

AGED RELATIVE IS HELD IN FRENCH PRISON AS SUSPECT DURING WAR

Fritz Heim of Marshfield Receives Letter From Relatives in France.

BROTHER SERVES AS VALET TO OFFICER

Mother and Sister Tell of Suffering—Funds Gone and Difficult to Get Food

Fritz Heim and wife, Mrs. Theresa Heim, who are employed at the Chandler, have just received a letter from Mrs. Heim's sister in France telling of the pitiful experiences they are having in the war. The family is of German origin but the sister and her family have been across the border in France for some time and her husband neglected to take out his naturalization papers and in consequence is held in prison as a suspect. The following is the letter received, the sister referring to her husband as "father:"

S. Julien, Nov. 22, 1914.
Dear Sister and Brother:
On November 20th I received your letter of the 31st of October and saw that you both were in good health but we are very unhappy on account of the war.
On the second of August the war broke out and all the factories were closed and the men had to go. I have worked eight days out of the four months and my daughter works one day each week and we are all alone in our house—no protection from anyone.
On the third of August father went to the city to see a friend who was going to the front and about 6 o'clock four policemen came to the house and asked for him and when I told them he had gone to the city but would be back soon, they came in and searched the house, requiring me to show them all valuable papers but they found nothing of value to them as we have always been loyal to this government. At 7 o'clock father came back, but the policemen had gone so we went to the station and asked for the papers permitting us to remain in France, just as all Americans are required to do. At 10 o'clock two policemen came back and told father to come with them. He showed them his papers and told them it was not his fault that he had not secured his naturalization papers, because he had applied for them two years before and they were retarded, but the policemen told him to come with them anyway. They did not handcuff him—they were very kind to him. They told me that I should come the next day to see him, so we all kissed good bye and off he went with them. The next day myself and my daughter went to the police station and asked for father. They said they didn't know where he was and that I should go to the court house, but there I received the same answer and they told me to go to the Attorney General, who also said he didn't know and advised me to go to the war office, which I did, and they started me back on the same round of places and so I had to come home with a broken heart. On the seventh of August I received a letter from father and saw that he was in prison. He told me I should bring him shoes, socks and underwear.
So you can think how I feel. I went to the mayor of our town and showed him the letter and he told me that father must stay in prison until the war is over, held only as a suspect. There will be no trial as he had violated no laws. He will not be mistreated.
It is a shame to hold in jail a man who has a son at the front and is innocent of any crime.
Two years ago my son got his portion of his grandfather's estate, with which he bought a house, but never told the neighbors where it came from and now they are accusing him of having taken it from the German authorities in payment for work done for them—so we are very unhappy.
We can go every two weeks to see father and talk to him through the bars for five minutes. I have to supply him with clean clothes every two weeks as they do not furnish his clothing. He is very thin and his hair is white already from sorrow.
My son was on the front in Elsass. From there he went to Belgium and now he is in Bleinville as valet to one of the high officers. I will be happy if I can see him home safe

and sound.
So, my dear sister and brother, you see I am most unhappy all alone as our house stands on the edge of a big forest.

Wives who have husbands at the front are paid 1 Fr. 25c. and for each child 50c. and all other citizens get lunch and dinner with bread every day from the French government, but my daughter and I get nothing. I was never so poor in my life as I am now. We have a house but we can't eat walls and I can get no money from the bank. Every Thursday and Saturday a friend brings us two loaves of soldier's bread, each weighing three pounds, another friend brings us lard and coffee once in a while and this is the way we have lived for the past month. All our ready money is gone. I will be so happy when the war is over. We go to bed at 6 o'clock and get up at 8 o'clock in the morning to save light and fuel.

They have brought about a thousand soldiers, German and French, to be buried in our cemetery. I do not know much of my sisters and brothers in Germany. The only thing I have heard is that two or three little towns around the City Mulhausen have been burned and destroyed and in some places the blood ran ankle deep.

Dear sister and Brother, you should be very happy to be away from this country with all its sorrow and I shall hope to see you after the war is over.

With love to you both, from
Sister and Niece.

AD MEN OF SOUTH ARE REMEMBERED

Big Spruce to Grace Banquet of San Francisco Ad Men—Replica of Oregon Coast

A Coos Bay Christmas tree 16 feet in height and of the conical Santa Claus type, true to story-book form, will grace the big banquet table of the San Francisco Ad Club when they hold their annual get-together meeting next Wednesday. On the Redondo when she sailed south this morning the tree reposed in state, perched aloft on the lumber deckload.

Last year the Ad Club had a tree "fully thirty inches high," as they told J. A. Ward when he met them at luncheon there two weeks ago. He laughed then and promised them a regular tree for this Christmas.

To make good his promise Mr. Ward went searching through the hills. Several miles out on a sunny slope he found a large spruce. Standing 16 feet high, the branches clustered thickly together and bulging out to almost 16 feet in width.

Landsmen tactics for handling the tree were futile until Captain Erickson came to the rescue and in true sailor fashion suggested that a rope by "slung" about the branches. Thus the tree was closed up like an umbrella and is expected to arrive in San Francisco in good shape.

"The tree will be a great advertisement," said Mr. Ward, "and it will do more good among those ad men than \$100 of advertising in some other direction." He sent with the tree a large box of native greens for decoration purposes and a Christmas greeting from Coos and Curry counties.

Mr. Ward also told of the plans just formulated for a miniature replica of the coast of Oregon which the Oregon Commission has asked him to construct in the rear of the Oregon Fish and Game building. This will be on the very edge of San Francisco Bay. At low tide when the water recedes there will be exposed the marine life of the Oregon coast and so true to life will be that rock oysters and such forms will be transferred directly from this coast to the Exposition grounds.

A space 60x30 feet will be used for this exhibit. One side will be the Bay; on the other a large boulevard. Many of the people will get their first glimpse of sea life from this coast line duplicate. Every indenture and bay of the Oregon coast will be visible. Bordering the exhibit will be specimens of Oregon native shrubbery as it grows along the Pacific.

DOLLAR COMPANY TO GET PLANTS

Big Lumber and Shipping Concern Expected to Take Over Several Coquille Firms

According to parties from Coquille, the Robert Dollar Company will shortly have secured practically all of the larger lumber manufacturing interests on the Coquille River.

The last of this week, the effects of the Seeley & Anderson Logging company will be sold by the receiver and it is expected that the Dollar company, which holds mortgages on the property, will bid it in. The sale has been postponed twice and Mr. Wheeler, of the Wheeler Lumber Co. at Portland, is forcing up the bidding as he holds a mortgage for about \$30,000 against the concern.

Next Saturday Receiver Oakes will sell the Coquille River Manufacturing company's plant at Bullards. The Dollar Company is one of the largest creditors of the concern and it is expected that they will take it over.

The negotiations between the Johnson interests, which are supposed to represent the Dollar company, and Archie Kruse, for the sale of the Prosper Shingle Mill, are to be closed Saturday if Mr. Johnson meets Mr. Kruse's terms.

It is also expected that the Dollar company will eventually take over the Johnson mill on the lower Coquille. Capt. Robert Dollar is receiver for the company and the Dollar interests are among the largest creditors.

This will leave only the Moore mill at Bandon and the Sudden & Christenson mill at Prosper and the Geisendorfer plant outside of the Dollar company's connections. E. E. Johnson has secured one mill at Coquille and the other was bid in recently by the Dollar company. As soon as the affairs are closed up, it is understood that there will be a general reorganization of the affected plants and the concerns probably placed under one subsidiary company of the Dollar interests.

If the plans mature, it is expected that most of the output will be shipped direct to the Orient on the Dollar company's boats. Capt. Dollar has had this in view for some time and on his last visit here was figuring with the C. A. Smith company on securing consignments of pulp and of getting fuel coal from them. If his shipping from Coos county to the Orient grows as he expects, it is not unlikely that the Dollar company will operate its own coal mines to supply their ships, which do not use oil.

BURIED IN COQUILLE.

Stephen Lapp, Jr., of Ten Mile, Buried at Fairview After Serious Illness.

Stephen Lapp, Jr., aged 33 years, was buried yesterday in the Fairview cemetery at Coquille following an illness of two months. The deceased was unmarried, but leaves a father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Lapp, of Coquille, five brothers and one sister. They are John, Charles, Conrad, Joe and Frank and the sister is now Mrs. Nena Chard of Henryville.

Mr. Lapp lived on a ranch at Ten Mile. Two months ago he was taken sick with smallpox and following this a series of complications set in and he died late Monday evening. He was well known in Marshfield, having lived here at one time and being very often a visitor in the city.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

FRIDAY.

Young Matrons' Xmas Exchange with Mrs. Otis Wilson. Kewpie Club with Miss Margaret Reynolds. M. H. S. Sophomore class dance at Eagles' Hall. Ladies' Art Club with Mrs. Olivia Edman. Four Leaf Clover Club.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Rudolph Sherych and Myrtle Richards. Wilson Burt Kirkruff and Marie Flater.—Coquille Herald.

Symphony Concert, Thursday, December 17th, Lemausk's Theater.

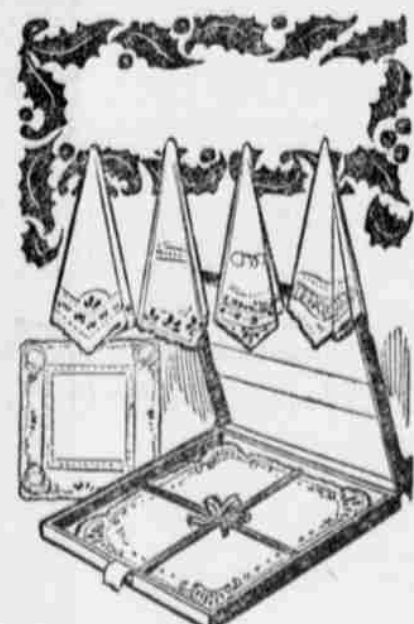
Gore, Pa. P. A. Morgan had occasion recently to use a liver medicine and says of Foley Cathartic Tablets: "They thoroughly cleansed my system and I felt like a new man—light and free. They are best medicine I have ever taken for constipation. They keep the stomach sweet, liver active. Tablets are stimulating in action, and neither gripe nor sicken. They are wholesome and thoroughly cleansing, and keep the liver active. Stout people like them. For sale by the Owl Pharmacy."

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THE NEW RESERVE NOTES APPEAR

"Jackson Tens" Reach Coos Bay—Are Good to Look at and Better to Spend

"Jackson Tens," one of the series of the new brand of paper money which Uncle Sam says will be accepted anywhere in polite circles, have made their appearance on Coos Bay for the first time, and they look nice enough to break up the present cold snap.
To Dorsey Kretzer, cashier of the First National Bank, belongs the honor of securing a bundle of the new Federal Reserve notes. They came from and were issued by the San Francisco branch Federal Reserve bank, No. "121."

The new bills live up to their advance notices. They are the same size as the old-fashioned general purpose national bank bills, but have more pictures on them. In fact if a lot of these bills were bound up into book form they would make nice reading these long winter evenings, and after the younger children could use them for history picture books.

Portland has only received the "Lincoln fives," being the \$5 denomination which came from Chicago, so that Coos Bay is ahead of the Rose City in receiving these

notes. The ones received by Mr. Kretzer, the "Jackson Tens," have the picture of the great democrat, Andrew Jackson's face on the front or south side, and just east of Jackson's face is the seal of the United States, and just west, to the left, is the official seal of the San Francisco Reserve bank, which has the serial trade mark "121."

Walking around to the north, or rear side of the note, one observes Columbus discovering America in the usual way and wearing the same clothes he wore way back in 1492 when he really did it. At the other extremity of the bill is another interesting spectacle. The Pilgrim fathers are just beaching their boat off the coast of Plymouth and several of the boys are climbing up the rough shore looking for the rock that people have been naming their toasters after for the past 300 years.

Art critics and newspaper men who have been able to get close enough to one of the new bills are impressed with the fact that they meet all the requirements of regular money once they have been run down and captured. Just yet the bills are a little wild and hard to get. It was noticed that Dorsey held onto them very tightly as he did not think them tame enough to be trusted around strangers or reporters who are not accustomed to handling them.

Symphony Concert, Reserved seats on sale at the "Caudy Nook," Lemausk's Theater.

COOS BAY TREES FOR CALIFORNIA

Redondo Sails South With Christmas Greens—Carries Passenger List of Thirty

Piled high with Coos Bay Christmas trees bound south to decorate the homes of many Californians, the steamship Redondo left out of here this morning carrying a cargo of lumber and carrying thirty passengers for San Francisco.

Those who left out were: Mrs. J. G. Subbell, Mrs. A. H. Imhoff, Mrs. Langenberg, J. C. Arnold, Mrs. J. C. Arnold, C. W. Coles, G. Parlett, J. Bamish, Stanley Waldrop, J. W. Waldrop, Mrs. J. W. Waldrop, Mrs. E. F. Stutsman, W. Wright, Wisler, W. H. Eynon, G. Berkford, Master Berkford, Thos. Nichols, Mrs. Thos. Nichols, John Peart, G. N. Barr, Z. C. Saffell, H. N. Reeves, F. J. Kelly, G. Dunbar, Chas. Mahin, P. H. Mitter, Joseph Mayer, G. N. Bowers.

PRESBYTERIAN NOTICE.

There will be a meeting at the Presbyterian church Saturday evening, December 19, at 7:30. All members of the church and congregation are invited to attend. By order of The Session.

NANN SMITH OUT WITH BIG CARGO

Carries 33 Passengers and 650,000 Feet of Lumber to San Francisco

With 33 passengers aboard carrying 1,650,000 feet of lumber the Nann Smith left out of here this morning bound for San Francisco.

Those who left were: Paul A. Soule, H. Boland, and Mrs. R. S. Wright, Capt. A. H. Hattner, E. G. Oglethorpe, E. W. Thomas, Mrs. W. C. Fisher and Mr. A. Graham and son, Capt. C. Wall, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Alton Colon, A. Blum, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Scott, Richard Baker, Mrs. D. A. L. Lewellen, E. B. F. Mowbray, Yu, S. Swanson, Tom Carniten and Andrew Brown.

ACCUSED IS OFFERED

ROSEBURG, Or., Dec. 16.—Farnum, in the county jail on suspicion of having murdered Morgan, near Glendale, last day, was elected Justice of the Peace in his home precinct at the general election.

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