

LEGIONS WILL PROBE SOLDIERS' CHARGES

Portland Post to Examine Postoffice Complaints.

FULL ACTION AUTHORIZED

Major and Postmaster Exchange Broad-sides and Demand Mutual Proof of Statements.

Charges of discrimination by Postmaster Myers against returned service men will be given full and thorough investigation by the employment committee of Portland post No. 1, American Legion. Following the investigation, a report will be made to the executive committee, and this committee finds the charges substantiated, it has been authorized to take whatever action may seem best.

Resolutions authorizing the investigation and subsequent action were adopted by unanimous vote at the regular monthly meeting of the Portland post, and followed a spirited debate, in which it was brought out that although the legion did not desire to take sides in any political fight, it stood ready to guarantee that no discrimination be made against any ex-soldiers by governmental or private employers.

What small amount of opposition developed was voted mainly in the fear that the legion might be accused of entering politics.

The matter was presented to the post by E. J. Rivers, state chairman of the American Legion. Mr. Rivers explained that he believed the matter of importance to the legion and one which should receive prompt and careful investigation.

Resolutions Approve Plan. Evidence that Chairman Rivers was not alone in this belief was a resolution presented by Mr. Korrell, which after short discussion was adopted by a unanimous vote. This resolution is as follows:

"Whereas, it is alleged by certain reputable officials and citizens of this city that Frank S. Myers, postmaster for Portland, Oregon, has unjustly discriminated against ex-soldiers and sailors who served in the present war, and

"Whereas, it is one of the principal objects and purposes of this organization to defend and uphold all former service men against unjust discrimination and improper treatment from all persons whatsoever, and

"Whereas, in the accomplishment of said object and purpose, it is the desire and wish of all members of Portland post No. 1, American Legion, that a thorough investigation of all cases of alleged discrimination or mistreatment shall be made in order to prevent infirmity or wrong being done to any person or persons accused of said offenses.

Legion Supports Action. "Therefore be it resolved, by Portland post No. 1, that the employment committee be authorized with authority to make a complete and thorough investigation of the alleged charges made against the said Frank S. Myers, postmaster, and report the results of their said investigation to the executive committee of Portland post No. 1.

"Be it further resolved, that if the said executive committee be satisfied as to the correctness of the said committee's report, that they be and are hereby authorized and directed to adopt the same on behalf of this organization, and to take such steps and procedure in the premises as the circumstances and merits of the matter appear to require or justify, and that Portland post No. 1, American Legion, does hereby ratify and affirm every act performed or done by said executive in the execution of the powers herewith conferred."

Mayor Asks Denial. Other important developments in the controversy which has arisen between Postmaster Myers and Mayor Baker include the issuance of a statement by the postmaster in which Mayor Baker is accused of uttering "malicious lies," and a counter statement by Mayor Baker urging the postmaster either to confirm or deny the specific charges made against him by ex-soldiers and sailors.

PLANE SACRIFICE DENIED

REPORTS OF WANTON DESTRUCTION HELD UNFOUNDED.

Nothing Burned That Could Be Sold or Salvaged, Says Former Chief of Air Service Abroad.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—Denial that any aircraft of the American expeditionary force was wantonly destroyed was made Monday by Colonel Mason M. Patrick, former chief of air service abroad, appearing before a house war investigating committee.

"That any planes were burned needlessly or wastefully is incorrect," declared Colonel Patrick. "None that it would be economical to keep was destroyed. Destruction of the machines followed efforts to sell them which, failing, resulted in the salvage as junk or parts." None was offered for sale or destroyed, Colonel Patrick said, until after an inventory had proved their worthlessness.

Colonel Patrick said that when the armistice was signed the United States had about one-fourth the number of planes on the front that should have been there, considering the size of the front line army. He gave 740 as the number of machines actually at the front, of which 212 were built in this country.

Falling down in the training of new aviators rather than inability to get planes, caused the insufficient force, Colonel Patrick said.

CAPTAIN BLOCK IS HERE

NEW YORK OFFICER, WOUNDED TWICE, DRAWS BUTTON.

Portland Visitor Relates Narrow Escape During St. Mihiel and Argonne Operations.

the Argonne sector. Five companions were killed instantly and Captain Block spent several weeks at an army hospital.

Others who received silver wound buttons Monday were: Lester J. Hawkins, 380 1/2 Belmont street, Portland; Osborne E. Morrow, 390 East Seventh street; C. A. F. Felaschavick, 941 Belmont street; Albert Reeves, 257 Chapman street; C. S. Olson, 390 East Fifth street; Adolph E. Asher, 210 Clay street; William Hussen, Portland; Martin L. Kimmel, 671 Lambert avenue; Alexander, Corvallis; Charles W. McClary, Vancouver; W. L. Livingston, Elma, Wash.; Laird V. Woods and Irving D. Balderes, The Dalles.

There were also 150 bronze buttons issued Monday, including two batches of the insignias to delegates from Elma, Wash., and Bend, Or. The service men at these points had banded together and sent delegates here to obtain the buttons. Two mothers drawing buttons yesterday are guests here for busy week. They are Mrs. J. M. Woods, The Dalles, and Mrs. E. Jacobson, Troy, Mont.

CHEAP DRESSES UNLIKELY

EARLY DECLINE IN PRICES IS DECLARED IMPOSSIBLE.

Materials Cost More Than Ever Before and Labor Is Scarce and High, Says Manufacturer.

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—The prices of dresses are as firm today as they ever were in the history of the industry, and there is no possibility of any drop on account of existing conditions in the trade.

A statement to this effect was made Monday by Executive Director Davis N. Mossesohn, of the Associated Dress Manufacturers of America, the national organization of dress manufacturers. Mr. Mossesohn pointed out that while manufacturers generally are doing everything within their power to keep prices down to a minimum, they are confronted with many serious problems and are shaving their profits in order to quote prices on their merchandise which will attract the buyer and the ultimate consumer.

Mr. Mossesohn said that if the manufacturers of dresses were to operate on a basis of profit equal to the figure in other industries, the cost of dresses would be much higher than they are today and would shock the average woman who wants to buy one.

The raw material situation is growing worse, each week, said Mr. Mossesohn, "and the labor situation is not showing any signs of improvement. Not only is there a scarcity of labor, but production is at the low end. Some stocks of raw materials are in the hands of jobbers and speculators who are charging abnormal prices for merchandise, creating an unprecedented condition in the industry and inflicting hardships on manufacturers throughout the country."

FORESTS DRY IS WARNING

A. G. JACKSON RETURNS FROM TRIP TO SOUTHERN OREGON.

Renewed Danger of Fires is Being Impressed on Campers; Visiting Party Left at Crater Lake.

Practically no rain has fallen in the forests of southern Oregon in recent weeks. The timbered areas are becoming so dry and the fire danger is so much greater that campers are being warned to use every precaution according to A. G. Jackson of the educational department of the forestry bureau, who has just returned from a trip to Crater lake with 400 members of the Massachusetts Forestry association. Mr. Jackson left the party at the lake and made an inspection trip through that section of the state, visiting the Crater lake forest, Odessa, Crystal creek and Recreation.

At the latter place Mr. Jackson says 32 of the government lots have been placed under permit as summer homesites and a little settlement is springing up. The national forests are full of automobile tourists at present, many of them from the east and middle west. During the thunder storm of two weeks ago, 50 fires were started by lightning in the Crater lake forest, but all except one have been extinguished.

Mr. Jackson returned to Portland via Dead Indian road and Lake of the Woods, where 50 people are camped for the summer. The crew of forest fire fighters employed by the government is engaged in improving Dead Indian road when there are no fires requiring attention.

HUN BARON'S DEBTS PAID

Property of California Girl's Husband Satisfies \$250,000 Bills.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 5.—(Special).—Debts contracted by Baron J. Henry von Schroeder, a German army officer, amounting to nearly \$250,000 and due for the most part to San Francisco business concerns, were wiped out Monday with the sale of his valuable California properties. The report of the paying off of the baron's debts was announced by Attorney Walter D. Mansfield, representing the alien property custodian, on the board of directors of the Von Schroeder investment company.

Baron von Schroeder, who shared her husband's financial misfortune, was formerly the daughter of the well-known banker, Peter Donahue, who came to California a pioneer.

SOLDIERS CHARGE RIOTERS

Action in Liverpool Follows Night of Wild Disorder.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 5.—Riotous crowds were driven from the streets of this city Monday by troops charging with fixed bayonets. The rioters filled the streets during the night and it was not until daybreak that the soldiers were ordered to charge. The cruiser Valiant and two destroyers have moved into the Mersey river to protect the docks.

The employees of bus and tramway lines failed to report for work this morning. No notice of a strike had been given and it is not believed that the movement was undertaken in sympathy with the policemen's strike.

BULLION HELD BY POLICE Metal Held as Counterfeiting Evidence for Federal Officers.

DR. E. V. MORROW ENDS 4 YEARS OF SERVICE

Lieutenant-Colonel Home From Coblenz Station.

FIRST ENLISTMENT IN 1915

Fighting in Belgium, Ypres and Alsace as Well as Secret Mission to Berlin on Record.

After four full years of war service, Dr. Earl V. Morrow, well-known Portland physician and surgeon, returned to this city Monday, leaving behind him the rank of lieutenant-colonel and a long record of efficient service, bringing with him a great pride in the achievements of his fellow Americans and an immense satisfaction at being home.

Dr. Morrow left Portland for the war first in January, 1915, to be chief surgeon of the American Red Cross in Belgium. For a year and nine months he directed the medical work of the American Red Cross. He was also attached to the famous 29th British division, in charge of a group of field ambulances and ambulance companies, which in the British army are grouped under the name of field ambulances. During all the fighting at Ypres Dr. Morrow operated at the corps' main dressing station, where nine surgical teams worked day and night preparing the wounded for evacuation to the rear.

Operating Rooms Underground. "This dressing station," said Dr. Morrow, "was located in an old prison, built in the 13th century. As it was close to the lines and almost absolute in its security, it made an ideal first-aid station where the walls were whitewashed and electric lights and a system of ventilation were installed. Some of the operating rooms were 40 or 50 feet underground."

After the fighting at Ypres was over Dr. Morrow was placed successively in charge of five different casualty clearing stations, which he so engaged principally in surgery of the head and abdomen.

Dr. Morrow then returned to this country and had been here only six months when the United States declared war, and he returned to France with the first contingent of American troops in May, 1917. With the arrival of Americans in force he was assigned to the 20th American division as commanding officer of the 15th sanitary train. When the 37th and 20th divisions, with the British 2d corps, broke the Hindenburg line in the extreme north of France and advanced 40 kilometers in three days, Dr. Morrow had charge of the evacuation of all wounded of the 20th division.

After a brief stay in a rest area he returned to the front in the upper Alsace offensive. After the armistice Dr. Morrow was transferred to the army of occupation as chief surgeon of the 3d division and was stationed near Coblenz.

Dr. Morrow's final assignment to duty on the continent was to engage to Berlin on a secret mission by order of General Pershing. After several months in the German capital he started July 1 for the United States, leaving Berlin July 1.

GENIAL BURGLAR SCARED

Miss Verna Gonghner Catches Intruder Opening Window of Home.

Miss Verna Gonghner, 15 years old, reported to police Monday that when she went home she found a burglar on a stepladder removing a window from a building. The intruder genially invited her to go inside with him. The girl's mother arrived and scared the man away.

Miss Gonghner described the burglar as young, with brown eyes, gray clothes and a dark slouch hat. He had looted the window with a large knife. The girl lives at 623 Morris street.

MRS. M. A. WILSON IS DEAD

Summer Resident is Survived by Four Children.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Aug. 5.—(Special).—Mrs. Mary A. Wilson, 73, of Summer died of pneumonia. She crossed the plains with her husband, J. P. Wilson, in 1875.

Mrs. Wilson had resided at Summer for 44 years. Her children are: Coroner F. E. Wilson, Marshfield; Mrs. Eva Barnard, Marshfield; Mrs. Zoe Selander and O. N. Wilson of Summer.

PLANS OF FAIR ARE BARED

Chehalis Club Learns of Preparations for Editors.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Aug. 5.—(Special).—Civic matters were discussed at Monday's luncheon of the Chehalis Citizens' Club. George R. Walker, fair secretary, urged decoration of the merchants' windows fair week. Secretary Marsh reported arrangements completed for a big special feature Friday, August 22, when a great "ship by truck" parade will be put on by all principal northwestern truck dealers.

C. Ellington reported arrangements complete for proper reception of the National Editorial association and its entertainment at luncheon at Chehalis civic center Friday next, with a grand parade from the station headed by the Chehalis concert band.

Wednesday night the club will meet to consider permanent quarters for public gatherings and disposal of its furniture and other belongings to the Chehalis newly-established "Elks" lodge.

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AMY OLIVER IS DEAD

MRS. MOFFIT, NEWS WRITER, SUCCUMBS AT SANTA CRUZ.

One of Twins Will Be Buried With Mother—Notable Tasks Accomplished During Career.

SANTA CRUZ, Cal., Aug. 5.—Mrs. Amy Oliver Moffit, former special writer for the San Francisco Chronicle, died here after the birth of twins Monday. One of the twins died and will be buried with her.

Mrs. Moffit, better known in this city as Amy Oliver, came to Portland in 1914 and was on the staff of the Telegram as general assignment reporter for a year and a half, leaving to go to the Chronicle. There she performed several notable tasks, one of them handling draft news during the war.

Later Miss Oliver drifted into radical social work and wrote much along this line. While engaged in writings she was selling drugs to addicts, whom she was shortly afterward married.

The young woman was a graduate of the University of Minnesota, where she was active on the varsity publication. She taught school, then went to a Minnesota newspaper. While engaged in Minnesota journalism one of her feats was the publication of a series of articles attacking tradesmen who were selling drugs to addicts. She traveled over the state conducting the campaign and writing on her own experiences.

Mrs. Moffit is survived by her husband, father and mother in Santa Cruz, several brothers and a sister, Frances, who was married to a Portland physician.

PORTLAND MAN ARRESTED

Collector for Gas Company Said to Have Confessed Thefts.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Aug. 5.—Frank Beers, collector for the Pacific Gas & Electric company, who came here from Portland, Or., a year ago, was placed in jail here Monday by Chief of Police Black, who said the Beers had confessed appropriating \$645 in collections he had made during the day.

Chief Black said Beers had told his employers a story of being beaten and robbed. A search for the missing funds was made by detectives, but no money was found.

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CIVILIZATION'S END FEARED

BRITISH LABOR LEADER SEES SPASM OF RAGE COMING.

Socialist Conference Hears Course of Entente on Russia and League Condemned.

LUCERNE, Switz., Aug. 5.—Before the winter sets in there will be "a terrible spasm of rage and despair among the peoples of Europe in which the final remains of civilization may be totally annihilated," it was predicted by Arthur Henderson, British Labor leader, at the opening session of the international socialist conference here Sunday.

The remarks of Mr. Henderson followed those of Otto Wells of the majority element of the German socialists, who declared German workmen expected from the socialists the creation of a real league of nations. He characterized the league organized in Paris without Germany and Russia as members as a "mere pleasantry."

In alluding to the peace treaty, Mr. Henderson declared the principal points of it ought to be subjected to immediate and thorough revision. Condemnation of support of Admiral Kolchak, head of the all-Russian government at Omsk, by the entente nations was expressed by James Ramsay MacDonald of the British delegation and Marcel Cachin, the French socialist leader. Both the speakers demanded that an energetic attitude be adopted by the socialists toward the nations, particularly on this ground.

Emil Vandervelde, Belgian socialist, gave his opinion that it would be impossible to reconstitute the international socialist organization until the question of war responsibilities was settled.

Advertisement for Ben Selling clothing store, featuring a man in a suit and a woman with a hat.

Advertisement for Wally Reid, featuring a man in a suit and the text "The Love Burglar".

Advertisement for "The Price of Innocence" by Wally Reid, featuring a woman's face.

Advertisement for Dr. Parker's dentistry, featuring a man's face and the text "The Modern Way of Practicing Dentistry".

Advertisement for Summer Footwear, featuring a woman's face and the text "Summer Footwear White high and low shoes, including all the newest and smartest effects. Now On Sale! At Extremely Low Prices".

Advertisement for Knight Shoe Co., featuring a woman's face and the text "Regular \$10.00, per Pair \$7.95 Other styles made by LAIRD-SCHOBER & CO., WRIGHT & PETERS and all BEST makers at reduced prices. Knight Shoe Co. 342 Morrison St., Near Broadway".