

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S REPORT

W. E. Finzer Advises Governor of Work of State Militia.

SUGGESTIONS ARE FILED

Oregon Troops Shown to Be in High State of Efficiency—Four Companies of Infantry to Be Organized at Eugene Soon.

Many important recommendations are embodied in the biennial report of the military department of the state, submitted yesterday by Adjutant General W. E. Finzer to Governor Chamberlain. The document includes a number of reports from subordinate officers and records every official action in the Oregon National Guard during the biennial period of 1917-18 ending November 1.

It is shown by the report that the Oregon National Guard is now in a high state of efficiency and that one change is needed to bring the entire organization up to a regular Army basis as regards organization. This is the addition of four companies of infantry to the Fourth Oregon, with headquarters at Eugene. These four companies will be organized as soon as practicable. War Department orders allow until January 29, 1919, for completion of the reorganization. In his recommendations General Finzer gives a new solution of the difficult problem of securing armories for the National Guard companies outside of Portland. In this connection he urges that it be provided by law that all counties wherein guard organizations are stationed must provide suitable armories, such buildings to be used for public meetings only when not in use for drill purposes.

Many Recommendations Made.

Other recommendations of interest to hundreds of guardsmen throughout the state are: That paymasters be permitted to draw funds in advance of camps of instruction for pay and subsistence. This will save endless delay and annoyance occasioned by the old system now in use. That as soon as funds are available the troops be supplied with camp cots for use in the field. Such cots are now used by the regular army and add considerably to the endurance and comfort of the men.

That an allowance be made the commanding officer of each company, but not to exceed \$100, to pay the quartermaster sergeants to care properly for all public property, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Military Board.

That an officer of the National Guard be detailed for duty in the Adjutant-General's office for the purpose of conducting a service school by correspondence. That a board of officers be detailed to make any alterations in the military law of the state that are found necessary in order to entirely conform the organizations of the National Guard to those of the United States Army and report their findings to the Legislature.

Should Encourage Militia.

In conclusion the report says: "During the past two years there has been no occasion for calling the Oregon National Guard into active service. Wars probably will come in the future; and it will be by faithful, continuous efforts in time of peace that Oregon can be ready to respond to the summons for National defense. It is of the utmost importance that the organized militia of Oregon should be maintained at a high state of efficiency. All patriotic citizens of the state should encourage a proper military spirit among our younger men. Every male citizen of sound physical condition should serve at least one enlistment of at least three years in the guard, and every soldier should be made to feel that it is an honor and an expression of loyalty to our country to be privileged to wear the military uniform."

The subject of rifle practice is dealt with at considerable length. General Finzer deserves much of the credit for establishing strictly modern and scientific methods in the rifle practice work and he takes occasion here to point out the need of better facilities for still further advancement. Portland Infantry companies are especially in need of a range where the expert marksman's test can be gone through. On the north side of the City Park it is possible to locate no higher than marksman, for while there is a range of 600 yards, it lies over a gully, so that skirmish runs are impossible.

Attention is called to the Oregon Infantry team's participation in the National rifle matches at Camp Perry, O. It being recorded that in 1917 Oregon beat the entire service, Regular Army and National Guard combined, at 1600 yards, while this year the team finished ahead of 37 of the 50 teams entered; this in the matches over all ranges.

Commends Troops Showing.

The showing made by the Third and Fourth Infantry regiments at the American Lake joint maneuvers is commended, and the reports are attached of Captain Clifford Game and Lieutenant Charles M. Gordon, Jr., of the Regular Army. These officers were assigned to the Third and Fourth Infantry regiments at American Lake. Captain Game praises the Third regiment highly for its field work, saying: "This is not a new or untried regiment, for 30 per cent of its officers had practical experience in the Philippine Islands during the Spanish-American War. The value of such organizations as a part of the military force of the United States is very great."

After commending the regiment for its effective work in the field and especially in regard to advance and flank guards and patrols, Captain Game compliments the commanding officer, Col. C. E. McDonnell, for "handling the provisional brigade in battle in a manner which brought forth favorable comment from the military umpires."

Lieutenant Baldwin speaks well of the Southern Oregon troops, pointing out that military courtesy is perfect and that the behavior of the men compared with that of the regulars to the detriment of the regulars. Such praise

from a regular ought to mean something. The criticism is made that the non-commissioned officers did not seem properly informed in their duties, although the officers seemed generally competent and "gentlemen of fine qualities."

Militia Changes Recorded.

The following changes in organization three noted to have occurred: Disbandment of the LaGrande company for the good of the service; organization of infantry companies at Pendleton, Cottage Grove, Oregon City, McMinnville and Dallas; organization of a Coast artillery company at Astoria.

Referring to the important subject of coast artillery, General Finzer says: "In the scheme of National defense, the particular burden which each coast state should be willing to assume is that of giving assistance to the regular United States coast artillery in manning the guns and coast garrisons in time of war. The War department has argued that the coast states take up the work of organizing reserves. In compliance with this wish, the first coast company, located at Astoria, was mustered into the service of the state July 9, 1918. This organization has the distinction of being the first coast artillery company of reserves organized on the Pacific Coast. It is intended that at least two additional coast artillery companies be organized within the next year."

TELLS OF RESURRECTION

ELDER MARTIN CONTROVERTS MODERN THEORY.

Maintains That Souls Do Not Go to Heaven When the Body Perishes.

"Spiritualism and the doctrine of purgatory are founded upon the falsehood which the serpent told to Eve in the garden. 'Ye shall not surely die.' So said Elder W. E. Martin in his sermon at the East Portland Seventh Day Adventist Church, East Eleventh and East Everett streets, yesterday morning. His subject was, 'The Resurrection.'"

"At the outset Elder Martin quoted Job 14:14: 'If a man die shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.' As he progressed numerous other texts were quoted in support of his contention that the soul does not go to heaven at death, but returns to the grave, to be called forth at a future resurrection. The pastor said that the future of the human race is something which neither science, nor philosophy, unaided by the word of God, can solve. In part Elder Martin said:

"If I thought, as is believed largely in the Christian world today, that good men go to heaven when they die, and that the wicked go to torment, I would necessarily ask, 'What is the need for a resurrection?' In Ecclesiastes 1:10 we read that 'there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom in the grave, whither thou goest.'"

Here the speaker read the narrative of the resurrection of Lazarus in John 11, wherein Martha says to Christ, 'I know that Lazarus shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day,' and pointing to the man who had just died, she said: 'Lord, if thou hadst been here, he would not have died.'"

Some people question the resurrection when they stop to think that graves, centuries old, have been plowed and reseeded, and that the bones of the dead have been rudely scattered. But the identity of the soul is not necessary to the identity of the individual. Even during life the human soul changes every seven years. When I saw oats I reap, but not the same oats that were placed in the ground. I believe that in the resurrection individuals will recognize their friends, and that the same love that has bound hearts together, only in greater degree, will bind them then.

Job looked forward to the time of resurrection during his bitter trial, as recorded in the 19th chapter. Even Ezekiel questioned the resurrection, as many do today. In the 37th chapter he asked if dry bones can live, and replies that he does not know. He is then shown that the bones can live. In the 37th chapter, also, he bears out the same thought, when he foretells the destruction of the children in Jerusalem by Herod. In the 18th verse, the prophet says that the children shall come again from the land of the enemy, implying that the grave was not the goal of the faithful training which those mothers gave their children.

MISS KURTH IN RECITAL

Promising Contralto to Be Heard Before Going Abroad.

Miss Elionore Kurth, who leaves for Europe on Monday, December 14, will be heard in song recital at the new Young Women's Christian Association auditorium tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. Miss Kurth has a rich contralto voice and is recognized as one of the most prominent vocalists in the city. Following is a complete program of the concert:

"Mother o' Mine" (Tours), Mr. Stuart McCullure, (a Kashmiri song), (b) "Less Than the Dust," Indian love lyrics from "The Garden of Kama" (Woodford-Finden), (c) "Wast Isle Sylvia" (Who is Sylvia) (Schubert), Miss Elionore Kurth; romance from second concerto (Wienlawski), Miss Cornelia Barker; (a) "Wanderer's Nightlie" (Wanderer's Nightlie) (Schubert), (b) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (c) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (d) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (e) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (f) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (g) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (h) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (i) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (j) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (k) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (l) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (m) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (n) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (o) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (p) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (q) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (r) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (s) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (t) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (u) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (v) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (w) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (x) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (y) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert), (z) "The Blue Bird" (Schubert).

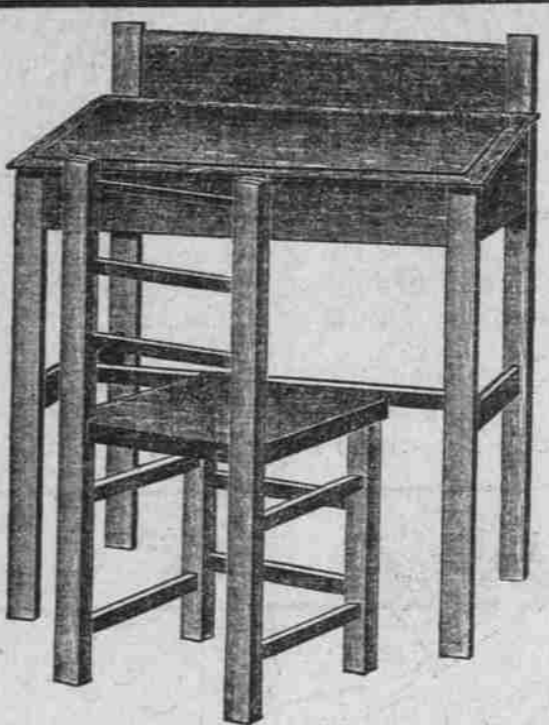
Lincoln-Garfield Post Election. Lincoln-Garfield Post, G. A. R., held

FOR CHILDREN Liberal Cash Discounts. Advertisement for children's furniture featuring a chair and a table.

By making large purchases we are able to offer for the Holiday Season a few specials for Children's use that are within reach of any purse. Our other lines are now complete, and it is our aim that prices shall always be reasonable here. Please notice the special offerings this week.



\$2.75 Value for \$1.25 Child's Morris Rocker. Made of solid oak, golden or mission finish. Not a toy chair, but useful as well as attractive. Same style frame with seat and back upholstered in imitation leather. \$2.25 value, our price only \$1.25.



\$5 Desk and Chair for \$2.95. For children, but not so small as the price would suggest. Notice the size. Desk is 28 inches high, top (22x17 in.) can be raised, showing compartment for books underneath. Desk and chair are both oak and can be furnished in golden or weathered finish. Price of both only \$2.95.

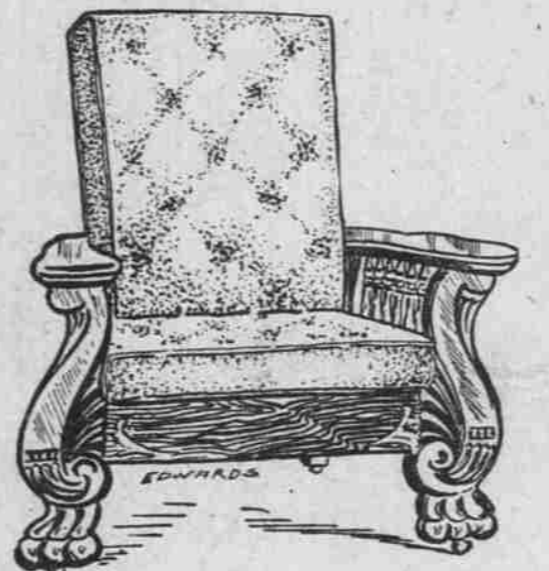
\$1.25 Value for 65c. Advertisement for a brass finished doll bed.



Brass Finished Doll Bed. Two hundred mothers have already taken advantage of this opportunity of making 200 little ones happy at a trifling expense. We have only 200 more, and Christmas buying has hardly started. Read the description: Complete Doll Bed, with mattress, pillows and canopy of flowered cretonne; size 18 in. long, 11 in. wide, 15 in. high; constructed of unbreakable brass finished steel rods, exactly like the illustration. Can be folded perfectly flat. Price only \$1.25.



\$10.50 Sunlight Heater \$8.50. At our regular price we have sold hundreds of these stoves in every town where and told us it was the best stove in town for the money.



SALE OF MORRIS CHAIRS. Of these we have a grand selection, and the wise buyers are already on the move to pick out the best. If you wait until December 24, at 9 P. M. you will have to take the leavings. Buy and Do It Now.

Casteel Cook Stoves. These are different from the ordinary stove—they are more like a steel range than a stove. The ovens and bodies are of heavy enameled sheet steel, lined with asbestos. They heat quicker and use less fuel than an ordinary stove, and the sides and oven cannot crack. They are just like the illustration and sit in a solid base, as shown, in place of legs usually used on low-priced stoves. We can furnish in three sizes, for either wood or coal—16-inch oven... \$12.60 18-inch oven... \$16.20 20-inch oven... \$18.00



Parlor Cabinets at Cost. A limited line of beautiful Solid Mahogany Parlor Cabinets, backed with French bevel plate mirrors, is offered at actual cost price. These cabinets are made to hold and display art goods, curios and specimens. If you like big values at small prices, see them.

No. 232, regular \$22.00, our cost price... \$15.00 No. 408, regular \$27.50, our cost price... \$19.00 No. 284, regular \$43.00, our cost price... \$31.00 No. 218, regular \$47.50, our cost price... \$33.00

Tabourettes. Solid Oak Octagon Tabourettes, like the illustration. SPECIAL \$2.50.

Table with 2 columns: Usual Price, Sale Price. Lists prices for various chair models.

SALE OF Cottage Dinner Sets. Forty-nine pieces of beautifully decorated ware, with gilt lines, special at above price this week. \$4.45.

Pictures at Half Price. We are closing out our stock of pictures. You can pick up some nice things here at about one-half of what they are worth. 39c to \$7.

EDWARDS COMPANY HOUSE FURNISHERS. A GOOD PLACE TO TRADE. 185, 187, 189, FIRST STREET. PHONES MAIN 504, A. 2826.

LODGE HOLDS INITIATION. Lents Camp, W. O. W., Adds Largely to Membership. Forty applicants were initiated into the mysteries of the order of the Woodmen of the World at Lents Camp No. 77, Thursday evening. There were 51 applicants, but only 40 were initiated at that time, the others being postponed for the present.

OYSTER DEMAND STRONG. A Dispatch From South Bend, Wash., Dated December 5. At last Oregon and Washington oysters have come into their own. Since the ban has been put upon the California product on account of the sewage in San Francisco bay, Oregon and Washington oysters will have their day. The oyster beds in these two states are located practically right on the ocean, where no sewage can touch them, and the oysters will always remain fresh and wholesome.

Books! Books!! Books!!! HOLIDAY BOOKS IN ENGLISH AND GERMAN. In our German Book Department we carry a large assortment of popular titles in attractive bindings and most suitable for holiday gifts. Books by Marlin, Werner, Spielhagen, Preytag, Heise, Auerbach, Gerstaecker, Schubert, Stinde, Geroek and many others. Following are a few good titles.

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DR. E. M. DALLAS OPTICIAN. Has returned from Europe and will use the new WIESBADEN METHOD of testing eyes, which caused so much talk in France and Germany. This science is QUICK, ACCURATE and ABSOLUTELY CORRECT, and gives splendid results in the fitting of lenses to the eye, especially in cases of eye strain and headaches, for close or distance use. No extra charge will be made for the use of this system. You will find the prices very reasonable and the workmanship the best.

DALLAS OPTICAL PARLORS. 218-219 FALLING BLDG., Corner Third and Washington Streets, Second Floor. Take Elevator. The A.W. Schmale Company. 229-231 First St., bet. Salmon and Main, Portland, Oregon.