

# SALARIES HARD TO DECIDE ON

## School Board Wrestles With Question at Meeting Last Night

The greater part of the school board session last night was devoted to a canvass of the teaching corps in an endeavor to adjust salaries in keeping with the schedule as adopted at the last meeting and at the same time satisfy all teachers. Various questions of delicate diplomacy cropped out in individual cases where there were real or fancied causes for dissatisfaction.

One knotty subject was the cases of teachers who wished to be re-elected to their present positions until the first of September to decide definitely whether they wanted to bind themselves by contract. While there is something to be said on the teacher's side of this proposition, it was considered by some members of the board to be unfair to the board. Viewed from the outside, there is apparent evidence of a tendency on the part of the board to be liberal and considerate of the teaching force, even in cases where there are grounds for criticism of a teacher's record. While the new schedule may not place some of the forces in as good position financially as they might find in government work or in other vocations, it is claimed that it compares favorably with schedules in other parts of the west.

Janitors Within Law.

The mooted question as to whether school janitors came within the scope of the eight-hour law was again before the board, and a citation on the point, submitted by the attorney general, was read. As a

means of finally disposing of the matter the clerk was instructed to inform Labor Commissioner Hoff that in the opinion of the board the schools were conforming to the law in the respect that janitors were not compelled to do more than eight hours of actual labor in the course of their working day.

Although there was some question as to the advisability of allowing two half holidays so near together, it was finally decided that not only the senior high school but all the grades should be allowed a half holiday Friday of this week in order that they might witness the May day exercises on Willamette university campus—this being with the proviso that weather or other conditions do not alter the plans of the university students.

Field Meet, May 10.

A half holiday was also granted on May 10, which is the day of the annual field meet.

Among matters of routine business was the allowance of sundry bills, ratifying the action of the supplies committee in the purchase of sixty-five cords of wood, agreement on the matter of paying 2 1/2 per cent interest on warrants to the amount of \$17,000, the improvement of grounds at the Lincoln school, and the installing of additional fire alarm equipment at Washington school.

**Copper Goes to Inspect Water Rights Adjudication**

Percy A. Copper, assistant state engineer, left yesterday to inspect the work being done by the state engineer's office in connection with the adjudication of water right on Fifteen Mile creek and White river in Wasco county.

A survey is being made of these streams preparatory to the determination of the rights by the Superintendent of water division No. 2. Maps are prepared showing all irrigated land, ditches, streams, etc. All ditches are measured and the amount of water used on the land as well as the amount available for use. This information is compiled and forms the basis for a judicial determination by the State Water Board of all water rights on the streams. Having such information available eliminates the necessity of taking thousands of pages of testimony and greatly decreases the cost to the irrigators. This work of the state engineer's office, which for a number of years has been under Mr. Cooper's immediate supervision, has proven very successful and is being adopted by other states.

**Governor Has Letter From Lieutenant Paul Wallace**

American troops in France are adopting British methods, according to a letter that has been received by Governor Withycombe from Lieutenant Paul B. Wallace of Salem, who is with Company L of the 162 United States Infantry. It is presumed that the officer refers to British methods of warfare, since in the same letter he praises strongly the condition and morale of the British army as a fighting force. Lieutenant Wallace predicts that if the Germans are held in the present struggle on the western front the war will be over in a year.

Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner has received a letter from Captain James R. Neer of Company M, the Salem contingent in the 162 Infantry, in which the officer says the Oregon troops are well provided with food and clothing and other comforts that lighten the hardship of soldiering.

# HOLMES SAVES MUCH TROUBLE

## Fuel Consumers of Oregon Need Not Make Written Applications

PORTLAND, ORE., April 29.—As a result of strong representations by Fuel Administrator Holmes of Oregon, fuel consumers of the state will not be compelled to make written application for wood and coal supplies, as previously announced.

Holmes took the stand that Oregonians are being encouraged to lay in ample supplies early, and he considered that enforcement of the application blank order was an unnecessary inconvenience to the public and a useless expense to fuel dealers.

He laid his case before the national fuel administration and has just received a wire from Washington stating that special ruling will be made for Oregon, although the regulation will be enforced in all other states, saving possibly other Northwestern states.

Advices from Washington to Holmes indicates that conditions point to another fuel shortage this coming winter unless consumers lay in their supplies now. The congested condition of the transportation system is compelling slow movement in this regard.

## Eight Hundred Children Now in Fourth Regiment

State School Superintendent Churchill has now entered 800 names for the fourth Junior Rainbow regiment. The names of the eighth hundred are:

Carl Sylvester, Clackamas; Maud Graham, Forest Grove; Jenette Lansing, Mildred Tucker, Jennie Two-bell, Amelia Kiblan, Jassamine Brown, Edward Payne, Mary Canapoli, Helen Rice, Mildred Carlson, John Sten, Nora Baseel, Rene De Vin, Louise Ketel, Thomas Ketel, Carl Tucker, Annabelle Isbister, Helen Kiblan, Leila Harrison, Geraldine Ketel, Marion Sacks, Johanne Mace, Hilda Karth, St. Helens; Bonnie Esta Brugger, Mayer; Ella Cochran, Virgil Parks, Leonard Donaldson, Frances Kight, Margaret Stalker, Prairie City; Lavona Beveridge, La Grande; Sadié Malloy, Gertrude Wood, The Dalles; Wilnuth Gibson, Hood River; Elbert Belts, Dorothy Redfield, Pendleton; Wayne Crow, Lostine; Frederick Eisman, Rogo River; Bruce Putnam, Medford; Doris Grabner, Frank Mittauer, Helen Pearce, Irsen Sacks, Marguerite Edwards, George Miller, Earl Cranston, Ralph Glass, Bessie Sacks, Max Ryland, Malcolm Ryland, Harold Murray, David Hunt, Johnnie Mattes, Ocla Moody, Jean Horton, Donald McGill, Victor Hart, Alice Tuthill, Page Westwood, Aurilla Marson, Ruby Parson, Baker; Myra King, Harrisburg; Edwin Parker, Catherine Coates, Nellie Burns, Arlow Hildebrand, Albany; Helen Knott, Glendale; Heston Grieve, Prospect; Basil Brown, Klamath Falls; Harold Hathorn, Laurel; Amanda Graue, Sherwood; Raymond Walker, Grants Pass; Eunice Harmon, Elmer C. Harmon, Ruth Moore, Helen Walcher, Salem; Beverly Thomas, Klamath Falls; Jack Dennis, Mildred Murry, Elma Osley, Lester Conley, Goldie Ford, Phyllis Scranton, Donald Rohn, Ella Neiderer, Elma Bay, La Grande; Francis Ott, Eulah Ott, Leila Ott, Alice Ott, Rex Ott, Fritz Ott, Raymond Monroe, Summerville; Melissa Donaldson, Astoria; Isabel Babcock, Edna Miller, Theinon Butts, Maybelle Bramlette, Roy Mungler, Amelie Rosa, The Dalles.

## Prison Bloodhounds Are Wanted to Hunt for Man

An appeal was received at the state penitentiary last night from Clatskanie for the prison bloodhounds to trace a young man who was said to have disappeared from that place. His name was not given. The telephone message said that the young man, who was of draft age, apparently had disappeared in the woods. A mysterious gunshot, heard in the neighborhood, was suspected to have something to do with his disappearance. Whether the dogs would be sent was not decided last night.

## Celebration Proposed In Unfurling Liberty Flags

The two liberty flags awarded to Salem and Marion county in view of their success in the liberty loan campaign, have arrived, and it is now proposed that their public unfurling be marked with appropriate ceremony.

A committee will be appointed from the commercial club to take this matter up at an early date, and in the meantime the club will welcome suggestions from interested citizens to the best means of celebrating the event.

In the opinion of those at the head of the bond campaign the occasion is of sufficient importance to warrant an elaborate program of music and oratory. It is also suggested that the neighboring towns and rural centers be asked to join with Salem in an occasion that will be of mutual interest and enjoyment.

## Why America Fights Germany Summarized

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29.—"If Democracy is conquered in this war, all free peoples must either submit to Germany's domination or give up a part of their democracy in order to resist her. We must fight Germany in Europe with help that we may not have to fight her here in America without help."

In a booklet entitled, "Why America Fights Germany," issued by the Committee on Public Information today, Professor J. S. P. Tatlock, of

Stanford University, thus sets forth the fundamental reason for our participation in the war. He shows how Germany has drawn our citizens, sunk our ships, intrigued against us, and outraged our sentiments of right and humanity by her unspeakable outrages in Belgium and France, founded as they are on deliberate principle and precept. He adds, "If we had not fought Germany after her false and brutal conduct, we should have been despised by all the world, including the Germans."

The publication may be obtained free by writing to the Committee on Public Information, at 8 Jackson Place, Washington, D. C.

## Steel Work Is Ready to Begin on Big Salem Bridge

Construction workers on the Willamette river bridge are ready to begin the steel work and have finished concrete work on the last of the big piers. The concrete retaining wall at the west approach to the bridge has been started.

Plans are completed for the lighting of the bridge. Along the driveway will be placed thirteen lamp posts and under the bridge will be placed two red and one green light as guides to navigation. The lamp posts are to be painted gray. Bids for furnishing the posts will be called for in a few days and also the globes.

Glasses from the engineering department at Oregon Agricultural college have been observing the work recently, particularly the process of laying concrete under water.

## Instructor Gives I. W. W. Literatures to Classes

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—Following charges that he refused to register for selective draft, Ferdinand Varrelman, instructor in languages at the Lowell High school, was taken into custody late today by the police and department of justice officials. He will be given a physical examination and inducted into the military service at once.

Varrelman, when told that he was to be arrested, returned to his classroom and distributed Industrial Workers of the World literature to his pupils, school authorities said after his arrest.

Varrelman came to San Francisco last September from Bellingham, Wash., where he had been a high school instructor, school authorities here said tonight.

## FRENCH HEROES ARRIVE

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ment from the New York state guard, the veterans—many of them mere youths—swung up the thoroughfare with light steps, notwithstanding the heavy weight of their full equipment, wearing their steel trench hats.

The French appeared at liberty loan committee headquarters on lower Broadway after having traveled through Fifth avenue and several downtown streets on automobiles from the steamship pier. Their reception was only exceeded by that accorded Pershing's veterans.

The "poilus" with their spart uniforms and the tan o'shanter of the Alpine corps, made a dashing appearance as they drew up in company formation before the liberty loan headquarters and marched into the building to be photographed and interviewed as a preliminary step in their efforts to aid in the liberty loan. At the headquarters they met some of the American heroes and the meeting was the signal for a demonstration that lasted several minutes and included vigorous handshakes, congratulations and expressions of admiration in French and English.

All Men Decorated.

Every man in the French contingent had won one or more decorations for extraordinary bravery and virtually all had seen continuous service since the outbreak of the war. All of them also had been wounded, most of them several times—a few as many as eight times. They were welcomed to America by Ernest Guv, representative Andre Tardieu, French high commissioner to the United States, and Guy Emerson of the liberty loan committee.

Tonight the poilus were formally introduced to General Pershing's veterans at a dinner given in their honor at liberty loan exhibit, where the France-American amity reached its height. James W. Gerard, former American ambassador to Germany, was the principal speaker.

The Americans were disbanded tonight as a unit. Sixteen of them will remain here to work for the liberty loan, while the others will go to other cities to campaign.

# LONGER TERMS URGED IN BILL

## Initiative Would Have Sheriff, Clerk and Others Hold Four Years

Portland citizens yesterday filed at the office of the secretary of state an initiative bill for an amendment to the state constitution drafted with the intention of giving to incorporated cities of Oregon the power now held by the state to make, modify or annul franchises to public utility concerns and to regulate rates and tolls charged for public service. The bill, which is an outgrowth of the Josephine R. Sharp, Eleanor Florence Baldwin, C. W. Barzee and Joseph R. Shalen, all of Portland.

Another bill filed yesterday by R. P. Rasmussen of Portland and A. S. Milne of The Dalles proposes a constitutional amendment changing the terms of office of county clerks, sheriffs, treasurers, coroners and surveyors from two to four years. Both bills have been referred to Attorney General Brown for ballot title.

The franchise bill filed yesterday reads as follows:

The measure changing the tenure of county offices follows:

"A Bill—For an amendment to Article III of the constitution of the state of Oregon:

"Be it enacted by the people of the state of Oregon:

"That Article III of the constitution of the State of Oregon shall be amended by adding the following section after Section I of said Article III, which added section shall be designated as Section 2 of said Article III.

ARTICLE III.

"Section 2. There is hereby granted, relinquished and delegated to and invested in all incorporated cities within the State of Oregon the power and authority to exercise, during and for the period of twenty-five years, within the corporate limits of such cities, all governmental and legislative powers and authority, including the police powers, now reserved to, invested in, retained or possessed by or inherent in the State of Oregon or any department thereof as a sovereign, relating to the government, control and regulation of public utilities and public service corporations, and relating to the making, amending, amending or modifying of municipal franchises and contracts with public utilities and public service corporations, and providing the terms and conditions thereof, and relating to the regulations, fixing and control of rates of toll, fares and charges to be collected charged or received by such public utilities for public service. The provisions of the constitution and laws of Oregon in conflict with this amendment are hereby repealed in so far only as they conflict herewith. The provisions of this amendment shall be self-enacting and shall take effect and be in operation immediately upon the adoption and approval thereof by the people of the State of Oregon."

The bill proposing to change the tenure of county offices follows:

"Section 6 of Article VI of the constitution of the state of Oregon shall be amended and hereby is amended to read as follows:

"Section 6. county officers:

"There shall be elected in each county by the qualified electors thereof at the time of holding general elections, a county clerk, treasurer, sheriff, governor and surveyor, who shall severally hold their offices for the term of four years.

"The provisions of this section, fixing the term of office for four years, self-enacting and shall become effective on the first Monday of January, 1918, when said county officers, elected at the regular November, 1918 election, shall qualify."

For this measure Attorney General Brown has prepared the following ballot title:

"Initiative Bill—Proposed by initiative petition.

"Initiated by R. P. Rasmussen, Corbett, Oregon, and A. S. Milne, The Dalles, Oregon.

"Constitutional Amendment Fixing Term of Certain County Officers. Purpose: To provide for the election of a county clerk, treasurer, sheriff, coroner and surveyor, who shall severally hold their offices for the term of four years instead of two, as now provided by law. The amendment becomes effective on the first Monday of January, 1918, when the said county officers elected at the regular November, 1918 election, shall qualify."

Hindenburg hesitates, and Foch will fool or foil him.

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### MUCH INTEREST IN RURAL WORK

#### Hundreds of Boys and Girls Are Enlisted in Club Activities

County Superintendent Smith returned Saturday from a tour of the schools of the county, having visited seventy-five schools in the interest of the Rural Life week program, looking after club work and speaking in the interest of war saving stamps and food conservation. He found in the majority of cases a lively enthusiasm on the part of the young people in the practical work instituted in this propaganda—soil tests, seed tests, farm surveys, building plans, production costs and estimates, etc.

There is no question he says, that the common round of farm toil will mean more to many a boy and girl, and that they will enter into their tasks with a greater zest because of the light that has been thrown upon these operations during the past week.

Mr. Smith was gratified to find the heartiest co-operation on the part of the rural teachers, and much of the credit for the success of the effort is due to them. Many of them will continue something of the line of study through the school year, adapting the object lessons to the needs and opportunities of their particular field.

The farm boys are especially enthused over the lines of animal and poultry husbandry as taken up in the clubs. There are now about 1400 boys and girls enlisted in clubs in the county, all engaged in some line of production or conservation of food. A large number of pig clubs have been organized and their activity promises much to the future of the stock industry.

The final wind-up of the week for Mr. Smith was in Rural School day at Woodburn, where about twenty schools were represented by directors, teachers and parents of the children. A very interesting program was carried out there, one of the features being a reading contest by both elementary and advanced grades. Silver medals were offered as prizes, one of them being won by Juanita Inman, of Butteville, and another by Alvin Halvorsen, of Evans Valley. Another feature was an inter-school singing contest, in which the prize

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