

ALDERMAN MAY SUBMIT TO ORDER

Friends of School Superintendent Believe He Will Relinquish Office.

STORY IS NOT CONFIRMED

That Best Interests of School System Would Not Be Served by Legal Altercation Is Thought Basis of Decision.

L. R. Alderman, whose transfer from city superintendent of schools to director of war activities in the Portland public schools was a subject of Board action several weeks ago, will make it known definitely tomorrow at a meeting of the board what he intends to do about it. It is understood, unofficially, from Mr. Alderman's friends, that he will accept the transfer and take up the new duties at once.

Mr. Alderman was out of the city yesterday and D. A. Grout, named acting superintendent of schools by the same action which transferred Mr. Alderman, was in charge of the office. The action of the board several weeks ago developed a controversy in which the taxpayers took part, and Mr. Alderman to date has made no statement as to what he proposed to do about it. The board's action was taken to mean that it desired to oust him from the city superintendency. Mr. Alderman sought legal advice and was told that the board was without full authority in ousting him, although the District Attorney subsequently held that the board might oust him, but that it was not relieved of paying him the salary mentioned in the contract, which holds until the middle of next year.

That Mr. Alderman will accept his new duties was quite generally reported among his friends yesterday. Owing to Mr. Alderman's being out of the city this could not be confirmed. It is understood he will submit a letter to the School Board accepting the new duties. Whether this will be with the understanding that he also continues as Superintendent is not known. It is known that Mr. Alderman has conferred with individual members of the board on the course he would pursue for the best interests of the school system. It was reported from various sources yesterday that Mr. Alderman, although fortified by legal opinion that he could collect his salary as superintendent and could easily be ousted, had expressed a preference for taking up the new duties imposed upon him, rather than engaging in a legal controversy which would probably not be concluded until his term was about out in July, 1919.

"LOW JINKS" TOMORROW

Arab Patrol, Al Kader Temple, Will Entertain on Barge Swan.

Arab patrol, Al Kader Temple, will hold "low jinks" tomorrow evening on board the barge Swan, which will be their friends will enjoy a moonlight excursion up the river. The Shrine chapters will furnish music and dancing will be another feature of the entertainment.

Al Kader Temple has recently taken over a ward in the base hospital at Camp Lewis, and has been discharged completely. In addition to furniture and equipment the Shrine has donated a Victrola and records. Proceeds of the "low jinks" tomorrow evening will go for this hospital fund.

The committee in charge includes Herman von Borstel, Captain William Davis, Hugh Boyd, G. Carpenter, Robert Gordon and Harvey Wells.

TOBACCO SUPPLY IS GREAT

Surplus Over Year Ago Amounts to 220,000,000 Pounds.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—About 250,000,000 pounds more tobacco were on hand July 1 than was held on that date last year, a canvass by the Census Bureau, just made, shows.

Aggregate stocks of leaf tobacco amounted to 1,385,049,368 pounds.

Auto Crashes Into Store.

FOREST GROVE, Or., July 30.—(Special.)—In attempting to back an automobile out of the way of a dray wagon here this afternoon George Jackson, pharmacist in a local drugstore, pressed the wrong lever and the machine heeled forward over the curb into the drugstore front, crushing the two big plate-glass windows.

TRY THIS TONIC FOR STUBBORN ILLS OF THE STOMACH

Some forms of stomach trouble that do not yield to ordinary treatment often respond to the tonic treatment that builds up the system, strengthens the nerves that control the digestive processes and gives the stomach a supply of rich, red blood.

"My stomach was out of order," says Mr. Albert J. Snell, whose address is R. F. D. No. 69, Bemus Point, N. Y., and my appetite was so poor that I did not care for food. There was constantly a gnawing pain in my stomach. I got but little nourishment and soon was completely run-down. I couldn't sleep nor rest well, although I craved it and my eyes ached. My complexion and the whites of my eyes had a sallow, jaundice-like color. I grew so weak and shaky that I could hardly put one foot ahead of the other and my back was weak and sore. I then tried several medicines without benefit, until I took Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. A few boxes showed me that they were adapted to my trouble and they entirely relieved me. I work hard every day and have never been troubled with my stomach since."

So many dyspeptics have been helped by this simple treatment with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills that every sufferer from indigestion should try it. Good digestion is impossible without a supply of rich, red blood and Dr. Williams' Pink Pills actually build up the blood to do this work.

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PORTLAND'S FIRST SPECIAL DELIVERY MESSENGER GIRL CAUGHT BY THE CAMERA UNAWARES.



GIRL LIKES ODD JOB

Mail Messenger Rides Her Own Motorcycle.

SECOND DAY'S WORK DONE

Certainly Special Delivery Maid Has Time to Powder Her Nose—Her Modesty Is Great, But She Is Willing to Pose.

BY JEANETTE WIGGINS.

The end of one day's work as a special delivery messenger for the Portland Postoffice—the first girl to have that distinction locally—found Miss Irene Douglass tired, but none the less enthusiastic about her new vocation.

Monday she would be intercepted long enough only to say "I'm too busy to talk." But, yesterday, like all second days, she found a minute to get a word in edgewise between special delivery trips.

Miss Douglass jumped into the news—into the columns of The Oregonian—Tuesday morning without knowing it. Yesterday she read with amazement the story of her job and her work. She realized she had been "discovered," although she hadn't thought about it when she was scooting around town the day before with special parcels.

Shiny Nose Worries Special Woman. And, of course, the feminine would "out" when she read about it. "Was my nose actually shiny?" she queried as she read where "the reporter" had said she hadn't stopped to powder her nose. "I'll have time to powder my nose—and don't you forget it—though powder doesn't fit in with khaki, does it?"

Miss Douglass was the object of many sidelong glances every time she drew up in front of an office building, and astonishment greeted her when she rang the front doors of the homes in the residence section, each time with a parcel of some kind. Love letters, all done up in lavender, rested on common ground in the pouch with long, white austere-looking business forms, and for once in the world of time woman's curiosity wasn't feazed. It was all traffic to the special delivery messenger girl—a wartime product.

Post Well, Yes. Miss Douglass, be it known, is modestly personified. Pose for a picture? Certainly not—that is, certainly not, until she discovered the news photographer had caught her just as she hopped off the motor-cycle, in answer to an unsuspecting approach of a news reporter. Confronted with the camera which had already clicked, she turned to shewer modest resistance on the photographer and then she was willing to pose, in order that the picture might be "good."

Parleying—such as probably only two women can engage in under the circumstances—developed the fact that Miss Douglass has found she likes the new work. Then she explained how she took up the special delivery task.

"When I went to Postmaster Myers," she said, "and told him that I wanted to work, I also mentioned the fact that I owned a motorcycle. Then he assigned me to this work, and I am crazy about it."

No Monotony in This Work. What girl wouldn't be? Carrying special delivery messages doesn't spell monotony. First it's a love letter for some anxious girl upon Portland Heights or out in Irvington. Then the next bunch of messages includes an important contract.

Then there would be one that meant a lot of money for somebody. Then there are always a lot of big mysterious looking packages to be delivered and it's a lot of fun to speculate about what's in a package.

Miss Douglass is the daughter of Mrs. J. O. Bothwell of 6020 Fortieth avenue. In June, 1915, she was graduated from Jefferson High School. Since that time she has been teaching school at Morgan, Or., and at Willows, a town in that vicinity. During the past two winters she has ridden her motorcycle to and from school, and last Spring she drove to Portland and back.

A brother, Harlow M. Douglass, is in France, where he is company photographer with Company A, First Engineers.

BABIES GET BOND INTEREST

Little Doris Rissu Donates \$18.75 to Suffering Belgian Infants.

The sum of \$18.75, representing interest on liberty bonds, was turned into the Belgian babies' milk fund yesterday by Miss Doris Rissu, the 24-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Russi, 694 Clackamas street. The money was handed to Dr. G. H. Douglas, of the Rotary Club, now in charge of the milk bottles, which were established in Portland some weeks ago under the direction of Mrs. A. B. Spreckels, of San Francisco. The Ro-

WALTER WHITCOMB HOME FROM FRONT

Former Head of Portland Ad Club Engaged in Special Work for Government.

SOLDIER'S RISE IS RAPID

Medical Department Representative Says Americans Have Proved Selves Fearless; Are Assigned Difficult Tasks.

After seven months of active service in France, Captain Walter D. Whit-

comb, past president of the Portland Ad Club, arrived in Portland yesterday and will leave this evening, continuing a hurried tour of the United States on special work for the Government.

Captain Whitcomb's career in the Army has been one of the few spectacular records yet achieved by an American civilian-soldier. He enlisted in a Portland hospital unit in June, 1917, and seven months later, shortly after his arrival in France, was wearing a captain's bars. During the time he has been overseas he has been employed in liaison work with the English, French and Belgian armies. He has recently been made medical department representative on the bureau of accounts, which acts as auditors for the purchasing board of the overseas Army.

All day yesterday Captain Whitcomb received old friends in his rooms at the Imperial Hotel and today at noon he will be guest of honor at the weekly luncheon of the Ad Club. Mayor Baker will preside.

"Since the arrival of our overseas Army in France wonderful work has been done in co-ordination among the departments. This is one of the many tricks we have learned from our allies," said Captain Whitcomb yesterday. "For instance, the matter of purchasing necessary supplies has been one of the most serious problems we have encountered."

"Under the old system the medical department might be trying to outbid the quartermaster department, when the infantry would possibly slip in and annex the whole supply of a certain stock in demand, with the result that one department would be overstocked and two others embarrassed until a new supply could arrive. We have now obviated this situation by establishing a purchasing board, of which Colonel Charles G. Dawes, former Controller of the United States Treasury, is the general purchasing agent."

Allied Nations co-operate. "By co-operating with the boards of the English, Belgian and French armies, we have all been able to lend a hand to one another from time to time. We effect interchange and borrowing of supplies as easily as neighboring housewives."

"I have seen a lot of the Oregon boys in France. Early in the game they showed that they were reliable and clear-headed, and consequently they were given one of the hardest jobs in the army, military police duty. This work required patience and demanded men who could resist temptation."

Captain Whitcomb has brought with him a trunk full of souvenirs from the battle front. French and Belgian shells, German hand grenades and gas masks are among the interesting articles in his display, and he has pieces of French war bread, wooden shoes and a few more intimate mementoes of the great struggle.

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BRIDGE OPENING HELD

SPAN ACROSS WILLAMETTE AT SALEM IS DEDICATED.

Big Throng Attends Ceremonies and Honors Patriotic Addresses.

Structure Cost \$250,000.

SALEM, Or., July 30.—(Special.)—By the thousands they came from every direction today to assist in the dedicating the dedication of the magnificent new \$250,000 bridge between Polk and Marion counties across the Willamette River here. With an ideal day as a setting, the celebration was even a bigger success than had been hoped for by the Red Cross and citizens' committees, which have been working for weeks upon plans for the event.

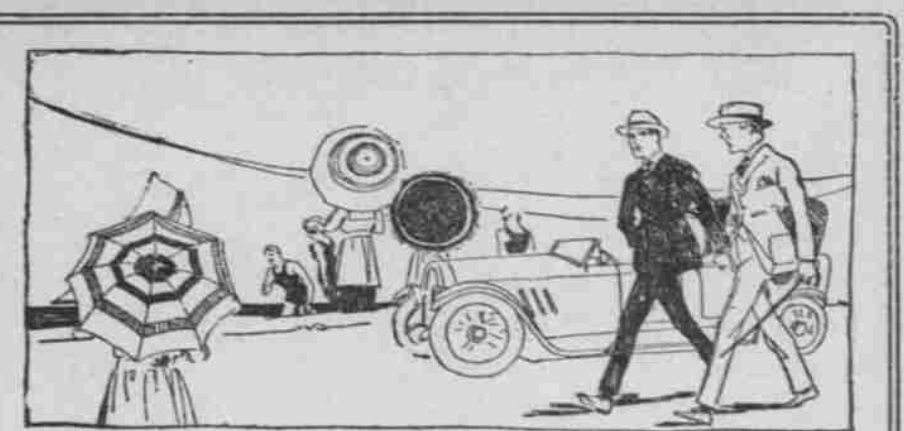
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Vick Bros., of this city, with their new tractor, gained the right to be the first to pass over the bridge with a vehicle by a bid of a round \$500, while Mrs. William Calder, of Polk County, gained the right to turn on the lights on the bridge for the first time to-night with a bid of \$100.

Frank Davey delivered the dedication address for Justice George H. Burnett, who was unable to attend, while Dr. Esther Lovejoy, of Portland, and Dr. Carl Gregg Doney, of Willamette University, thrilled a great audience with patriotic addresses covering personal experiences on the French front.

When the bridge was thrown open it became literally alive with thousands of people, while in Marion Square the booths and cafeterias in the North spoke at the Army on the National Guard situation.

Commercial Agent Norman L. Anderson reports the launching of a 600-ton concrete ship from the Fougner yards at Moss, Norway. This ship has

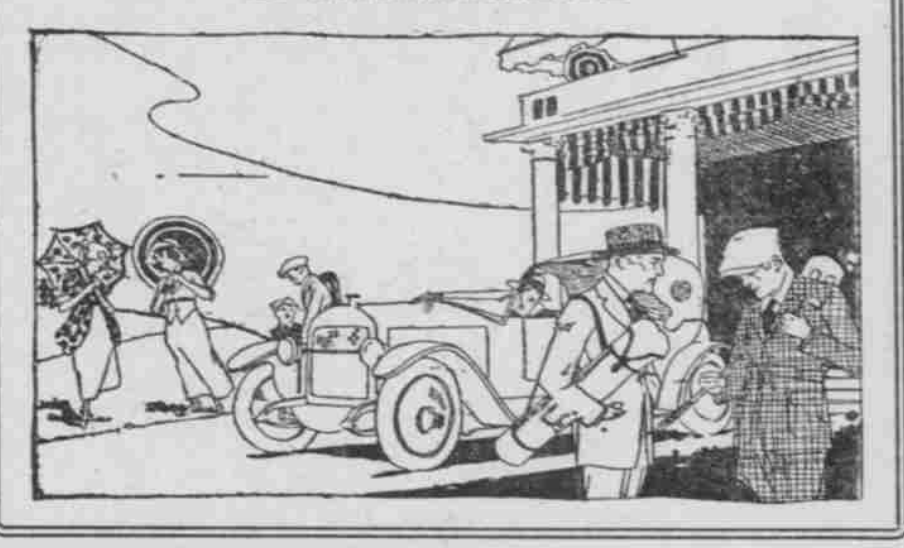


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four water-tight compartments; the engine, a 250-horsepower Bolinder motor, is placed aft. The boat has two large holds and two hatches, each equipped with a two-ton motor winch.

WAR COUNCIL CALLED HERE

Oregon W. C. T. U. to Meet in Y. W. C. A. Auditorium Friday.

A war council to be held Friday in the Y. W. C. A. Auditorium has been called by the Oregon W. C. T. U. The following topics will be under discussion from 9:30 to 4:30:

"National Plans for Training and Service," by Mrs. Margaret Munns, National treasurer.

"Americanization—What Is It?" Mrs. Margaret Platt.

"Patriotism in Action," by Mrs. Helen Davenport.

"Patriotism in Action," by Mrs. M. M. Sleeth, Multnomah County president, will speak on "The Call to Prayer."

"Prayer Our Best Ally," by Mrs. Lucia Addison, National superintendent of temperance and labor, will tell about the "Un-uniformed Soldier."

Mrs. E. Duglieloh, for 25 years state superintendent of soldiers' and sailors' work, will tell about the needs of "Our Lads in Khaki."

Mrs. E. B. Andrews, president of Clackamas County, Mrs. Ida Marsters,

of Douglas, and other county presidents are expected to be present. Many other topics are to be discussed.

A round-table will be in charge of Mrs. M. J. Meares, state corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Ada Jolley, state treasurer.

Everybody is invited to this meeting. All women doing war work will find the discussions of great interest and full of information.

Mrs. Munns and Mrs. Platt will meet the women interested in patriotic work of any kind. They will leave for Washington late Friday evening.

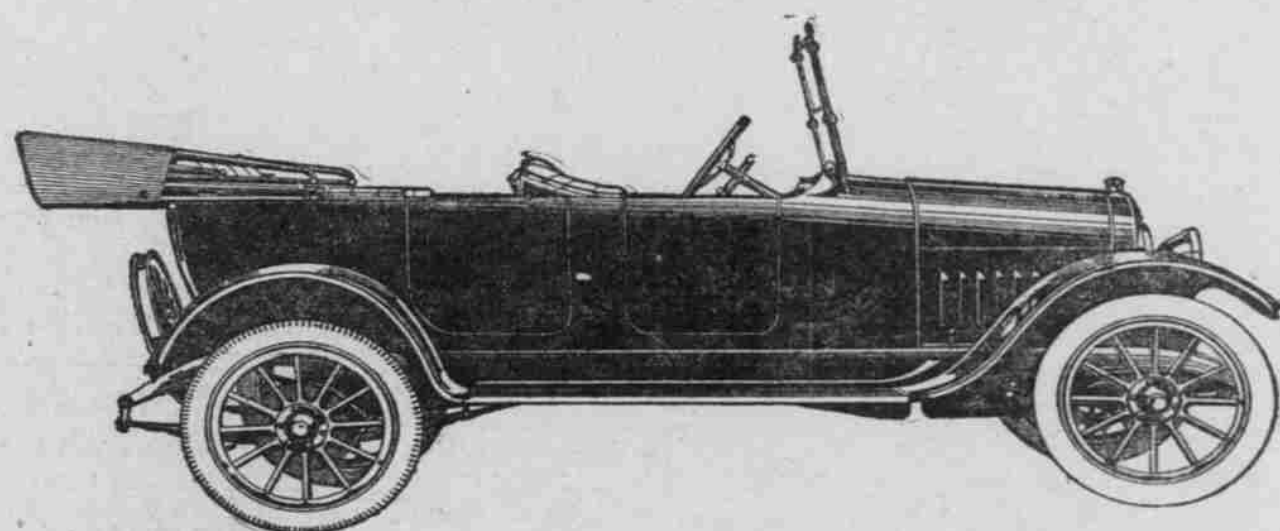
TUTORS TAKE WAR COURSE

High School Cadet Instructors Go to Officers' Training Camp.

EUGENE, Or., July 30.—(Special.)—Frank I. Grannis, of Marshfield, is on his way to the cadet officers' training camp at the Presidio of San Francisco, where he will receive instruction in military science. Mr. Grannis is one of two faculty members, of the Eugene high school, who will take the course provided by the War Department in fitting themselves to act as instructors of the high school cadets.

E. E. Horning, head of the commercial department, the other member chosen to receive instruction, cannot get away and a substitute will be sent.

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