

PAVEMENT OF FEES TO ACCIDENT FUND TEMPORARILY OFF

Exemption for Three Months Al- lowed Employers and Employes as Surplus Is Now Sufficient.

SAVING TO BE \$600,000

Order, Coming at Time When Re- sources Are Needed, to Mean Much to Businesses Affected.

Salem, March 29.—Notice was issued today by the state industrial accident commission that employers and employes operating under the workmen's compensation law, who meet requirements provided by the law will be exempted from payment to the compensation fund for the months of April, May and June.

It is estimated by Chairman Allen of the accident commission that this exemption will relieve employers and employes from payments which would have totaled more than \$600,000. It is pointed out that this exemption, coming at a time when resources are needed for the revival of industries, will mean a great deal to the firms affected.

Exemptions were also allowed for January and March of this year.

"This is the first time since the compensation law became effective that an exemption covering more than a single month at one time has been declared by the commission, and is made possible because of the surplus that has accumulated in the industrial accident fund during the past year, this surplus being sufficient to meet all expenses and estimated awards to be made by the commission during the three months period for which the exemptions have been declared," said Chairman Allen.

"It is notable in this connection that the administrative expense of the commission, since the date the law became effective, has been but 6.17 per cent of the receipts, all other money coming into the fund being available for the payment of claims to injured workmen.

"The last legislature, at the suggestion of the commission, changed the system of exemptions and, after the beginning of the new fiscal year, July 1, 1919, no further monthly exemptions will be declared. In lieu thereof, any accumulated surplus will be credited annually to the contributors, each being given credit for the proportion his payments during the year bear to the entire amount. This will work out more equitably to those employers who did not have continuous payroll, and who were therefore not in a position to receive credit under the monthly exemption plan."

Raymond Masons Learn Mysteries Of Scottish Rite

Raymond, Wash., March 29.—A team of Scottish Rite Masons from Olympia this week initiated a class of 42 Raymond Masons into the mysteries of the Scottish Rite Masonry. An afternoon and evening was occupied in the work of conferring the 10 degree. After an elaborate dinner the fourteenth degree, that of the Lodge of Perfection, was conferred. Rev. George P. Hopkins and E. G. Jones of Portland assisted.

"Y" Work to Be Continued

Raymond, Wash., March 29.—Bob Jensen, secretary of the industrial Y. M. C. A. for the northwest, met the local executive committee of the "Y" and, after going over the situation, it was decided to continue the work here on the basis of the regular industrial Y. M. C. A. program. A budget of \$6000 is to be raised, and is practically all subscribed. The plan contemplates an industrial secretary, a house secretary and a physical director, educational work, thrift program, contests of various kinds among the employees of the various mills, health instruction, civic centers and instruction in Americanism, moral and religious instruction.

Farmers Jubilant Over Prospects

Klamath Falls, March 29.—J. A. Parker, a prominent rancher in the Bly section in eastern Klamath county, reports that farmers in his district are jubilant over their crop prospect for the next year. The snow is four feet in depth on the watershed between the Horetsky and Sprague River valleys, he said, and ranges from seven to 14 feet or more on the nearby mountains.

Woman to Get Office

Cathlamet, Wash., March 29.—Word has been received from the postoffice department at Washington that Mrs. W. W. Head has succeeded in passing the civil service examination and is in line for appointment as postmistress of Cathlamet. Thomas E. Arnold, postmaster, has held the office since July 1, 1914.

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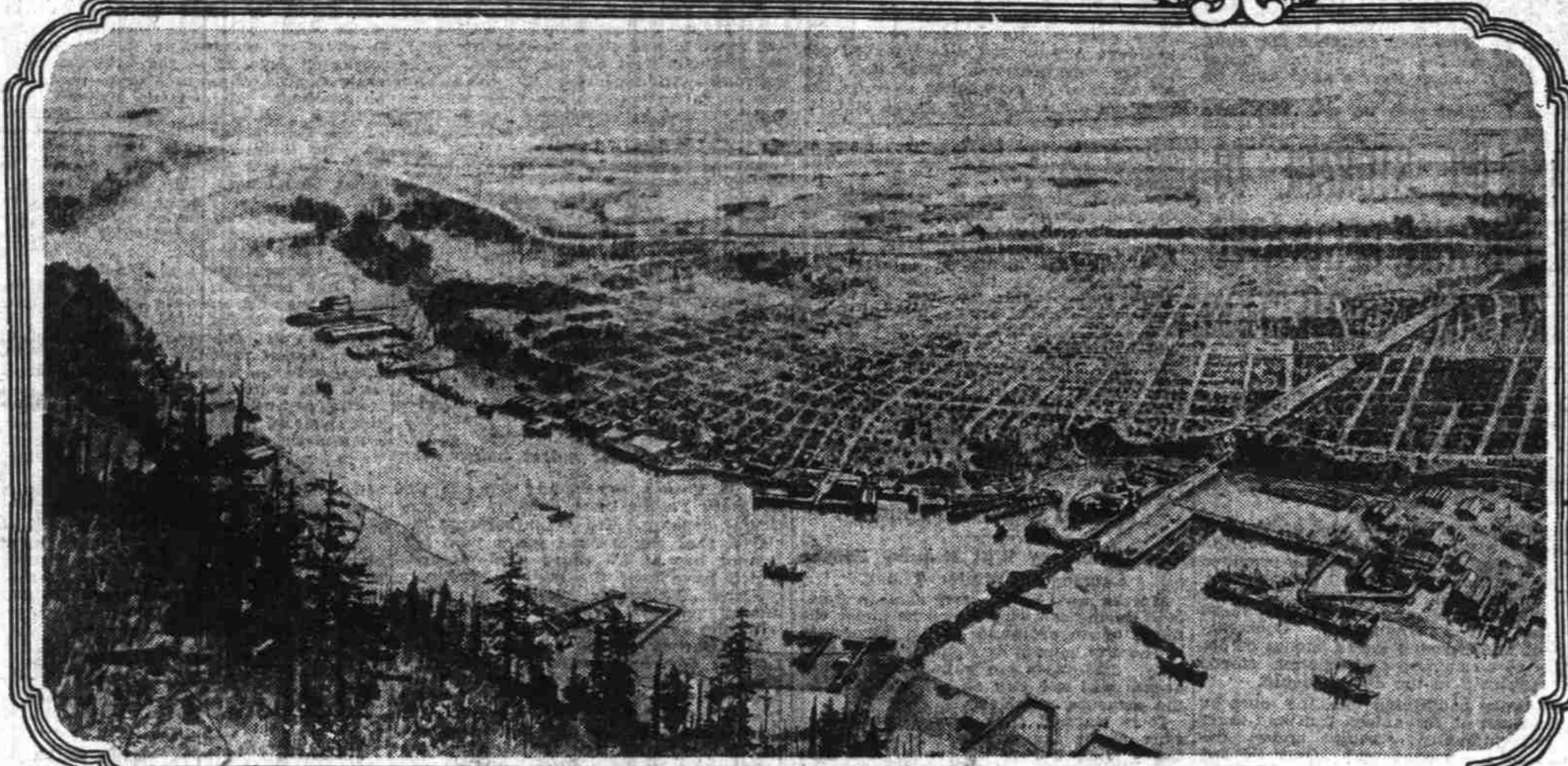
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MERRYMAN ELECTED LEWIS COUNTY LABOR ORGANIZATION CHIEF

Centralia Retail Clerks' Union Chooses Guy Watson as Financial Secretary.

Centralia, March 29.—William Merryman has been elected president of the Lewis County Central Labor council and will be installed at the next meeting. He succeeds Frank Fountain, who resigned following his removal to Hoquiam. William Lloyd Thursday night resigned as financial secretary of the Centralia union of retail clerks. Guy Watson succeeds him.

League is to Be Discussed

Centralia, March 29.—The next meeting of the Lewis county Pomona grange will be held at Forest on April 5. An address by Judge W. A. Reynolds of the Lewis county superior court on the subject, "The League of Nations," will be a feature. In the evening 60 candidates will be initiated. The degree team of the Ford's Prairie grange of this city putting on the initiatory work.

High School to Be Dedicated

Centralia, March 29.—April 4 has been set as the date for the dedication of the new high school erected in the Boistfort consolidated district near Klaber. An all-day program will be held. The new building is one of the finest rural schools in the state.

Three Face Federal Charges

Centralia, March 29.—Fred Wade, David Kendall and Fred Wilson, arrested recently in connection with a whiskey still raided by Sheriff Berry and Chief of Police A. C. Hughes near the Ford's Prairie schoolhouse, west of this city, were charged over to the federal court on bonds of illicitly manufacturing liquor.

HOPES FOR NAVY BASE ENCOURAGED BY SOLONS

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delegation. Colonel C. P. Stearns of the spruce division accompanied the congressmen.

Oregon's claims for the location of a naval base have received warm reception from each member of the committee, and, although each declines, on the ground that it would be ill-advised, to make a direct statement as to how he will vote on the proposition if it is presented to congress, all admit the inference that they will strongly support such an establishment.

The members of the party, which spent Thursday and Friday inspecting the harbor at the mouth of the river and the Tongue Point site, proposed for a submarine and aviation base by the Helms commission in 1916, join in declarations of seemingly sincere approval of the Columbia harbor and Tongue Point.

"The committee adds to a joint opinion the belief that coast protection through fortification and through naval establishment will carry little weight in final consideration by the navy department and by congress of the proposed Columbia river base.

Captain Jacob Spieler, who, as a special Portland envoy, escorted the congressional party to Portland from San Francisco, is credited by the visitors with much splendid work in presenting Oregon's case. Others especially active were Chief Engineer G. B. Hegerdt of the public dock commission, Captain M. Nolan, A. G. Labbe, B. F. Stone of Astoria, William Cornfoot and others, including the Portland Chamber of Commerce as an organization and through its members as individuals.

Women Did Share
Credit for exceptionally capable work in aiding to entertain the visitors given by the congressmen to the motor squad of the National League for Woman's service. The members active



Above—Tongue Point, possible site of new Pacific coast naval base, inspected by congressional committee. Center—Panoramic view of Willamette-Columbia peninsula, showing development in the lower harbor, which was visited by the congressional party today. The St. Johns municipal terminal is shown near the point of the peninsula on the Willamette side. Below—Congressional committee at Fort Stevens; Representatives Hawley, Hicks, Oliver; Colonel Rafferty, commanding Fort Stevens; Representatives Vinson, McArthur, Browning.

Gold and Platinum Bearing Sands to Be Investigated

Marshfield, March 29.—Thorough investigation of the gold and platinum bearing black sands of the Coos and Curry county coast country will be made by a party of mining men, who have started out on a tour of inspection. In the party are T. R. Dean Jr. of San Francisco, an assayer, A. E. Noyes of San Francisco and John R. Smith, the latter has prospected in this part of the state for some years and has succeeded in finding gold in paying quantities in various parts of the mountains and coast.

Flasks for the Fish

Marshfield, March 29.—One hundred pieces of first grade whiskey which was en route from San Francisco to Coos Bay was thrown overboard from the steamer City of Topeka by Captain Hall and his chief officer. It is said that the whiskey was found concealed behind a pile of puns in the galley. When the officers made the discovery the liquor

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was promptly thrown into the sea. It is supposed that the whiskey belonged to some member of the crew, who hoped to secure a large price for it in the Coos Bay cities, but no one claimed it. Captain Hall has been making a practice of searching his vessel before reaching port to avoid any possible trouble in case the local officers should find liquor aboard.

Aberdeen Moose Honor Johnson

Aberdeen, Wash., March 29.—Congressman Albert Johnson was initiated into the local lodge of Moose Thursday night as an honorary member. Judge W. H. Tucker paid honor to the memory of four members of the lodge who had died in the war.

Discharges Can Be Arranged

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, March 29.—Information has been received from the war department that naval reservists who are students at colleges may be discharged from the navy reserve, provided they agree to enroll immediately in the R. O. T. C. of the institutions. It is believed all naval reservists at O. A. C. will take advantage of the new ruling.

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SCOPE OF MILITARY TRAINING OF O. A. C. IS TO BE BROADENED

Colonel Partello Will Inaugurate Formal Regimental Parades on Fridays as Regular Feature.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, March 29.—The scope of military training at the college will be broadened, according to the plans of Colonel Joseph K. Partello, commandant. Starting Friday a formal regimental parade, together with other ceremonies, will be a regular feature. The military band will take part in these events. Colonel Partello has announced a new intensive course in bayonet and hand grenade instruction. He has requested the war department to send the college 200 dummy hand grenades like those used overseas, with the exception that they are not charged.

Club Work Advancing

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, March 29.—Club work in Oregon is advancing with tremendous strides, according to figures in the office of H. C. Seymour, boys' and girls' club leader. Last year nearly 15,000 children were engaged in club work. At the rate membership are being recruited the figures will be far eclipsed in 1919. More than 1000 standard club memberships have been received and 1400 individual club memberships. Nearly 1000 girls have enrolled for cooking.

Military Movies Coming

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, March 29.—Information has been received from the war department that moving picture films showing various phases of military instruction will soon be furnished institutions and colleges having R. O. T. C. units. Colonel Joseph K. Partello, commandant, has made arrangements to have these films shown at the big colleges Y. M. C. A. hut. He believes they will be of inestimable value.

Are Given Appointments

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, March 29.—Two graduates of the college, Carl A. Noren, '18, and Lieutenant Charles L. Robinson, '14, have received important appointments in Washington, having been made commissioners of horticulture for the state. Mr. Noren will make his headquarters at Grand View, and Lieutenant Robinson at North Yakima.

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Castlerock Lays Plans to Conduct Centenary Drive

Castlerock, Wash., March 29.—A get-together meeting was held Thursday night for the male population of the town and called out 64 men, who participated in a banquet served in the dining room of the Castlerock hotel, prepared and served by the men. George Marsh of Ostrander was toastmaster and the following responded: Sergeant Nat Smith, a Cowlitz county soldier; the Rev. Mr. Freeman, a missionary from the Orient, home on a furlough; the Rev. Mr. Carter of Ostrander; the Rev. Mr. Brown of Kalama, Mayor Roake, Professor Hul-



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