

## FOREST POLICY IS TO BE OUTLINED FOR NORTHWEST

Important Meeting to Be Held Monday of Western Forestry and Conservation Association.

Plans for a national forest policy to apply to the Northwest will be discussed at the first meeting of the committee recently appointed by the Western Forestry and Conservation Association, to be held in Seattle Monday.

E. T. Allen is chairman of the committee which has been working for three months on certain fundamental principles which will be adopted by the organization. Full attendance at the meeting has been assured from Montana, Idaho, Washington, Oregon and California.

Through the activities of the Western Forestry and Conservation Association, which is made up of timberland owners in the five states involved, many of the present forest laws for these states have been enacted, and the inception of the present forest protective endeavor is likewise due to the progressiveness of the association's membership.

### BROAD NATIONAL PROGRAM

C. S. Chapman, secretary of the Oregon Forest Fire Association, expects the committee, as well as expressing its views on a broader national program, will take steps aimed at enactment of legislation by the Pacific coast states to aid a federal program of forest protection and perpetuation.

"Our greatest problem," said Chapman, "is added protection of timbered areas against fire. If this is made about, forest replacement in the fire region will follow."

"Another vital matter for consideration is that of taxation as applied to lands held for new forest crops. Forest crops, on account of the length of time required to grow them, even under favorable conditions, cannot be expected to yield a high rate of return on money invested. To stimulate keeping forest land in young timber, some form of tax relief must be inaugurated, possibly in the form of a nominal land tax, supplemented by a substantial yield tax when the forest crop is harvested. It is expected that the committee will recommend specific legislation with this in view."

### LAND CLASSIFICATION NEEDED

"There is also general agreement that before actual steps are taken to put out cut-over and burned-over areas under forest management, a comprehensive land classification should be made to determine what areas should be kept in forest and which for agricultural use."

"While recognizing that perpetuation of an ample supply of timber for future needs requires prompt action, common sense directs a careful inventory of what we now have as the best basis for determining specifically on a broad program of reforestation. Such a land classification need not extend over a long period, nor should action preparatory to use of data so collected be withheld until the classification is completed."

"The federal government, states and private owners all have an interest and responsibility in the perpetuation of our timber supply. It will be assured, if all interests work together along sound and progressive lines."

**W. E. Rutherford, Galice Mining Man, Reported Missing**

Grants Pass, Feb. 7.—W. E. Rutherford, a mining man whose home is on the Rogue river 12 miles below Galice, is reported missing, and a search has been instituted. He was last seen about four weeks ago, when he crossed the river from his cabin, to get his mail from the mail box. He left the boat tied to the river bank, opposite his home, and disappeared.

His cabin door was left open, and a calendar, upon which he had marked off each day, a habit common with mountaineers who live by themselves that they may not lose track of time, indicates that he had not been there since January 8. The search is being directed by rangers of the forest service.

Nevada Ratifies Suffrage

Carson City, Nev., Feb. 7.—(U. P.)—Nevada today ratified the federal woman suffrage amendment.

## "Flu" Serum Cripples Girl Spirit Never Gives Ground

Pendleton Miss, Poisoned When Inoculated, Member of Crip Club at O. A. C.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Feb. 7.—Miss Theima Richardson of Pendleton bears the distinction of being the only woman member of the Oregon Crip club at the Oregon Agricultural college.

There are 152 of these wounded ex-soldiers at the O. A. C. Some were gassed or injured by shell shock, some are minus an arm, or leg, or eye, others carry in their bodies leaden missiles from German guns.

Miss Richardson did not fall on field of battle. She did not even go to France, and she never heard the sound of a German gun; but she is nevertheless a heroine of the war for she was stricken down while discharging her duty as a member of the United States navy.

When the war broke out Miss Richardson was living in Pendleton. She had just completed high school. She saw the boys marching away to the training camps amid the sound of trumpets and the display of banners. She saw the tears of mothers and sweethearts as they said good-bye to their loved ones. Her own brother had answered the call. She felt that she also wanted to do her part in helping to win the war.

**POISONED BY INOCULATION**

No one was dependent upon her, so she offered herself as a yeomanette in the department of the navy. She did it out of a true spirit of patriotism. When she enlisted she did not know where she would be sent, but was delighted when she learned that she was to be stationed at the Puget Sound navy yard at Bremerton.

She was there but a short time, however, when the "flu" spread and every man and woman in the Bremerton yards was lined up to be inoculated with "flu" serum. Unfortunately for Miss Richardson the inoculation poisoned her and settled in the knee joints, rendering her an invalid. Just how it happened no one knows, and no one is held to blame. It is just one of those strange misfortunes of war.

**FLUCK SAVED DAY**

For nine weeks Miss Richardson was bedfast in the hospital, and for a time her recovery seemed doubtful. Physicians told her that she would probably never walk without crutches. But Miss Richardson was a plucky girl. Life was sweet to her. She did not fancy dragging herself through life by the aid of crutches, so she said:

"I'll fool the doctor. I will get well. I will walk without crutches."

In a few weeks she surprised the nurses by laying aside her crutches. Now she is able to walk without assistance, except as she occasionally leans on the arm of one of the valorous knights of the Crip club. It is needless



Miss Theima Richardson

to say that every man of the club is a true knight when an opportunity is offered to show some courtesy to Miss Richardson.

### AMBITIOUS TO WORK

Miss Richardson is a beautiful girl with auburn hair and a fascinating dimple in her chin. She is modest and refined, having all those qualities which make womanhood sacred and beautiful. She dislikes publicity. She devotes her time to hard work, and only occasionally is seen at college social functions.

Her one ambition is to apply the money which she receives from the government in procuring an education that will qualify her to be a private secretary and stenographer in some great office.

When Miss Richardson was a child her mother died and her father went to Central America. She has lived most of her life with two aunts in Pendleton, Mrs. Gus Byers and Mrs. Henry Thompson.

### Montana Man Head Of Christian Body

The Dalles, Feb. 7.—A. L. Chapman of Bozeman, Mont., was elected president of the Northwest conference of Christian churches at the annual parliament just concluded here. H. H. Griffith of Portland was elected vice-president and H. J. Reynolds, secretary-treasurer. The next parliament will be held in Walla Walla the first Monday of next December.

## SAVING TO TAXPAYERS EXPECTED IF SCHOOL MILLAGE IS ADOPTED

Umatilla Superintendent Asserts Special Levies Would Be Made Unnecessary.

Pendleton, Feb. 7.—Adoption of the two mill school tax will mean lower taxes for 73 per cent of the taxpayers in Umatilla county, according to W. W. Groen, county superintendent of schools. He has prepared figures showing that in districts with a one room school the amount that would be raised by this tax, together with the \$220 which the

county court may vote for a district, would preclude the necessity of any special tax levy.

In Umatilla county 23 per cent of the assessed valuation, or approximately \$12,500,000 worth of property, is paying \$4 mill for school purposes, equivalent to \$7500 a year. With the two mill tax, the districts so maintained would be required either to pay their equitable share toward school maintenance or consolidate with other districts.

The levy, applied to the 1919 assessment, would produce \$105,778, or \$333.30 for every teacher employed in an eight months' school. A one room school, with the \$220 apportionment the county court can make, would thus have \$1148.30 for its year's operation, sufficient, the superintendent says, to forego any special levy.

### Brown Enters Race

Yakima, Wash., Feb. 7.—Captain E. K. Brown of Ellensburg announced that he would be a candidate for congress in the fourth district on the Republican ticket. F. A. Horn of Ellensburg will be his campaign manager.

## Friends Mourn End Of Attorney, Well Known in Portland



Edwin Howe Peery, who died in Tuba, Cal., January 29, was well known in Portland, where he had practiced law at intervals for more than 30 years. He was born in Grundy county, Mo., in 1856, and graduated from the university of his native state and afterwards from the George Washington university of Washington, D. C., receiving the degree of master of laws. He served in Washington, D. C., beginning in 1894 in the office of the civil service commission, the treasury department and the reclamation service.

He afterwards served in the state and justice departments of Cuba. In 1908 he resumed practice of law in Portland, but at the time of his death was in the reclamation service with headquarters in Denver.

His death followed an operation in California. Peery is survived by his mother, Mrs. Ruth J. Peery; a brother, T. L. Peery of this city; and a sister in Marysville, Cal. Peery was a member of Portland lodge No. 55, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and had a large number of friends all over the Pacific coast.

## Home-Made Mash Gets Man in Trouble

Klamath Falls, Feb. 7.—Too much home-made raisin mash cost Frank Ward, a local bootblack, \$7.50 and a severe reprimand from Police Judge Leavitt. Ward was arrested for drunken and disorderly conduct on the street. His place was raided and mash in a high stage of fermentation was found.

## Pioneer Volunteer Fire Department Faces Extinction

The Dalles, Feb. 7.—If the recommendation of the state fire marshal that the city substitute a paid department for the volunteer system is followed, The Dalles volunteer department, which has been in existence for more than 25 years, will soon be a thing of the past. The letter of the fire marshal suggests a paid department of a chief and four assistants, the chief to have powers of city fire marshal. The civic authorities were censured for laxness in enforcing local fire ordinances.

Sherman Diggs, a negro, was sentenced to serve 60 days by Judge Wilson for stealing meat from the Highway market. Charles Boyce, Indian, pleaded not guilty to charges of forging \$750 in worthless checks against the State Bank of Maupin.

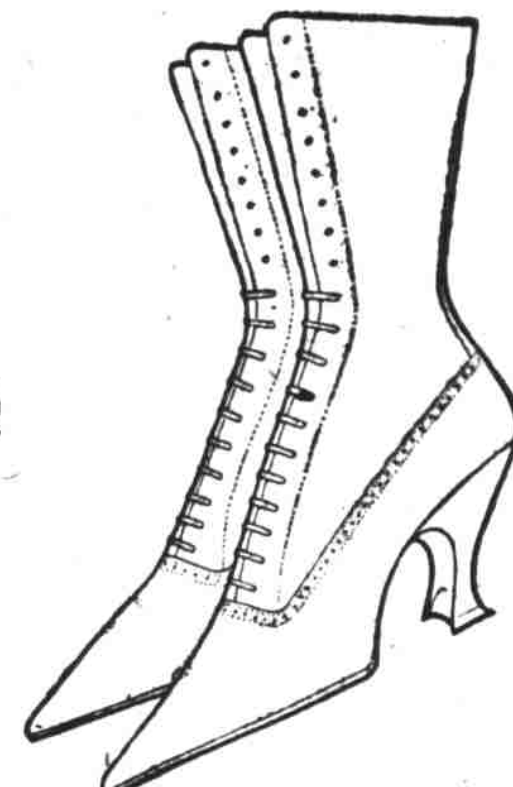
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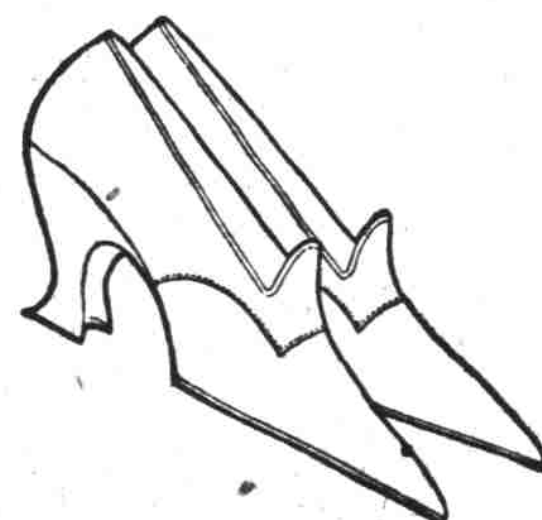
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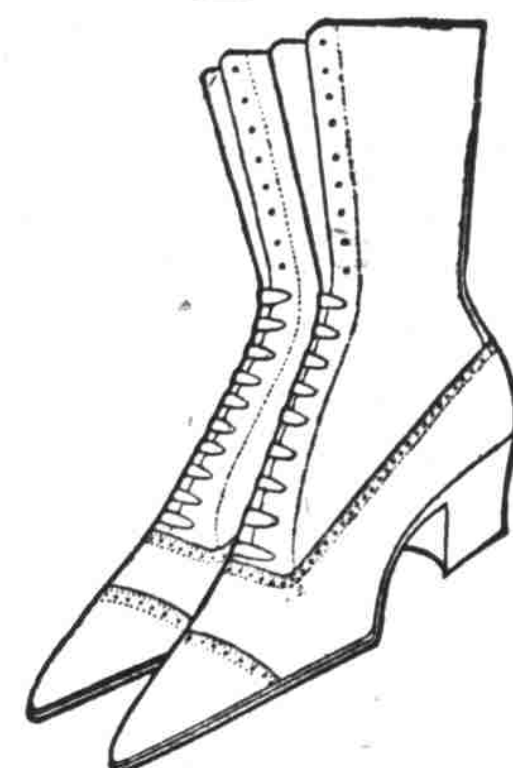
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