

SLACKER LIST ERROR DEPOSED BY WHITE

Names of Service Men Found on Dishonor Roll.

CAREFUL CHECK ORDERED

Adjutant-General of State Indignant at Bungling by Officials of Government.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 8.—(Special.)—"Inexcusable bungling" was the term applied today by George A. White, adjutant-general of the state, to the official Oregon slacker list supplied him recently by the federal government. Mr. White made this statement after he had discovered the names of 12 Oregon soldiers on the list, nine of whom served overseas, one of them being killed in France early in the war.

Seven hundred and three names were on the list as originally furnished Mr. White. He was suspicious that there might be wholesale errors in the document after finding on the list the name of a Portland man who went overseas with him in the 41st infantry division in the winter of 1917.

Twelve Men Located. The total of 12 service men located to date covers only 1.9 per cent of the work of checking, and if the percent are held out more than 100 names will be found. No returns have been received yet from Multnomah county, where work of checking more than 12,000 names against the 716 on the slacker list will require several weeks.

Investigation to Be Asked. That an investigation into responsibility for these errors will be asked by him was indicated by Mr. White, who contends that so many errors are utterly indefensible, even under plea of wartime administrative pressure. He does not believe the fault is chargeable to draft boards, since in several instances members may be known to have discovered some of the errors already recorded.

WATER REPORTED SCARCE

KLAMATH AND LAKE SPRINGS AND STREAMS ARE LOW.

Drought During Last Three Years Still Prevails and Stockmen Are Greatly Inconvenienced.

Excessive dryness of the last three seasons has reduced the springs and streams of northern Klamath and Lake counties lower than at any time since 1889, according to E. C. Briggs, assistant engineer of the United States geological survey, who has just returned to Portland from a field trip in that section.

Springs on the road between Chiloquin, Klamath county and Silver Lake are completely dry and cattlemen who drive to Bend through the region are greatly inconvenienced. William Kerr, the outlet of Klamath marsh, which drains a region of 10,000 square miles, including 25 miles of the eastern watershed of the Cascade range, was completely dry from June till after October of this year, and at present has little water. The stream's flow has been continuous from 1889 till 1919, records of the geological survey show.

Silver Lake, which normally covers about 10,000 acres, has been completely dry in the summer the last three years for the first time since 1889. This season, according to Mr. Briggs, the bed of the lake itself has been too dry to produce good crops. Stockmen throughout the entire region have felt the loss from drought especially hard, Mr. Briggs says. Agitation for irrigation is growing, with hopes centered on storage reservoirs in the streams which flow for the most part following the melting of the winter snows.

Roads from Silver Lake to Bend are in better shape now than at any time during the summer, Mr. Briggs says. The early snows which fell have melted, and the weather has been good for several weeks.

PENITENTIARY FARM PAYS

Profits From Crops at Walla Walla Show Good Total.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 8.—(Special.)—Net profits from farm crops raised at the state penitentiary at Walla Walla totaled \$25,222 in 1920, while the profits derived from garden produce raised amounted to \$7982, according to a report made to the state board of control by Warden Henry Drum. Fifty inmates of the institution were employed in farming the 150 acres under cultivation.

In addition to farm and garden revenues the institution realized profits of \$4600 from the hog department, \$3800 from poultry, \$4600 from the dairy department and \$3500 from creamery products.

At the Theaters.

Pantages. "SWEET SIXTEEN," a miniature musical comedy, with an exceptionally lively and attractive chorus of show girls, tall, willowy and graceful girls, tops the list of attractions at Pantages this week. The production is one of Marty Brooks' best and is replete with mirth, music and interesting developments. Two good comedians, Jack Collins and Bert Morrissey, lead the band of Broadway beauties through the intricacies of the plot, and while

the girls are changing from one gorgeous outfit into another the two comedy chaps put over a lot of keen material. The dances are especially clever in this act and the songs are new and tuneful. Joe Whitehead says that every important act carries its own drop nowadays, and so he carries his. Then he orders the stage hands to lower his scenic curtain and down falls a dreary waste of gunnysack tied with a mop. The audience roars at the antics Joe pulls and the things he says. He comes once each season, and no comedian is more welcome. "Eugenically speaking," says Wilson to McEvoy and vice versa in their brilliant little turn of songs and patter. Their voices are unusually good and combine sweetly in harmony, while their line of patter is smart and timely. Edna Earl Andrews, an excellent delineator of character, brings the Brenda Foster-Ethel Clifton sketch, "Saint and Sinner." The sketch revolves about a triangle of the protected woman, the sinner, the dying husband, and the sinner, a woman he cared for. It is of dramatic quality and splendidly put on, with special attention to lighting and unusual scenic effects. Miss Andrews plays the saint, and Louise Dunbar is the sinner. Both roles are handled with fine understanding of the requirements. Charles Morat looks like Caruso, and with his partner, Grace Harris, offers a capital comedy act, called "A Humorous Incident." Miss Harris has smart frocks, and their act is cleverly arranged. A pretty finale is the scattering of roses in the audience from the stage. Opening the bill are a pair of fine athletes, Fulton and Mack, whose hand-balancing is really phenomenal. The 13th episode of "The Lost City" is being shown.

VANCOUVER VOTES TODAY

CAMPAIGN FOR MAYOR COMES TO THRILLING CLOSE.

Ex-Mayor and Councilman Are on Ticket for Seats Again, While Prominent Elk Is Candidate.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 8.—(Special.)—The exciting mayoralty campaign, in which three contestants were entered, came to an end tonight. The election will be tomorrow. The candidates are Charles W. Davis, Clement Scott and John P. Kiggins, who will complete two terms as county commissioner the first of the year. Mr. Kiggins has been mayor before, and served on the council. Mr. Davis has been an active member of the council for several years. Clement Scott is president of the Washington State Association of Elks, is past exalted ruler of the local lodge and is president of the chamber of commerce. A number of straw ballots have been taken in which Mr. Kiggins usually won out, though Mr. Scott won one occasionally. He has waged a vigorous campaign and has spoken to several thousand in street cars, barber shops and restaurants. The office of mayor pays nothing. Robert E. Brady, incumbent, is running for city clerk, his opponent being C. McDonald. O. F. Zumsteg, incumbent, is running for city treasurer, Ralph G. Percival opposing him. Following are candidates for councilmen: At large—Chris Engleman and A. L. Alesop. Second ward—E. C. Lockart and A. C. Enright. G. H. Wilde and E. V. Coats have no opposition. William C. Bates is the only candidate for city attorney. William Kerr is running for city clerk, amounting to 2 cents to 19 cents a councilman at large on the democratic ticket.

WILSON LETTER ON WAY

Portland Scout to Get Reward for War Stamp Sale.

Richard W. Ottenheimer, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Ottenheimer, 69 North Twenty-third street, Oregon boy scout record-holder in the sale of war stamps in 1918, is one of the 63 boy scouts throughout the states, territories and possessions of the United States to whom President

LUMBER RATE ATTACKED

Federal Investigator Hears Complaint of Willapa Harbor Mills.

Complaints presented by the Willapa Lumber company and 25 other lumber and shingle producers on the South Bend branch of the Northern Pacific railway were investigated by Examiner Satterfield of the interstate commerce commission at the court house yesterday. The shippers from the Willapa harbor district charged a discriminatory rate on lumber was in effect in that district as compared to other points in Oregon and Washington, amounting to 2 1/2 cents to 19 cents a hundred pounds. It was urged that an equalized rate schedule be established to points on the Union Pacific and Oregon Short line on a par with the rates now in effect from the Grays Harbor district. According to W. C. McCulloch, attorney for the shippers, it probably will be two or three months before definite action on the complaint is forthcoming.

WHISKY HIDDEN IN CAR

Auto Owner Escapes One Charge Only to Face Another.

By clearing himself of suspicion on one charge, George Wilson, an auto mechanic, 26 years old, got himself arrested on another charge in front of the police station yesterday morning. As a result of his morning troubles he will face Judge Rossman today on a charge of violating the prohibition law. While driving his machine near Park and Burnside streets yesterday morning Wilson was stopped by Mrs. Carrie Myers-Herman, who accused him of having her automobile, which was stolen last Thursday. Wilson

ALL THIS WEEK

Come and see Charlie put the RAY in sunshine and knock all the "Oh's" out of GLOOM in the merriest comedy drama ever written.

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Wilson has just mailed a personal letter of praise and appreciation. Richard, who had already won several scout medals for the sale of liberty bonds, won out over other boy scout contestants in Oregon by selling about \$10,000 worth of war savings stamps. At that time he was 13 years old. He long ago gave up all hope of receiving the promised letter from the president, which, announcement from Washington says, has been delayed, first by the president's trip to Europe and later by his serious illness.

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