

LIVING CONDITION OF STOCK YARD WORKERS IS UP

Women Testify Families Unable to Live Decently on Wages Received

ALLOWANCES ARE SMALL

Pastor Declares Housing Facilities in Districts Are Deplorable

American and Belgian troops, while their immediate reserves total sixty-three divisions...

Dividend Declared by Mt. Angel Creamery Co.

MT. ANGELO, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mt. Angel Creamery and Ice company took place here yesterday...

Advertised Letters

- Advertised February 13, 1918. Bogue, John H. Crist, Miss Pauline. Crasseries, Rooph (Camien). Davis, Mrs. Jessie. Davis Raymond. Hatfield, Mrs. Alma.

Arthur Reinhart Now Is Ordnance Sergeant in Texas

Arthur J. Reinhart of the 115th Ordnance Depot Company, Camp Travis, Texas, received his warrant as ordnance sergeant during the past week...

Son of Mt. Angel Parents Believed Victim of U-Boat

MT. ANGELO, Or., Feb. 13.—(Special to The Statesman.)—Fred W. Unger of Parkston, N. D., one of the missing Tuscania passengers is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Unger...

Officers Are Elected for Ricker Literary Society

RICKEY, Or., Feb. 12.—The Ricker Literary society met Friday night at the schoolhouse and elected the following officers for the next six months: President, A. Eugene Aufrance; vice president, M. M. MacMinnie...

AVIATORS WIN PRIZE MONEY

Hitchcock and Wellman Make Brilliant Exploits Over German Lines

PARIS, Feb. 13.—Corporal Thomas Hitchcock of Long Island, N. Y., and W. A. Wellman of Cambridge, Mass., American aviators in French escadrilles, have been awarded \$109 prize money each by the Lafayette flying corps committee...

These aviators have been awarded the French war cross with palms and granted a special ten days leave in Paris. Corporal Hitchcock, who celebrated his nineteenth birthday this week, has just made application for a commission in the aviation corps...

STOCKS ADVANCE SEVERAL POINTS

Leading Issues 'Are Strong; Bond List Generally Is Steady

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The stock market seemed to be favorably influenced in the early stages of today's trading by events over the holidays. Leading issues gained on two points and a few specialties as much as three to four in the active firm's count.

CLOVERDALE BREVITIES

CLOVERDALE, Or., Feb. 13.—Mrs. Hazel Schields, an attendant at the asylum farm, spent the day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Fleetwood, recently.

A. Wood and family and Miss Agnes Arnett attended the high school program in Salem Friday night.

Dr. Mary Staples has returned home again after a week's visit in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blaco and Cora Weatherill were Salem visitors Saturday.

Mrs. George Weatherill entertained the W. C. T. U. at her home last Wednesday. The members enjoyed her for. On account of the high water several were unfortunate in not being present.

F. A. Wood and son Carl were in Salem Saturday.

SHIPBUILDING IN ENGLAND FALLS DOWN

tilled," Mr. Balfour said, "in dwelling on the difference in tone, but when you leave the tone and come to formulated definite propositions, you will not find them in Count Czernin's speech, and as I am aware, President Wilson did not profess to find them."

OREGON 'U' HAS 535 IN SERVICE

One Woman, Too, in Military Work—Service Flag Is On Way

EUGENE, Or., Feb. 13.—There will be exactly 535 stars on the University of Oregon service flag now being made by a Portland firm and which will be hung in front of the administration building here, according to information completed at the office of President Campbell after several weeks' work in learning the exact number of university students now in military service.

These figures represent only students who have been graduated from the university or who were connected with the university when they enlisted. By counting the ordnance students, school of medicine and special service students, the grand total was found to be 691.

The following is a list of officers and men in the respective branches of the service: Army officers, colonel, 1; majors, 14; captains, 15; first lieutenants, 56; second lieutenants, 42.

Army, 313; navy officers, 2; navy 49; marines, 27; men in unknown service, 18; foreign service, 2; died in service, 3; women in military service, 1; Red Cross nurses, 1; total in service, 535. Ordinance school special students, 32; school of medicine, graduates, medical officers, 64; special civil service, 3; Y. M. C. A.; 4; total, 156.

WAGE INCREASES TO BE ENORMOUS

Additional Cost to Railroads Estimated at \$82,000,000 Annually

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—The first official indication of what proposed railroad wage increases would cost was given at today's hearing before the railroad wage commission, when J. A. Franklin presented the claim of the railway employees' department of the American Federation of Labor.

OREGON WOMEN GET WAGE RISE

Increase in Minimum Scale Is Tentatively Agreed on at Portland

PORTLAND, Feb. 13.—An increase of 15 to 19 per cent in the minimum wage scale for women workers in Oregon, was tentatively agreed on tonight at an executive session of the board of inquiry which has conducted an investigation as to the cost of living, preliminary to recommending to the public welfare commission the readjustment upwards.

The increase affects several different lines of work, mainly the wages of laundry and manufacturing women workers. It is increased from \$8.64 to \$10 a week; mercantile workers \$9.25 to \$11 a week and office employees from \$40 to \$47.50 a month.

The increase was granted largely as a result of the showing made by Dr. Paul H. Douglas, social economist at Reed college, that the cost of living between June, 1916, and November, 1917, increased 40 per cent.

HEATLESS DAYS NOW ARE GONE

Monday Program Abolished by Garfield but May Be in Force Again

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Suspension of the heatless Monday program was announced today by Fuel Administrator Garfield with the reservation that it may be put back into force before the ten weeks period expires if a return of bad weather brings another break down in railroad transportation.

At the same time Dr. Garfield gave state fuel administrators full authority to continue the closing order in territory under their jurisdiction if circumstances demand it.

The heatless Mondays were declared by the fuel administration on January 17 and four have been observed in all states east of the Mississippi except those south of Virginia. The order in the south was lifted last week.

RAILROAD BILL IS ATTACKED

McLean Says U. S. Possession Under Private Control Poor Policy

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Debate on the administration railroad bill in the senate was confined largely to prepared speeches by Senator Kellogg and McLean, Republicans, both of whom announced they would vote for the measure, though they opposed the principle involved and supported government operation of the carriers only as a war measure only to terminate at a fixed time.

The present plan of government possession under private management, "that can be justified only at a time when the life of the nation is at stake," said Senator McLean. "It has all the defects of government ownership and none of the benefits of private management under private ownership."

COMMISSION IS TARGET OF BILL

Ballot Title Prepared for Initiative by Attorney General Brown

Attorney General Brown yesterday prepared the following ballot title for the initiative bill which is planned to put on the ballot in an effort to do away with the Public Service Commission, or with three present commissioners, least:

Initiative bill proposed by initiative petition. Initiated by Josephine R. 1033 E. 24th St., Portland, Ore. Eleanor Florence Baldwin, 12th St., Portland, Oregon; C. Barzee, 1071 Belmont St., Portland, Oregon; James R. Whalen, 558 Everett St., Portland, Oregon.

NATIONAL POLICY IS RECOMMENDED

New System Covering Production and Distribution Asked of Wilson

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—President Wilson was urged today by a delegation from the American National Livestock association to adopt a national livestock policy covering production and distribution as one problem. It was suggested that a joint committee of the department of agriculture and the food administration formulate such a policy.

In a formal address accompanying the presentation of resolutions adopted by the association's convention, Dwight B. Heard declared that the hard and fast line drawn between production and distribution was responsible for unsatisfactory conditions.

FIRE DESTROYS COLLEGE

Loss of \$300,000 Is Sustained at Vassar College; Students Unhurt

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Feb. 13.—Fire which broke out at 8 o'clock tonight in the east wing of the main building at Vassar college did \$300,000 damage and for some time threatened to destroy the entire building. It was not until 9 o'clock that the blaze was brought under control.

CUBAN LOAN IS FOR SUGAR CROP

Bankers Subscribe to Fund for Financing of Big Production

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Announcement within a short time that the Cuban loan of \$100,000,000 to finance the harvesting of the sugar crop, was "an accomplished fact," was forecast in a statement issued here tonight by the international sugar committee. It was intimated that New York bankers and refiners already had subscribed \$60,000,000 and that the balance probably would be forthcoming from Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, New Orleans and other cities.

George M. Rolph, chairman of the committee, stated that most of the annual reports of the sugar companies would be forthcoming at an early date and it would be interesting to the public to note the profits earned by them during the year 1917, when no food control regulations were in effect, and compare with the same annual reports to be issued one year hence, showing the operations of the same companies under food control plan.

AMENDMENT ELIMINATES FREE SEED DISTRIBUTION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—A preliminary consideration was given to the senate today to the agricultural appropriation bill, increased by the senate committee \$1,150,000 over the house total of \$26,943,000.

Principal committee amendments were elimination of the appropriation of \$242,000 for free seed distribution by members of congress, which is expected to be retained as usual in conference, doubling of the \$250,000 appropriation for fighting tuberculosis in livestock and an increase from \$620,000 to \$750,000 in the item for combating the pest-tick.

Extension of Time Given On Great Oregon Project

The Desert Land Board yesterday received advice from the Department of the Interior that an extension of time has been granted to the state on what is known as segregation list No. 6 on the Central Oregon project. The extension is to October 17, 1920, and the telegram states that then a further extension might be asked for if it is shown the segregation list includes 50 acres.

Governor Receives Word From Jackson County

Governor Withycombe received the following telegram from Jackson County yesterday:

"The Lincoln club assembled at the Lincoln Day banquet at Medford sending greeting to our Governor. We regret your inability to be present, remembering with pleasure your presence on former occasions. We are with you in your work for boys at the front."

Parents to Organize Soldiers Club Today

Since writing his communication to The Statesman a few days ago suggesting the formation in Medford of a Soldiers' and Sailors' Parents' club, Mr. Davey has received numerous calls from all over the city urging the carrying out of the plan. The proposed meeting for the purpose will be held at the armory here after a 2:30 o'clock. All parents of boys who are serving in the arm of Uncle Sam's war effort are urged to be present.

COCONUT OIL FINE FOR WASHING HAIR

If you want to keep your hair in good condition, be careful what you wash it with.

Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle, and is very harmful.

Simply moisten your hair with water and rub it in. One or two teaspoonfuls will make an abundance of rich, creamy lather, and cleanses the hair and scalp thoroughly.

The lather rinses out easily, and removes every particle of dust, dirt, dandruff and excessive oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and it leaves it fine and silky, bright, fluffy and easy to manage.

You can get purified coconut oil at most any drug store. It is very cheap, and a few ounces is enough to last everyone in the family for months.

WOMEN TESTIFY FAMILIES UNABLE TO LIVE DECENTLY ON WAGES RECEIVED

Mrs. Rosalie Bobeck, a widow of ten days and the mother of three children, said her husband had worked for Wilson and company in the Chicago stock yards for several years. His earnings, she said, never had been as much as \$20 until the week before he died when he worked 50 hours and received \$23.

When her children had measles she did not have money enough to have a doctor, and when her husband died she had to rely on friends to pay his funeral expenses.

In answer to questions by Attorney Frank E. Walsh she said she never attended a theater, moving picture show, a picnic or other form of amusement. She declared she never even went for street car rides to public parks because she could not afford it.

Mrs. Anna C. McQuillan, whose husband is at present an organizer for the American Federation of Labor, but formerly worked in the stock yards as a hard inspector for \$110 a month, testified that she was never able to live decently with her three children on her husband's salary. She read a statement of the living expenses of a family of five prepared by an official of one of the stock yards' labor unions. It totalled \$1,258.84 for the year. It allowed \$20 a month for rent, \$60 for fuel and \$50 to clothe the mother and children.

She said the estimate made no allowance for doctor's bills, the education of the children or for the upkeep of the home.

HEADQUARTERS OF FRENCH ARMIES IN FRANCE

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HINDENBURG DRIVE NOT YET READY

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New concentrations of German forces are gathered in the rear of their lines simultaneously with the hard work which continues on the front line positions, where a most formidable assemblage of defenses have been erected during the winter months.

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