

PRIZE WINNERS ARE ANNOUNCED

Marian Emmons Takes Sweepstakes in Armenian Essay Contest

Marian Emmons, a sophomore in the Salem high school, who lives at 260 South Twenty-third street, is the winner of the sweepstake prize in the contest for the best essay on the Armenian situation, initiated by the Marion county Armenian relief committee.

HOOD'S SARSAPARILLA AND PEPTIRON

Conditions that are both serofulous and anemic are very common. Many persons whose faces are "broken out," cheeks are pale, and nerves are weak, suffer from them.

GUESS WORK IS DENIED

Second prize in the high school class goes to Helen Rose, a senior in Salem high, who lives at 760 Court street; in the junior high class, to Thelma Salisbury, a pupil of the Grant school in the ninth grade, who lives at 1311 North Liberty street; in the grammar grade class to Ava Platz a sixth grade pupil of Hubbard.

In order to arrive at a joint decision, a method of scoring was adopted as follows: Every essay selected by any judge was scored out to begin with. For the essay given first place by any judge, six was scored; five for second place, and so on down to two for fifth place.

On the basis of this scoring, Miss Emmons paper scored 20 points, it having been awarded first place by two judges, and given "best of all," by one of them, and best a third by the third judge.

Prize Winners Named. The complete list of prize winners, with their scores follows: Sweepstakes—Marian Emmons, sophomore, Salem high school, Salem, Oregon.

COREY GIVES REASONS FOR 6-CENT FARE

Facts and Figures Stated in Statement by Service Commissioner

STREET RAILWAY INVESTMENT IS HELD TO HAVE BEEN FIXED ACCURATELY

H. H. Corey, member of the Oregon public service commission, declares that large numbers of people have not read the commission's order allowing the Portland Railway Light & Power company to establish 6-cent street car fares in Portland.

"I find the impression prevalent in Portland that this commission has granted an increase in carfare in order to guarantee a 6 per cent return on the value of the property used in serving the public. This is an error."

"The study and investigation of the utility leading up to and consummated in a rate base value of \$18,233,371.55 for the street car system was before the commission for a period extending over four years and was under the direct supervision of Clyde B. Aitchison and J. P. Newell, who were recognized as having no superiors in valuation work of this nature."

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who are insinuating by their articles in the press that the valuation is all guess work. It is wrong for these irresponsible persons to impute wrong motives to their public servants who are giving the best that is in them to perform their duties faithfully and honestly.

"The valuation as fixed by this commission is as near a barebone value of the company's property as the courts would permit; and contrary to public opinion does not contain any 'watered stock' or any stock whatever. Neither does it include any allowance for franchise value. So if it were true that the company paid millions for its franchise, it has no bearing whatever on the rate of fare. Donations and bonuses given the car company to induce it to extend its service into outlying additions to the City of Portland are also omitted from the valuation."

"The commission had no other alternative than to increase the street car fare, because the company cannot possibly operate without it. Without the increased fare the company would go into the hands of a receiver who by order of the court would take 43 per cent of the cars or this commission for an increase in rates in order to protect the actual investment in plant. If the car patrons are willing to do with 41 per cent less cars, the undesignated is willing to restore the 5-cent fare. Positively the company cannot give both adequate service and a 5-cent fare during this period of abnormally high prices. The jitney may afford a 5-cent fare within a very limited zone, but as the average haul in Portland is four or five miles, manifestly the jitney fare would be far in excess of six cents to all outside this close-in zone."

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U. S. TO BUILD NEW MODEL OF U-BOAT FIGHTERS

Deliveries to Be Made This Summer; Ford Company Gets Contract

EQUIPMENT IS HEAVIER

New Vessels to Be More Effective Than Chasers, Daniels Explains

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—New submarine fighters of a powerful type are about to be turned out in the United States in large numbers. After testifying today before the house naval committee on the naval appropriation bill, Secretary Daniels authorized the statement that contracts for "several scores" of the new craft have been placed with the Ford Motor company, of Detroit.

All parts of the ships except the engine are to be fabricated in Detroit and the parts shipped to seaboard, where they will be assembled. Deliveries on the contracts during the coming summer are assured, Mr. Daniels said.

The new vessels are expected to prove far superior to the chasers now in use, including those of the 110-foot class. They will have steam power with a greater radius of action, will be more seaworthy and will be able to carry heavier armament. It has developed that the latest German submarines are equipped with guns that outrange those of small chasers and even some merchant ships.

In connection with Mr. Daniels' renewed recommendation for a large increase in both temporary and permanent enlisted personnel of the navy, it was learned today that the department plans extensive enlargement of several existing training stations. Plans already have been approved for enlarging the Pelham Bay, N. Y., and Norfolk, Va., stations.

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Governor to Inquire Into Needs for More Guardsmen

Governor Withycombe will go to Portland today to make a personal inspection of conditions along the waterfront relative to the need of more warehouse and mill guards, and to confer with acting Adjutant General Williams to ascertain the availability of men from the new state guard organizations. The question of money to pay the guards is

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Market Closes With Oats Slightly Down

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Better conditions in regard to the supply of cars on western roads helped today to ease the corn market. Prices closed steady at 1-8 to 1-4 to 1-4c net decline (with March \$1.26 3-4 and May \$1.25 1-4. Oats finished 5-8 to 1-2c down and provisions unchanged to 50 cents lower.

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