

NEW PROCESS OF TREATING FLAX MAY BE TRIED

Chamber of Commerce to Investigate Starling Method, Which Is Said to Produce Results Without Retting.

Inventor Will Go East in Few Days and Representative of Chamber Will Go Over Every Step of Production.

The Chamber of Commerce will investigate immediately the practicability of the Starling method of flax manufacture, according to a decision reached by President H. L. Corbett and Executive Secretary W. D. B. Dodson of the chamber in conference with Sidney Starling, the inventor, and Dr. E. A. Pierce, chairman of the chamber's flax committee.

Mr. Starling, who has been in Oregon for the past six months and who has made three visits to the state from his home in Tonawanda, New York, during the past year, left for the east last evening. He will either be followed within a few days by a representative of the chamber competent to investigate the process.

Oregon Flax Excellent The process invented by Mr. Starling is claimed to make it possible to take unretted flax and from it produce yarns, flax and fabrics. He has had on exhibit here an assortment of yarns, crash toweling and other forms of coarser flax fabric, as evidence that his process is practicable.

Should the report be favorable the chamber will be in a position to submit the plan to the flax interests as to what will probably prove to be an important supplemental industry to the growing flax. Mr. Starling, whose knowledge of flax is recognized by officials both of the United States and Canadian departments of agriculture, says there is no doubt that Western Oregon and Washington can produce as fine fiber flax as is grown anywhere in the world.

Will Make No Difference In a preliminary conference at the Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday evening, representatives of owners of a mill at Selma, who are present, with the addition of his patents to the machinery in the mill, Mr. Starling believes it can be readily adapted to his process, also that the owners of Johnson creek, which are carried by flume to the property, can be used for retting long fiber flax. The owners, however, refuse to agree to hold the plant in statu quo until the investigation of the process can be made, but this refusal, it was decided, will have no effect on the decision to conduct a thorough investigation of the Starling method.

East Not Interested In Public Utilities Eastern capitalists are not interested themselves in public utilities at this time, but are, instead, devoting their energies toward the winning of the war, said Franklin R. Griffith, president of the P. R. L. & P. Co., who has just returned from a trip to eastern points.

Mr. Griffith said the company did not expect to receive any financial aid from the east now and that the Portland company would have to work out its own salvation.

Japanese Is Arrested K. Eshima, a Japanese farmer residing near Oregon City, was arrested Monday night charged with larceny by bailie, on complaint of L. Guttery, Mexican. The accused man formerly ran

an employment agency here and through him the Mexican declared he obtained a job in Alaska. Before leaving, Guttery said he entrusted for safe-keeping with Eshima \$60 in cash and clothing. When the Mexican returned a few days ago, the agency and its proprietor were gone.

State Hotel Men to Meet Dec. 6-7-8

Farveyers Will Be Given Opportunity to Make Display of Wares; Hotel Men Coming From All Pacific States. The annual convention of the Oregon State Hotel association will be held in Portland Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 6, 7, 8. This convention will bring hotel men from the entire Pacific coast.

In connection with the convention it is proposed to hold an exposition at which all purveyors to hotels will be permitted to make displays. This is the first time anything of this kind has been attempted on the Pacific coast. This space will cost the exhibitor not more than the expense attendant upon putting in and maintaining their booth, and will afford the dealers an opportunity to get their goods before the hotel men of the entire Pacific coast.

Marines Recruit 2 Former College Men

Manning brothers, former students of Mt. Angel college and stars of the football eleven, have joined the 10th Marines. Cyril C. Manning was recently employed by the American Tobacco company as salesman. His brother, Stephen, is a musician and hopes to make the marine band at Mare Island. Cyril Manning says he picked the marines on the advice of friends already in the service.

Other men to enlist with the Manning brothers tonight are Alfred W. Gildmeister, baker, formerly of the Sanitary bakery, Portland; Joseph J. Newman, formerly with the Grant, Smith Construction company, and Elmer L. Bradley, broncho buster of Alstow, Wash.

Prisoner to Be Sent Back to No. Dakota

Charles Wheeler, arrested Friday, charged with attempting to pass a forged check at San Francisco, arrived in Portland for lunch Monday. During the meal which was served in the Multnomah hotel, just to prove how cheerful they were, a few of the gifted ones sang solos, the whole crowd yelled and things were merry generally. The boys were on their way to American Lake, and declared that they were treated better in Portland than at any other stop along the line. The Universal studios were represented by three movie heroes who say they will send pictures from Berlin.

Luncheon Is Served To Draft Contingent

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Omaha, Neb., Nov. 21.—(I. N. S.)—Management of the railways of this city will probably soon be taken over by the municipality, the council today having asked the railway company to put a valuation on its property, which is estimated at \$15,000,000.

PORTLAND IS LITTLE AFFECTED BY NEW ALIEN ENEMY RULE

Order Will Necessitate Another Registration; Permits to Be Issued.

President Wilson's new proclamation designed to place greater restrictions upon alien enemies residing in the United States will have but little effect in Portland and the state of Oregon, according to United States Attorney Clarence L. Reames. The order will necessitate another registration of the enemy alien class, however, and it is expected that this work will be started about December 1.

In accordance with the president's proclamation of April 6, approximately all enemy aliens in Oregon have been registered. One thousand persons have come under this class, the larger number of which are residing in Portland.

Number of British Enlisting Increases

The British and Canadian recruiting office of Portland announces that the British and Canadian subjects in Oregon have responded to the call of their country and the number of enlistments increases daily. For the week ending November 17 the following men passed the medical examination and were accepted for service in the British and Canadian armies: Portland—W. J. Edmonds, Victor Robson, W. F. McAdoo, H. G. Dee, A. G. Weller, P. A. Linscott, F. Crossman, L. Jensen, Harry Potts, J. E. Crease, H. S. Omeron, A. B. Wain, W. H. Griffiths, C. J. Thompson, W. H. Stead, T. W. Harris, J. Hodgson, James Kenny, E. Shogburn, John Duncan, J. A. Kaspel, C. B. Capes, H. S. O'Brien.

Sea-side—A. Aplanatis. Sherwood—George Reeves. Oregon City—H. J. Nugent.

How to Apply Applications of enemy aliens must be made first to the United States marshal. The applicant will then be taken

in charge by the bureau of investigation and after an inquiry has been made the person will be referred to the United States attorney who is empowered to issue cards and permits to travel.

Portland Is Third in Recruiting for Navy

Enlistments Last Week Total 150 White New York Is Able to Report Only 15; Cooks and Stewards Wanted.

Portland ranked third in navy recruiting last week. New York city was able to announce only 15 enlistments. Portland had 81 for the regular service, or a total of 150 including the reserves.

Dr. E. K. Scott of the local navy recruiting office announces his indignation at the term "french dodgers" which is being used in some places to designate the navy recruits. "This war cannot be carried on without men to man the hundreds of ships which carry men, food and ammunition to Europe. Full crews are absolutely necessary and the men who have responded to the call of the navy are doing as much as men in the trenches. The life is more protected and more pleasant but the responsibility is as great."

Brass Buttons and Cap for Joe Day; Helmets for Others

Six Members of Detective Bureau Reduced to Uniform Rank of Department.

Joe Day, L. B. Cahill, R. S. Flinch, A. G. Vaughn, C. B. Hill and H. H. Hawley, all members of the detective bureau, are reduced to the uniform rank of the police department, under orders from Mayor Baker. Twenty other members of the detective bureau are assigned in two grades provided for in an ordinance recently passed by the city council abolishing the bureau.

Those assigned to the highest grade or class A are Frank Snow, P. R. Moloney, John Price, C. H. Hallyer, E. F. Smith, C. H. Tichenor, Glenn Howell, John A. Goltz, W. H. Hyde and R. H. Craddock. The 10 assigned to class B, the next highest grade, are J. E. Abbott, L. M. Ackerman, Thomas Coleman, T. E. Hammerly, R. B. La Salle, Archie Leonard, Fred Mallett, J. C. Moloney, T. P. Swennes and R. A. Graves.

Joe Day, the veteran detective, becomes a police sergeant assigned to the first night relief at the St. Johns substation. The others reduced to the ranks put on uniforms and are to receive \$110 a month, which is the maximum pay for patrolmen under the reclassification.

WOMAN HAD BORNE PIONEER HARDSHIPS

Mrs. Dorothea S. Duback

Mrs. Dorothea Saur Duback died at her home in this city October 28, in her seventy-ninth year. She was born in Bavaria, Germany, February 26, 1829, and came to this country in 1853 and was married in October to Jacob Duback, a member of the band of the United States Third artillery. Ordered to California shortly after, she and her husband survived a terrible shipwreck of the steamer San Francisco, and in 1855 they crossed the plains with ox team. Mrs. Duback was with the United States military forces during the Oregon Indian wars, and after the discharge of her husband from the service they settled in Clarke county, Washington, in 1858.

Following the death of her husband in 1904 Mrs. Duback came to Port-

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Austrian Spies May Force Move for War

Allen Enemy Regulations Do Not Include Citizens of Dual Monarchy and Declaration Urged to Aid Government.

Washington, Nov. 21.—(U. P.)—Possibility of the United States declaring war on Austria after congress convenes was again reopened Tuesday by President Wilson's alien enemy proclamation. Such a step was held by many to be essential if the nation is to thwart Teuton spies. As matters now stand, only Germans must register and only they are forbidden to trespass in barred zones about waterfronts and the like.

Austrians have been among the worst offenders in spying and intriguing. Effectively to cope with the trouble, many are urging this government to declare war against Austria. The possibility that she may make the first move because of American aid to Italy was also foreseen.

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Did you ever believe the day would come when you could buy the choicest steaks in the land at 15c? Come down to 228 Alder street for these great bargains:

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