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## CITY NEWS

### THEATRES

**OREGON**—State street near O. E. depot. Home of Aircraft and Paramount pictures. "Love's Conquest," featuring Lina Cavalieri.

**LIBERTY**—Liberty near State street. High class reels. Featuring Harold Lockwood in "Broadway Bill."

**BLIGH**—State between Liberty and High. Mutual and Blighbird films. Special films. "Tom Girl of Portici," featuring Pavlova.

**Schenk's Office**—Will be closed from August 3 to September 8.

**Deferred Men Go Tuesday**—On August 27, 42 men will leave for Camp Lewis. This will complete the August draft quota.

**Travellers for Statesman routes**—Ap in person today.

**Improved in Health**—Dr. M. P. Mendelsohn passed through here yesterday for Seaside where he will complete his vacation. A doctor is improved in health and will be back in his offices Saturday August 31.

**Blank**—Get them at the Statesman job office. Catalog on application.

**Registrars Appointed**—The local war board yesterday appointed 160 registrars to have charge of the registration day. As only one of the 200 needed volunteered, it was necessary for the board to make the selection.

**Losses Notices**—The kind that lasts. Main job office.

**Guardian Given**—J. Hanick was yesterday appointed guardian of Richard and Edna Hirsch, heirs of Gottlieb Hirsch. The boys are 10 and 6 years old respectively and in order legally to handle the affairs of their father's estate it was found necessary to select a guardian for them.

**Business for Cash**—Commencing July 1 we established business on a strictly cash basis. Main's Book Store.

**Hold School Fair**—County School Superintendent made a trip to Sublimity this week and learned while there that a school fair are under consideration by the local people. The fair will be along industrial lines.

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**Grain Sacks Needed**  
Five hundred grain sacks are needed immediately by the Red Cross for the purpose of collecting sphagnum moss, used in the making of surgical dressings. The bags should be brought to Red Cross headquarters in the United States National bank building.

**We Will Start Hoppeking**  
August 26. All trains will be met August 23 and 24 at Brooks and Hopmeyer for pickers coming that way. —Jermain Bros.

**Suit Against Warden**  
Because he is alleged to have killed a dog belonging to C. F. Van Arneim of Silverton, a criminal action has been filed against A. W. Steele, deputy game warden. The animal is said to have been killed upon no provocation whatsoever and in the presence of Mr. Van Arneim's small son.

**For Sale or Exchange**  
Good modern eight-room house, also 160 acres Eastern Oregon land. Will accept good team, wagon and harness, machinery and stock of any kind in exchange. G. W. Lafar, 1206 Hubbard bldg.

**More Periodicals Desired**  
An additional call for current periodicals has been issued by the war department, which is seeking to supply the army and navy with reading matter through gifts. The custom of putting a one-cent stamp on the magazines and dropping them in the mail box has proved popular with the men in the service. Only recent issues of publications are desired.

**Dr. C. E. Schenk's**  
Hydro-electric Therapeutic Institute will be closed from August 3 to September 8.

**"Billy" Campbell Wounded**  
"Billy" Campbell, who is with the American infantry in France, was wounded in the trenches early this summer and has passed two months in a hospital. He is the son of Tom Campbell, formerly a resident of Salem. The news of the boy's injuries was brought here by his sister, who is visiting at the August Hucksenstein home. "Billy" has not yet passed his 18th birthday.

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**Veterans from East Visit**  
Before going back to their homes, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Evans and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Buzzard, who have been attending the G. A. R. encampment at Portland, are stopping in Salem as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Evans whom they met at the Portland celebration. The Evanses are from Sapulpa, Okla., and their traveling companions from Jasper City, Mo. The party will visit here for a month.

**Irrigation**  
Even numbers on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday. Odd numbers on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.  
Even numbers are on south and east side of street. Odd numbers are on north and west side of street.

**May Hold Club Rallies**  
Three industrial club rallies will probably be held by school children in the southern part of the county next week, if plans being made by County Superintendent Smith materialize. The districts will be grouped so that none is left out of the rallies, which will feature entertaining programs, reports of the work and inspection of its progress.

**Camp Stoves**  
And camp furniture at E. L. Stiff & Son's, 446 Court street.

**PERSONALS**

John T. Lighter of Portland is at the Marion.

E. F. Caton of Boise, Idaho, is a visitor at the Marion.

Mrs. J. T. Bratton from Portland registered at the Marion yesterday.

J. O. McCullen, a real estate dealer from Portland, is in Salem on business.

Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Hall of Tipton, California, were guests at the Bligh overnight.

H. C. Woodham and J. C. Bell are here from Corvallis for several days. They are stopping at the Bligh.

H. R. Lazenby of Portland is here on business for the Catholic Sentinel of Portland, which he represents.

Mrs. Eita Magers and Mrs. Eunice Woolworth have returned from the G. A. R. encampment at Portland.

Mel G. Duncan, manager of the Marshfield Commercial club, is a visitor in Salem. He is taking a short vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pattison of Portland passed the night at the Marion. They are driving to Corvallis in their car.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dick drove down yesterday from Portland and are staying at the Marion. They formerly lived in this city.

Miss Marie Myers and Miss Teddie Marts of Scotts Mills will be guests of the Bligh for several days. They came to Salem yesterday.

Philo Steward and J. A. W. Rankins are home again after passing the earlier part of the week at the G. A. R. encampment in Portland.

Mrs. C. W. Keen of Silverton was in the city yesterday for instruction in surgical dressings work for the Red Cross. She is head if this work in Silverton.

Mrs. M. J. Creighton and daughter, Mable, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jones, will leave today for their home in Portland.

Rosalie and Creighton Jones will accompany them. The entire party will drive down by automobile.

It is suggested that gasoline ought to be taxed 25 cents a gallon. Of course the idea emanates from a Chicago university professor.

**Eugene Man Married**  
David Allen Byerlee, a minister from Eugene, and Miss Victoria Anna Cave of Salem were married yesterday. The bride is a vocal teacher.

**Corvallis Wants Permit**  
The city of Corvallis has applied to the public service commission for permission to construct a crossing over the Southern Pacific track in Washington and Ninth streets westerly to Tenth street.

**Will Attend Meeting**  
Manager Robert C. Paulus of the Salem Fruit union is planning to attend the hearing on federal express rate increases to be held in Portland on September 20. Two other local concerns also will probably send representatives to the gathering.

**All Alone in a Dugout**  
Aubrey Jones, son of Mrs. F. A. Baker of Salem, writes his mother that he is in the front lines of France and that he has not had his clothes off for two weeks. He occupies a dugout all alone, considerable of a contrast with his former mode of living when a dugout occupied by himself and comrades was furnished with mahogany chairs and table and a grand piano.

**Publishing Company Files**  
Articles of incorporation were filed at the office of Corporation Commissioner Schulerman yesterday by the Portland Times Publishing company. The company states its purpose to collect and publish news and edit newspapers and periodicals. The capitalization is \$2000 and the incorporators are W. D. Allen, J. A. Merriman, William A. Maggott, George P. Moore, W. R. Lee, J. D. Emery and E. Richardson.

**A Hammer**  
The auction sale of O. A. Boettcher on the Salem and Turner road, was well attended and everything on the whole brought good prices. The bidding was brisk and E. N. Woodry, the auctioneer kept things on the move. A small cake which was made and donated by Mrs. George W. Porter for the relief of Belgian babies brought a neat little sum of \$45.50. Mr. Boettcher and family are moving to Klamath Falls, Oregon, where they will resume farming on a larger scale.

**Arranging for an Exhibit**  
In the interest of the Red Cross booth to be conducted at the state fair next month, Guy E. Dyar of the extension division of the University of Oregon was in Salem yesterday meeting with a committee representing the Willamette chapter. The local women will conduct day and night demonstrations in the making of sphagnum moss dressings and in knitting. The home service section will have a practical information bureau and the juniors are to exhibit samples of the work done during the coming school year. Among the articles the children are to show are splints.

**Statesman Auto Found**  
Through some good work by A. W. Mohr, county surveyor of Wasco county, the Statesman's Ford automobile which was stolen more than a week ago, has been found. Mr. Mohr found it on the Columbia River highway near his place at Wyeth and suspected it belonged to The Statesman because of an "exchange" he found in the car addressed to The Statesman. He at once communicated with The Statesman office. The car was stolen from near the residence of R. J. Hendricks, and it is believed the culprit was Barney DeSpain, alias Ed. Omar, and escape from the penitentiary. The car was returned to Salem yesterday.

### CHAPTER DROPS BACK IN WORK

**Members of Salem Red Cross Department Not Faithful in Attendance**

With two large allotments far behind and scant attendance at the Red Cross surgical dressings rooms, directors of the classes are wondering what they can do to remedy the situation. All efforts made this summer to keep up the interest of the women have failed and now Salem is probably turning out the least work of all chapters its size in Oregon.

Until yesterday the average afternoon attendance at the rooms in the postoffice building was between five and eight. The young women in the business girls class held twice a week in the evening, the supervisors and small group of faithful women in the afternoon have found it impossible to keep up with the demands upon the Willamette chapter. Shipment of sphagnum pads and army kits are now long overdue.

"The instructors regret having publicly to beg for helpers at the workrooms," said one of the department heads yesterday afternoon. "It doesn't look well when the boys over there who are taking their home papers and will read of the laxity of their mothers and sisters. There is hardly a family in Salem that is not represented in the war in some way and one would think women would have more patriotism when their boys are giving so much."

Professor Albert R. Sweetser, of the University of Oregon, was down from Eugene Tuesday to secure information on the amount of sphagnum moss the local people would need for the winter, as it has to be secured before the rains make the roads in the woods impassible for teams. He mentioned, while visiting the local work rooms, that daily between 100 and 150 Eugene women are making surgical dressings.

### MACHINE GUN COMPANY OUT

**Those Who Didn't Want It in Salem Win in Appeal to General Staff**

Those who were opposed to Salem's being distinguished in state military circles by having the machine gun company of the new regiment, now being formed, apparently have won their fight, so Salem will have no machine gun company. It develops that no machine gun company will be organized at any point until at least two line companies have been organized and accepted. This policy was decided upon at a meeting of the general staff in Portland Tuesday. The machine gun company goes to Portland, one of the arguments being that there is but one officer instructing in this line of work available for Oregon, and he is now instructing at Vancouver barracks.

It was decided by the general staff that the headquarters and the supply companies also are to be located at Portland.

Lieutenant Colonel A. T. Woolpert of Salem won the appointment of senior officer of the first regiment outside of Portland and at once will begin recruiting work.

### MILLER HARSH IN IDEAS ON ROAD POLICY

**Service Commissioner Says Administration Is Apathetic on Co-operation**

**WRITES NEBRASKA MAN**

**Does Not Hold It Practicable to Call National Association Together**

"It would seem from information which we have received that there is an apparent apathy in administration circles with regard to the importance of full and complete co-operation with state regulatory bodies," says Chairman F. J. Miller of the Oregon public service commission in a letter to V. E. Wilson of the Nebraska railroad commission. The letter is in reply to a communication from the Nebraska commissioner, who is chairman of a committee appointed by a number of railroad and utilities commissions to consider the question of representation in the higher councils of the railroad administration.

Chairman Miller believes that the question should be taken up to the director general through the executive committee of the National Association of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners, but he doubts the advisability of calling a special meeting of the national association for the purpose of devising ways and means. Mr. Miller deprecates the fact that the director general's official family is made up of railroad men "without a notable exception" and declares that the line of demarcation between federal and state regulation of intrastate affairs is so vague that it is impossible to tell where authority lies. He writes in part:

"The so-called twilight zone," so frequently mentioned in the past, is now the darkest midnight and unfortunately the state commissions seem to be left hanging in the air with mandatory state laws and regulations to be enforced and without any information from the administration as to what we may expect on their part and what, if any, jurisdiction we still possess. Without a notable exception, the director general's family, so far as railroad administration is concerned, is made up of men whose sole occupation, environment and practice have been from the railroad standpoint. Their environment has been such that they have not been obliged to give careful thought and consideration to the shipping interests, only as far as it might affect the financial affairs of the several lines with which they have been connected. It is unreasonable to expect that men who are in a large measure responsible for the rates, rules, regulations and practices of the carriers will now afford much, if any, greater relief to the general public than they did formerly, and we are firmly of the opinion that some disinterested and competent man should at least have advisory powers with those now in control of the railroads of the country."

### APPOINTMENT IS GIVEN BELT

**Spokane Young Men Is Relative of Prominent People of Valley**

The following is part of an item appearing in a recent issue of the Spokane Spokesman-Review: "George W. Belt Jr. was appointed secretary of the state board of control yesterday. Clarence E. Ellingson, who was previously named for the position, subsequently declined so as to enter Y. M. C. A. service with the army in France. Belt will take office immediately. He is a son of Judge Belt, is an attorney and was secretary of the Spokane Democratic county central committee for two years."

The new appointee is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Belt of that city and a nephew of Mrs. George H. Burnett and Mrs. Charles S. Weller of Salem. He will reside in Olympia during his official term. Oldtime residents of Oregon's capital will remember that the parents of the young man here mentioned formerly dwelt in Salem. Mrs. Belt's maiden name being Ollie Chamberlin. The senior Belt is a brother of Mrs. Burnett. Both have a large number of friends and acquaintances in this part of the state. Another son is numbered among the American expeditionary force in France, and late information from him is to the effect that he has been in active service at the front.

### Autos Are Recovered Officer Thinks Reward Due

Both of the automobiles which were reported to the police as missing at a late hour Tuesday night, were recovered shortly afterward by the night officers. Chief of Police Poland is of the opinion that the whole occurrence was intended for a practical joke. The Studebaker car belonging to H. O. McCall of Silverton was traced after three hours search to a point on North High street, where it had been abandoned. A Ford taken from in front of the Commercial club and also belonging to a Silverton man was located on a

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**Merchant Marine Fleet Attracts Dallas Farmer**

DALLAS, Ore., Aug. 21.—(Special to The Statesman)—R. S. Fisher, the strawberry king of this community, went to Portland the first of the week where he enlisted in the merchant marine. Mr. Fisher is not a new hand at the job by any means he having been connected with the engine room staff on a passenger steamship plying between Seattle and points in Alaska several years ago before coming to Dallas. Mr. Fisher is the second Dallas boy to enter the merchant marine service within the past month. T. C. Stockwell, another citizen of this place, entering the service as a wireless operator a few weeks ago.

**Burning of Slashings Is Permitted by Governor**

Upon recommendation of State Forester Elliott Governor Withcombe has rescinded his proclamation issued early in the summer which placed a ban on burning of slashings by timbermen. The order rescinding the proclamation is effective immediately, the state forester holding that Oregon forests are now in condition to allow burning of slashings without danger.

**"All Nations Day" Is Plan for State Fair**

The first day of the 1918 state fair, September 23, will be designated as the Day of All Nations and Dr. John C. Hall of Salem, a Scandinavian by birth, will be director of the day. A patriotic celebration will be given, and a feature will be the unfurling of a large silk American

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