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FIRES OUT IN THE P. R. & N. MOUNTAINS

Geo. Westinghouse Says Loss of Green Timber May be \$50,000

CHAS. WEDBERG HAS LOSS
House Burns, Loses all Furniture, Clothing and War Stamps

George Westinghouse, of Timber, was in the city Saturday. When asked about the big fires raging in and about his section the past three weeks, Mr. Westinghouse said that the greater portion of the blaze is under control, and practically extinguished. He says that in all probability the loss of green timber from Schofield to Cochran will run anywhere from fifty to one hundred thousand dollars in value. The Southern Pacific Company, he thinks, must have paid out \$100 per day for at least two weeks, patrolling and fighting fire, with a train crew hauling water in the big car tanks.

Mr. Westinghouse says that Charles Wedberg lost his house together with his furniture, clothing and \$29.19 in newly purchased War Savings Stamps, as one of the results of the big blaze of the last fortnight. While in the city G. W. investigated the loss of the stamps, and the post office department, through which the sales were made, may make an attempt to see that Wedberg is given stamps to replace the loss. There is an absolute record of the sale, Mr. Westinghouse having made the purchase from Postmaster Bangs at Timber. The visitor cautions all campers and fishermen to use every precaution in setting out fires in the timber and along the streams, as a little carelessness might result in thousands of dollars of loss thro the dry period.

Six or seven big donkey engines were lost in the flames.

For Sale, very cheap—A gasoline tractor with woodsaw attached; will pull two plows; handle other farm implements; good for cutting ensilage and in good condition. Working in shipyard, and must sell.—L. D. Huffaker, Garden Home. 17-19

The postmasters in the county have certainly had a busy year aside from their ordinary duties in the postal service. There has been registration of German aliens, and then registration of German female aliens over 14 years of age; the sales of war stamps, and all other new duties imposed—and if the other offices have been as busy as the Hillsboro and Forest Grove offices. Postmasters Lamkin and Wirtz should call a consolation picnic—whenever they have time for the picnic.

L. M. Buell, famous for being a bread-maker hard to beat, and making bread he himself can't eat, was in from his Bath any sawmill, Saturday. His mother, Mrs. Florence Buell, her daughter, Mrs. Mary Dye, and daughter, Miss Tina Dye, of Myrtle Point, are up for an extended visit with the Buells and Mrs. Henry Clarno, of North Plains. L. M. was visited recently by the Knights and Ladies of Security, of Portland, who not only surprised their hosts, but also surprised the neighbors by the way they fell to and helped harvest the Bethany cherry crop.

Jacob Schmidt, of near Laurel, was in Saturday.

O. Westcott, of southeast of the city, was in town the last of the week.

W. J. Gregg, of Leisyville, transacted business in the city Saturday morning.

Henry Miller and wife, and J. Q. Johnson, of below Danzer, were up to the city Saturday afternoon.

A. Bendler, one of the Holstein breeders and dairymen of North Tualatin Plains, was in the city Saturday morning.

Chester Stewart and family, of Tigard, were city visitors Saturday, guests of the Wm. Scholmerichs and J. B. Stewarts.

R. L. Robinson, of Farmington, one of the really old timers of the Tualatin bottom lands, was in the city the last of the week.

John Seifert, of Phillips, was taking a half-holiday Saturday, and while in town made his annual pilgrimage to the Argus office.

Frank Imbric, of Oreneo, was in the city Friday. Frank is doing his double-shuffle on farm work these days since his son enlisted in the navy.

Thos. Heaton, the man who never misses the big league games when they are pulled off in Portland, was down to the county seat from Meek Plains, Saturday.

For Sale—Two four year old grade Jersey cows, with second calves; one just fresh and other to freshen last of July.—Oscar Johansen, Farmington; Hillsboro, R. 5. 17-19

Geo. Westinghouse, of Timber, a settler there before there was any thought of a railway in that mountainous section, was down to the county seat Saturday, greeting oldtime friends.

For Sale—Two heifers, 2½ years; coming fresh soon; at \$25 each; also four 6-weeks pigs, in fine condition. Will also sell good work team very cheap.—Fred Wright, Hillsboro, Route 5. 17-19

J. H. Humphreys, who has been here several days from Woodland, Wn., departed the last of the week for Wenatchee, Wn., where he will visit his sister-in-law, Mrs. Beadan, lately moved there from Hillsboro.

For sale: 79 acres, all in cultivation; fair buildings; about 2 miles from Hillsboro; on milk and mail routes; soil in high state of cultivation; some fruit; desirable locality. \$200 per acre; terms, satisfactory. Address sealed envelope, "E. care Argus." 16-20

Hubert Bernards, of McMinnville, was in the city Saturday on business. Hubert came down to the Washington County holding, near Forest Grove, last Spring, put in the crops, handled it, and then made his hay, and is now going back to McMinnville for a big rest, although he didn't look as tho he needed it.

Paul C. Long, mechanic for Capt. Sellwood's field ambulance, at Camp Lewis last Winter and Spring, is now on the way to France, and writes his brother, L. A., from Camp Merritt—"Feeling exceedingly fit. Was down to the city (New York) yesterday, but didn't see anyone I knew, so didn't tarry but a few hours. New York is one bigger than Hilltown, but it is twice as lonesome."

FORMER COUNTY MAN MAY VISIT RUSSIA

W. H. Galvani, Formerly of Buxton, Endorsed For Commission

WOULD BE STRONG FACTOR
No Better Appointment Could be Made to Make Impression

W. H. Galvani, former resident of Buxton, has been strongly endorsed to President Wilson as a commendable appointment on the United States Industrial Commission which President Wilson will in a few days send to Russia to represent the government, and the Argus is free to admit that Mr. Galvani would be representative of our interests in a way that would reflect credit upon the country, and his appointment would be a part of wisdom. He is a scholar, a linguist, and is one of the ablest students of economics in the Northwest. He is an orator of no mean ability as well, and his Washington County friends as well as his Portland friends wish him success. He is being placed forward by his friends, and Senators Chamberlain and McNary have been asked to endorse him for the position.

Mr. Galvani gave out the following statement to the press touching upon his endorsement:

"If I should go to Russia in that capacity, I would do so first as a citizen of the United States and second as a native of great Russia; as one who first of all is loyal to the interests of his adopted country and second as a firm believer in the cause of the allied powers with whose fortunes the fate of Russia—the land of my birth—is bound by ties that should be firmly held together and at any cost.

"Though of pacificist convictions, I am not, and never have been, a non-resistant. Although I detest war as the greatest crime against the human family, my heart and soul have been with the allied powers ever since the war lord hurled defiance against the rights of smaller nationalities in order to promote his wild dreams of world conquest. Nothing in the world could contribute to my happiness so much as the privilege to undertake or risk anything in promoting the cause of the allied powers, the sanctity of treaties, the respect of international law, and the extension of liberty and equality among those smaller nationalities who have been criminally deprived of it by any civil, military or religious despotism."

FRED PROSSER KILLED

Fred E. Prosser, for years a well known Scholls boy, was killed in action on the American front near Tours, July 10. He was operating a machine gun with the Marines when killed. He enlisted about a year ago, when war first broke, and was one of the first volunteers to enlist at Fresno. Young Prosser was a son of W. E. Prosser and wife, and was born in Hillsboro, April 24, 1889, the family later moving to Scholls. He is a nephew of Mrs. C. H. Brooks, of Hillsboro, residing on First Street, between Main and Washington, who is a sister of Mr. Prosser.

His parents now reside at Seaside, having moved there from Scholls some time ago. Young Prosser spent his boyhood at Hillsboro and Scholls, and he was a universal favorite. He reached the American front a few weeks ago, after reaching France in February. He went to Fresno about a year and a half ago, and when a state of war was declared hastened to enlist with the American troops, preferring the Marines because of the possibility of early action.

The deceased soldier's mother was formerly Miss Hama Landess, a sister of Mrs. Carl Larsen and Grant Landess, and young Prosser was a grandson of W. A. Prosser, living with Mrs. C. H. Brooks.

SOME FIGHTERS

It is reported here that Harry Blair, machine operator on the Oregonian, former compositor and pressman on the Argus, has applied to the government for enlistment to run a machine gun, mounted on a motor cycle. Henry wants to go provided Bill Cuddy goes along to operate the motor cycle while Henry pumps the gun.

John Cawse, of Shefflin, was greeting friends in the county seat Saturday.

Mrs. A. Rigert, of Beaverton, Route 1, was a Hillsboro caller Monday morning.

Henry Harris, the dairyman of near Cornelius, was in the county seat Friday.

Geo. H. Jack, of near Farmington, was transacting business in town Saturday afternoon.

W. T. Maddox, of South Tualatin, was in town Friday morning, on legal and other business.

Ed. Oglesby and family have returned from North Yamhill, and are again residents of North Hillsboro.

John Johnson, on the Withycombe and Tongue places, years ago, now of Tigard, was in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Crow, of Portland, were out Sunday, the guests of Chas. Gardner and wife, of Newton.

Fred Berger, of Bethany, was in town Saturday. His son, Arnold, is now in France, having left Camp Lewis in June.

P. H. Schmidt, of Sherwood, was in the city Monday morning. He says that the onion crop is badly in need of rain in his section.

Fred Willis, of near Helvetia, was in town the last of the week. Fred says the China crop is pretty fair out his way, the mild Spring being fine for hatching.

Word reaches Hillsboro that Geo. Emmott and wife are having a fine time in San Francisco. Geo. is still nursing that foot, but manages to keep out of the way of the street cars.

Wanted: To rent, Oct. 1, a ranch for dairying or general farming. Will buy some good cows, sheep and hay. State terms and location.—R. E. Williams, Albany, Or., R. 3. 18

John T. Rice, of the Grove, was down Monday. He can't pass a piece of beaverdam these days without speculating on its possibilities in onion productiveness, so long was he in the business.

Thos. E. Cornelius, of above Rippling Waters, Gales Creek, was down to the city Monday morning. Tom says that hundreds of autos, hunting the cooling breezes of upper Gales, pass his place weekly.

Wm. Bouesin, of Murtangh Creek, above Mountaine, was down to Hillsboro, Monday. W. E. improvised a cradle that is a whirlwind and cut his grain without having to buy a new one—these are war times.

Lou Meyers, of Chehalum Mt., one of the real productive spots of a fertile county, was in town the last of the week. Lou is up on the hill so high that he can see about 90 per cent. of the county on any clear day.

G. A. Tigard, of near Tigard, was up Monday morning. He has finished hay harvest and baling and is now ready to tackle the harvest. One of his sons is in the draft, and he will hereafter operate his farm with his two minor sons.

F. W. Pribnow, of above Banks, in the Cedar Canyon country, was down to Hillsboro last week and enlisted in the army of Argus readers. F. W. says that he is again ranching, and he is thro with leasing his farm—anyway until after the war is over.

Mrs. J. Q. Adams, of East Hillsboro, was the recipient of a birthday surprise July 4. All her seven children were at home, and nineteen of her twenty-seven grandchildren were present. Mrs. Adams has two grandsons in the war service. The children presented her with a substantial present in commemoration of her birth anniversary.

A Southern Pacific locomotive, coming in from McMinnville, Sunday morning, caused a lot of trouble to the conductor, engineer and fireman, and incidentally to the Hillsboro fire department. In some way the fuel oil which fed the big fire box commenced to flood and the fire followed the pipes to the feed, and it was impossible for them to shut off the oil supply. The engineer raised a riot with his whistle and ran his engine up to the Main street stop, where a chemical brought by the fire department soon had the blaze under control. The department was called out by telephone, and the big siren disturbed the 3 o'clock beauty sleep of the city. After a half hour the train proceeded on its way without trouble.

SHIP YARD LABOR 40 MILLIONS YEARLY

Construction of Sea-Going Vessels in Oregon is Big Thing

36,436 MEN ARE EMPLOYED

Report of Industrial Conditions Over the State

Portland—36,436 men are employed in shipyards of this district. This is an advance of 4436. It is estimated Oregon shipbuilders' pay-roll amounts to \$41,925,000 annually.

Salem—Governor wants 5,000 militia to guard industries against invasion.

Oregon prune crop to be 40,000,000 lbs, and will bring \$3,000,000.

Albany needs a cannery. One day shipped 60,000 lbs berries. Lakeview—Truckloads of soda going out from alkali lake.

Portland gets a new foundry and machine shop.

Portland ship launching since July 4th, 24,700 tons.

Florence—Large force building South jetty tramway.

Hood River—Strawberry industry totaled a million crates at \$3.50 per crate.

Oregon Highway commission has \$427,124 left to spend this year.

Newport—2,000 soldiers employed on government railroads building from here to spruce forests at Waldport and Siletz reservation via Otter Rock.

North Bend shipyard foreman has plans for a combination wood concrete ship.

Marshfield—\$12,000 bridge to go in our Isthmus inlet.

Powers—Road to be built to our big copper deposit 18 miles from here.

Vale—\$20,000 court house improvements nearing completion. Albany girls helping save the Linn county hay crop.

Newberg Graphic and Enterprise merged into one newspaper.

Astoria—McEachern shipyard adds machinery equipment plant. Oregon has launched 346,300 tons wooden ships to date.

Oregon and Washington to produce 600 cns of airplane timber per month.

Gold Hill—State Lime Board to continue construction of plant to be completed August 1st.

The Dalles will erect a \$12,000 school building.

Harrisburg—Building of auto road for motor travel to Klamath Falls begun.

Powers—Armory for home guard company being constructed here.

Bandon—Sawmill on Smith place to begin sawing airplane stock.

Portland—Spruce division to spend \$600,000 in quickly constructing railroads in Oregon.

Salem—Highway commission to pave 18 miles between here and Aurora.

Newport—Yaquina Bay to get state highway.

Roseburg—This district will have complete telephone system and lines to all parts of county.

MASCOT MASKED

With the American Army at the Marne, July 17—Jimmy, the U. S. Marines' Mexican anti-eater mascot, has been through the recent Marine drive on the Marne, and is back in the Marine billet, unscathed.

When the "Devil Dogs" began the march toward the German lines, Jimmy fell right in line. All the coaxing, threatening and pleading that the pick of the regiment could do was of no avail. Jimmy's comrades were going in to trouble—well, then, so was Jimmy.

While the hand to hand conflict was raging between the Marines and the Huns, Jimmy was here, there, everywhere, scurrying back and forth, his eyes pleading to be allowed to aid.

After the battle, the Marines, realizing that they would never be able to keep Jimmy out of any more engagements, immediately fashioned a miniature gas mask and shrapnel helmet with which the mascot will be armed the next time he goes forth into the fray.

For Sale—Colt, 2½ years old; large size; will make heavy work horse; chunky; fawn colored; not broke, but carries harness and has harnowed.—P. O. Fiville, Cornelius, Oregon; phone, James 8. 18-20

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