

War Savings and Thrift Stamp Drive, Ashland District, Begins Tuesday, March 26

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## Daylight Saving Starts March 31

Clocks of the United States will be turned forward at 2 a. m. Sunday, March 31, and for the following five months daylight will be saved. President Wilson signed the bill Tuesday that puts this law into effect, to continue until the last Sunday in October, when they will be put back to run again on "sun time."

Saving daylight is a war measure, and its object is to give an additional hour in the morning. It brings the day's work well within the daylight period and saves eyes and artificial light. It gives the war gardener more time in the morning and afternoon in which to encourage his crop. Among other practical results it is estimated that it will save 1,000,000 tons of coal a year and will save gas and electric light bills to the tune of \$40,000,000 a year; it will increase foodstuff production by giving more daylight hours for both recreation and work; it will speed up freight movements by giving an extra hour of daylight for overtime work at the docks and terminals; it will stimulate all athletic sports which can be started at a later hour; it will be of special benefit to women in industry, as they will stop work at the time of day when their nervous strain is greatest.

The practicability and efficiency of the plan have been demonstrated in many European countries, and was invented by Benjamin Franklin, who published the idea in the Journal de Paris in 1784 in an article on "Economic Project for Diminishing the Cost of Light."

## Ivan O'Donoghue Already in Service

Ivan O'Donoghue, a former well-known Ashland boy, whose number in the Jackson county draft is 24, has failed to answer his questionnaire, and, according to reports, the draft exemption board have been unable to locate him. This may be due to the fact that the young man did not receive his questionnaire, or that knowing he is already in the service of the United States, he did not think it was necessary to notify the board on receiving it. The fact that Ivan O'Donoghue is stationed at Fortress Monroe, where he has been attending a radio school, well established and widely known among his Ashland acquaintances. He had served for several years in the Oregon Coast Artillery previous to being transferred to the east, and recently passed 100 per cent in an efficiency examination and was offered his choice of service in the United States or Honolulu. As he preferred immediate service in France he chose the former. As this young man is already serving his country and carries such an excellent record of service, the term of slacker cannot in any way be applied to him.

## Special Election to Be Held April 1

A special election to be held April 1, to amend the city charter, was authorized after its second reading at the meeting of the city council Tuesday night, which was given a unanimous vote. The amendment provides for the substitution of what shall be known as a city court for the recorder's court, and involves a saving of several hundred dollars annually to taxpayers. Little expense attaches to the election, as the judges have agreed to donate their services.

## Mrs. Annie Hersey Pneumonia Victim

Mrs. Annie S. Hersey, wife of G. S. Hersey, died at a local hospital Tuesday morning at 3 o'clock after a short illness due to pneumonia. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from the late residence at 384 Helman street, conducted by Rev. C. A. Edwards of the Methodist church, of which the deceased was a member, and interment was made at Mountain View cemetery. Beside her husband Mrs. Hersey is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Mabel Hudson, of San Francisco.

Sergeant H. G. Wolcott and Corporal Ural Coleman returned to Fort Stevens Tuesday night after spending a ten days' furlough with their families in Ashland.

## Home Guard Contest In Wall Scaling

Upwards of ten men from Talent came up Tuesday night to participate in the drill of the Home Guard at the armory. These men are interested in this movement and will join as soon as arrangements can be made to muster the Home Guard into the state militia. Efforts are being made to obtain guns to equip the men already in training, and as soon as this can be accomplished a canvass will be made to fill the quota of 60 men required. Lieut. A. Bert Freeman gave a wall-scaling contest Tuesday night among the men under his command. Interest is increasing in this drill, and as soon as the men are sufficiently equipped many more expect to take part in the weekly drills.

## Valley Irrigation May Result in 1919

At the meeting of the Jackson County Business Men's Association held in Medford Monday night the president of the Medford Irrigation district in speaking of the progress of their work stated that it was the opinion of the board that the Beaver creek water supply was the best of the nine supplies investigated, and that it would cover about 22,000 acres when utilized. This land is now divided as follows: Orchard land, 25.7 per cent; farm land, 46.3 per cent, and untilled, 28 per cent. Most of this could be put under cultivation with water and the present orchard and farm land products about doubled with irrigation. The total cost of the system would be about \$1,445,000.

Conditions look feasible regarding a consolidation of the Medford and Talent districts, and it is claimed that considerable money could be saved by so doing, and all the territory in both districts be supplied with water. The investigation of the Johnson Prairie water supply is now being conducted at the suggestion of State Engineer Lewis, and when that is completed further action will be taken.

If voted on in June the project could be made to supply partial irrigation in 1919.

## Aged Woman Died Suddenly Tuesday

Mrs. Lucinda Parker died at her home at 777 East Main street Tuesday at the advanced age of 87 years. The deceased had been in her usual health, and death came suddenly, due to heart failure incident to old age. Funeral services were held this morning from the Free Methodist church and interment made in the Ashland cemetery. Mrs. Parker is survived by four sons and two daughters as follows: Mike Parker of Imperial valley, Sam Parker of Sacramento, Jesse Parker of Bly, Sumner Parker of Pinnehurst, Mrs. G. R. Satchell of Medford and Mrs. G. H. Wilson of San Francisco.

## Box Factory Hands Win Klamath Strike

Employees of the sawmill and box factory of the Algoma Lumber Company at Algoma, Ore., went on strike Tuesday for an eight-hour day and ten hours' pay, according to word received in Klamath Falls. Their demands were granted by the employers within a few minutes after the strike started, and the workers returned to their tasks. Extra pay for overtime also was arranged for.

## Jackson County Inmate Escapes

John H. Otter, aged 52, who had been an inmate of the state insane asylum in Salem for 29 years, escaped from the hospital farm Monday night. He was sent there from Jackson county, and is considered harmless.

W. F. Peyser of Portland, an inmate of the institution, and who is considered harmless, also escaped Tuesday. He is 45 years of age.

## All Dutch Vessels In American Waters Seized to Gain War Aims

Washington, March 20.—All Dutch shipping in American waters was ordered seized tonight in a proclamation by President Wilson. The proclamation was issued after the war trade board received word from London that Holland had refused the American ultimatum for a transfer of the ships, according to the original agreement, which Germany blocked.

All Dutch shipping in British waters is being requisitioned simultaneously. Approximately 77 vessels, with a tonnage estimated as high as 600,000, will be added to the American merchant marine. The ships in British waters will add another 300,000 or 400,000 to the allied tonnage.

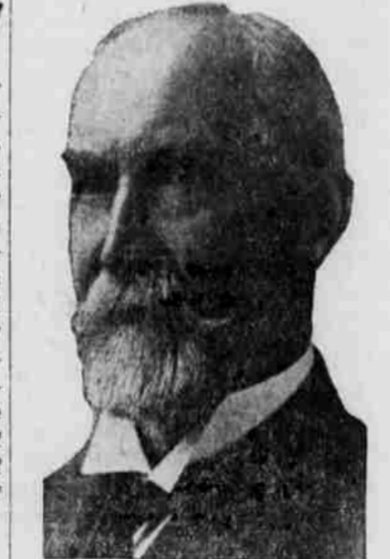
Washington, March 20.—Secretary Daniels announced that the naval order actually taking over the ships went into effect at 7:05 o'clock. Through the bureau of navigation, the department began several days ago to concentrate at the ports where the ships are lying the naval reservists who are to form the new crews. It is not expected that there will be enough of these available to man completely all the ships taken over, but fairly complete fireroom and engine room forces, already have been selected, with part of the deck forces for most of the ships.

Some of the Dutch sailors will be used and the others will be kept in this country, if they wish, their wages being paid by the United States government. Those who desire to return to Holland will be transferred there as fast as accommodations can be found.

Final disposition of the tonnage

## Governor Pays City An Informal Visit

Ashland was honored by a short visit Tuesday from Governor James Withycombe, who was making a brief tour through points in southern Oregon. The governor was in Medford during the day, and was the honor guest at a luncheon given by the business men of that city at the Hotel Medford. Previous to this he addressed the students of the high



Governor Withycombe.

school and made a stirring patriotic appeal to the young people, emphasizing their duty in planting war gardens to increase the food supply.

In the afternoon, accompanied by several prominent Medford citizens, Governor Withycombe visited Ashland. The call was most informal, as few knew of his presence until the time set for his arrival. He was met by a number of business men and was given an opportunity to greet as many as possible on so short a notice. While here he addressed the gauze workers in the Red Cross rooms and complimented Ashland auxiliary for the work they had turned out. Later the governor was taken about the parks, where he drank lithia water and enjoyed the many points of interest about the city, after which he returned to Medford to take the train back to the capital.

## L. A. Roberts Will Serve as Attorney

At the regular meeting of the city council Tuesday night Mayor C. B. Lamkin appointed L. A. Roberts city attorney to serve during the remainder of the year in the place of Attorney W. L. Moore, who resigned recently. The council promptly affirmed the appointment.

allotted to this government will be a matter for future conference between the executive departments. It is thought probable that tankers, at least, will be added to the naval supply flotilla.

New York, March 20.—Naval reservists, acting under orders from Washington, took over tonight the 38 Dutch vessels in (deleted) harbor. When the work was complete the American flag had been hoisted on vessels having an aggregate tonnage of approximately 200,000.

No details concerning the seizure of the Dutch merchant fleet were obtainable. Officials of the navy yard said all information on this subject must come from Washington. It is known, however, that no protests were made by the Dutch commanders as they had been prepared for the action for several days.

In preparation for the seizure and manning of the ships the naval reserve had ready a force of about 225 licensed deck and engine room officers. These officers were waiting to proceed to the vessels assigned to them on the call of the navy department to take command.

Each ship seized will require a commanding officer, from two to three mates and a force of from three to five engine room officers, engineers and assistants. The crews will be recruited for the present from the shipping board recruiting service and through the shipping board agency here.

The largest of the Dutch ships in the harbor is the Ryndon of the Holland-America line. She is registered at 12,527 tons gross. Next in size is the Westerdike of the same line, which is registered at 8,261 tons.

## Joe Hurt Dies at Automobile Wheel

Ashland residents were profoundly shocked to learn of the death of Joe G. Hurt, one of the most prominent citizens of this city, which occurred suddenly Tuesday night while returning from Medford. Mr. Hurt was at the wheel of his automobile when he was suddenly stricken with heart failure, and died a few minutes after the seizure.

In company with his wife, daughter Grace and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wolfe, Mr. Hurt had been to Medford Tuesday evening attending the theatre there. On their return at about 11:30 at a point just about at the city limit Mr. Hurt, who had been chatting with the other occupants of the car, was seen to suddenly sway forward. At that moment the car left the highway and crashed into a telegraph pole and came to a stop. It was seen at that moment that Mr. Hurt was desperately ill. A physician was summoned and an effort was made to get the unconscious man to the Sacred Heart hospital in Medford, but death occurred before they arrived there.

Owing to the car running slowly no one was injured when it struck the pole. The auto, however, a Hudson Speedster, was badly wrecked.

Mr. Hurt was one of the most progressive citizens of Ashland. He was manager of the Ashland Ice & Storage Company and a heavy stockholder in the Medford Ice & Storage Company, and had served as city recorder for a number of years. He was about 45 years of age and is survived by his wife and daughter.

The body was brought to Ashland Wednesday afternoon and funeral services will be held Saturday at 2:30 p. m. from the Elks Temple, and will be in charge of the Masonic lodge of Ashland. Interment will be made in Mountain View cemetery.

The members of Battery E, 65th regiment of heavy artillery, who were quarantined on account of measles breaking out in the car in which they were transported to San Francisco recently, are still detained there as several other cases have developed. As soon as the disease is in abeyance the boys will be sent overland to join the rest of the company at Hoboken, N. J. Among the boys detained are Charles Freeman and Claude Saunders of Ashland.

T. J. Bonham, a prominent citizen of Talent, was an Ashland visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Skeen of Klamath Falls were in Ashland this week on their way to Talent to visit their daughter, Mrs. P. L. Spencer.

## Style Show Opens At Vining Tonight

The style show arranged by the merchants of Ashland will be held at the Vining Theatre tonight and tomorrow night. The show for tonight will display garments from McGee's, millinery from Miss Hargrove's, shoes from the Boot Shop and jewelry from Whitely's. The stage settings will be from Dodge Bros. Living models will display the latest creations in garments and wearing apparel and will be shown in connection with the regular pictures at the theatre. Tomorrow night another show of ladies' wearing apparel from the various dry goods houses of the city will be shown.

## Teachers Change In Public Schools

Several important changes will be made among the teachers in the city schools. Miss Ila Myers, who has charge of the mathematics in the Junior high school, has accepted a position in the University Junior high school at Eugene and will leave for there April 1. Miss Alma Ross of the third grade of that school succeeds Miss Myers, and Mrs. C. A. King will fill Miss Ross's position during the rest of the term. Prof. A. A. MacGavern, principal of the Hawthorne school, will resign from his position Friday and will go to Washington, D. C., to take up war work in one of the departments. He is succeeded by J. G. Swan of Merrill, a former principal of the Klamath Falls high school, and also former superintendent of the Klamath county schools.

## Thrift Stamp Drive Nearing Completion

The war savings and thrift stamp drive for the Ashland district under Chairman C. W. Banta, Secretary F. J. Shinn and Captain C. B. Lamkin is proceeding rapidly. The Ashland high school has volunteered ten crews of two each for the canvas and the Civic Improvement Club has volunteered ten crews. This will leave 17 crews for Captain Lamkin to secure yet, and volunteers will be appreciated by him. The organization of the out-of-town territory in this district will be taken up tomorrow. Volunteers should report to either Messrs. Banta, Lamkin or Shinn. The territory assigned to the Ashland district consists of Ashland school district No. 5 and south and east to the California state line and the Klamath county line.

Next Monday the committees will meet for instruction which will be supplied by those easily familiar with the work. It may be said that this drive is entirely different than those heretofore made for war measures. In fact, it will afford those engaging in it much pleasure and they will be able to leave each home without any grouch. The large number of districts will make the work light and quickly performed.

## Eight Taken From County for Army

The Jackson county exemption board announced Tuesday night the eight men chosen to fill the county's share of the state's quota of 369 men for the coming draft for the national army. This quota closes the first draft call, and the next quota will be on the first call of the second draft for 800,000 men. The men selected bore numbers ranging from 1 to 26, and are: James William Bowers, No. 1; Diamond Leslie Flynn, No. 3; James Ambrose Biddington, No. 5; Charles Delbert Carpenter, No. 12; Earl Dalton Beeson, No. 16; Edward Ben Decker, No. 19; August Audley Meyer, No. 25; Frederick William Henry, No. 26. The drafted men will assemble in Medford on March 29 and depart for Camp Lewis, where they will go into training.

Two Ashland boys are called for in this draft. These are James Bowers, son of Benton Bowers, and F. W. Henry. The reason that the other men whose numbers range from 1 to 26 were not chosen is that some of them were not up to physical qualifications, others had enlisted and others had either been transferred to other districts or had been excused because of having been deemed necessary to agriculture.

Phone job orders to the Tidings.

## Home Guard Now Popular in State

A Home Guard is being organized in many cities and towns in this section of the state where the residents are awakening to needs of the first principles of military training for the men who remain at home when their country is in war. Among those soon to be in active training will be at Grants Pass, which will be organized as soon as the acquired 60 men have signed up. At a recent meeting of the Defense League the matter was discussed at some length and arrangements were made for the perfecting of an organization, when meetings for drill will be held regularly once a week.

At Marshfield more men than can be received have applied for admission to the Marshfield Home Guard company. Only 81 can be properly drilled and accommodated, but 105 are on the roll and in good standing.

A Home Guard will be organized at Cottage Grove in the near future. At a meeting last week which was held for this purpose not sufficient information was at hand to decide whether to organize merely a Home Guard company or to come under the provisions for a state militia company, and the matter was postponed at that time. In a short time it is hoped that every city and rural community will have an organized Home Guard company or branch of the state militia within its boundaries.

## Medford to Have Opera in English

Not in the history of music in America has such praise been bestowed upon any other artist as that which press and public have conferred upon our own beloved Joe Sheehan. "How does he do it?" "He is better than he was ten years ago." "The man of eternal youth." "The vocal Peter Pan." These and hundreds of like expressions have found their way into print during the four months' run of the Boston English Opera Company in Chicago, where Joseph F. Sheehan was the leading tenor. The Company will present Il Trovatore in Medford on Tuesday, March 26.

## Plans Arranged for Liberty Loan Drive

The third Liberty Loan committee for the Ashland district met with Chairman E. V. Carter last night. The evening was almost wholly devoted to the matter of appointing the rating committee. Many names were suggested and considered. It was practically decided to make the committee consist of nine members and the committee will be perfected soon and ready for announcement. Rev. Chas. A. Edwards was appointed secretary and V. O. N. Smith vice-chairman.

## Time of Schools Changed at Talent

Beginning last Monday, the public schools of Talent changed their hours of assembling and closing. The schools will convene hereafter at 8:20 and close at 11:40 in the forenoon. In the afternoon the hours will be from 12:20 to 2:20. The object of this change is to accommodate the pupils who wish to devote more time to gardening or other work.

## Good Attractions At Vining Theatre

The attractions at the Vining Theatre tonight will be Olive Thomas in "Indiscreet Corinne." Also Bill Hart in "The Bad Man." Friday and Saturday Edith Storey will be presented in "Revenge," a strong western story. Charley Chaplin in "The Adventurer" will also be an additional attraction. In connection with these attractions the style show will be presented tonight and tomorrow night.

A slight fire occurred at the home of E. E. Bagley on Skidmore street Tuesday about noon, which was speedily subdued by the prompt use of a garden hose by Manley Brower, who was passing and discovered the blaze. The fire caught on the roof near the chimney.