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## Veterans of World War Feted On Return to Civilian Life

Ashland turned out again last night with merry hearts and happy faces to welcome another contingent of her soldier boys home from the war. As the larger number of segregated groups of local men in the army were in the coast artillery the return of the members of the two regiments, the 65th and 69th, afforded the populace of the city an opportunity to gather en masse and celebrate the home-coming of all the Ashland soldiers.

The reception last night was carried on after much the same manner as that given two weeks ago when the 65th arrived home. Ashland Lodge of Elks again opened the doors of her Temple, and the huge building was filled with merry-makers who had come to do honor to the returned warriors.

Plans had been laid by the managers of the affair to have the honor guests formally received by the assemblage, who were all anxious to meet and greet the returned heroes, but this scheme was soon squelched by the boys themselves, whose modesty forbade any hero-worship business. They were just Ashland boys, home from their work on a job that had been assigned to them, and while they rejoiced in the freedom of civilian life, and the pleasure of once more greeting their home folks and friends any public attention apparently had more terrors than Hun guns. So their wishes were respected and neighbors and friends met and greeted one another, while the boys in khaki and navy blue had the same informal privilege.

Music by the Ashland band was the opening number of the program prepared by the committee in charge, after which Mayor C. B. Lamkin gave a short address of welcome to the boys in uniform. He was followed by Rev. C. F. Koehler, who gave a splendid address to the boys,

in which he expressed the sentiments of the city in their attitude towards the defenders of our flag and home.

Mrs. Julia Hockett made a hit with two rousing post-war songs, which were heartily applauded. Rev. Father Conaty followed with an inspiring address which was also enthusiastically received. Before the closing number by the band E. V. Carter, chairman of the executive committee of the Ashland Relief Fund, made an announcement in regard to the canvass to be taken next week to round up the delinquent subscribers in order to meet the coming demands for war charity. The playing of the "Star Spangled Banner" ended the interesting program, after which the house was thrown open to the assemblage to entertain themselves as inclination dictated.

No one had to be coaxed into having a good time last night. The seductive strains of an orchestra on the third floor drew a host of boys and girls—of all ages—to the big hall where dancing was carried on. Others played cards, pool, or just visited in groups as the spirit moved them. The extreme informality of the affair was its greatest charm, and friends greeted friends and people who were strangers when they went to the Elks Temple soon felt perfectly at home under the genial atmosphere that prevailed.

Fine refreshments furnished by the residents and the business men of the city were served in the basement dining room. Here plates for nearly 400 people were laid at one time and were served by the members of the canteen workers. Dancing kept up until a late hour, and was participated in by a large company. Rev. P. K. Hammond acted as master of ceremonies for the occasion, and was ably supported by a corps of assistants.

## C. E. Officials Are Coming to Ashland

Daniel A. Poling, Associate President, and National Citizenship Superintendent of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, is to be in Ashland May 17th. This will be an unusual treat for the people of Ashland as Mr. Poling is one of the great men of the nation. He has spent much time in France and has a story of great interest. He is a man of eloquence and personal force. Some one has said of him, "He is one of the biggest young men produced in a hundred years."

## Frost Expert Has Arrived in Valley

Floyd D. Young, the weather bureau frost expert, has arrived in Medford from Pomona, Cal., for his annual stay here during the spring fruit growing season. His wife is with him and they will be guests at the Hotel Medford. Last year it will be remembered Mr. Young after waiting five days longer than he intended thought it safe to close the season and he departed from the city on May 15th. The next morning there was one of the worst frosts of the season.—Medford Tribune.

## Delegates Present Opinions Regarding Peace Conference

PARIS, Mar. 20.—Marshal Foch and other generals were called in during yesterday's prolonged session of the supreme council to give their advice as to action which should be taken in Galicia, where Ukrainian forces are besieging Lemberg, which is threatened from three sides. It was decided that a sharp warning should be sent to both sides asking for a suspension of hostilities. The warning will take the form of an "injunction" to the two armies.

Neutral countries of Europe, Asia and South America will be given opportunity today to express their views and proper amendments to the League of Nations plan. Nearby neutrals have sent delegates while more distant countries will be represented by ambassadors and ministers residing in Paris.

The meeting will be held at the Hotel De Crillon, the American headquarters, and it is proposed to continue the session as long as necessary to complete all neutral proposals and prepare them for submission to the commission of the League of Nations.

Lord Robert Cecil of Great Britain will be chairman. The claims of neutrals will be heard directly or by memorandum, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Switzerland, Spain,

Persia, Guatemala and most of the South American neutrals having some suggestions to make.

The three Scandinavian countries will present virtually identical proposals, it is understood, these being in the main favorable to the league and asking that neutrals be admitted to membership.

President Wilson will act as chairman at the meeting of the League of Nations commission which will be held Saturday when all proposed amendments and changes will be considered and the plan put into definite form.

Lord Robert Cecil and Thomas W. Gregory, former United States attorney-general, are among those who have sought to draft a proviso relative to the Monroe doctrine in such form that it will meet the approval of legal experts.

The commission on international labor legislation today decided against the International Labor Bureau, when constituted, invoking the aid of the League of Nations to enforce its decision. This decision was mainly due to difficulties which would be encountered in the United States, where state constitutions would require alterations before they would permit such outside interference.

## Increased Fares on Railway Lines

Flat increase to three cents a mile of all passenger rates on and after April 1 was announced by the offices of the United States railroad administration in San Francisco on Wednesday. The increase was provided in general order No. 28, issued June 10 last.

With San Francisco as a terminus the fare to Portland is increased from \$20 to \$22.51.

Rates in excess of three cents a mile will be decreased to the three-cent limit on all lines under the jurisdiction of the administration, it was announced. All special and excursion rates will be discontinued.

## HOP GROWERS FILE THREE YEAR CONTRACTS

Hop contracts in Josephine county are now being made for a period of three years at a price which insures, under ordinary conditions, a profit of 100 per cent to the grower, according to the Grants Pass Courier. One contract was filed Saturday in the county clerk's office for three years at the following prices: 1919, 25 cents; 1920, 22 cents; 1921, 20 cents. This contract was made for a London firm.

Some time ago contracts were made with two other local growers at 25-cents per pound for the 1919 and 1920 crops and 22 cents for the 1921 crop. The latter contracts were made with an Independence, Ore., buying firm.

## No Trace Found of Escaped Prisoner

A posse made up of Jackson county deputy sheriffs, Southern Pacific police and prison guards, with blood hounds are scouring the country for Clyde "Red" Rupert, the Portland Liberty bond thief who escaped from the Gold Hill prison camp last Sunday. Up to the present no trace of the fugitive has been found. Jack Hardy, who also escaped from the state lime camp the day before Rupert, has been captured.

## Girl Accidentally Shot With Pistol

At the coroner's inquest held over the death of Miss Elvira Smith, who was shot at Deer Creek in Josephine county last Monday a verdict of accidental shooting was rendered. According to the story told by witnesses, Elvira Smith, who was the 15-year old daughter of Mrs. J. V. Welland, was left alone with her younger sister on the farm, while their mother and her husband were away from home. A workman on the farm by the name of Russell Tolin claimed he had loaned his pistol to Elvira, and it is the theory that while handling it the girl accidentally shot herself.

Tolin testified at the inquest that he had returned to the ranch Sunday morning from a dance, to which he was accompanied by Miss Smith. He says the shooting occurred about 8:40 o'clock Monday morning; that he went to the girl's room and opened the door and as he did so she raised the pistol to her breast and fired, exclaiming "Russell, I've shot myself!" She was, according to Tolin's story, sitting on the edge of the bed and after firing the shot fell back and expired almost immediately. The bullet entered her breast and came out near the spine; having spent its force, the steel missile struck the wall back of the bed and fell to the floor where it was later found.

The dead girl's 13-year old sister also testified that she heard Elvira exclaim that she had shot herself.

## DEATH OF INFANT OCCURRED THURSDAY

Robert Harry, the 15-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Fridergar, died Thursday morning after an illness extending over a little more than week. The immediate cause of his death was due to complications arising from teething. On account of the absence of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Enders, parents of Mrs. Fridergar, who are in San Francisco, definite arrangements for the funeral will not be made until after their arrival which is expected this afternoon.

Oregon Glee Club at the Vining Thursday. Seat Sale opens Monday noon.

## COL. MAY COMMANDER OF NATIONAL GUARD

Colonel John L. May, until two weeks ago commander of the 162nd regiment, U. S. A., now is commander of the Third Oregon regiment, National Guard. His commission was issued last Monday by Governor Olcott.

All provisional officers of the reorganized National Guard regiment voted in favor of Colonel May.

## Charles S. Silsby Buried Here Today

Charles S. Silsby, a former well known resident of Ashland, in point of service the oldest engineer on the Shasta division of the Southern Pacific, died Tuesday morning in the S. P. hospital at San Francisco where he had been taken some time ago from his home in Klamath Falls for treatment. Mr. Silsby had been ill for several months, due to heart trouble contributory to an attack of influenza.

The body was brought to Ashland last evening and funeral services were from the Presbyterian church this afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. C. F. Koehler. Interment was made in the family burial plot in the Ashland cemetery. Mr. Silsby is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Perry Ashcraft of Ashland, his mother, Mrs. Helen M. Silsby, a brother, John S. Silsby, and two sisters, Esther and Mary Silsby of Cottage Grove.

## DELINQUENTS WILL BE ASKED TO PAY UP

Committees will make a canvass early next week to collect the delinquent subscriptions to the Ashland Patriotic Fund. The committee will be young men of the High school who have volunteered for this service as the men are too busy to take it up. Receipts will be given for all payments. Please be ready to make your payment when called upon.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

## WORK RESERVE SERVICE FOR BOYS CONTINUED

The boys' working reserve service will be continued, even though the deficiency bills appropriating funds were not passed by congress. "This is good news," says J. W. Brewer, farm help specialist of the federal department of agriculture and O. A. C. "Word has been wired by W. E. Hall, national director, that funds are probably available for next year as well as to the end of this."

## Tax Officers to Again Visit City

By direction of the Commission of Internal Revenue Collector Milton A. Miller is authorized again to station his deputies at various points thruout the state to assist those who failed to complete income tax returns within the required time, and to render any other service that may be necessary or desired. Any adjustments of income taxes should be made NOW, as an extensive "DRIVE" for delinquents will soon be undertaken.

Income Tax Officers Guy R. Harpner and G. V. Wimberly will be at the city hall at Ashland, Oregon, from and including April 3 to and including April 5, 1919.

It is the wish of the Department that every one interested should take advantage of the opportunity afforded by the visit of these officers.

## APPOINTMENTS MADE BY GOVERNOR OLCOTT

Governor Olcott has appointed Dr. Floyd B. Dayton of Portland, a member of the state board of optometry, succeeding Dr. W. J. Curtis, of Corvallis. It is announced that the governor would reappoint W. M. Pearce of La Grande a member of the board when his term expires. Both appointments are effective June 1, under the law of the last legislature.

A fine rental contract for party who knows how and will run an orchard. See Billings agency soon.

## Ashland Business Men Give Banquet to Agriculturists

If a feeling of reserve between the residents of the out-lying districts and those of Ashland had ever existed it was effectually wiped away at the banquet last Tuesday night under the auspices of the Commercial Club when the business men of Ashland entertained the farmers of the upper valley. Before the evening was over all felt that the residents of this section are entirely at one in regard to the interests of the community in which they live and are deeply interested in its growth and development.

The dining room in the basement of the Elks Temple was the scene of the festivities, where the members of the Civic Improvement Club had prepared one of the finest banquets ever placed before an Ashland assemblage. The rooms were beautifully decorated, while huge bunches of daffodils amid sprays of green ornamented the tables and added a charming spring effect.

Upwards of 120 guests and their entertainers were seated at the tables at 8 o'clock, and did justice to the appetizing viands set before them. After the inner man was appeased, the social features pre-empted the balance of the evening. Mrs. Julia Hockett, whose singing is a source of delight to many entertainments, was present and sang several attractive selections.

Clark Bush, president of the Commercial Club, officiated as toastmaster, and after heartily welcoming the guests of honor introduced the speakers for the evening, who had especially been invited to participate in the occasion. The first speaker was Prof. F. C. Reimer of the Southern Oregon Experimental Station, who talked on soil analysis of the valley.

When Prof. Reimer was in Ashland on "Cherry Tree Day," February 22, he gave a brief address on the topic which met with a hearty interest by those who heard it that he was requested to repeat the same address for the benefit of a larger number of listeners. Prof. Reimer enlarged on the subject, which he illustrated by charts, showing the

analysis of the soils of the upper valley and telling of the abundance of some properties, while proving the absence of others necessary to the satisfactory production of various crops and products.

Miss Anne McCormick, county home demonstrator, was also a guest at the banquet, and gave a most interesting talk on food values in dairy products. Miss McCormick has made an exhaustive study of this subject and could give in a convincing manner the advantages to be gained by the use of milk, especially as a food for growing children.

A. C. Joy, president of the county farm bureau, whose earnest and energetic application to farm industry has made him a shining example as a successful agriculturist, made an interesting address on successful diversified farming and co-operation in marketing.

A guest from a distance who happened to be in Ashland at the time and was invited to participate at the banquet, was C. M. McAllister, field man for the Union Stockyards of Portland, who talked most interestingly on the advantages of procuring and raising blooded stock.

County Agriculturist C. C. Cate, emphasized the co-operation among agriculturists and business men, which, he claims, is the strongest asset to the growth and development of a country. He complimented Ashland upon this meeting, which he stated was an unusual feature. In most sections it is difficult to get farmers and business men to co-operate either socially or in a business way, and the feeling of friendship and good fellowship existing here points to a splendid outlook for the future welfare of the community.

The banquet was an expression of the kindly and interested feeling with which Ashland business men regard their neighbors and an endeavor to show them in what manner they may expect the hearty co-operation which will attend all business endeavors and enterprises which will be of mutual benefit to one and all.

## Military Training is Endorsed by Soldiers

Overwhelming endorsement of a universal military training system, coupled with equally strong support of the existing disciplinary relationship between officers and men of the army was expressed by a representative group of selective service men of the 12th division, Camp Devens, Mass. Just before the organization was demobilized last January.

The opinions of 1,380 men, with an average length of service of 10.7 months were obtained thru a carefully arranged questionnaire system, with every safeguard provided to insure absolutely free expression of opinion and with such distribution in the division as to make the answers representative.

The report on the inquiry was made public this week at the war department. It is headed:

"Our military system as it appeared to America's citizen soldiers."

Altho half of the men questioned were rated as dissatisfied with military life, the report shows that 89.5 per cent of the replies expressed the soldier's belief that he personally had been benefitted by his army life. 79 per cent were glad of their training aside from feelings of patriotism and 88 per cent favored universal military training as a national policy. A substantial majority agreed that the existing relationship between officers and men was necessary and disapproved the social mixing of the rank and file.

Members of the 69th regiment who have returned home from Camp Lewis since Tuesday are George E. Evans, Hoston Jones, Reid Harrell, Oscar Silver, Alden D. Powell, Ural Coleman, Slade Songer and Harry Grubb. Several others have stopped along the way and will be home in a few days.

Easter, April 20th. Only 4 weeks off. Get your order in now for that fine Easter suit at Orren tailor shop. Darling's for portraits that please.

## Y. M. C. A. Worker Gave Address

The work of the Y. M. C. A. in the army camps abroad had an able defender in the person of Ivan B. Rhodes, interstate secretary of the Y. M. C. A. work of Oregon, who spoke to a large audience in the Presbyterian church Wednesday evening. Mr. Rhodes has shortly returned from overseas where he had spent an extended time in the army camps, and particularly in close touch with the many Y. M. C. A. huts scattered along the war invaded territories where the American soldiers were prominently located.

In the face of the severe criticism that has recently been made of the Red Triangle organization in connection with their work among the soldiers of France, workers like Mr. Rhodes, are being sent abroad to refute some of the most serious statements and explain others that throw a different light upon the accusations. Mr. Rhodes gave an interesting address on his personal work in the overseas Y. M. C. A., and presented a convincing statement in regard to the movement abroad.

Preceding the address Dr. Tilton's orchestra of the Methodist Sunday school, played a fine selection.

## Slogan Contest is Arousing Interest

Much local interest is being aroused in the contest for the Victory Liberty Loan slogan that has been started by the general publicity committee of the Twelfth Federal Reserve District, and a number of contestants are anticipating sending in appropriate slogans from this section. The time of the contest has been extended to April 5, and all slogans should be addressed to General Publicity Committee, Twelfth Federal Reserve District, San Francisco, Cal.