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ZEPPELINS PASSED OVER SIMPSON HOME

Former Hillsboro Woman Says Town Not Damaged

MARY A. SIMPSON WRITES

Floating Mine Did Only Real Damage to English Town

Letters from England under date of Dec. 3, were still censored, but the letter received from Miss Mary Ann Simpson, written from Bridlington, was not a sufferer from deletion. She writes:

"I hope you may soon have the pleasure of welcoming your boys home now that unconditional surrender has actually come to pass. Isn't it grand? Germany utterly squelched! We are bothered to know what is to be done with the Kaiser. A teacher here asked a class of boys what they should do with him and one lad said: 'Cut him up with a bacon cutter.' Death is far too good for him. Let him live by all means, but devise all punishment possible. It can never be sufficiently adequate. I am glad to tell you that Bridlington has in no way been damaged by the Huns, tho it was quite severely damaged a short time ago by a mine which had drifted. The tide beat it against the sea-wall, when it exploded. It wrecked several houses and not many windows remained whole in the vicinity. The Zeppelins passed over the town many times, and once immediately over my home. I can tell you it is not a pleasant sensation to be put into absolute darkness, without any warning, and soon after to hear the horrid things, not knowing but a bomb might drop at any minute. I guess the Huns thought Brid not worth a bomb. They wanted more for their money. Hall for instance, I'll send you some views of the bombardment of Scarborough if I can obtain them. The town is but 12 miles distant. We are having mild weather with fog—fog—fog day after day—but it is sunshine after all we have passed through. Brid is having its share of the 'flu.' I hope you and your family have been free from the epidemic."

JOHN SYVERSON

John Syverson, aged 18 years, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Syverson, on Cooper Mountain, Dec. 27, 1918, from an attack of influenza. He was a Corporal in the Beaverton Home Guard, and the funeral was held Sunday, with military honors. His brother, Arnold, of Camp Lewis, just home from France, came over to attend the last rites. Young Syverson was a popular young man, and was a universal favorite with all his fellows.

Besides his parents he is survived by the following brothers and sisters:

Raymond Syverson, of Beaverton; Arnold Syverson, A. E. F., now at Camp Lewis awaiting honorable discharge; Mrs. Laura Halleck, Woodstock; Herbert, with the U. S. army in Maryland; Clara, John, Hazel, Agnes, Courtney, Fay, Lois, Arthur and Doris, at home.

Corporal Syverson was one of the first to assist in organization of the Beaverton Guard, and he took a great interest in drills. He will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends, who sympathize with the bereaved family.

Al. Mulloy, of Laurel, was in town Saturday.

George Lippert, of Banks, was an Argus caller Friday.

Flowers for funerals and other occasions.—Bergen Floral Co., Hillsboro. 32-41

A. W. Creps was in town Friday from the Banks section, en route to Portland.

Henry Stauss, of the Shady Brook section, was in the city the last of the week, and called.

Miss Eva Carstens, of Portland, was a Hillsboro visitor Saturday and attended the H. S. Alumni party.

J. R. McNew, who is working for the Standard Box people at Scofield, was down to the county seat Friday afternoon.

I pay the best prices for good, fresh cows and fat cattle.—Otto Ganguin, Dealer in Livestock, Tigar, Ore., R. 2. 39-10

Mrs. Rice, of near Beaverton, died the last of the week from an attack of influenza, and the body was shipped to McMinnville for burial.

Married: James T. Braun and Minnie Harmon, of Portland, were united in marriage in this city, Dec. 26, 1918, Judge D. B. Reasoner officiating.

C. T. Young, who has been visiting here from Gateway, Mont., through the holidays, left this evening to wind up his interests in a mercantile business at that point.

Those desiring dry slabwood, four foot or 16-inch, four foot fir, 16-inch fir, or coal, notify us at once. Prompt delivery. H. D. Schmeltzer, Tel. 2477, res. office 342.

Married: Lawrence E. Fredrickson and Miss Danah Larson were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Larson, Route 5, Dec. 22, 1918, Rev. Norman M. Newton, of Portland, officiating.

Attorney E. J. McAlear returned the first of the week from a trip to Pasco, whether he went to attend the bedside of a brother, who was quite ill. Mr. returned with a fine little touch of laGrippe, but was able to be out in a day or so.

Carroll Long, son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Long, returned home from the Naval Training Station at Gulfport, Miss., the first of the week, having received his discharge. He says he does not particularly like the South, and is glad to get back to old Oregon.

T. C. Reed, of Seattle, a brother-in-law of Herman Collier, has bought the Wm. Reynard farm, comprising 50 acres near Scholls. Mr. Reynard has lived on the place for nearly 30 years. Mr. Reed will take possession sometime between now and Spring.

Methodist Episcopal Church, Third and Washington, (The Church of the Friendly Greeting) Walton Skipworth, pastor—9:45 a. m., Sunday School; 11 a. m., sermon; "A Dissatisfied Young Man"; 6:30 p. m., Epworth League; 7:30 p. m., sermon; prayer meeting, Thursday evening; choir practice, Friday evening.

Will Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Taylor, arrived home from England, Saturday night, via Camp Lewis. He was with the Air service, and was in England. He met his brother Fred in London, last Summer. Fred went over to France a month before the armistice was signed. Glen, the third son of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, is at Bordeaux, at the base hospital. Will says he is glad to get home again.

FIGHT ON HYDRANT ORDER IN COURT

City of Hillsboro Enjoins North Coast Power Company

ALSO U. S. PUBLIC SERVICE

Attorney S. B. Huston Has Case—Constitutional Grounds

The City of Hillsboro has filed a suit in Circuit Court, asking the Court to enjoin the North Coast Power Company from attempting to collect \$5.50 per month for each of the 55 hydrants located in the city as a part of its fire protection. In 1912 when the water and light franchises were segregated for the Washington-Oregon Corporation the council granted a water franchise in which it was agreed that for five years the city should pay \$1.00 per month for the hydrants, each, thereafter the service to be free. The agreement went along smoothly until a few months ago when the North Coast appealed to the Public Service Commission, asking for \$5 per month. The public service body came to the rescue of the company in making an order that the city should pay \$3.50 per month per hydrant, and ordered the city to draw warrants on that basis.

The city has employed S. B. Huston to fight the case and it will no doubt go through the Supreme Court and from there to the United States Supreme Court. The contention of the city's attorney is that there was a valuable consideration involved in the segregation of the two franchises and that when the Washington-Oregon Corporation accepted the franchise it implied a contract, was a contract, and is now a contract. The case is urged on the grounds that the State law can not abridge a contract, entered into fairly and squarely by both parties, and that the United States Constitution is to be urged in that it says no state shall pass a law abridging contracts. Of course, the question of mutuality is involved and it is up to the city to show there was value in the franchise, which it thinks it can do.

The contract still runs for 20 years, and a price of nearly \$200 per month is worth looking after.

18 MILLS TAX LEVY

The county court last week levied 18 mills taxation on a total valuation of \$21,833,641.55, this valuation including the public service property, valued by the State Tax Commission. In all districts having no High School there is an additional mill, making it 19 mills for those sections. The levy is as made:

Fund	Mills
County Road	4.500
State Tax	4.050
School Tax	3.150
Indigent Soldiers	0.033
Library	0.038
General	6.229
Total	18.62
High School	1.00
Total	19.00

The sum to be raised by taxation on this millage amounts to \$410,292.14, and the estimated income from fines and fees is, together with interest, \$12,000. There is already cash on hand to apply the sum of \$18,045.99, the totals of tax to be raised, money on hand and estimated receipts from fines, fees, etc., making \$440,338.13, the sum approved by the Budget meeting.

Extension of the tax rolls will begin at once so as to have the rolls ready for collection as soon as possible.

A NOTE

As mayor of the city I have received several anonymous communications about one thing and another. I respectfully ask that all communications addressed to the Mayor should be signed by the parties sending them. This shows good faith. Needless to say that anonymous communications cannot receive any attention from anyone who has any self-respect. Honest and sincere criticism is always acceptable to me, but in order to insure sincerity such communications should be signed.

Respectfully,
John M. Wall, Mayor.

Mrs. Fred Green, formerly Miss Rose Nelson, of Orwood, Cal., arrived here last week for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson, of the Garden Tracts.

Frank Holcomb, of near Bethany, was a city caller Monday.

Austin Sims, of near Farmington, was a city caller Monday.

J. A. Hobbs, of near Varley, was a caller in the city Saturday.

Henry Bogé, of South Tualatin was over to the city Monday morning.

Theo. VanGrunsven, of Centerville, was a city caller Monday afternoon.

Thos. Talbot, of Cornelius, was down to the county seat last Monday afternoon.

E. Weichbrodt, of south of Cornelius, was greeting friends in town Monday morning.

Don't try to write it 1918 and 1919 at the same time. Use another sheet when you start off wrong.

Wanted: Young boar for head of herd. Poland-China preferred.—Bawly Bros., Cornelius, Route 2, Tel. 23R65. 40-42

Fred Holzmagel, of the post office corps, reported back to work the last of the week, after a siege of the flu.

Earl Hobbs, of Varley, and Carl Susbauer, of Cornelius, both stationed at Camp Lewis, were home for Christmas week.

Wm. Bishop, of above Mountaineer, was in town Saturday, returning from a trip to Portland. The Bishop mill will start cutting again in a few days.

Four-foot slabwood, \$2.75 per cord; 16-inch wood, \$3.50 per cord. Place your orders.—G. H. P. Lumber Co., South Third St., Hillsboro. Phone 942. 43-11

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hoy, of N. Hillsboro, have returned from Heppner, called there by death of daughter-in-law, Mrs. Chas. Hoy, aged 46 years. She leaves husband and an infant child.

Carl H. Olsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Olsen, was still in the hospital in France at his last writing. He has been gassed and it is taking some time for him to get back to his old condition.

For Sale—Team, 10 and 12 years, sound and good workers; weight 2100; harness and old wagon. Or will trade for good top buggy or fat beef.—Box 75, Beaverton, R. 4. Phone, Beaverton 1-5 on line 6. 42-4

There will be a special meeting of the O. E. S. at the Masonic Hall, on the evening of January 8, 1919, for the purpose of entertaining the Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Mabel Settlemeier, of Woodburn, who will arrive on an official visitation.

Walter Zuercher last Monday traded his 20 acres near Laurel for a 4-acre improved tract at Elmonica—the old Ernest Keehn place. He moves there this week. W. O. Donelson takes the Laurel tract. Zuercher sold his personal property to Bruce Schulmerich.

Jake Bettis, farming about 600 acres up in the Nez Perce, Idaho country, came down to spend Holiday week with relatives and friends, and was an Argus caller Friday. He has in over 500 acres of wheat and says that there is prospects for a good crop.

The slippery condition of the pavement the past week was a source of much anxiety to drivers of horses. Several equines sustained falls and the trouble then commenced for as fast as the animal would get up it would go down again. The hard surface is not the finest thing in the world when coated with ice. Horses whose shoes had grown worn had the hardest time, for it was a case of roller skates with them.

Elmer Wohler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wohler, Oak Park, arrived home from New London, Conn., where he was stationed at the submarine base. He will return to civilian life, having asked for and received his discharge. He may go East of the mountains and improve his homestead in the not distant future. Before leaving New London, Wohler called on Mr. and Mrs. Gail W. Wells, who live there. Gail is still on the U. S. submarine, the No. 5, one of the largest afloat in the U. S. service.

Jas. H. Wilson, who in years ago has been in two kidnapping cases in court here, was over from Seattle, one day last week, to spend a few hours. Wilson was arrested once for kidnapping his own wife, a former Miss Lewis, and the second time for kidnapping his little son. Wilson's time of exile under the order of the court has run out and he came over to see how the land lays. As the Court can again enter a decree that he shall not molest, and under circumstances is liable to do it, Wilson did not tarry long after paying Hillsboro a short visit.

STATE HIGHWAY COM. TO LET CONTRACT

Will Receive Bids January 7 on \$700,000 Work

NEW YEAR TO SEE WORK

What the State is Doing, and Will do in 1919

Coos Bay district cut 263,000,000 feet lumber in 1918.

Salem—State Highway Commission will take bids Jan. 7th on \$700,000 road work.

Klamath Falls—Pelican Bay sawmill increases capacity to 70,000,000 ft.

Eight hulls built at Aberdeen to be fitted with machinery at Portland.

Portland—Albina Engine & Machine Works launch one vessel and deliver another to the government Dec. 30.

Glendale—New sawmill going in here.

Portland—Eagle Flour Mills to erect another mill; capacity 1000 bbls.

Corvallis—Benton county to have 2000 acres beans next year. Growers want warehouse and cleaning plant here.

Pendleton—County court to set aside \$50,000 this year to grade road between Pendleton and Morrow county line.

Corvallis—Eleven miles Benton county roads to be hard surfaced, to cost \$220,000.

The Dalles—Wasco Milling Co running at capacity; three 8-hour shifts.

Salem—Contracts let to Columbia Contract Co. for 50,000 yards road material for paving 18 miles between Salem and Aurora.

Lebanon—New \$10,000 cannery building authorized by board of directors. Equipment to cost \$5000.

Portland—The State Highway Commission appropriates \$180,000 for Umatilla county roads.

Bend to get new trout hatchery.

Oregon's area of fall sown wheat largest on record, totals 693,000 acres.

Halfway—80 per cent. of farmers of county get part of their income from dairying.

The Dalles—State Highway Commission approves \$90,000 bridges over Deschutes. Roseburg to Winchester road to be paved. \$92,500 will be expended.

MRS. GRACE CONNELL

Mrs. Grace Reid Connell died at the home of her son, Thos. Connell, on Fourth and Baseline Sts., Hillsboro, Friday morning, Dec. 27, 1918, after a few hours of illness. Mrs. Connell was born near Belfast, Ireland, March 28, 1836, and at the age of four years crossed to Canada with her parents. She was married to the late Joseph Connell in Canada, April 22, 1854, and they lived in the Dominion until 1874, when they moved to Washington County, settling near the present site of North Plains. Her husband acquired 495 acres of land in the Meek neighborhood, and later added an additional 186 acres north of the Baseline. Mr. Connell died in 1882. Two children born to the union have passed away—James dying in 1892, and William in 1896. She is survived by the following children:

Joseph Connell, Third and Oak Sts., this city; Richard, of No. 321 East 21st St., N. Portland; Mrs. Grace Wood, wife of Senator W. D. Wood, of Hillsboro; Thomas Connell, Hillsboro; Samuel Connell, No. 710 Broadway, Portland, prominent in the lumber business; Dr. E. DeWitt Connell, Portland; Ex-Sheriff John W. Connell, Second St., Hillsboro, and Mrs. Jane Tenbaum, of Portland.

The funeral took place Sunday from the Thos. Connell home at 1:30, and interment was in the Tualatin Plains Scotch Cemetery, near the old Connell home. Rev. Skipworth conducted the services.

Mrs. Connell was a member of the Methodist Church, and was a woman highly respected and esteemed by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

GEORGE E. ROEMHILD

George E. Roemhild, of Cornelius, aged 28 years, 3 months and 8 days, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Roemhild, Dec. 22, 1918. The young man was single, and had been an invalid nearly all his life. The funeral took place Tuesday at the Cornelius Lutheran Church. Undertaker Limber having charge of the burial.

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