have an opportunity of helping the good cause along.

\$10,000 WARDROBE WORN

Man Eltinge at Heilig Has Beautiful Gowns and Chorus.

One of the features in "Cousin Lucy," the big spectacular production which Julian Eltinge will present at the Heilig next Saturday and Sunday nights, is the splendid new wardrobe of dazzling gowns the artist has just received and which are reputed to represent an outlay of \$10,000.

These models are said to be so ultra in design that their duplicates will not be seen in local stores for at least six months.

But the gown feature is only one of the many details of this star's current vehicle, the book of which was written by the late Charles Klein. There are musical numbers by Jerry Kern and Ted Ward, including "Those Come Hither Eyes," "Call on Me," "Two Heads Are Better Than One," "At Your Service Girls," "Some Time the Dream Comes True," "Summer-time" and "Keep Going."

It will also be found that Eltinge has again rounded himself with a capable chorus to assist in the singing and dancing ensembles, and that the plot is entertaining and probable.

EMERGENCY FUND SHORT

County Spends \$12,802 of Total of \$188,432 Set Aside.

Out of an ostensible emergency fund of \$188,432, the County of Multnomah has already spent, or contracted to spend, \$12,802.29, though only three months of the year for which the \$188,432.92 was supposed to stretch have passed, according to a statement prepared by Chairman Holman of the Board of County Commissioners and presented at the meeting yesterday.

In making several of the appropriations, however, Commissioners Muuck and Holbrook considered the \$100,000 set aside for the supposed purpose of preventing the county from going on a warrant basis at this time next year, as part of the emergency fund, so that the actual amount available was \$115,630.63.

There is of that total \$45,630.63 which has not been spent or promised, to cover the emergencies of the remaining nine months of 1917.

Chief items draining the emergency fund are set out by Mr. Holman to be \$200,000 for the proposed special election, \$29,484 turned over to the road budget to aid its programme and \$31,830.21 due and appropriated for Vista House, on Columbia River Highway.

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Demonstration of Rescue Work Given by Dr. Morrow and Services of Trained Nurses Enlisted.

At a meeting of 250 women who have volunteered to do first-aid work in any war crisis that develops, the Portland Independent First Aid Corps last night at the Central Library took steps to become an accredited branch of the National Red Cross.

The corps will meet hereafter every Wednesday night, the next meeting to be held at the Central Library in room H at 8 o'clock.

Last night Dr. Earl Morrow, who spent some time in the war zone in Europe and especially among the wounded in Belgium, spoke and gave a demonstration of the first aid to be given a drowning person.

The first aid corps was organized about six weeks ago and active among the workers are Mrs. E. J. Squires, Mrs. E. Green and Mrs. A. J. Crew. The services of Mrs. D. M. Taylor, Mrs. B. O. Bird and Mrs. Solwig, all trained nurses, have been given to the organization and weekly instruction will be provided.

There is no age limit for the new organization and women and girls from all sections of the city are welcomed into it.

Women of Gresham last night sent a delegation to the meeting and representation in the corps, which was accorded.

SOLDIERS MUST PAY TOLLS

Commissioners Say They Cannot Let Men Pass Over Bridge Free.

Free passage of militiamen across the Interstate bridge cannot be arranged, the County Commissioners told Adjutant-General A. White yesterday, in response to a request made.

The Commissioners said that they were handicapped by regulations and franchises which would make the granting of such a demand almost impossible, and suggested that the state of Oregon furnish transportation to the soldiers.

Authorization was given Sheriff Hurlburt by the Commissioners yesterday to supply special deputies for business concerns needing protection during war or strike times, provided that the corporation pay the salaries of the men.

TODAY IS LAST FOR TAXES

Interest to Be Charged if Money Is Not Sent by Midnight.

Today is the last day on which the first installment of taxes to be collected in 1917 can be paid without interest.

The tax collection office of Sheriff Hurlburt, on the first floor of the Courthouse, north side, will be open until 9 o'clock tonight to receive payments. Checks mailed will be accepted in payment, provided the letters bear postmarks not later than midnight.

Approximately \$1,500,000 has been collected already this week and more than \$1,000,000 must be taken in today if the percentage of collection is to equal that of last year.

After tonight interest of 1 per cent a month will be charged.

WIFE CHARGES DESERTION

A. Matilsky Declared Too Lazy to Earn \$20 Night as Musician.

Abraham Matilsky, musician, would not work, even refusing offers of \$20 a night for engagements, says his wife, Jennie Matilsky, in a suit for divorce filed in the Circuit Court yesterday.

She was married at Vancouver, Wash., September 11, 1916, and now asserts her husband has deserted her, leaving her for the regular sealed bid sales in the late Spring.

There is much speculation as to the effect the Army orders will have on the coming Oregon market, but everything is guesswork. The quantity of wool needed cannot be estimated until it is known how large a force will be sent and there is also the possibility that England may open her Colonial markets to American Government buyers.

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GOVERNMENT MAY BUY UP RAW WOOL

Dealers and Sheepmen Advised Not to Take or Sell Until Inventory Is Made.

BASIC PRICE IS UNCERTAIN

Medium of Highest and Lowest Quotations of April 4, May Be Struck—Hearing at Salt Lake Is Suggested.

SALT LAKE CITY, April 4.—Frank J. Hagenbarth, president of the National Woolgrowers' Association, who was recently appointed a member of the committee of raw materials of the National Defense Council, leaves for Washington Saturday night to be present Tuesday at a special meeting of the Board.

Woolmen and sheepmen in the Intermountain district have been advised through the Boston Wool Trade Association not to buy nor sell any wool until an inventory has been taken of all the wool in the United States. It is estimated that this will hold up about \$2,000,000 pounds of wool in Utah, Wyoming, Idaho and Nevada.

"I have received no marked expression of opinion among sheepmen one way or the other on the Boston proposition," declared Mr. Hagenbarth tonight. It was remarked, however, in local wool circles that there might be some uncertainty as to the basic price on Monday. For instance, the top notch price for wool was reported in Montana Monday at 47 cents, with quite a lot contracted for at 44 cents.

Wool may be offered to the Government at the maximum figures obtained April 4, or a "happy medium" may be struck between the highest and lowest prices offered on that day, a woolman said today.

Before any stated price is fixed at which the available raw wool supply of the country should be turned over to the Government, in conformity with the plan outlined by the Boston Wool Trade Association and being approved by wool dealers of other large centers, a hearing of the wool producers at Salt Lake on the top notch price is desired by the National Woolgrowers' Association.

Action looking toward the securing of this hearing at Salt Lake was an early date was taken today by S. W. McClure, secretary of the National Woolgrowers' Association, and a telegram to the raw wool committee of the National Defense Council, which has been called in Washington next Tuesday.

Two new names have been added to the committee, of which Mr. Hagenbarth is a member. The men are J. M. Wilson, president of the National Woolgrowers' Association, of Douglas, Wyo., and Rush Campbell, president of the Arizona Woolgrowers' Association, of Flagstaff, Ariz.

BUYING IS SUSPENDED HERE

Effect of Boston Offer Is Matter for Speculation.

The offer of the Boston Wool Trade Association to turn over to the Government the entire supply of wool now stored at Boston was of great interest to wool men here, but they were not able to figure what exact effect it would have on the wool situation in the West. It was regarded as only a preliminary movement in the resumption of the wool trade with the Government with its wool requirements, for it is plain, if a great Army is called out, that the Federal authorities will need more than the small supply of last year's clip which remains in Eastern warehouses.

In some quarters there was a disposition to question the motives of the Government, the claim being made that it was intended rather for effect on Western sellers of the new clip, which is about ready to be marketed.

The offer was based on the prices ruling at Boston this week and the assertion was made that the price limit thus fixed would be used to manipulate the coming market. If so it would be a bearish move, as sheepmen here anticipated a steadily advancing market throughout the season, in view of the known shortage of the wool supply in this country, occasioned by Great Britain's refusal to allow Americans to make their usual purchases in Australia and New Zealand.

The immediate effect of the deal with the Government has been to stop all wool buying or contracting in the West. So far as Oregon and Washington are concerned business has been almost at a standstill for some time, as the buyers and sellers could not get together on prices. A few were purchased in the Yakima section last week, but in Eastern Oregon practically all the growers have refused to sell at the prices offered by buyers and announced that they would hold their wools for the regular sealed bid sales in the late Spring.

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MAUNDY THURSDAY HERE

Special Services Arranged in Many Portland Churches.

Today, Maundy Thursday, will be observed with special early services in a large number of Portland's churches. Rev. J. E. H. Stimpson, who has been ill and has been unable to attend to his duties as rector of St. Mark's Parish, will have services today at 7 and 8:30 A. M. and at 8 P. M.

St. Stephen's will have services at 7:30 and 9:30 A. M. Other Episcopal churches will hold similar meetings or services. Bishop Sumner will preach tonight in St. Stephen's and officiate at the confirmation service. Good Friday will be observed with great solemnity in all Catholic and Episcopal churches.

"The Seven Last Words" will be the subject of the sermons in all these instances. Freshening will be for three hours in the afternoon.

Game birds reared on farms are going to add to our food resources as well as to recreation facilities. Pheasants, quail, wild ducks and geese have been successfully raised on private and state game farms.

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