

FRANCE PEST-RIDDEN, SAYS FRANK BEATTY

Criminals and Crooks of All Kinds Infest Country.

EX-DEPUTY SHERIFF HOME

Sergeant of Engineers Who Was in Secret Service Tells of Work With American Forces Abroad.

"Criminals of the world are centered in France, and in Paris in particular. The French were so innocent at first that any educated crook could put stuff over on them, but believe me, the French are getting wise," said Frank Beatty, former deputy sheriff, who returned yesterday. He was in the secret service with the American expeditionary forces.

While in France Mr. Beatty, who wears the stripes of a sergeant of engineers, hunted murderers, "apaches," robbers, grafters and made reports on wastage of supplies. He saw hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of material, such as clothing, left in the rail cars that had never been removed from their burlap covering sent to salvage stations. "And soldiers are being sent away unable to get clothing," said Mr. Beatty.

"I have seen an officer drive up in an automobile that was in good condition, except that a fender was bent, and go away with a brand new, high-priced car, while the machine in which he arrived was thrown upon a junk pile. I saw 1000 Ford's arrive just before I left France. There are cases of high-priced watches which have been opened. Rubber boots, rubber coats, flannel shirts and similar supplies are being peddled among the natives. I have seen soldiers ordered to leave their emergency rations on shipboard and then seen a hard-boiled sergeant selling the 'canned Willie' for two-bits a can on the dock.

Grafting Game Uncovered.

"Near Liverpool I uncovered a grafting game, one of the most in the world, a former resident of Oregon City who got into trouble when the troops were on the Mexican border. This Oregon City frow, for before he had been in sugar and for a small sack of sugar the English people near Liverpool would give anything.

"In a seaport town in France I found a captain in charge of the tenderfoot district grafting in the old San Francisco method, for before he became an army officer he was one of the toughest policemen on the Barbary coast. His system was to place an M. P. in front of an establishment until the proprietor paid tribute.

"And these French war brides, I'm predicting that there will be a lot of white slavery cases within a year. Men who were parasites in America before they went into the army are bringing women back as wives, with the intention of living off their earnings.

Criminals Go With Army.

"Some of the worst criminals in America got to France with the army, and they are associating with the Paris apaches. They are committing murder and robbing in high-handed fashion. In Paris you can buy anything for 150 francs. If the American government changes its plate or the color of the paper, the content in it being in 24 hours. I arrested an American soldier who had murdered two French gendarmes and he was equipped with papers showing that he had been discharged from the British army for disability. This fellow had a wonderful record in the Argonne, but he provided himself with the fake papers. I don't know what disposition was made of him, for I returned home shortly after his capture.

Mr. Beatty solved the mystery of systematic robbery of Christmas boxes in a French camp. Every night five sacks of mail containing Christmas boxes for American boys was disappearing. Beatty was put on the case and had himself soaked up in a car of mail. The car was shunted on a sidetrack and the seal broken and the door opened. Nine German prisoners were in the car, which was looting the mail pouches when Beatty made his presence known. In the fight which followed, one German nicked a piece of flesh out of the Portlander's cheek and Beatty shot one of the robbers.

Two Pro-Germans Landed.

Before going to France, and while in an American camp, Beatty cured up two pro-Germans. To get one of them he had to work with a pick and shovel nearly all one day in the hot sun. The particular unit in which he was operating was composed largely of Austrians, who had not been naturalized. "The people of France were never so prosperous as they are today," declared Mr. Beatty. "The government, of course, is hard up, but the people are not. There are millions of dollars of American money in parts of the country where there is little or no money before the war. The American expeditionary forces have been paid in millions of dollars into circulation, and the French people have profited accordingly.

"But anyone who wants to leave the United States for France is playing hooky from the rat house."

M'INNIVILLE HAS LEGION

Post Just Organized Expects to Have 100 Members Shortly.

M'INNIVILLE, Or., Aug. 9.—(Special).—A post of the American Legion was organized in this city last night, when state secretary Dow V. Walker, Barge E. Leonard and John A. Beck, with of Portland post No. 1 met with the soldier and sailor lads of the county at the commercial club rooms. Temporary officers elected were: Major Leonard S. Hopfield, president; Harper N. Jamison, secretary, and Joseph Eokman, treasurer. It is expected that the newly-organized post will have an enrollment of 100 at its next meeting, when permanent officers will be chosen and a name adopted.

CROSSING COLLISION FATAL

One Man Killed, Two Women May Die, at Pasadena.

PASADENA, Cal., Aug. 9.—An elderly man, believed to have been John Wessner of Pasadena, was killed, and two unidentified women were probably fatally injured, when a south-bound Santa Fe train collided on a street crossing here with the automobile in which the three were driving to Los Angeles harbor to greet the fleet.

GASTON EX-MAYOR BURIED

W. A. Spence, Victim of Accident, Lived in Oregon 40 Years.

GASTON, Or., Aug. 9.—(Special).—Funeral services for William Anderson Spence, who died Thursday as the re-

sult of injuries suffered in the hay field Wednesday, were held this afternoon at the Congregational church here. Reverend J. S. Barber of Forest Grove officiated and the local Oddfellows' lodge attended in a body. The pallbearers were John McBurney, Bert White, E. A. Larsen, E. J. Ward, H. D. Bryant and Thomas Carmichael. The body was taken to Forest Grove for burial in Naylor's cemetery, where the services were in charge of the Masons, of which Mr. Spence was a member. Mr. Spence was born at Glasgow, Scotland, in 1849, coming to Oregon 40 years ago with his mother and several brothers and sisters. About 31 years ago they bought a part of the old Stott farm and have lived in this locality since. About three years ago Mr. Spence was elected mayor of Gaston. He was unmarried and lived with his sister, Miss Jane Spence. He is survived by three brothers, Peter Spence of Portland, George Spence of Corvallis, James Spence of Florida, and two sisters, Mrs. Taylor of Scotland and Miss Jane Spence of Gaston.

FLEEING SPEEDER IS KILLED

CYCLIST CHASED BY OFFICER IS THROWN UNDER TRUCK.

Paul Carcich, Shipyard Worker, Succumbs in Eluding Patrolman Until Accident Intervenes.

An attempt to run away from a motorcycle speed officer yesterday, cost the life of Paul Carcich, 25 years old, an employe of the Columbia River Shipbuilding corporation. Carcich, fleeing on a motorcycle from Patrolman Robert Hamaker, was thrown from his machine at the intersection of East Eleventh street and Spokane avenue in Sellwood, directly in front of a heavily loaded wood truck. A front wheel of the truck passed over the man, killing him instantly.

Hamaker, standing with his motorcycle at Millwaukie avenue and Tenth street, sighted Carcich driving along Millwaukie avenue faster than the law allows and gave chase. Carcich succeeded in eluding his pursuer at East Thirteenth street and Spokane avenue by dodging behind a streetcar and turning down Spokane avenue. According to the driver of the wood truck, Louis Eriksson, of 28 North Eighth street, the motorcycle was overturned just as Carcich reached the intersection, throwing its rider under the truck.

Motorcycle Patrolman R. L. Schad, who was sent from police headquarters to investigate the accident, met Patrolman Hamaker and the two proceeded to the scene of the accident together. Schad's version of the accident is that Carcich set his brakes upon sighting the truck, that the front wheel of the motorcycle, leaving the ground at a slight bump in the pavement, became entangled in the rear and thus threw the rider.

The body was taken to the public morgue. Louie Eriksson, the driver of the truck, was not held except as a witness. The identity of the victim was established by Deputy Coroner Leo Gotsch, who recognized Carcich as a witness in an accident on Terwilliger boulevard May 19 in which Andrew J. Beetz was killed. An attempt is being made by the coroner's office to learn Carcich's home address and to locate his relatives.

ROAD WORK IS EXPEDITED

New Highway Between Oregon City and Oswego Cuts Hill Away.

OSWEGO, Or., Aug. 9.—(Special).—The clearing and grading of the new highway between Oregon City and Oregon City is progressing as rapidly as men and machinery can be had. The road will be built half way between the two present bridges. It will be 240 feet long and 65 feet above the river.

The new highway will extend south along the crest of the Oswego hill, about 100 feet higher than the river road.

Ninety-five men are employed, one camp being located at Oswego and another three miles south. Palmer & Young, Portland contractors, expect to complete their part of the work in 90 days.

CAR LINE REPORT FILED

Portland Railway Income Balance for 1918 Given as \$321,906.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 9.—(Special).—Income balance of the railroad lines of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company for the year 1918 totaled \$321,906.58, according to a report filed with the Oregon public service commission. This is an increase of \$173,861.70 when compared with the report for the year 1917.

The operating income is set out in the report as \$819,740.48, or a decrease of \$153,040.49 from the previous year. The non-operating income was \$297,506.25, showing an increase of \$276,075.15 over the year 1917. Gross income was \$2,607,746.74, a comparative increase of \$123,056.06 over the previous year. The total deductions from the gross income were \$2,325,840.16, a decrease of \$59,327.04 when compared with the year 1917.

TRUCKS BEING DISTRIBUTED

Allotment of Big Army Carriers to Oregon Counties Begun.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 9.—(Special).—Sixty army trucks, 40 of which have already been received in Salem, are being distributed among the counties of the state by the highway commission. It is proposed to allot one truck to each county at present. The second allotment will be ready for distribution within two weeks.

The trucks are of two tons capacity and practically conform to the requirements of the highway commission. The only expense attached to the distribution of these trucks is the freight, which they are allotted. They were assigned to Oregon by the federal government, to aid in the road improvement campaign.

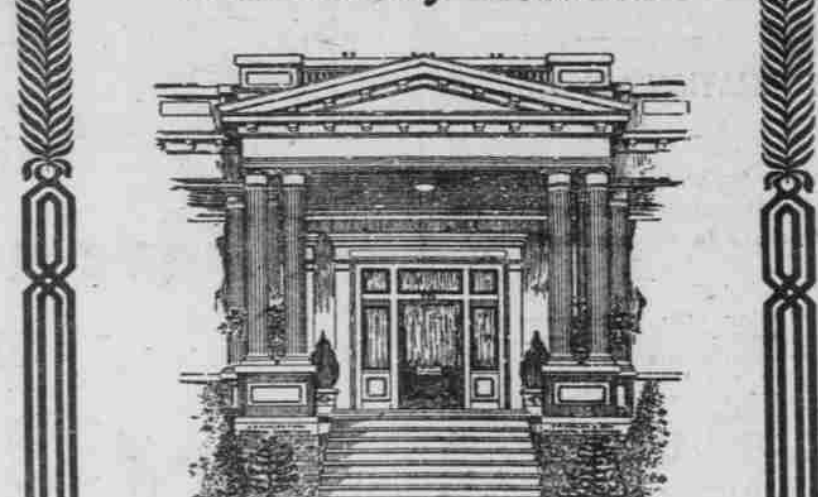
HIGHWAY WORK RETARDED

Difficulties Encountered on Independence-Rickreall Road.

MONMOUTH, Or., Aug. 9.—(Special).—Paving on the highway project from Independence to Rickreall reached Monmouth this week. It has taken the Warren company two months to pave the two miles between Monmouth and Independence, with the six miles to Rickreall yet to do this season. The company had trouble with its asphalt-mixing plant at the start and also has been delayed in getting crushed rock from the quarry at Halsey.

This week the company obtained permission from the highway commission to lay five inches of asphalt mixture on a gravel base where crushed rock could not be obtained and a part of the paving is being laid this way. Gravel is taken from the Willamette river at Independence.

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FOREST FIRES NOT FEARED

OFFICIALS EXPECT PLANE PATROL TO PREVENT LOSSES.

Oregon Has Ten-Day Period With No Reports of Blazes—Regular Flights Are Inaugurated.

Continued improvement in the forest fire situation in national forests of Oregon leads forestry officials to believe that further losses during the remainder of the dry period will not be anticipated.

In the last ten days no new fires have been reported and the air patrol now in operation is expected to sound so prompt a warning that any new fires that may develop can be checked while in early stages.

Campers and tourists have been warned against carelessness with fire while in timbered areas, and enforcement of federal regulations has become so strict that all are co-operating with forestry bureau men in preventing blazes. The forests are so dry that the danger is great, say foresters, each day of sunshine and drying wind adding to the hazard.

Two of the planes stationed at Salem arrived at Eastmoreland field yesterday. The schedule that has been arranged calls for daily landing of the planes here in maintaining what is known as the northern patrol. Two of the machines may be stationed at Roseburg, the other six being retained at Olcott field, Salem, where a machine shop will be established for making repairs. This will permit of prompt dispatch of relief to the southern base when necessary.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 9.—(Special).—Oregon's airplane forest fire patrol service, the first of its kind established in the northwest, got under way today.

Two of the eight planes now stationed at the Salem base departed on their initial flight at 10 o'clock. One of the planes took a westerly and northerly course from the capital, circling the forested area as far as Portland. The return flight was made over the timbered districts to the east of the Southern Pacific railroad. The other plane covered the timbered area both west and east of the Southern Pacific railroad as far south as Eugene.

ALLEGED THIEF CAPTURED

One of Trio Accused of Attempting Car Theft Taken.

One of three men reported caught robbing a garage early yesterday morning was arrested by Patrolmen Williams and Rockwell. He gave the name of Earl Kiper and an auto robe, identified as stolen property, it is said, was found in his room. The other two men made their escape.

Patrolmen Rockwell and Williams were sent from police headquarters in answer to a telephone call from 665 Ladd avenue, saying two men were trying to break into a garage. The provokers were gone by the time the policemen arrived, but the door of A. D. Merrill's garage at 359 Hemlock street was seen to be open and as the policemen stopped to investigate two men broke from the garage and took to their heels.

Earl Kiper, sitting in an auto nearby

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