AGITATION TO MERGE CITY AND COUNTY

Portland and Multnomah County May do Away With Officers

POLITICIANS FIGHTING IT

One Central Governing Body Opposed by Beneficiaries

Portland city and county are practically one, but have three acts of officials, county, school and city, and a port district, They should have but one central governing body. That is what a business corporation handling the same business would have. But it will not be seriously considered. Government is no longer for the citizen and taxpayer, but for the army of beneficiaries. What would they all do for a living? Some of them might even be forced to labor.

State Commission \$746,000 permanent highway contractor. Shortage of ships for export will close some Ore gon flouring mills.

Pendleton Woolen mills divide war profits as bonus among em-

Oregon State Board of Health blames legislature for the Flu" in not appropriating money enough in the past. State Board now asks \$100,000.

Oregon hop industry looking up. English demand keen at 40

New state prison movement started at Portland.

Columbia river sawmills ships ped 308,551,940 feet lumber in

Portland Launching of 2 vexsels here Dec. 31 marked close of successful 1918 shipbuilding program in this city.

Bend-Construction of new hatchery on the Tumalo to begin immediately.

Fifteen 8800-ton ships, production of Northwest Steel Co., completely outfitted by Willamette Iron & Steel works in

Roseburg - Douglas county prane crop of 8,500,000 lbs. netted growers \$850,000 this season. Eugene - \$800,000 sawmill corporation with capacity of

100,000 ft. may operate here. Salem fruit union ships out be tween 2,500,000 and 3,000,000 lbs. fruit a month. \$500,000 to be distributed among the farmers

before Jan. 15th.

eron Power Co.

adopt 8-hour policy.

\$2,000,000.

city and Portland.

Lebanon-Southern Pacific R. R. Co. gets large shipment of 20,-000 R. R. ties valued at \$17,000.

Eugene Lane Co. growers have record season. Between \$14,000 and \$17,000 has been paid out, daily by Eugene Fruit The Board of Directors of the Growers' Association.

bulls; one old enough for service; Club, of Hillsboro, for the use of others are 5 weeks old and one their club rooms for the annual just dropped. Out of finest milk- meeting of the association. ing strains. John Lindow, Hillsboro, R. 5, Box 65. Phone 1555 . By Peter Grossen, Sec. Proon line 10, Scholls or Hillsboro Tem central.

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Big Year

SENDS INTERESTING VIEWS

Miss Mary Ann Simpson, formerly of this city, now of Bridlington, Yorkshire, sends the Argus a book of the views depicting the results of the bombardment of Scarborough, near Miss Simpson's home. The Hun fleet came tion in October out one day in 1914, with some fast cruisers and steamed by SOON TO LEAVE HOSPITAL Searborough full-steam ahead, and fired perhaps 700 shots, many of which took effect with Wounded Boy Belonged to the quite a death list. The accuracy of their aim was marvelous and many buildings were completely wrecked. The raid was the only one of moment by the German Navy, altho they kept up a Zeppelin raiding for two years. Eventually, however, they concluded the English coast was not profitable place to carry the ighting and the raids gradually

Sydney Thwaite, of Hillsboro, as well acquainted with Scar orough, and he identifies many buildings he knew there as a boy The old eastle on the hill overooking the city was badly shat tered by the shell-fire, but it was moccupied and was not fortified

JURY FINDS GUILTY

The jury in the case of State vs Louis Schmidt, charged with anlawfully having whiskey in his possession, last Friday found the defendant guilty. The defense was given 20 days in which to file a bill of exceptions. The sheriff testified that he found a lot of whiskey in the Schmidt bar,n a mile north of Orenco, and confis ented it and brought it to town. Schmidt claimed that he knew nothing of the liquor being on the premises, but it is popularly supposed that a Portland son-in law eached it there and the the ory of the State was that Schmidt knew it. The jury: B. E. La-Mont. George Jack, F. A. Hohman, Dan Emrick, A. J. Roy, Autheir second son, aged 27 years, gust Tews, W. N. Hathorn, Fred is with Base Hospital No. 89, Rood, Arthur B. Flint, D. B. Coolev. J. C. Kuratli and Frank Ber-

While the trial did not last very ery long it was full of interest spectator in the audience who had tears running down the corners of his mouth. Even Runvon, the court reporter, who is noted as an abstainer, was noticed to be spitting cotton every once in a while,

MRS. ELBERT CHENEY

Mrs. Elbert Chency, aged about 62 years, died at the home of a Roseburg-Umpqua spruce is daughter, in Forest Grove, last needed for construction of cars Thursday. The Chencys were built by U. S. RR. administration. visiting at the time, and Mrs. Klamath Falls Construction Chency became so ill it was im of a dam 6 ft, high and 500 ft. possible for her to be sent home long at head of Link River will to Portland. They lived here : soon be begun by California- Or- number of years ago, and her husband is a Civil War Veteran, Oregon City-Woolen mills and is a brother of H. R. Cheney who worked here as a tinsmith Hood River fruit returns over years ago. She is survived by Mr. Chency, two sons and Corvallis Boat service soon daughter. The remains were sent to be established between this here for burial, and the services were held at the Donelson Undertaking Parlors Saturday after noon, Rev. J. T. Anderson conducting.

CARD OF THANKS

Farmers' Mutual Fire Ins. Ass'u. of Washington County votes a For Sale-Registered Holstein card of thanks to the Hillsboro

S. E. Graf, Pres.

Hillsboro, Ore., Jan. 13, 1919.

THREE SONS, A. E. F., MR. & MRS. BRANDAW

Third Oregon

all three sons of Mr. and Mrs. A. brandaw, of Hillsboro, are in the ervice of Uncle Sam, and all are verseas, or were, at last reports. The eldest, James H., is aged 30 cars, and be is in the Adv. Ordance No. 1 and landed in France a October, receiving his training at Camp Lewis. He has a baby daughter, Gleneva J., aged 20



Jas. H. Brandaw. Ordnance Dept. No. 1

nonths, at the home of his par nts, Mr. and Mrs. Brandaw, Scrgeant Chas. F. Brandaw with the Medical Corps, He landed in France in September, and cas advanced to Sergeant thro his unusual capacity in his work.

Odell W., the baby of the two, and there was more than one is aged 21-all three of the boys were born in O'Brien County, lown-collisted in the Third Oregon in the Spring if 1917, and



Odell W. Brandaw, 162nd Infantry

was with the 162nd at Camp Mills, crossing to France in December of that year. He has been at the front for many months, and was wounded in both legs some weeks prior to the armistice. Adjutant-General Harris,



Sgt. Chas. F. Brandaw, Med. Corps, B. H. No. 89

of D. C., wired the father under date of Jan. 10-"Deeply regret to inform you that Private Odell W. Brandaw, infantry, is officially reported as missing in action since October 19. Further information when received.

The message did not cause any anxiety to the parents, as they received a letter from Odell, dated

Corporal Harold A. Ingles, Co. D., 162nd Inf., writes to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Ingles and his sister, under date of Dee 14, from France:

"Now that censorship is raised, I'll tell you of my trip over. We left N. Y. Dec. 15, 1917, and arrived at St. Nazairre, Dec. 27. Set foot on French soil Jan. 1 and it was sure cold. Ground frozen and about a foot of snow, and wind and sleet blowing. The storm lasted about two weeks. We were there about four months and then moved to Contres and have been here ever since, drilling every day from 7:30 until 4:30 p. m. It sure toughens a man. We get up at 5:45 and go to bed at 9. Contres is a nice little town about the size of Cornelius. During the year here have run on to no dirt roads. All buildings are of stone. Visited the large Chateau where Louis the 14th died-a beautiful place, fine furniture and a big dance hall 150 feet long-sure has the Moose Hall skinned at that. Have been in Nantes, Penrouet, Montair, Versailles, Paris, Lamans. Orleans, St. Mal, Denard, St. Aignan, St. Dezair, Chaumont, Nevers, DeBorges, Clem-ency and other places. The Red Cross huts are nearer the trenches than other organizations. Was to the trenches three times, and certainly it gives you "funny feeling." Never mind those Mamselles-I can talk to some to them. I weigh 158 lbs. now and am nearly six feet tall. No fences here only hedges and stone walls. Certainly has been a great experience and I wouldn't have missed making this trip for anything."

SUSAN ELIZABETH ESSNER

Mrs. Susan Elizabeth Essner widow of the late John Peter Essuer, formerly of Mountain dale, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John W. Connell in Hillsboro, Jan. 13, 1919, afte an illness of a few weeks. She was born in Twinport, Ireland August 25, 1845, the daughter of Philip Divver and wife, and came to America with her parents leaving Donegal County when years of age. She was married to Mr. Essner at Marysville, Cal. July 5, 1867. They settled above Mountaindale on arriving in Oregon, and the husband died Feb born to the union, three of whom have passed away, two sons and a daughter. The surviving chil dren are Joseph and Gabriel, o Mountaindale: Emily, wife of J

Francisco. The funeral took place from the Verboort Catholic Church, at 11 o'clock, today, and interment was by the side of the husband, Undertaker Donelson in charge,

W. Connell, and Eugene, of Sar

Total insurance in force Mrs. Essner was a kindly, lovble woman, and had many at this time friends in her old home in Cali-Net gain, 1918... fornia, as well as at Mountaindale and Hillsboro.

MRS. GERMAIN ANDERSON

Mrs. Germain Anderson, daugh ter of P. S. Penne, of near Farm ington, died at her home in Bellingham, Wash., Jan. 10, 1919, leaving a husband and three children. She was born in Minnesota, and came to Oregon in 1891, with her parents. She was married to Mr. Anderson in 1899, and later moved to the Sound. Of her immediate family she is survived by her father and the following brothers-S. A. Penne, Farmington, and L. Penne, of

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Greek to me. We paraded yeserday for two Marines who were Pythian circles. decorated. Suppose James and Chas, are mustered out by now. Hear we are soon to be sent home but you can hear anything.

If I could get a letter from you best of health."

The extent of his injuries is unknown to the parents, but he "Dear Folks-A few lines ally very proud of their sons.

CORPORAL INGLES WRITES INSURANCE ASS'N CHANGES ITS NAME

German Mutual Now Known as Farmers' Mutual Ins. Association

ANNUAL MEETING JAN. 13

Big Organization Met at Hillsboro Club Rooms-a Fine Record

Insurance Organization, known as the German Mutual Fire Ins. Association, of Washington County, met in annual session in this city Monday of this week. Sam E. Graf, of Bethany, the President of the Board of Directors, presided and in the abence of the regular secretary, Erwin Ritter, owing to illness in his family, Peter Grossen, of Heltetia, acted as temporary Scere

The first order of business, after reading reports of the year was to vote on the change of name. The vote was almost unnimous to change the title of the association, and hereafter the Mutual which has been transact ing business here for 36 years will be known as the "Farmers" Mutual Insurance Association of Washington County, Oregon."

The report showed a healthy condition with the greatest tory, altho the net gain was not as large as it has been in some former years. The association shows its patriotism by having bought \$750 in Liberty Bodns from its reserve fund.

The report of the Board of Directors and the Secretary and Treasurer shows these facts for

Cash on hand at close		
of 1917	\$2239	31
Receipts, 1918,	3543	
Interest account	68	64
Total cash	\$5846	81
Disbursed-		
Fire, Carrie E. Bennett.	\$175	00
Mt. Dale-Helvetia Hall.		
Henry Stoffer Fire		
Hall rent	- 4	
Safety box	1	
Printing and notary	_ 35	55
Auditors and Board Di-		
rectors and Treasurer	86	00
Expense Secretary	295	00
Total paid	\$2036	64
Transferred to Reserve		
Fund	\$424	79
Bal. in General Fund	*****	
Total Assets—		
Deposited in 3 banks	\$3385	38
U. S. Liberty Bonds		
D	100 200 200	1000

84268 44 Miscellaneous Facts-Fires paid in 1918 \$1615 00 Since organized.

1,506,849 00 78,697 00 Members of Association, 940, Gain of members in 1918, 15. Cost per \$1,000 of insurance,

Cost per \$1,000 for 10 years, er venr. \$2.06.

Gerhard Goetze was re-elected for 5 Years, succeeding himself as a member of the Board of Direc-

J. J. Wismer was re-elected as Auditor for two years, this being

After adjournment the Board of Directors, consisting of Erwin Ritter (he being unavoidably absent), S. E. Graf, Bethany; Alfred Guerber, Hillsboro, R. 1 O. Penne and P. S. Penne Jr., of Wm. F. Haase, Cornelius, R. 2 and Gerhard Goetze, had their meeting and elected the follow-

ing officers for the coming year: President, Samuel Graf, Portland. Ore., R. 2; Secretary, Erwin Ritter, Linton, Route 2; Treasurer, Ben D. Graf, Portland

HORACE DORRIEN

Horace Dorrien, aged 24 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Doragain to day to let you know that rien, well known at Cornelius 20 I am still feeling fine. Lots, of years ago, died at Raymond, V. a., rain now - seems like Oregon ex- Jan. 8, 1919. His father was a cept for this lingo they speak well known school teacher at over here. Understand a dozen Cornelius, and taught in several words or so, and the rest is parts of the county. Both the parents were well known here, in

FARMERS ASKED NEEDS

Farmers, let your labor needs be known to J. W. Brewer, farm it would relieve my mind, and all help specialist of the U. S. De-I can do is to hope you are in the partment of Agriculture and the O. A. C. He will belp you if you report specifically your individual needs.

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