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LAND BILL APPEARS

Brown Measure Would Permit Filing by Soldiers.

DRAFT SENT TO McNARY

Relatives of Fighting Men May Put in Absentee's Application for Public Tracts Under Proposed Legislation.

Congress will be asked to enact into law a bill drafted by George Arthur Brown, acting for the Auxiliary War Council of this city, which will enable soldiers and sailors in the service of the United States, although absent from the state, to file on public land now open or which may hereafter be thrown open to settlement. The draft of the measure was yesterday forwarded to Senator McNary, and night letters were sent last night to the other members of the delegation outlining the general provisions of the bill and calling to their attention the importance of the proposed legislation.

The bill as drawn by Mr. Brown provides that any soldier or sailor, if absent from the state, may, through his father, mother, brother, sister or wife, or other agent authorized in writing, file a declaratory statement indicating his intention of filing upon a specific tract, which must be described in that declaration. Having made this selection and filed a declaratory statement, the enlisted man is permitted six months from the time he is mustered out of the service, either by reason of the close of the war or his honorable discharge by reason of injury, in which to complete his entry and establish residence on the land. An important provision in the bill is that which provides that the filing of a soldier or sailor who has actually lived one year or more in the state or territory in which the land is located shall have the preference over a filing for the same tract by an enlisted man who lacks that residence qualification. It is also provided that the time actually spent by an enlisted man in the

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service shall be deducted from the residence requirement of the homestead law, although in no case is an actual residence of less than one year on the land to be permitted. In case of the soldier's death, his widow or other heirs may prove up on the homestead, regardless of whether the entry has been completed or not.

Where applications for entry of the same property are made simultaneously, the bill provides that the soldier's application shall be given the preference over that of the non-soldier.

70 TAKE POLICE TESTS

Mayor Baker Speaks to Aspirants for Positions on Force.

"Enforce the law," said Mayor Baker yesterday in an informal talk before 70 men taking a civil service examination for positions on the police force. "All you men who win positions remember first of all that your work is to enforce the law regardless of who it hits. Let me caution you, above all else, not to hesitate in doing your duty for fear of getting in bad with someone who has influence with my office. There is not a man with influence enough to cause you any trouble whatever if you honestly perform your duty. That is the first thing I want every man of you to understand."

Of the 70 men in the test a large number are on the force at present, having been given temporary appointments recently pending the holding of the examination. Permanent appointments will be made from the list of applicants passing highest.

WOOD PRICES IN BALANCE

Fuel Administrator and Mayor to Hold Conference Soon.

In order to reach a definite agreement concerning prices to be charged by fuel dealers for Portland for wood, Fred J. Holmes, fuel administrator for Oregon, and Mayor Baker will confer within the next few days.

Mr. Holmes has just concluded an extensive investigation of the prices paid by dealers for fuel and the prices charged. He has taken into account overhead expenses, freights, interest and other charges incident to operation.

These will be submitted to Mayor Baker, and it is expected that the Mayor and fuel administrator will be ready within a short time to announce a price that is fair to both dealer and consumer.

Timber Offered for Sale.

District Forester Cecil yesterday offered for sale 11,000,000 board feet of Western yellow pine at a minimum price of \$2.25 per thousand, and 1,300,000 board feet of Douglas fir and other species at a minimum of 50 cents per thousand feet, located on Tamarack Creek, on the Oregon National forest in Wasco County.

McDonnell Funeral Is Set.

The body of Mayor McDonnell, a Portland man, who died last Wednesday in New York City, is expected to arrive in this city some time tomorrow. If there are no delays in train schedules, the funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Elks' lodge rooms, Broadway and Stark street.

Alien Enemy Is Interred.

Paul Sledler, Austrian alien enemy, Socialist and I. W. W. organizer, was yesterday ordered interned during the war. The particular charge against him was writing and circulating seditious literature.

PAY SLOW COMING

Dependents of Soldiers Are Entering Complaints.

LOCAL BOARDS HELPLESS

Representative McArthur Appealed To by J. P. Jaeger to Secure Relief for Wives and Mothers Left Without Support.

Members of exemption boards in Portland, the office of Adjutant-General Williams and other military offices are being besieged by dependents of soldiers, who complain that they are not receiving their allotment of pay from the Government.

While they realize that these complaints are well founded, those to whom these calls for aid are coming are unable to do more than forward the protests to Washington. The War Department already has explained that in doing everything possible to see that the proper allotments from soldiers' pay reach dependents left at home. The department, however, cites great confusion in names as the reason that these payments, in many instances, have not been made. Failure to receive the Government pay is due in most instances, it is said, to the lack of sufficient data as to names and addresses in the possession of the War Department.

J. P. Jaeger Writes McArthur.

J. P. Jaeger, who, because of his position on an exemption board has heard the plaint of a number of weeping women and distressed dependents of soldiers, yesterday, advising him of the necessities of many people left without means of support when their sons or husbands enlisted and asking if something cannot be done to give them the help promised by the authorities and provided for in an act of Congress.

"We have been saying to the man who was taken in the draft and to his dependents that money is at once available for his wife or mother, and this in some cases made it easier for the men to go to war. It seems no longer true. This promise of help it is not an inducement.

"I have heard innumerable complaints that the promised help has not been forthcoming. Some of the people who come to me are in dire distress. Indeed, I know of no case where the Government has made the promised provision for dependents of soldiers, as was agreed upon and declared by act of Congress."

Relief Fund Exhausted.

The law stipulates that in the case of a dependent wife the soldier must make an allotment of \$15 per month from his salary of \$30. The Government adds \$15 to the soldier's \$15, making \$30. For one child \$1.50 per month additional is allowed by the Government, and for the second child \$5. It is required that an allotment by the soldier be made in the case of a dependent wife, while it is not required that a similar provision be made in the case of a dependent mother. This may be done, however, at the soldier's volition.

Some time ago the Progressive Business Men's Club set aside a fund that was used to relieve distress of soldiers' dependents. This fund has been

LEGACY AWAITING H. J. BLAND

Ex-Oregon Logger Sought by Firm of London Solicitors.

A legacy in England is awaiting Henry J. Bland, a logger aged about 28, who was last seen in Portland about two years ago. According to a notice published recently in the London Times, an estate of substantial proportions has been left Bland by his father, the late Captain Henry Bland, of Limehouse. He is asked to apply to Pearce & Rowe, solicitors, Upton Park, London, E. C.

In the belief of Ross Desmond, day clerk at the Men's Resort, at Fourth and Burnside streets, Bland now probably is serving with the British forces somewhere in France. He remarked several times before leaving Portland about two years ago that he was desirous of returning to England and enlisting in the Northumberland Fusiliers. While in Oregon he worked in various logging camps.

NURSES TO BE ORGANIZED

"Home Guard" Body to Be Formed Today at Public Library.

The first "home guard" of nurses in the country will be organized and mobilized at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the Public Library.

Under the title of the Home Defense Nurses, the American Red Cross is creating a body of registered or unregistered graduate nurses, married, retired or otherwise ineligible for active service, to take care of home emergencies, disasters, families of soldiers, etc.

Dr. Harold C. Bean, who returned from the front after being gassed, will tell the nurses just why a corps of Home Defense Nurses is required, while he will also narrate some of his experiences, and, in addition, Lieutenant Warren, of the British Royal Flying Corps, will tell of war experiences.

SOLDIERS GO TO SILETZ

Logging Road Into Big Spruce Tracts to Be Rushed.

TOLEDO, Or., April 9.—(Special.)—Fifty soldiers from Vancouver Barracks, under command of Lieutenant Homer Rodgers, arrived here last night and found sleeping accommodations in the Courthouse. They will work on the extension of the Miller logging road into the big spruce tracts of the Siletz.

An engine and additional pile-drivers arrived last night, and the work of building the road from Toledo northward has begun.

Name Causes Annoyance.

Confusion of names has caused H. W. Goddard of the realty firm of Goddard & Wiedrick, considerable annoyance. The trouble arose over proceedings filed in the Circuit Court, in which J. B. Goddard figured and which was noted in the press Monday and yesterday. Inasmuch as H. W. Goddard has no connection whatever with J. B. Goddard, he wishes the public to know this fact.

Liquor Violation Is Charged.

Emil Marich, steamer passenger arriving from San Francisco on the steamer Beaver yesterday, was arrested by Federal officers as he left the boat with 21 quarts of whisky. He will be arraigned before Judge Wolverton today.

PASTOR IS MILITANT

Dr. M. A. Matthews, Seattle, Addresses Rotary Club.

PACIFISTS ARE DENOUNCED

Preacher Declares That Every Pacifist in Country Should Be Interned—Need of Big Army to Win War Is Emphasized.

Liberty loan enthusiasm marked the usual Tuesday noon luncheon of the Rotary Club at the Benson Hotel yesterday. "Fight or buy bonds" was the stirring injunction of Dr. Mark A. Matthews, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Seattle, and he roused no end of liberty loan spirit.

It was announced yesterday that the Rotary Club, through its membership, has so far subscribed \$1,483,300 to the third liberty loan, with an expected increase in this sum of 25 per cent.

"I am interested, not in peace, but in how deep hell is in which to bury the Germans," declared Dr. Matthews. "I believe in an alliance of the English speaking people of the world. We

are banded together in a bond never to be broken. And we owe France a debt that can never be paid.

"The war cannot be won by England and France alone unless we lend them money to carry on the struggle.

"German money is being spent in Portland. There are spies in your city and they are men you know and least suspect. The overthrow of the Kerensky government in Russia was plotted on the Pacific Coast. It was caused by German spies. And we of the Pacific Coast allowed 2000 men from Seattle, Portland and San Francisco to return to Russia and work out the plans of the Germans there.

"We have no easy task. We are going to win, but it will take time and money to do it. It may take five years, but we will win. Democracy is being put to the test now and if we fail to win, then will come Socialism, which is almost as bad as Kaiserism.

"We have got to give 5,000,000 men to the war by next year. If I had my way, I'd establish compulsory training in this country, for we may yet be called upon for our full strength of 15,000,000 men.

"I'll die before I'll take a permit from that damnable devil, the Kaiser, to do anything. I'd shoot him like I'd shoot a mad dog.

"There are people in this country who say that if they could kill the Kaiser and his sons, the war would end. They speak like fools. Don't make a mistake like that.

"There is no place on the top side of American soil for a pacifist. I would intern every pacifist in the United States, preachers and all, for the term of the war. There is no room in this country for a pacifist. If you have one, shoot him. Don't talk peace to me; I don't want peace. I want righteousness."

Lemons Whiten and Beautify the Skin! Make Cheap Lotion

The juice of two fresh lemons strained into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white makes a whole quart pint of the most remarkable lemon skin beautifier at about the cost one must pay for a small jar of the ordinary cold creams. Care should be taken to strain the lemon juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in, then this lotion will keep fresh for months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach and remove such blemishes as freckles, sallowness and tan, and is the ideal skin softener, smoothen and beautifier. Just try it! Make up a quart pint of this sweetly fragrant lemon lotion and massage it daily into the face, neck, arms and hands. It should naturally help to whiten, soften, freshen, and bring out the hidden roses and beauty of any skin. It is wonderful for rough, red hands.

Your druggist will sell three ounces of orchard white at little cost, and any grocer will supply the lemons.—Adv.

TO DARKEN HAIR APPLY SAGE TEA

Look Young! Bring Back Its Natural Color, Gloss and Attractiveness.

Common garden sage brewed into a heavy tea with sulphur added, will turn gray, streaked and faded hair beautifully dark and luxuriant. Just a few applications will prove a revelation if your hair is fading, streaked or gray. Mixing the Sage Tea and Sulphur recipe at home, though, is troublesome. An easier way is to get a bottle of Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound at any drug store all ready for use. This is the old-time recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients.

While wispy, gray, faded hair is not sinful, we all desire to retain our youthful appearance and attractiveness. By darkening your hair with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound, no one can tell, because it does it so naturally, so evenly. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning all gray hairs have disappeared, and, after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, glossy, soft and luxuriant.

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