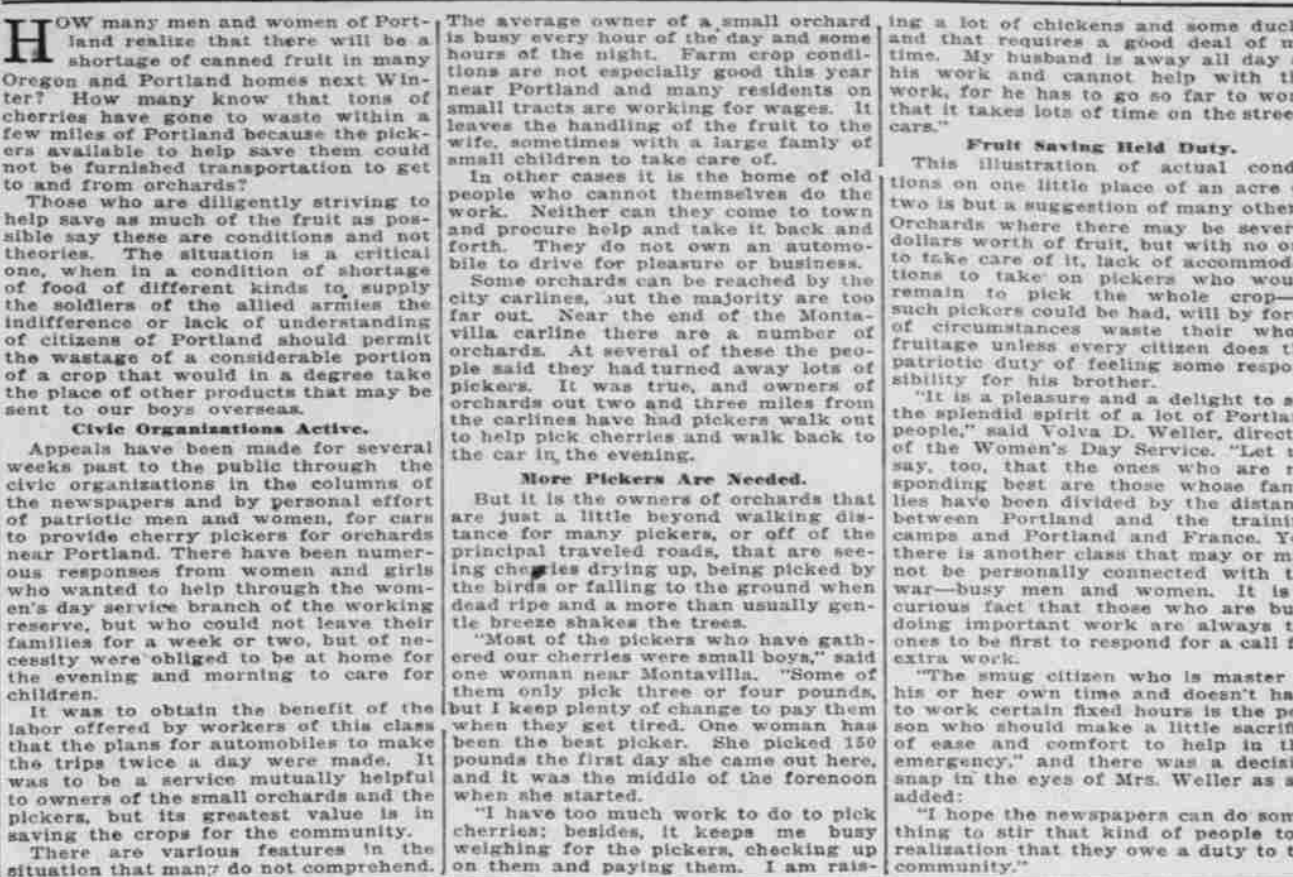


**TONS OF CHERRIES GO TO WASTE FOR LACK
OF AUTOMOBILES TO TRANSPORT PICKERS**

Unless Something Is Done Immediately to Meet the Situation, Oregon Will Face a Shortage of Canned Fruit During the Coming Winter—Save Keynote of Nation's Growers.



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son was the orchestra leader. The
chairman, at the conclusion of the
evening's entertainment, presented

were like all others facing the problem. But there are a lot of mighty clever people in Albany, and mighty patriotic are they. They got together and decided to make a "Soldier Feeding Machine," which is the greatest machine of the kind in the world. I don't know if it has ever been patented, but I have not seen it all, but I think it is absolutely safe to say that the Albany feeding machine tops them all.

"I am going to let me tell you that the Red Cross has benefited to the extent of over \$900 from the machine. It has been so successful that I ought to have led up to the fact, but it is really too good to hold back. I will tell you the rest of the story at the outset. Just who the one that first broached the idea of this machine will, perhaps, always remain a secret. Perhaps he was afraid to come forward with something to do with it, or perhaps some of the people in other organizations were afraid to go ahead with it for fear of a more or less indefinite fine. But the idea crystallized first to the fact that the men ought to be fed all at once, instead of being fed here and there, somewhat commensurate with the service that the men were to render to the country."

"So that brought them to the armory as the only place where a trainload of food could be served. And now, how about dishes, silverware, tables,

cloths, napkins? Well, in Albany the Red Cross is blessed by having about as fine and brainy a lot of women as can be found in the country, and they said, "suppose we take this up as a body and see if we cannot evolve a way to do the job with credit to the soldier boys, credit to the city, credit

Each Woman Provides for Ten.

Each one of the servers is supposed to bring to the armory the dishes and other table service, including tablecloth, to serve ten guests, and this is lived up to to the very letter. So, you see, with each of the 50 lady servers bringing dishes, etc., for ten men, the question of service for the 500 is solved. I might say that the tables were built of borrowed lumber and the 500 chairs were also borrowed from different places.

A word about the cooking of the meats. This is done at the bakery of H. J. Firchau—the Albany Bakery. And here is a Mrs. Firchau! The Mr. Firchau is a well known dentist, and while Mrs. Firchau is a daughter of Erin! They cook the meats and make the soup without charge and furnish the bread at cost, taking back all surplus. They are so generous in their place and saw the great roads coming out of the oven, nearly 300 pounds of fine beef, as fine as you can get at any hotel. And everything spick and span. And not a cent of charge! Surely the boys will never be forgotten.

Neighboring Cities Not Lacking.

I just begin to realize that I have had rather too much to say about Albany and not enough about Linn Coun-

ly, for all of the fruits and vegetables come from the country folk or from the city stores. Apples, peaches, plums, peckles, canned goods, etc., come from Lebanon, Brownsville, Harrisburg, Halsey, Sheld and Scio, and some from the city. The farmers of Marion and Polk. And the farmers? Why, bless my soul, it does me good to think of them. They grow corn, wheat, clover, roots and all other vegetables, besides the thousands of jars of canned goods that they bring in! The only thing that they do not grow is butter, bread, cream and meat, all other supplies come free from the good people of that section. Please used to come in to see me. Uncle Sam was on the pie serving. It is no longer allowed. But do the boys go without dessert? No indeed. Mrs. J. A. Miller says that every Sunday afternoon she must have dessert; so she furnishes all the ice cream needed to give each on a generous helping, and another angel, who is a sister of mine, and one of anything, one of the Red Cross girls or ladies, in shimmering white seems ever to be at the side of each and every one, to give and make merry upon him until the last.

Now, just suppose the boys to the number of 475 have filed in and are ready to be seated. The orchestra strikes up a patriotic air, the crowd of citizens in the gallery start a cheer and the men below join in until the roof of the armory is nearly lifted. They are seated. The music of the orchestra still goes on. The music of the knives and forks and the merry voices of the guests nearly drown it, but each number is cheered to the echo. The Globe Theatre orchestra was the attraction Saturday (June 29) when I was present. C. H. Burkhardt

HOW many men and women of Portland realize that there will be a shortage of canned fruit in many Oregon and Portland homes next Winter? How many know that tons of fruit are being lost each year because a few miles of Portland because the pickers available to help save them could not be transported to the orchards to get to and from orchards?

Those who are diligently striving to help save as much of the fruit as possible are the horticulturists and the horticultural theories. The situation is a critical one, when in a condition of shortage of fruit, the horticulturists are the soldiers of the allied armies the indifference or lack of understanding of citizens of Portland should permit the waste of the fruit of the orchards of a crop that would in a degree take

Civic Organizations Active. Appeals have been made for several weeks past to the public through the civic organizations in the community for patriotic men and women, for cars to provide cherry pickers for orchards. Numerous responses from women and girls who wanted to help through the women's day service branch, have been received. They would not leave their families for a week or two, but of necessity were obliged to be at home from morning and morning to three or four children.

It was to obtain the benefit of the latest plan for automobiles to make that the plans for automobiles to make the trips twice a day were made. It was to be a service mutual and the pickers, but its greatest value is in saving the crops for the community. In this situation that many do not comprehend

acted as chairman. Miss Lura Nickerson was the orchestra leader. The chairman, at the conclusion of the meal, introduced Miss Isabel Young who sang "And Everything," with "H Follows the Girls Around" as an encore. Miss Young has a beautiful voice, her presence is superb and the cheers she got were straight from the

Every Entertainer Does Best.

Miss Nickeson followed with a number on the xylophone, then an encore—and surely she never before had been so popular. I was almost sure to remember it all her life. A pretty high school girl, Miss Lena Tobey, then whistled and added a few bars to the melody. I was sure that there had been no whistlers in the country to equal her. The way the boys cheered her was only equalled by those given Misses Young and Nickeson.

Then several tried to speak, but a rule they did not set very far; and the heads of the crowd. It was almost a half hour since they came into the armory before they filed out—but over half of them had written something of a his postcard and a few had written a letter telling her, as a rule, to read it before mailing. I think there will

"Dear Girl: Have just had a dand

dinner at Albany. The best time we have had since leaving the state. We had had since we came to us here, and so kind that it fills us full of the spirit to do things for our country."

"Dear Sam: Yesterday we had dinner in 1949. This morning we had corn-beef hash, and had to us nose-guards when we ate it. But here in Albany, we took dinner, and it seemed we have cut for a new deal. We had corn-beef hash, and it seemed we had meat, and the way we put it out of sight was a caution. We will never forget Albany."

Five hundred boys sitting down to a banquet in Albany, and believe me, it is fine! The hearts and souls of these people are surely with us. California is all right here, and we are all right here, but I am going to have a place in my heart after this for Oregon."

"Albany, Finest Place on Globe."
"Albany, Oregon, the finest place on the finest people on the globe, and the boys have no doubts or this question."
"Dear Folks: If you want service to a whole-hearted way, come to Albany, Or."
"Albany, best little town on God's green earth. Talk about being treated right! This case doesn't express it in this case. A fellow would have to work the whole dictionary to fitly express himself."

"Dear Sister: This card was given me by the Red Cross ladies of Albany, where we had the best meal we have had on the road—the finest place in the world. I hate to acknowledge it, but it is true, that the people of Albany put it all over 'Cassidy' when it comes to treating us nicely."

"Dear Father: We are sitting at table at Albany, Or., having supper given by the Red Cross. This is the picture of the building, and the gallery is just crowded with the people of the town, who are cheering us. Talk about service! Nice white table-cloth

The average owner of a small orchard is busy every hour of the day and some hours of the night. Farm crop conditions are not especially good this year and the small fruit grower is not making much money. Small tracts are working for wages. It leaves the handling of the fruit to the wife, sometimes with a large family of children.

In other cases it is the home of old people who cannot themselves do the work. Neither can they come to town and procure the things they need for the household. They do not own an automobile to drive for pleasure or business.

Some orchards can be reached by the highway and the car can be driven as far out. Near the end of the Montevilla carline there are a number of orchards. At several of these people are employed to pick the fruit. These pickers. It was true, and owners of orchards out two and three miles from the carlines have had pickers walk out to the orchard and walk back to the car in the evening.

More Pickers Are Needed.

But it is the owners of orchards that are just a little beyond walking distance for many pickers, or off of the truck. Some of the pickers are eating cherries drying up, being picked by the birds or falling to the ground when dead ripe and a more than usually green. But it is the owners of orchards that are just a little beyond walking distance for many pickers, or off of the truck. Some of the pickers are eating cherries drying up, being picked by the birds or falling to the ground when dead ripe and a more than usually green.

"Most of the pickers who have gathered our cherries were small boys," said one woman near Montavilla. "Some of them were as small as my little boy, but I keep plenty of change to pay them when they get tired. One woman has been the best picker. She picked 150 bushels of cherries, and I can't say how and it was the middle of the afternoon when she started."

"I have too much work to do to pick cherries," he said. "I keep my truck weighing for the pickers, checking up on them and paying them. I am raising

silverware and china, flowers, flowers everywhere, and everything good to eat and lots of it, and one waitress for every five men. We will never forget this town or its people."

"All sitting down at dinner in Albany. Tables piled high with everything good to eat. Things taste just like mother had cooked them. Flowers

"Dear Mumzie: The best feed, the best treatment, by the nicest people since we left home—at the armory, I mean, Albany, Or."

I have over 200 of that character, only the most of them are longer. I collected just a few of the short ones to give the reader an idea of how the boys appreciate the service the good ladies of Albany are rendering.

Satisfaction Means No Profit.
Perhaps this article will fall into the hands of some of the Red Cross or other good women of other communities where the boys en route take their meals, but where they are fed by eating houses or hotels and con-

sequently, I was disappointed that the people of the town were not more active in breaking even—a profit is out of the question if the boys are given enough money to buy their way out of town. In such towns just take pattern after Albany. The same thing can be done anywhere, provided the right people can be had to head the efforts. Perhaps the Albany machine is the only one in the country that cannot be equaled; but the idea, if carried out the best the community can, will be a success wherever tried.

she flatly refused to give me the particulars I wished for the reason that she feels herself merely as a cog in the wheel of the organization and does my duty as best I can," she remarked. "I am entitled to no more credit than one of the servers or any other person who works for the organization."

"I have been most fortunate in making my duties exceptionally light and pleasant, by being surrounded by men and women who have placed their hearty souls in their work. Where I think that we have had no shrinkage that there has been no trouble, no friction of any kind, I feel like saying that we have had good people to work about as good people as can be found in the world. And I would like to have you express through The Organian my thanks to all the only those people who have assisted me."

service or donations, but to the loyal folks of this section of Oregon. And I remember, that you are to play favorites by giving any one person more credit than any other. Our machine has many parts, with each part being just as necessary as any other.

**CHAUTAUQUA WILL HAVE GREAT
PATRIOTIC RALLY.**

**Fine Musical Attractions Appear
Programme Arranged for Sun-
day, July 14.**

OREGON CITY, Or., July 6.—(Special.)—Colonel John Leader, former of the Royal Irish Rifles, and at present commandant of the military train-

ing a lot of chickens and some ducks and that requires a good deal of my time. My husband is away all day at his work and cannot help with the work, for he has to go so far to work that it takes lots of time on the street cars."

Fruit Saving Held Duty.
This illustration of actual conditions on one little place of an acre or two suggests that many other orchards where there are many dollars worth of fruit, but with no one to take care of it, lack of accommodation for the fruit pickers, and the fact that they remain to pick the whole crop—such pickers could be had, will be forced to take the fruit and waste the whole crop unless some device is used to arouse patriotic duty of feeling some responsibility for his brother.

It is a great delight to acknowledge the splendid spirit of a lot of Portland people," said Volva D. Weller, director of the Portland Fruit Canners' Association, "and I am sure that I can say, too, that the ones who are responding best are those whose families have been divided by the distance between the United States and the camps and Portland and France. There is another class that may or may not be connected with the war—busy men and women who are curious fact that those who are busied doing important work are always the first to respond or call for extra work."

"The slug citizen who is master of his or her own time and doesn't have to work certain fixed hours is the person who should make a little sacrifice of ease and comfort to help in this emergency," and there was a decisive snap in the eyes of Mrs. Weiler as she added:

"I hope the newspapers can do something to stir that kind of people to realization that they owe a duty to the community."

ing camp at the University of Oregon will be the official speaker at Chau-tauqua's big patriotic rally on Sunday, July 14.

Announcement to this effect was made by Secretary Thomas A. Burk today. Indications are that Colonel Leader's address will be heard by at least 7000 people. As an added feature for the afternoon, the Regimental Band of the Vancouver Spruce Division, will give a live concert at 4 P. M.

With the engagement of the splendid Vancouver organization, three fine hands will take an active part in the coming assembly. Thavi's Expositio Band, of San Francisco fame, will give the concert on Friday, July 19, and the New York City Symphony will be heard twice on Friday, July 12.

Never in the history of the organization has so much attention been paid to splendid musical attractions. The Schubert Serenades will also be heard, along with patriotic numbers. The data column, located to the right of the program, indicates the time of each performance.

The well known Old Soldiers' Fiddlers troupe is to be the G. A. R. da musical feature on Monday, July 1. The Royal Hawaiian Quintette, the Metropolitan Artists, Fenwick-Newe Company, the Treble Clef Club and the original Apollo Concert Company are other prominent musical attractions.

The morning class work will feature domestic science demonstrations of war foods and the use of war substitutes in charge of Miss Lorrain Parker, of the O. A. C. Extension Division.

**Portland Boy Writes of King
George's Welcome.**

IN a letter received by Mrs. E. B. Seabrook, from her son, Sergeant Dan Seabrook, of Camp Hospital, No. 3, A. E. F., stationed in England, was inclosed a copy of a message which the King of England sent to a group of soldiers, welcoming them to England. The message expressed the wish that the King might shake the hand of each member of the company and wish them Godspeed on their mission.

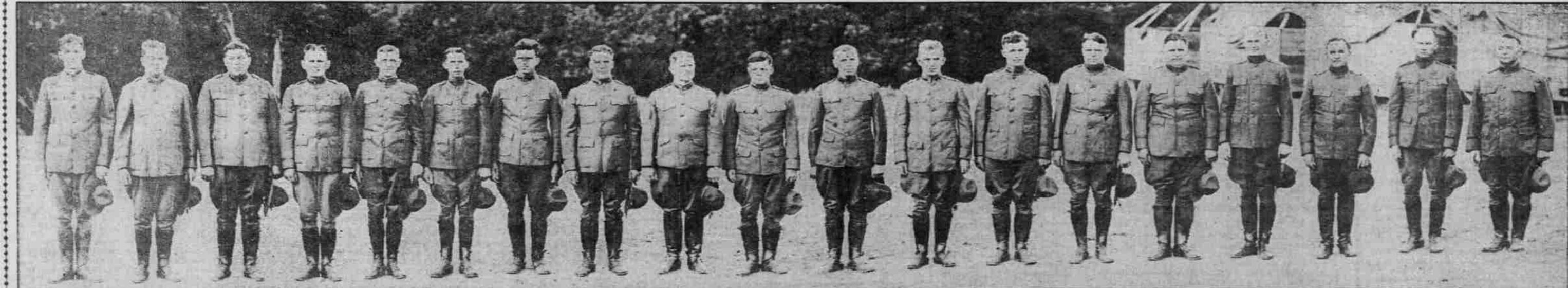
"We are entitled soon to a six-months' overseas chevron," says Seabrook. "It is a gold barbed V-shaped affair, worn on the left sleeve about ten inches above the cuff. The chevron worn on the right sleeve is a 'wound chevron,' one for each wound. We see many of these torn miles here with five or six wound stripes, and still going."

YAKIMA, Wash., July 8.—(Special.)—Removal of the records of the office of the clerk of the Grand Jury to his headquarters in Spokane threatened because of the small amount of business transacted through this office. Clerk W. H. Hare, of Spokane, claims that the Yakima office, which is a federal office, has been running meeting expenses \$300 in the last year. The office will be closed in any event during August and after that when action will be taken has not been determined.

Baker Deputy Resigns Place.

BAKER, Or., July 6.—(Special).—L. C. Bell, Deputy County Clerk of Baker County for the past 15 years, has gone to Corvallis, where he expects to engage in business. His resignation took place on July 1 and as yet his successor has not been named by County Clerk Combs. Mr. Bell's father, R. J. R. N. Bell, was for many years pastor of the local Baptist Church and in recent years has resided in Corvallis.

OREGON MEDICAL MEN IN THE ARMY COMPLETE TRAINING AT FORT RILEY, KAN., AND ARE TRANSFERRED TO FORT OGLETHORPE, GA.



Reading From Left to Right—Lieutenant A. J. Favre, Riddle; Lieutenant E. L. Zimmerman, Eugene; Lieutenant W. H. Pollard, Springfield; Captain R. R. Hamilton, Klamath Falls; Lieutenant Frank Butler, Hot Lake; Captain Roger Biswell, Haines; Lieutenant H. H. Crever, Yambilli; Lieutenant A. W. Hosiough, Ashland; Major J. R. Wetherbee, Portland; Captain B. R. Abraham, Hood River; Lieutenant J. O. Van Winkle, Jefferson; Lieutenant H. Z. Tharp, Hahnle; Lieutenant J. I. Wooden, Clatskanie; Lieutenant H. H. Kaufman, Forest Grove; Lieutenant O. A. Welsh, Oregon City; Lieutenant T. L. Borden, Portland; Captain Fred Gullette, Portland; Lieutenant C. D. Fulkerson, Warm Springs; Captain B. R. Wolfe, Eugene.

By latest compilations Oregon is shown to have sent a larger percentage of its doctors into Army service than other states, excepting just three. Above are shown 19 former physicians and surgeons of the state who have just been ordered transferred from the Medical Department to the Infantry, Cavalry, or Artillery.

Officers' Camp at Fort Riley, Kan., to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. Several of them have won promotions since entering the service, and all are making creditable records. An army of 100,000 contingents have entered active service since August 1, 1917.