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LEGISLATURE'S MOST IMPORTANT WORK.

The Oregon Legislature which began its work yesterday has a very important session before it.

In this after the war period, in the reconstruction problems that are looming, there are many things calling for wise legislation.

The ninety men who will deliberate and act for the good of all the people of this state, and for the welfare of their country, are well chosen; they make up a fine body of men.

The people have a right to expect much of them.

But there is one most important work of all.

The Statesman believes this most important work is that of taking care of the interests of the returning soldiers—looking out for the welfare of the thousands of men who have offered their lives for the highest good of humanity.

This may require several pieces of legislation. It probably will.

But machinery ought to be set up and put into motion to find and promote employment for the returning soldiers.

There should be no money wasted.

But enough money ought to be made available, to be drawn upon if need be, so that there will not be a single returning soldier without employment or the means to live without appeal to charity.

This should be done, even though the credit of the commonwealth be strained to the utmost. Even though large bond issues be authorized, to be used if necessary. Yes, even though some state warrants may have to be endorsed not paid for want of funds, and draw interest.

The member or members of the Legislature who will work out these problems, and leave nothing short of the above general program, will be doing himself or themselves honor; and the state and the nation justice; and the needy returning soldiers that service that in the name of humanity and the highest patriotism is their due—and which service ought by right to be performed by a grateful people without quibbling or questioning.

Vinton and Jones are a team.

The big thing: Take care of the soldier boys coming home.

Luxemburg has proclaimed a republic. Everybody's doing it.

The report that the republicans in the next Congress will seek to establish an intelligent budget system ought to be welcomed by millions of taxpayers.

Michigan proposes a constitutional amendment allowing the use of beer and light wines, recalling the famous question whether John Barleycorn is to be executed or merely interned.

Friends of ex-Secretary McAdoo say he quit the Cabinet on account of ill health, and there are a lot of folks in this country who are of the opinion that Newton Diehl Baker is not looking at all well.—Los Angeles Times.

President Wilson has been asked to aid the Democratic party in Germany, but just look at the sorry mess he made in this country last November when he sought to assist the Democratic party here.—Los Angeles Times.

It is reported that the Spartans have not raised their heads in the German territory held by the Americans. And it is intimated that they would better keep their heads down. The Yanks have no sympathy with Bolshevism or I. W. W. anarchy under any other name.

REST IN PEACE

A patriotic citizen of Los Angeles, Cal., who died recently, but who had written his will in January of 1918, requested that he "be planted cheaply and if anything is left buy War Savings Stamps to help lick the Kaiser."

His money will not be needed for that purpose now, but as long as there are war-made orphans in the world his fortune, great or small, can be put to excellent use.

ALL OF ONE MIND

In Alsace and Lorraine no referendum will be permitted to determine the governmental desires of the people. German officialdom has either departed or been silenced and the provinces now know no love save their first, which was for La Belle France. Suggestion of a vote is held almost as an insult. The Germans themselves have blighted every bud of affection that might have

been evidence of kinship and only to France may allegiance now be given.

THIS IS THE MALT

On the plea that barley was needed as a substitute for wheat, the use of barley malt—even in the brewing of non-alcoholic drinks—was cut off as a war measure.

Now barley malt is being shipped to Japan, China and other foreign countries, where it can be brewed for world consumption.

Where is the consistency—with the American makers of non-alcoholic beverages crying for barley? Our hop growers clearly have a "holler" coming.

E. S. O. H.

A national organization known as the Exalted Society of Order Bouds has been founded in Chicago. It is composed of order salesmen from all branches of commerce and industry, the officers being senior watch dog, junior watch dog, official growler, and big Barker.

It is suggested that over the entrance to the Grand Kennel the words "Made in America" be emblazoned, and that the organization guard well the door against the competing goods of the Orient and Europe. Thus will its membership realize prosperity for itself and the nation.—Exchange.

LAST CALL

Carter Glass accepting the position of Secretary of the Treasury recalls an incident that happened on election night in 1916. Receiving the returns, with some of his neighbors, at a club, in his home town, Lynchburg, Va., when the first returns indicated the election of Mr. Hughes he said: "Shoot all you want to but remember the party that goes into power this election will not be heard of for fifty years. In American politics, following the close of the next administration."

It may be Mr. Glass thought this his last chance to be a member of the cabinet.—Exchange.

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FUTURE DATES.

January 15 to 18—Automobile show.

THE QUESTION OF THE HOUR

(From Equitable Public Bulletin)
Are you for State Socialism, or are you against it?

Do you want to encourage or discourage private enterprise by which means our country has made its marvelous progress?

Do you want Government ownership and management of our great business organizations or private ownership with Government regulation and supervision where necessary?

This is the great issue of the day. It is just as much your patriotic duty to help solve this question as it was to help win the war.

The railroad problem for instance is the most important of all reconstruction tasks. And it is really your problem.

Over forty million American depositors in savings banks and life insurance companies have a direct financial interest in solving it wisely. They own through these two savings institutions over two billion dollars of railroad bonds.

The issue of the railroads can only be settled properly with the aid of an intelligent public opinion behind our lawmakers. Do your best to get informed upon this subject. If you think the roads should be returned to the owners under wise regulatory laws, and that they can be better managed by the genius of American business men than by the genius of politically selected officials under Government ownership, write your senators and congressmen accordingly.

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Down to business.

Looks like a business session.

House has eleven bills, and the senate four, introduced on the first day.

"Hail, hail, the gang's all here."

The third house is on hand. Nothing could keep them away.

The federal bone dry resolution is already in, in the Oregon legislature.

The margin is narrowing; down to a dozen states now. The booze joints of New York, Boston and other big league towns must be counting the days. They are numbered.

The weather man is a little uncertain. He could not have done better than he did with the brand he furnished yesterday.

Also, the peace conference is getting down to work, and the whole world will soon know where it is at.

There are only six new flu cases reported in Salem yesterday. Let's knock on wood.

It may be well for the delegates to the peace conference to beware of star gazers. That is a consumption devoutly to be wished. Sound sense and not idealism should rule.—Exchange.

It must be admitted that the gathering of the leaders of the world is no beauty show. Our noble president would never take first honors at a pulchritudinous recital; but neither would David Lloyd George nor Georges Clemenceau.

Mrs. Anna Miller of Lancaster, O., who recently celebrated her 102nd birthday, recalls selling butter at six cents a pound and eggs at five cents a dozen in the '40's, while her husband cut wheat for 37 cents a day. She still has her spinning wheel on which she spun both flax and wool for use of soldiers in the Mexican and civil wars.

An elderly woman in the north of England after casting her first ballot observed as she left the polling booth: "Why am I reckon newt about it? Fancy them suffragets going to prison for that." It illustrates what the suffragists had to contend against in their long struggle for the right to vote.

FULL LIST OF

NAMES WANTED

Statesman Seeks Complete Count of Men Who Made Supreme Sacrifice

But a small proportion of the large number of men Marion county has sent to the war have lost their lives in the past year. The Statesman is desirous of securing an accurate list of these names, including those from Polk county as well, and would appreciate any additions made to the list below. The names and other information should be sent in as soon as possible.

The following is the list of those from Salem who died in battle or from disease in camp:

Army—Evan G. Bellinger, William M. Catton, Edward Gittens, Wayne C. Jackson, Benjamin McClelland, Alfred Deranleau, Ray Mark, Paul Rich, Leslie Toole, Chester M. Wilcox, Curtis W. Wilson, Chester A. Simmons, Aubrey Jones, Ernest Eckerlin, Smith Ballard, Wilhelm E. Ahlgren.

Marines—Charles Auer, Emory Bartlett.

Navy—Kenneth C. Crossan, Joseph Martin, Clarence S. Minker.

Names—Ora E. Cavitt.

KEEP URIC ACID OUT OF JOINTS

Tells Rheumatism Sufferers to Eat Less Meat and Take Salts.

Rheumatism is easier to avoid than to cure, states a well-known authority. We are advised to dress warmly; keep the feet dry; avoid exposure; eat less meat, but drink plenty of good water.

Rheumatism is a direct result of eating too much meat and other rich foods that produce uric acid which is absorbed into the blood. It is the function of the kidneys to filter this acid from the blood and cast it out in the urine; the pores of the skin are also a means of freeing the blood of this impurity. In damp and chilly cold weather the skin pores are closed thus forcing the kidneys to do double work, they become weak and sluggish and fail to eliminate the uric acid which keeps accumulating and circulating through the system, eventually settling in the joints and muscles causing stiffness, soreness and pain called rheumatism.

At the first twinge of rheumatism get from any pharmacy about four ounces of Jad Salts; put a tablespoonful in glass of water and drink before breakfast, each morning for a week. This is said to eliminate uric acid by stimulating the kidneys to normal action, thus ridding the blood of these impurities.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, harmless and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and is used with excellent results by thousands of folks who are subject to rheumatism.

PAUL BURRIS WINS PLACE

Salem Man Involved on First Spirited Contest in State Senate

Paul Burris, a Salem soldier recently returned from the service, was the unanimous choice of the state senate yesterday afternoon for calendar clerk, but won out only after the only spirited debate of the day had been staged.

Senator Thomas of Medford placed in the nomination Robert H. Ruhl the Medford editor, asserting that he could not remember that southern Oregon ever had placed in one of the clerical positions of the legislature. Senator Huston of Multnomah county nominated Burris after an address in which he appealed to the members from a patriotic point of view. Numerous senators took the cause of the two men and Thomas finally withdrew the name of Ruhl at the latter's request, asserting that Ruhl willingly would accept the position of assistant sergeant-at-arms, a position which it was claimed Burris had been slated for at the caucus of the previous night. Senator Louis Lachmann of Marion county supported Ruhl, explaining that he had pledged his vote to Ruhl some time ago and that as a senator from Marion county he could not conscientiously see the county take three of the choice clerical positions of the senate. John T. Hunt had been made assistant chief clerk and Walter L. Toole, reading clerk. This also furnished the basis of Senator Moser's argument in favor of Ruhl.

Age Does Not Prevent Man from Going to Sea

DALLAS, Or., Jan. 11.—(Special to The Statesman.)—Frank L. Morrison of this city has again entered the marine service and will leave Portland soon on a ship for New York city by way of the Panama canal. Mr. Morrison, volunteered his services to the emergency fleet board at the outbreak of the war but on account of his age he received no assignment until a few months ago when he made a trip to San Francisco on a Portland built boat. Mr. Morrison is an old sea-faring man having spent a number of years in Uncle Sam's navy when a young man. His present age is somewhere near the 65 mark but he still has a hankering for salt water.

LOOK AT A CHILD'S TONGUE WHEN CROSS, FEVERISH AND SICK

Take No Chances! Move Poisons from Liver and Bowels at Once.

Mothers can rest easy after giving "California Syrup of Figs," because in a few hours all the clogged-up waste, sour bile and fermenting food gently moves out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, and they become, rightly packed, liver gets sluggish and stomach disordered.

When cross, feverish, restless, see if tongue is coated, then give this delicious "fruit laxative." Children love it, and it can not cause injury. No difference what ails your little one—if full of cold, or a sore throat, diarrhoea, stomach-ache, bad breath, remember, a gentle inside cleansing should always be the first treatment given. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then look carefully and see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." We make no smaller size. Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.

IN A SOCIAL WAY

By DORRIS LEAH SIKES

MRS. George S. Young, widow of Colonel George S. Young, is making her home temporarily with her son-in-law and daughter, Captain and Mrs. Henry G. Reed, at the Country club in Tacoma.

Mrs. James Walton is enjoying a visit from her son, Major L. A. Walton of the aviation corps at Houston, Tex. Major Walton will return to camp in about ten days.

Mrs. Richard Cartwright arrived last evening from San Francisco where she has been for the past month. The holiday season was the scene for the family reunion of her relatives.

The regular board meeting of the Y. W. C. A. will not be held this morning as planned. Instead there will be an executive meeting in the association's rooms at 10:30.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Roberts, formerly of Salem but who now live in Los Angeles, entertained their two daughters and their husbands, Lieutenant and Mrs. Philip Kamm and Lieutenant and Mrs. Walker Kamm over the holidays. The two women are making their home in San Francisco while their husbands are in the service. Lieutenant Philip Kamm is in Texas and his brother is at Seattle. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts were hosts for a large reception in their honor during their visit.

Sunday's Oregonian makes comment on the appearance of Miss Agnes Halsell, vocalist at a recent concert in Portland, as follows: Miss Agnes Halsell, colored, 19 years old, and a voice student of Miss Minnetta Magers, made a decided music 'hit' when she sang, at short notice, at the recent concert in the Little theatre at which Clarence Cameron White, violinist, and S. Theodore Taylor, pianist, both colored, participated. Mr. White's and Mr. Taylor's excellent musicianship already has been commented on. Miss Halsell has a soprano voice of exceptional purity and quality, and it has been carefully and wisely trained. Above the treble clef, Miss Halsell sings with beautifully 'covered' tone, just like the music of a lark. She sings also with exquisite feeling, and commendable attention to distinct diction. Miss Halsell has already a musical future, and her chief and pleasant work in life to sing.

At the concert referred to Miss Halsell sang with fine effect two songs from Cadman's American Indian love songs, "Far Off I Hear a Lover's Note," and "The Moon Drops Low," also an operatic aria, and an extra number, "Swanee River."

Miss Constance Cartwright, instructor in biology at Pacific university, Newberg, returned to her home in Salem yesterday. Newberg schools are closed on account of influenza.

Governor and Mrs. James Withycombe are among those named on the reception committee for the dance which will be given in Portland Wednesday evening for the benefit of Oregon's returning soldiers. The dance which is to be under the auspices of the united auxiliaries, will be held in the auditorium. It is expected to be one of the largest affairs ever held in Portland. For those who do not dance there will be entertainment provided by Portland theatre men.

The sixty-first birthday anniversary of Hop Lee was the occasion for a very enjoyable dinner party at his home Saturday. Red carnations and ferns were used in the decoration of the house. Those who enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Lee were Mrs. Otto Wilson, Mrs. Minerva Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. James Long, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Eley and Miss Elizabeth Braun and her cousin, Miss Elsie Brahm, are here from Portland for legislature. Miss Elizabeth Braun was in Salem for the last session of the legislature.

Mrs. Grace E. Fairbanks, Miss Cora E. Jaggen, and Miss Alta E. McLaughlin are here from Portland for legislature. They are living at the Y. W. C. A.

Senator Farrell Would Help County Libraries

Libraries in Multnomah county need more money and less revenue is needed from the interstate bridge between Portland and Vancouver, is the opinion of Senator Robert S. Farrell of Portland, and two bills to be introduced by him will affect these institutions.

Senator Farrell's library bill introduced yesterday proposes an increase in the tax that may be levied for library purposes from one-half to one mill, but it will be limited to Multnomah county in that it will apply only to counties of 100,000 population or more.

Senator Farrell thinks the interstate bridge toll rate is too high by about half and he will seek to have the rate cut down to that extent. The present rate is five cents for each person crossing the bridge and 15 cents for automobiles. The fund derived from this source is said to aggregate about \$169,000 at the present time.

I. S. Smith to Introduce Compulsory Compensation

One of the earliest measures to be introduced in the Oregon senate will be a joint senate resolution by Senator I. S. Smith of Coos and Curry counties to refer to the electorate a constitutional amendment providing

PLANT FOR PROFIT

If diversified berry crops mean greater returns per acre of ground—why not look into that ground of yours—then see what handling and market facilities exist right here in Salem. Your Agriculture Agent should be able to give you some good sound advice.

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United States National Bank
Salem Oregon

compulsory compensation under the workmen's compensation act. Senator Smith is already working on the measure and has arranged to have it drawn up by Attorney General Brown. The Marshfield senator has been working for this development in the compensation act since the session of 1913. At the 1917 session he succeeded in getting it through the senate, but it was killed in the lower house. When the resolution comes up at the present session Senator

Smith says it necessary he will appear in the lower house to argue in favor of adoption of the measure.

When the armistice was signed the catacombs of London, that is to say, certain unused stations and passages of the subway, began to disgorge their stored treasures of art. It had not been generally known that many of the most precious works in the British museum had been put in this place of security.

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN

POP—WE WERE JUST MARRIED. THIS IS THE OLD OF THE BURLESQUERS



WELL SON I'M DELECTED TO THINK YOU PICKED SUCH A SENSIBLE GIRL. YOU HAVE MY BLESSING AND HERE IS \$8000 FOR A HONEY MOON

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