

GRAIN HANDLING IN BULK IS NECESSITY

M. H. Houser Urges Preparation for Change From Sacking to Meet Shortage.

CLEANING AT HOME DESIRED

Farmers Told, in Case Local Buyers Are Not Meeting Authorized Prices, to Send Wheat Direct to Food Administrator.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special)—M. H. Houser, attitude towards bulk handling of grain in Oregon and toward the necessity for prompt preparation for the change from sack handling is said by Professor Hoyer to be the most important thing brought out at the grain convention of Farmers' week this year.

Mr. Houser warned the farmers to prepare to meet the sack shortage and prohibitive sack prices by preparing to bulk as much grain as possible and by having the available means. He advocated going into the bulk handling in moderation and on a basis of later as well as war needs.

Cleaning at home for hog feed the grain should be cleaned locally wherever possible. Certain days may be reserved in the co-operative elevators for delivering clean wheats in other days for delivering smutty wheat.

Growers Indorse Houser. Growers present indorsed the choice of Mr. Houser as grain agent for the Federal Food Administration, and declared that he has been a friend to the farmer.

Rev. J. H. Boyd, of Portland, unmasked Germany before the largest crowd ever assembled in convocation hall in a masterful address today.

Poland China Breeders Save. The elimination of all classes of swine of all breeds, classes of swine under one year, from all county, state and industrial fairs of the entire country, was recommended in a resolution passed by the Poland China Breeders' Association, as a war conservation.

PAROLED MEN GET \$15,297

Report for November Made to Governor by Penitentiary Officer.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special)—Two hundred and sixty paroled men from the state penitentiary earned a total of \$15,297.55 during the month of November, or an average of \$51.50 each, according to the monthly report of Parole Officer Keller, filed with Governor Withycombe today.

MAXIMUM LOAN CHANGED

First Annual Report of Federal Farm Loan Board Made Public.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Important changes in the farm loan bank system are the features of the first annual report of the Federal Farm Loan Board made public today. The board recommends that borrowing through farm loan associations be tried for another year before making borrowing more direct; that the maximum which can be loaned to any one borrower be raised from \$10,000 to \$15,000; that farm loan bonds be issued in denominations of \$20 and \$50.

DELEGATES TO BE NAMED

Portland to Be Represented at Chicago Convention.

Three persons are wanted by Mayor Baker to represent Portland at an important session of the Congress of National Service to be held in Chicago February 21, 22 and 23. It is expected that the Mayor will appoint the Portland delegates to represent Portland in a letter from the National Security League.

RAILROAD PLANS PROCEED

Now maintained by railroads for overtime. The brotherhoods' demands for 40 per cent higher wages, refused by the railroads just before the Government assumed management, were not presented today but will be taken up tomorrow.

Express Companies in Balance. Mr. McAdoo now is considering whether express companies should be taken over for Government operation and has received from his legal ad-

visers opinions on the proper procedure in case he decides this is necessary to maintain the highest efficiency.

The shortage of labor was emphasized today in reports of Interstate Commerce Commission inspectors on car service and locomotive conditions presented to Mr. McAdoo by Commissioner McChord, who was assigned the task of discovering precisely what were the congested conditions on Eastern roads.

The fault in many cases, the reports indicated, is that freight cars and locomotives are out of repair because roads have too few repairmen and machinists, but negligence of railway authorities was responsible for most conditions of faulty equipment, the Commission reported.

The Government hopes to remedy the situation by issuing specific orders for the repair of cars and locomotives and establishing a system of personal responsibility for proper maintenance of equipment.

In answer to numerous inquiries today from state officials, it was explained that free passes will not be granted for Government business.

FUNERAL TO BE MONDAY

Body of Irwin G. Brooks Due to Arrive From Texas.

Sergeant-Major of 245th Aero Squadron, Signal Corps, Succumbed at Fort Sam Houston, Sunday.

The funeral of Sergeant-Major Irwin G. Brooks, of the 245th Aero Squadron, Signal Corps, whose death occurred at Fort Sam Houston, Tex., last Sunday, will be held in this city Monday, it is probable, although arrangements have not been definitely made. The body is expected to arrive on Sunday.

Sergeant-Major Irwin G. Brooks, Late of 245th Aero Squadron, Whose Funeral is to Be Held in This City.

day, according to advices received from military authorities.

Sergeant-Major Brooks was the son of Dr. and Mrs. P. M. Brooks, of 755 Johnson street. Messages received by the parents a week ago announced his serious illness at Fort Sam Houston, and Dr. Brooks hastened to reach his son's side. When he reached Los Angeles a message awaited him with the word of his son's death, and the father returned to this city.

Irwin G. Brooks was born at Salem and was 25 years of age. On September 9 he enlisted and was sent to Camp Lewis, where he applied for a transfer to the Aviation Corps. The application was granted and on November 3 he was assigned to duty and training at Fort Sam Houston, where promotion steadily came to him.

Details of his illness are meager, and full information is yet awaited by the parents. Complete arrangements for the funeral will soon be announced.

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WOMAN GETS 200 MEMBERS

Mrs. Henningsen Leads in Red Cross Results at Oregon City.

OREGON CITY, Jan. 3.—(Special)—Mrs. Henry Henningsen, of Oregon City, has secured 200 members for the Red Cross. Mrs. Henningsen started out to secure subscriptions a few days before Christmas and, although only working a few hours each afternoon and for a few days taking a day off from her task, she has turned in more names to O. D. Eby, who has had charge of the drive, than any other individual of Oregon City.

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ECONOMY JANUARY

Friday Will Bring Important City-Wide Results In Our Great Drive Against Rising Prices

—We are determined to make this a month long to be remembered by thrifty shoppers. We are holding prices down to the lowest possible point. Much of the good, reliable merchandise we offer you in this sale will cost us much more to replace than we are asking you. So take advantage of this sale, and supply your needs.



Handsome Zibeline Wool Velour and Burella CLOTH COATS

—Two of the smart styles are shown in the sketch, and every coat in the lot is new and clever. Many have collars of black coney, some are plush trimmed and others have touches of keramic.

MANY STYLE POINTS HAVE BEEN COPIED FROM MORE EXPENSIVE GARMENTS—POCKETS, BELTS AND BUCKLES ARE IN PLEASING, NOVEL STYLE—SUCH COLORS AS BROWN, GREEN, PLUM, NAVY AND BEETROOT.

Third Floor—Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

3 Groups of Women's PETTICOATS

—The kind of dark cotton skirts that so many women prefer to silk petticoats, because they are far more inexpensive, look quite as well and wear better.

\$1.00 for splendid skirts in new Roman striped effects and pretty flowered inserts; black and white striped patterns. With deep flounce and elastic at waist band.

\$1.35 for attractive skirts, with fancy Fifth avenue cotton taffeta flounces in striped, checked and floral designs. Also plain colored skirts. Finished with elastic waist band.

\$1.79 for Fifth avenue cotton taffeta petticoats. These are in fancy striped and flowered designs, closely resembling silk. Also black Heatherbloom petticoats in this group.

Fourth Floor—Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

Women's Knit Union Suits

Special 3 for \$2

—White ribbed lisle thread union suits, in low neck, sleeveless styles, with tight or loose knee. Many have touches of lace trimming. Soft, fine quality of lisle. Sizes 36 to 44.



Main Floor—Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

Lipman Wolfe & Co. Merchandise of Merit Only

MEN!—We've a Fine Assortment of WARM SLEEPING GARMENTS

—PAJAMAS for those who want them and NIGHT SHIRTS for men who prefer the older fashioned garments. And they're here in fine, soft, fleecy, warm flannellette in practically every style you could wish.

—Some are braid trimmed and others quite plain; all are neat, well made and roomy.

—MANY ARE OFFERED AT PRICES LOWER THAN TODAY'S COST, so we advise you to supply your needs liberally now! All sizes and styles.

85c, \$1.15, \$1.25, \$1.48, \$1.89 to \$2.25. Main Floor, Just Inside Washington-Street Entrance.

Room Sized RUGS at Reductions

—Splendid rugs in the most attractive colorings offered at prices you will not be able to equal for a long time!

9x12 feet Wire Brussels Rugs, special ..... \$19.50  
8.2x10.6 Axminster Rugs, special ..... \$28.95  
8.3x10.6 Wool Velvet Rugs ..... \$28.95

COCO DOOR MATS Special 59c SERVICE FLAGS Special 89c

—Sizes 13x24 in.; a well-made article that will save your floors and carpets these rainy days! —Bunting service flags with one and two stars. On sale today only at this special price.

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ADMIRAL BENSON SAYS SUBMARINE CREWS AS GOOD AS EVER.

House Naval Committee Advised That Submarine Chasers Are Not Up to Expectations.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Admiral Benson, chief of operations, told the House naval committee today it was folly to believe there was any loss of morale among German submarine crews and that information gathered from German prisoners indicated, he believed, their morale was the best in the German navy.

During the session, which was in private, in the course of the committee's investigation of the Navy's part in the war, Admiral Benson is also said to have told the Congressmen a court of inquiry found that some mistake as to convey might have contributed to the loss of the transport Antilles, torpedoed by a German submarine with the first important military loss of the war.

Admiral Benson also said frankly that submarine chasers did not come up to the expectations and that he was responsible personally for not building any considerable number.

The number of American ships torpedoed, he said, was less than 1 per cent of those going into and out of the submarine zone under escort.

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The Secretary said it was important that adequate seed supplies of soy beans and white or navy beans be made available for the next planting season.

SENTENCES ARE AFFIRMED

Forger and Deserter Get Ten-Year Prison Terms.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3.—Decisions of courtmartial which ordered two privates in the Western Department of the Army to be dishonorably discharged from the service and to be confined at hard labor for ten years each, were affirmed today by Major-General Arthur Murray, commanding this department.

General Murray approved such a sentence imposed on Private Alfred Simon, Vancouver Barracks, Wash., after his conviction on charges of forging seven checks for an aggregate value of \$100. The other severe sentence was meted out to Private William W. Haines, of the same post, who had been charged with forging a check for \$500.

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—Do you need Khaki or gray yarn for the Sweater, Sox, Wristers, or Helmet you are knitting for your soldier or sailor lad? Get a supply of the famous



Minerva Yarn —In Khaki and Gray —and a wide range of popular colors.

—We are Portland headquarters for Minerva Yarns, the Aristocrats of the Yarn Family. Fifth Floor.

Lipman Wolfe & Co. Merchandise of Merit Only

Swift & Co. tonight, causing a loss estimated at \$300,000. An investigation to learn the cause of the fire has been started.

New Sidewalk Is Sought. Request has been made on the city by the Grant Smith-Porter-Guthrie Shipbuilding Corporation for a wooden

walk on Fessenden street in St. Johns as an accommodation to 700 or 800 workmen at the plant. The request has met with a snag in the office of City Commissioner Barber because the city has been asked to bear the expense of the work. The walk needed is to cover about three blocks of street, now in bad condition on account of mud and water.

Economy Basement Store

Sale of SHOES

WOMEN'S SHOES, \$4.80

—Of high-grade quality and workmanship. Black kid leathers; novelty boots with colored vamps, for street and dress wear. High and low heels, lace and button styles.

WOMEN'S SHOES, \$3.80

—Patent, kid and dull calf shoes that are worth twice or more than twice this special sale price. They're short lines from manufacturers, and such splendid values that they're sure to go in a hurry.

WOMEN'S SHOES, \$2.80

—Short lines from our upstairs store; samples and factory seconds, many of them worth three and four times this sale price!

WOMEN'S SHOES, \$1.80

—You'll wonder how we can sell such shoes as these for only \$1.80! Short lines, but a good assortment of sizes.

MISSES' CALFSKIN SHOES \$2.40 and \$2.80

—Good, sturdy, hard-wearing shoes, built on a neat, dressy last. Sizes 8½ to 11, \$2.40, and 11½ to 2, \$2.80.

BOYS' SHOES, \$2.80

—Good, strong button and lace shoes, with sturdy, heavy soles. All sizes, \$2.80.

No Exchanges or Refunds

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THE OLD RELIABLE UNION

You Will Not Get Hurt if You Find This Number. PLATES ..... \$5.00 Porcelain Crowns ..... \$3.50 to \$5 Porcelain Fillings ..... \$1 22-K Gold Crowns ..... \$3.50 to \$5 22-K Gold Bridge ..... \$3.50 to \$5 Extracting ..... 50¢ We Guarantee Our Work. UNION PAINLESS DENTISTS 231½ Morrison, Cor. Second—Entire Corner—Dr. Whetstone, Pres. LOOK FOR THE BIG UNION SIGN