ARMS GIVEN OREGON

Consignment of 2000 Rifles Promised for Defense.

EARLY SHIPMENT ASSURED

State's Request for Weapons Taken Up With War Department by Senator Chamberlain and Saving Will Amount to $12,000.

Through the personal co-operation of George E. Chamberlain, senior United States Senator from Oregon, the efforts of Governor Withycombe and Adjutant-General White to obtain 2000 rifles from the War Department for use of the newly organized state defense force in Oregon have been successful.

General White received word yesterday from a National Guard officer, sent to Washington to obtain the needed arms, that they had been definitely promised to the state.

After providing arms for the new troops being called into service, the War Department had only 10,000 rifles left. The Governors of three states were in Washington to urge in person the claims of their states to be allotted these arms.

Senator Chamberlain gave Governor Withycombe's request for the 2000 rifles for this state his personal attention, and went to the War Department himself to press the matter.

Other Supplies Sought.

Governor Withycombe made his request for the rifles with which to arm the State Defense Force after all the state's other supplies had been used to equip its troops. He also made requisition for other needed supplies for the State Defense Force.

Not satisfied with this, he sent an officer to Washington to look after the matter there.

In view of the fact that only 10,000 rifles are left, the allotment of 2000 of them to Oregon is considered liberal. Unofficial assurance has been given that they will be shipped here at an early date.

In addition to the separate battalion of the State Defense Force, composed of three companies of Spanish War Veterans, recently organized in Portland, the rifles will be used to equip defense forces in other counties of the state under regulations now being promulgated. Ten thousand rifles wouldn't be enough to equip all in the state who want them, and they will be allotted strictly in accordance with the needs for them.

Armory Is Requisite.

Applications from organizations not officially recognized by the state for rifles will not be considered. One requirement of the regulations now being drawn is that a county must have a suitable armory before it will be allotted rifles to arm a defense force.

The sending of the rifles to this state by the War Department will save the state from $12,000 to $14,000, which it would have cost had it been necessary to buy the arms. The state of Washington recently spent a large sum to purchase rifles for its forces, and they were not the latest type of arms.

The problem of providing adequately for state defense is receiving attention, but is not considered pressing at this time. There now are in the state, and will be for some time, ample troop forces to meet any emergency.

An adequate State Defense Force will be formed throughout the state, however, along carefully planned lines, long before it is needed because of the departure of troop organizations.

GERMAN PRESS RAPPED

FOREIGN LANGUAGE PAPERS HELD TO BE ANTI-AMERICAN.

Strict Censorship or Actual Suppression for Duration of War Urged by Nebraska Council.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 18.—The State Council of Defense of Nebraska, in a statement made public today, strongly condemns the German language press in this country for alleged promulgation of anti-American propaganda and calls on Congress to enact laws that will curb the editors of the papers if the present laws are not sufficient to deal with the matter.

The statement says, in part:

"The Nebraska State Council of Defense hereby protests against the insidious methods of the German language press in America. Reports received by the State Council of Defense show that in communities where German language papers are widely circulated hostility toward the American cause is pronounced. The German language press is constantly misrepresenting America's allies, and presenting a line of propaganda that is clearly meant to mislead its readers."

The statement adds that it is "the solemn judgment of the State Council of Defense that sooner or later the German language papers must undergo a strict censorship, if not actual suppression, for the duration of the war."

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PYROTECHNIC DISPLAY PROVES GREAT TREAT AT THE OAKS

Thrilling Pageant of Fire Witnessed by Thousands—Special Event Provided by Manager Cordray Is Praised by Addison Bennett.

BY ADDISON BENNETT.

THESE are glorious days at Oaks Park, or the Oaks, if you like that better. Anyhow, I mean the fine Summer resort, the Coney Island of Oregon, presided over by John F. Cordray. John F. is in the seventh heaven of happiness, for the dry weather that has withered the wheat and cut the spud crop short has caused a great rush of business to the Oaks. Hence, John F. is wearing the smile that never comes off. It is the same old smile he has worn for these 30 years to my certain knowledge, only this Summer it is brighter; it spreads all over his countenance, beams from his eyes and gushes forth from the grasp of his hand.

The Oaks Is Popular.

Many of these sultry days 15,000 persons go out to the Oaks, drawn by the smiles of John F. and the other superior magnets on tap.

I went the rounds last night. I killed two "nigger babies" and knocked the off eye off of the sphinx. I got a cigar, a real tobacco cigar, for knocking his eye out.

I went into the jail—and got out again, paid my toll at the old mill, rode on the scenic railway and "chuted" the chutes.

I took two or three turns on the little toy railroad, bought some gum, even took a bath (it being Saturday), laughed with the throng—was a boy again just for a night.

Ah, well! It is good to go out there and get the cobwebs out of the brain, the kinks out of your whiskers and the grouch out of your system. Just try it a few times.

Once every year, usually at the height of the season in August, Manager Cordray treats his Oaks visitors to a sort of pageant of fireworks.

Event of Year Held.

Last night came this event for the present year, and there was a very large attendance to partake of the treat. The pyrotechnic firm of Hill Bros., the people who furnished such displays at the Panama Exposition, and thereby established the right to be called the superiors of the great Payne, who for so long stood supreme in the fireworks field—this celebrated firm gave the exhibition last night, and Portland never had as good a show of the kind before, perhaps will never have its equal in the future.

Perhaps, all told, 50,000 persons took in the illuminations, intonations and reverberations. One hundred thousand eyes saw the lights of the hundreds of pyrotechnics. Maybe 30,000 of these persons enjoyed it more because they were like the boys in the telegraph poles at a ball game—deadheads. They saw and heard it all, but paid nothing. These were on the heights, at Council Crest, on the river bank opposite The Oaks and in innumerable water vehicles on the river.

Fireworks Display Is Great.

It would take an artist, a literary light and a shorthand writer all in one to give a good description of the hundreds and hundreds of bombs and rockets and grenades and set pieces that lighted up all South Portland and gave forth the sounds that went far flung like titian thunder against Mount Tabor, rebounded against the heights and echoed and reverberated—and reverberated and re-echoed back and forth across the placid Columbia.

At one moment the heavens were filled with fiery stars, with showers of silver and gold—with azure blue and deepening purple and livid red. Sheeny stars fell in showers, glittering diamonds sprinkled down like snow and the great cannon-like bombs pierced the night air like the cannonading at Verdun or Somme.

Programme Is Spectacular.

Now it was a battle between a great warship and a submarine, the former coming out of the fray unscathed, the latter beaten and sunk; anon it was a disappearing gun of sparkling light, which belched forth flames and emitted sounds piercing and deafening, as though the Germans were at our very doors battering down our eternal hills.

Then more showers, more bombs, more hissing of rockets and more creeping of fiery darts athwart the sky. Now we sat in darkness, now some great explosion flung out its tendrils like a mighty devil fish, and we sat bathed in light.

It was sublimely awful and awfully sublime. It touched the heartstrings, quickened the pulse and caused the beholders to wonder how such things could be produced by man—turning the very heavens into a canvas upon which the lurid lights limned pictures none of us had ever seen before, few will ever see again.

MORE STUDY URGED

University of Oregon Issues Appeal to Young Men.

MILITARY COURSE ADDED

Household Economics Also Offered. Youths Advised to Continue or Enter College to Prepare for Serving Country.

EUGENE, Aug. 18.—(Special.)—The announcement of the University of Oregon for the school year 1917-1918, issued this week, is supplemented by an appeal to the young men of the state, urging them to continue in college as the best way in which they may serve their country.

Many special courses, the outgrowth of the war, are announced. Food conservation and economics in the home are to receive special consideration. Chemistry, science and mathematics are to be treated especially for the man who expects to enter the Army.

The address to the high school and college students of the state, in part follows:

"Thousands of undergraduates and high school boys who are under conscription age have already enlisted. Their example has aroused others who are undecided what is best to do.

"The whole idea of service to the country at this great crisis is magnificently commendable and the only question is how best to go about it.

Allies' Mistakes Cited.

"England and France at the beginning of the war permitted their boys from the schools and colleges to rush into the ranks. Thousands and thousands of their young men bert trained to become officers were killed and they now realize the great mistake they made.

"Shall we not profit by the mistake of France and England and realize our future as well as our present obligations?

"The United States will not only need officers, but also educated men and women who will be able to carry on the great reorganization plans in industry and commerce that are sure to follow the close of the war.

"President Wilson, Secretary of War Baker and hundreds of others all say that every young man eligible for admission to a university can serve his country best by making an effort to continue his education."

Military Training Added.

Miss Lilian Tingle, formerly of the Portland public schools, will have charge of the course in household economics.

Complete courses in military drill and instruction will be given throughout the year under the direction of an officer of the regular Army or an officer of the Canadian or British army invalided home from the trenches.

There are now 11 schools connected with the university—graduate school, college of literature, science and the arts, school of architecture and allied arts, school of commerce, school of education, school of journalism, school of law, school of medicine, school of music, school of correspondence study and the Summer school.

BANK ROBBERY FOILED

DUO ATTEMPT TO BLOW OPEN WHITE SALMON SAFE.

Return of Night Watchman Surprises Burglars, Who Escape in Skiff After Exchange of Shots.

WHITE SALMON, Wash., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—An attempt was made to break into the vault of the Columbia State Bank at 2 o'clock this morning. The robbers were surprised by the night watchman, Thomas Kelly, and escaped after an exchange of shots.

It is evident that there were two on the job, as the daughter of Tunis Wyers, Jr., awakened by the shots, ran to a window in time to see two men running across the lawn in the direction of the Columbia River bluffs and crossing to the Oregon side.

Several citizens and bank officials were soon on the ground and surrounding towns were notified. Later it was ascertained that a skiff had been stolen and left on the shore on the Hood River side. In their hurried departure a good-sized burglar's kit was left spread before the vault on the floor. It consisted of a large number of drills, brace, sledge and jimmies.

They had drilled a ¾-inch hole through the first steel door and cut the lock bar in two. They were nearly ready to blow open the safe when discovered.

HOOD RIVER JOINS IN SEARCH

White Salmon Robbers Hunted in Columbia River Jungles.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Local officers have joined in the hunt for two men who last night attempted to rob the White Salmon, Wash., Bank. After boring a hole in the vault, the burglars were frightened away. The White Salmon night watchman fired several shots and believes that a bullet struck one of the men.

Local officers and detectives from Portland have been searching the jungles of the Columbia, where the men, believed to have escaped in a row boat, are thought to be in hiding.

GOOD BOARD DEMANDED

CLERK BEVERIDGE TO TEST EFFICINCY OF APPLICANTS.

Official Declares That in Past Election Aides Have Been Incompetent in Many Cases.

Portland men and women who expect to become members of the election boards during the coming year must pass a satisfactory examination showing that they are in every way qualified, according to an announcement made yesterday by County Clerk Beveridge, who is now preparing to make up his list of election boards for Multnomah County for next year.

"I want to make it plain from the start that all applicants for places on eletcion boards must prove to be good penmen and must have a general knowledge of the work required of them before they are accepted," said Mr. Beveridge yesterday.

"In recent years we have seen too many instances of incompetent election boards."

Mr. Beveridge said that he would permit the Republican and Democratic County Central committees to submit lists of applicants as they have done in the past, but he is going to insist that these committees name the best possible persons for this work.

"The work of an election board is always of vital importance, and for that reason it should be handled by the most competent people it is possible to obtain," said Mr. Beveridge.

He said that he would begin to make up his lists of boards some time next month in order to have sufficient time to make a thorough investigation of the qualifications of each applicant before his list is submitted to the County Commissioners for final approval.

UNIFORMS TO BE ISSUED

Government Will Furnish Arms for Home Guard Companies.

Members of the Home Guard battalion, recently organized here among the Spanish-American War veterans, were enthused yesterday to learn that the War Department at Washington, D. C., has ordered uniforms and rifles for their use.

Moreover, Adjutant-General White has arranged to give them the use of the Armory for drills. They will maintain their headquarters there and will meet regularly each week.

Companies A and C are scheduled to drill every Friday and Company B on Monday evenings. All members of the three companies who report at the Armory tomorrow evening will be supplied with orders for their uniforms. The battalion will be held in reserve to meet local emergencies.

Railway Strike Stopped.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—An official proclamation was issued today applying the munitions war act of 1915 to the differences between the British railway companies and certain of their locomotive drivers, firemen and engine cleaners. The effect of this action is that the dispute may be carried by either party to the Ministry of Labor for settlement by conciliation or arbitration.

Meanwhile any stoppage of work is prohibited and it is illegal to apply any union funds for the purpose of paying strike benefits.

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GRAIN CONFERENCE SET

EFFORT TO BE MADE TO RAISE MORE WHEAT AND RYE.

Meetings Will Be Held at Indianapolis, Kansas City and Spokane to Make Plans.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—A conference to discuss ways and means of increasing the production of Winter wheat and rye in 1918 will be held at the call of Secretary Houston in Indianapolis beginning Monday, August 20.

The purpose of the conference is to bring about in the Central states the planting of 10,823,000 acres in Winter wheat and of 1,456,000 acres in rye this Fall. This is the part assigned to these states in a National programme calling for the planting of 47,337,000 acres in Winter wheat and of 5,131,000 acres in rye this Fall throughout the Nation.

Other regional conferences are to be held in Kansas City, Mo., August 22, and in Spokane, Wash., August 27.

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 18.—Exportation of flour to the United States was prohibited yesterday through an order-in-council issued at the instance of the Canadian food controller. The order is to be in force during the life of a previous order prohibiting the exportation of wheat. It was specified, however, that the food controller could issue export license when in his judgment it was deemed necessary.

It was pointed out that the flour prohibition would secure for Canadian consumers and for their overseas allies the flour yet to be made from the old crop. The central committee of United States millers appointed this week by Herbert C. Hoover at Washington has been notified of the order.

MARRIAGE MAY EXEMPT

President's Reply to Weeks Renews Discussion of Status.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Renewed discussion of the status of married men under the selective service law has been aroused by publication of President Wilson's reply yesterday to Senator Weeks' inquiry dealing with this and other subjects. In many quarters the President's statement that he had no doubt Senator Weeks' point as to the exemption of married men was well taken was interpreted as an indication that he approved exemption of any man of family who had not married merely to escape military duty.

The President has full power to direct that the regulations governing selection be amended to this effect. A proposal specifically to exempt all married men was made when the bill was in the Senate, an amendment to that effect by Senator Smith, of Georgia, being lost by a wide margin. This fact, together with the regulation later promulgated by the President making exemption possible only in case of actual dependency, are taken as indications that no general exemption of married men as a class will be given now.

In cautioning local boards today against attempting to fill quotas by selecting an inequitable number of men who have waived exemption and are, therefore, practically volunteering, General Crowder said that the greatest care must be exercised in sending forward the last 10 per cent of any quota.

"The last 10 per cent," he said, "must be selected with great care to be sure that no one in the whole quota is sent for military duty while a selected person with an earlier order of obligation for military service is allowed to remain at home."

HOSPITAL SHIPS IMMUNE

Vessels Not to Be Attacked if They Carry Only Sick and Wounded.

MADRID, Aug. 18.—The German military attache has handed to the Spanish government Emperor William's defined acceptance of conditions under which hospital ships are to be protected from attacks from submarines.

Under the arrangement a neutral commissioner will be carried on each hospital ship to guarantee that it transport only sick and wounded.

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