

SALARIED WOMEN TO PAY WAR TAX

Equal Suffrage Rights in Oregon Put Sexes on Par in Government's Eyes.

REPORTS MUST BE FILED

School Teachers and State, County or City Employes Exempt, but Must Fill Out Papers if Income Is Above Limit.

"Have you filed your war income statement?"

The young woman of whom the question was asked plainly did not understand and looked her surprise.

"What statement do you mean?" she interrogated.

The questioner explained to the young woman, who receives an annual salary of \$1800 in a downtown office, that she must file with the Collector of Internal Revenue, before March 1, a statement of her net income for 1917, preliminary to paying a 2 per cent war tax.

"But I did not suppose a woman had to pay any war tax," was the added comment.

She was assured, however, that in Oregon the woman is on an equality with men, so far as the application of the provisions of the war income tax measure is concerned.

"I knew I had to pay a war tax, all right," commented Miss Adele Quinn, stenographer for the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, "but I did not think there was any hurry about it."

"It was told there was no great haste so long as the statement was filed not later than March 1 and the tax, if one should be found due, was paid on or before June 15."

"I have been intending for some time to inform myself about the Federal war tax," admitted Miss Adele Quinn, passenger agent for the O. W. R. N. Company at its Third-street office.

"But I—well, I simply procrastinated and have not done so yet."

Inquiry yesterday disclosed that few of Portland's married women are aware of the fact that, regardless of sex, they are liable to the war income tax on the same footing as men.

And there are a great many women, both single and married, in this city who are earning annually salaries which make them subject to the tax-imposing Federal statute.

For the general information of salaried women, the following essential facts are called to their attention:

Every unmarried woman, whose net income for 1917 was \$1000 or more, must file a statement of her net income with the Collector of Internal Revenue at his office in the Customhouse, Park and Davis streets.

Every married woman, whose net income for the same year was \$2000 or more, must file a statement with the same official.

The only women excepted under the law from filing these reports are schoolteachers and those employed by the state, county or city. However, if any woman employed in either of these capacities had a net income in 1917, from other sources than her salary, of \$1000, if single, or \$2000, if married, she must file a report to that effect.

An unmarried woman maintaining a household and supporting a mother, father or other relative is entitled to an exemption of \$2000, the same that is allowed a married man or married woman. But in any event, if her net income last year was \$1000 or more she must file a report regardless of the exemption she may claim or to which she may be entitled.

A widow maintaining a household and supporting dependent relatives, who earned \$1000 or more last year, is also allowed the \$2000 exemption granted the married man or married woman.

A married woman living with her husband whose income in 1917 did not exceed \$2000, will not have to pay a war income tax, but she must file a statement of her income.

A married woman not living with her husband is classed as a single or unmarried woman and must file a report if her income last year was \$1000 or more. She will be liable to the payment of a tax of 2 per cent on her net earnings in excess of \$1000, after the exemptions and deductions allowed by law have been made.

The principal thing for a salaried woman to remember is that if her net income in 1917 was \$1000 or more, if unmarried, or \$2000 or more, if married, she must file a statement of that income, even though the exemptions to which she is entitled may relieve her of the actual payment of a tax.

These statements must be filed with Collector Miller at Park and Davis streets not later than March 1.

This war income tax must be paid at the same office on or before June 15.

Blanks for making these statements may be had upon application at Collector Miller's office. Deputies in that office are prepared to answer all questions and give full information not only as to the law itself, but the manner in which the blanks must be filled out.

Skunks Sold, but Not a Cent Received.

J. S. Imel Puts Sheriff on Seat of Man Who Holds Animals.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Adjust your gas masks, folks, and harken to the four-reel thriller entitled "The Mystery of the Three Skunks, or Why the Case Will Be Settled Out of Court."

Wrathful and highly indignant, J. S. Imel, who operates a skunk farm along the Abernethy, about three miles

northeast of Oregon City, appeared before local officials today. He wanted action—immediate action, if you please—against George McKinnis, who, he claims, selected three fine specimens from his string of thoroughbred skunks, tendered his check, removed the skunks to his home and then stopped payment on the check.

Imel claims that McKinnis agreed to purchase his whole stock, consisting of 12 animals of that certain brand known among skunk fanciers as "star blacks." He selected three, which he took away on payment of the check, and returned the next day for the balance. Then, according to Imel's story, McKinnis claimed there were two skunks missing from the number and refused to take the remaining "critters." Then, according to Imel's story, he called up the bank and stopped payment on the check which he had tendered the day before.

According to Imel's story, this in itself would not be so bad, but McKinnis had failed to return the three beauties to the Imel skunk kennels. McKinnis stated that he would skin the animals and sell the skins, says Imel, who frankly intimated to Sheriff Wilson that he suspected a "skin game" of some sort.

Feeling the return of the animals to Sheriff Wilson will work on the "scent," and possibly may work up a "strong" case. According to District Attorney Hedges, a matter may be "aired" in the local courts, providing any local slouches can be imposed upon to baring in the three exhibits.

NEWS CENSORS LACKING

NEWSPAPER MAN HELD BEST JUDGE OF WAR PUBLICITY.

Dean Eric Allen, of School of Journalism at University, Says Present Censorship Plan is Failure.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—That all matters pertaining to the dissemination of Governmental information to the public should be centralized and placed in the hands of a trained newspaper man, under whom all the others could work successfully, was the solution of the problem of contributed reading matter presented to the sixth newspaper institute by Dean Eric Allen, of the school of Journalism at the University of Oregon.

"Select the ablest newspaper man in the United States and give him absolute power to override the little censors and suppressors of news and let his judgment rule. It is impossible for us on this distant coast to tell exactly what is happening in these matters in Washington. It is a reasonable and a supposable, however, that when Mr. Creel thinks an announcement should be made and the Secretary of War or the Secretary of the Navy or even some of the higher subordinates think it should not be made, the announcement is not made. I think it should be otherwise.

"I think it should be assumed that the men under whom our Government-employed journalist writers work, is a man of equal intelligence, position, importance and patriotism with any military official. When the question is raised by the military arm as to whether a given piece of information should be given to the public, it is to be heard those reasons, but the final decision ought to rest with him.

Furthermore, such an official should be powerful to get at and reveal facts.

U. S. ASSISTANCE SOUGHT

GRANTS PASS ASKS AID IN BUILDING OREGON COAST RAILROAD.

Extension Would Make Available Large Stores of Chrome Ore and Muck Lumber.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 18.—Representative Hawley has submitted to Director-General of Railroads McAdoo a proposal of the Grants Pass Chamber of Commerce, urging the assistance of the Government in extending the California & Oregon Coast Railroad from Waters Creek to Waldo, a distance of 25 miles, chrome ore deposits of vast extent are believed that the road could be constructed within five months, and more than \$8,000,000 feet of Port Orford cedar, 2,000 tons of chrome ore, and other materials made immediately available for use this year.

It is also pointed out that investigations revealed large deposits of chrome ore yet untouched, copper ore tonnage of vast amount, and Douglas fir timbers for the market, all giving assurance that the road would furnish materials not only greatly needed during the war, but also of commercial value after peace is declared.

SATO REACHES PACIFIC

AMBASSADOR UNABLE TO EXPLAIN WHY HE IS RECALLED TO JAPAN.

Diplomat Declares His Nation Will Contribute Ships and Not Soldiers to War.

A PACIFIC PORT, Jan. 18.—Dr. Amura Sato, Japanese Ambassador to the United States, arrived here today en route from Washington to Tokyo. The object of his trip he asserted he did not know.

"All I can say is that my Government has already done more than her treaty with England imposes, he added, and will continue to aid the allies to the limit of her resources.

"Even if we could spare the troops, we have no means of getting them, if Europe or getting supplies to them," he said. "The great need of the war is tonnage and Japan prefers to let the allies have all the ships she can spare."

Dr. Sato will sail for Orien on a Japanese trans-Pacific liner which has been waiting for him since Wednesday when she was originally scheduled to leave. The Ambassador's train was snowbound crossing the continent.

Fred Miller Is Drowned.

While about his work on a logboom of the Portland Lumber Company at 8 o'clock yesterday morning, Fred Miller was knocked off a log by a scow with a load of sawdust and was drowned. His body had not been recovered at a late hour. The coroner has been unable to ascertain the address of his relatives, but it is known that he had a sister and mother living. His sister is said to live in Portland.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

\$134,603,231 ALIEN PROPERTY HELD

Custodian Palmer Makes His First Formal Report to Congress.

1378 ACCOUNTS STARTED

Total Value of Holdings Reported Not Yet Appraised—Amendments to Trading With Enemy Act Recommended.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—In his first report submitted to Congress today, A. Mitchell Palmer, alien property custodian, says he has received so far 1378 formal reports of enemy property and has opened 1378 separate trust accounts, of which 1236 are estimated to be worth \$134,603,231. No value has been placed upon 142 of the accounts pending further investigation.

The gross assets of 14 enemy insurance companies undergoing liquidation under license of the Secretary of the Treasury amount to \$3,544,261.

Three other insurance companies incorporated in enemy or ally of enemy territory, which in the process of liquidation but without license, place their gross assets at \$7,068,626, making a total of \$4,612,887.

Upon the final liquidation of these companies the net proceeds of assets over approved liabilities will be delivered to the alien property custodian.

Mr. Palmer suggests that Congress consider amendments to the trading with the enemy act to cover more adequately questions of power of sale, licenses, reports of enemy property and general powers of the custodian.

GO ON OR GO UNDER, CHOICE

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Belgium. Is there one man here who would make peace without the complete restoration of Belgium and reparations?

"Cries of 'No'."

"What is the answer for Germany?"

Mr. Lloyd George continued. "There has been but one answer and it came from Von Tirpitz' soul—'Never!'"

"There was a demand for the reconsideration of the wrongs of Alsace-Lorraine. What is the answer for Germany—'Never!'"

"When I suggested that Mesopotamia and Palestine should never be restored to the Turks and that it should be the answer of Germany—'We will go on until they are restored.'"

"Is there a single condition laid down by you in your trade-off which to which you have had any response from anybody in Germany who has got any authority to speak? Not one."

"You will not ask me to sign anything which is very significant. There has been no civilian answer at all."

Prussian Power Dominant.

"There have been conferences hurriedly called together by General von Hindenburg and von Ludendorff were brought back from their armies in a great hurry to Berlin, but Herr von Kuehnemann has not been allowed to speak. Why?"

"If it means anything, it means this: That the Prussian military power is dominant and that the answer which is to be given to civilization is an answer which will be given from the cannon's mouth. Do not let us harbor any delusions. Why?"

"You might as well stop fighting, unless you are going to do it well. If you are not going to do it well, all your might is really being wasted on the gallant fellows who have stood there for three years."

"You either have got to put your whole strength in it or just do what is done in the Russian army and tell those brave fellows that they can go home whenever they like and no one will stop them."

"Believe me, if there are men who say they will not go into the trenches, then the men who are in the trenches have a right to say 'Neither will we remain here.'"

"Suppose our men should leave the trenches, would that end the war? Yes, it would; but what sort of an end?"

Fraternizing No Obstacle.

"When the Russians ceased fighting and simply talked idealistic principles with the German army did the German army retreat? No. They took Riga and the Island. Fraternizing did not prevent their marching forward. If Petrograd had been nearer they would have taken it also."

"The Channel ports are not so far from the fighting line and unless we are prepared to stand up with the whole might of people who are dominating Germany now, and will dominate the world tomorrow, if we allow them, we will find the Great Britain and the British democracy, the French democracy and the democracy of Europe will be at the mercy of the most cruel military autocracy the world has ever seen."

"What sort of terms do you think we would get from General von Hindenburg if we said to him, 'We want you to clear out of Belgium? He would say in his heart 'You cannot turn me out of Belgium with trade union resolutions.'"

"But I will tell you the answer you can give him: 'We can and will turn you out of Belgium with trade union guns and trade unionists behind them.'"

Hindenburg Line Broken.

"They have broken his line already, and if we endure with the spirit of our fathers and the spirit that has made the greatness of this land its power, its prestige and its honor, we shall yet be able to carry to conviction, to carry to triumph, to carry to reality, to carry as an essential part of the story of this world, the great aim that you in your own language, that the Government in their language and President Wilson in his noble language have been proclaiming in the last few days."

"Last night this measure was carried in the House of Commons without a dissenting vote. Democracy will, in plain terms, is government by majority of the people. If one profession, one trade, one section or one class in a community claims to be immune from obligations which are imposed upon the rest, that is a fundamental travesty of the principles of democracy—that is the setting up of a new autocracy."

"You and I in the past have been fighting against privilege. I hope you shall be fighting on the same side again."

Preferred Stock Barred.

"We are fighting now against privilege claimed by a military caste. Democracy, if it means anything, must mean that the people of all classes, all sections, all trades and all professions must merge their privileges and their rights in common stock."

A voice: "And we will."

"Certainly," replied the Premier, who continued:

"If any man standing in my place can find an honorable, equitable and just way out of this conflict without fighting it through, for heaven's sake let him tell me. My own conviction is

this—the people either must go on or go under."

A great number of questions were put to the Premier by the delegates regarding the advisability of entering into peace negotiations or the permitting of a conference at Stockholm. Mr. Lloyd George, in replying said:

"Germany always has been ready for peace—for peace at her own price, but that is not a price that we are prepared to pay. The moment the Germans show a disposition to negotiate a peace on equitable terms—and they are the terms the Labor party itself has in addition adopted to it—we will be no reluctance to enter into the peace negotiations."

The Premier's objection to a conference at Stockholm or elsewhere was that delegates of the German government would be chosen. A delegate here interjected:

"Necessarily."

Speaker Throws Down Challenge.

Mr. Lloyd George replied to this: "Do not let us deceive ourselves with delusions. You can only make peace with a government which recognizes that it does not represent the people of Germany, let them change their government."

In the same breath the Premier challenged his audience to change their own government if they were dissatisfied, and a delegate called out:

"We will recognize the representative of any government whatever set up by the German people."

JUNIORS HOLD RE-UNION

Y. M. C. A. BOYS RELIVE SUMMER OUTING AT SPIRIT LAKE.

Stereopticon Scenes of Camp Life Are Shown—H. W. Stone Tells of Benefits From Vacations.

Scenes and pictures from the Y. M. C. A. boys' summer camps at Spirit Lake and Hood River were shown last night in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium. It was a reunion of the boys who have passed their summer at the camps. They wore their old camp clothes and felt the same old camp life.

H. W. Stone, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., opened the programme with informal remarks about the work of the Y. M. C. A. and then told of the benefits derived from attending the summer camps. Stereopticon views of the camp at Spirit Lake were shown, followed by a chain of scenes depicting the life during a day in the camp.

The first scene showed the sounding of the rising bell and the setting-up exercises which are gone through with every morning. The second scene showed some of the classes in signaling and in first aid. The next scene showed the boys who were assigned to cleaning up camp, doing the laundering, etc. The fourth scene showed the lowering of the flag by night and the last scene showed the boys seated around the campfire talking of their experiences during the day and planning hikes for the coming day.

The affair was given under the direction of J. C. Meehan, who is secretary of the boys' work, and was attended by about 250 of the boys and their mothers and fathers.

\$6,000 PAID FOR RAM

WOOLGROWERS, THROUGH SALE, RAISE RED CROSS MONEY.

Total Receipts of Day at Salt Lake Convention Will Reach \$8000; Election to Be Held Today.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 17.—At the second day's session of the 54th annual convention of the National Woolgrowers' Association today \$6,000 was raised for the American Red Cross by the sale on the convention floor of a blooded ram donated by the Wyoming Woolgrowers' Association. This is a record price for the West.

In addition 10 rams were donated to the livestock organization by the State of Utah. The rams were sold at the ram show in Salt Lake City next fall, the proceeds to be turned over to the Red Cross. It is estimated this sale will net in the neighborhood of \$2000.

An additional \$500 was raised at the convention today through the sale of books written and donated by Dr. Issa Tanimura, Japanese commissioner of livestock of the Japanese government. These books contain an account of Dr. Tanimura's investigation of the wool industry.

The resolution committee of the National Association, which was in session nearly all day, expected to report several important resolutions for adoption tomorrow.

The election of officers which will be held tomorrow, is expected to result in the retention of present officials.

BLOWN AWAY SPIES

NEUTRAL SHIPS NO LONGER TO BE COMMUNICATION MEANS.

War Trade Board Will Exercise Broad Authority Over Personnel of Vessels and Use of Wireless.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Drastic regulations governing the supplying of fuel and stores to vessels of neutral ports designed, through control of neutral shipping, to shut off channels through which Germany and its allies have been receiving information from agents in this country, as well as to prevent them from receiving goods from America, were made public tonight by the War Trade Board. They will become effective February 1.

As a condition to receiving fuel and supplies for their vessels, owners or charterers of neutral ships must sign an agreement with the War Trade Board giving the Board broad authority over the officers and crews of ships; their destinations, their cargoes, and of their wireless and their sale or transfer.

Failure to comply with any of the conditions in this agreement in the case of one vessel may involve refusal of fuel and stores to all vessels of the person, firm or corporation managing, owning, chartering or controlling the vessel in question.

Portland Man Dies in Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—G. D. Ferguson, age 51, a shipping clerk having come here recently from Portland, died in Tacoma yesterday. He is survived by a widow here and two sisters in Portland. The funeral was held this afternoon, Edwin C. Jacobus, of the First Church of Christ, Scientist,

Nobby Suits for Boys Priced Only \$6.50. Norfolk Suits \$5 to \$20 Juniors' Wool Suits \$5 to \$12.50. Overcoats, Too. Boys' Overcoats \$6.50 to \$15 Children's Overcoats \$5 to \$15 Wool-Surface Raincoats \$6.50, \$8.50, \$10. Den Selling LEADING CLOTHIER Morrison Street at Fourth.

officiating. Mr. Ferguson was a member of the Woodmen of the World in Portland. CADETS PASS IN REVIEW Governor and Staff to Attend Ceremonies at University. UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Governor Withycombe has accepted an invitation to review the university cadet battalion, which is now in France, left Portland Thursday for the East to undergo final medical examination and prepare to embark for going "across." Major Brandon was formerly with the O. W. R. & N. Company and went East several months ago with his regiment. In New York he underwent medical examination and was granted leave of absence pending recuperation. This week he received orders to report to New York to medical authorities. He believes he is thoroughly recovered and expects to sail in a short time to rejoin his regiment. U. G. Hillyer Slays Self. EAST ORANGE, N. J., Jan. 18.—Ulysses Grant Hillyer, son of the late General William S. Hillyer, member of General Grant's staff during the Civil War, committed suicide at the home of his sister here today by inhaling illuminating gas. He was formerly connected with the Continental Oil Company, of Denver, where his wife is said to be living. Brooding over the separation is believed to have been the motive for the suicide. Read The Oregonian classified ads.

Shoe Clearance A Rare Opportunity to Save Money on Good Shoes. This morning we begin a sale of hundreds of pairs of fine shoes for men and women—shoes that are world-renowned for style, workmanship and quality of leathers. This noteworthy offering of shoes below price will comprise lines that are becoming low on sizes, and lines that we cannot now replace without paying a heavy advance. The prices at which we shall offer these shoes render it imperative that you take advantage. Note the Reductions and Come Early Bargains Like These Will Go Quickly Women's Shoes Laird, Schober & Co.'s women's black or tan Russia Calf Lace Shoes; genuine buck tops in gray, sand and tan; 8 1/2 inches high. Full line of sizes. Formerly priced \$12. All \$9.95 reduced to... \$9.95. 1000 pairs of Women's Patent Kid and Patent Colt Button or Lace Shoes; practically every size in the lot. Formerly priced \$5.00 to \$8.00. \$3.95 All reduced to... \$3.95. Wright & Peters' Women's Patent Colt and Kid Button Shoes; cloth tops; partly broken in sizes. Formerly priced \$7.50. All re- \$4.95. Hanan & Son's Women's Patent Colt and Patent Kid Button Shoes; cloth tops; full line of sizes. Formerly priced \$10. All at \$7.95. Every Shoe Is Worthy—Every Reduction Is Genuine ROSENTHAL'S Exclusive Portland Agents Hanan Shoes 129 Tenth St., Bet. Washington and Alder

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