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THE WEATHER

Rain; moderate northeasterly winds.

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SALEM WILL WELCOME ITS BOYS FRIDAY

Company M Men to Arrive and Demonstration Is Being Planned to Honor Them on Return to City.

CHERRIANS MAY BE OUT IN UNIFORMS

Chairman Roth Calls Workers This Morning to Arrange Details

Get out all the flags you possess and work up a little pep before Friday comes. For—the newest order of business is no other than a homecoming celebration for the remaining boys of Company M, who are expected to arrive in this city tomorrow night.

With the arrival of a few of the boys and messages to the effect that the remainder would in all probability reach Salem late Friday, the welcome committee, which has been long awaiting some definite word as to the date their heroes would return, suddenly got busy last night. Although no meeting could be arranged on the spot, the leaders have agreed that a band, parade and probably a dinner should have places on the program.

Sergeant Richard O. Hansen, formerly of the Statesman staff, sent word from Camp Lewis last night that he was positive 16 men would come dn together. Yesterday, he said, equipment was to be turned in and, from all indications, Friday would be the "glad day." Those who will make up the party due here this week are Sergeants Herman F. Bailey, Willis M. Bartlett, Clifford W. Cordier, Robert A. Fraser, Jacob Fuhrer, Richard O. Hansen, Carl E. Hultenberg, Guy F. Yung, corporals Frank W. Durbin, Harry E. Fraser, Leroy W. Card, Daniel E. Lawrence, Glenn E. Maurer, Percy Strefeller. Cooks Harry Plyant, Emil Sundborg and Mechanic Melvin S. Chandler.

The men all underwent their physical examinations Monday morning and had their discharge papers signed the same afternoon.

Members of the 162nd infantry already at home will be expected to be at the train and march in the parade. Lieutenant L. H. Compton, who was in charge of Companies L and M on their way to the coast came in yesterday. Eugene and Whitney Gill, Lieutenant Francis H. Banta and Lieutenant Walter Spaulding are among those reaching this city earlier in the week for whom the entertainment is also intended.

Mayor Albin suggested last night that he favored having all of the returned soldiers, including the S. A. T. C. men, march in the parade, wearing their uniforms. In this way Salem would have an opportunity to view all of its fighting force that has reached home.

"We want to make it a real parade," said Mayor Albin. "We all turned out when the boys went away and now, for goodness sake we ought to get out and welcome them back. Absolutely everything available in decorations should be put up. My idea would be to meet the train with a band. The Cherrians might even turn out in uniform. Then we could form a procession down state street and when we have the boys down town it will be time for the entertainment committee to take them in hand.'.'

Theodore Roth, chairman of the entertainment committee, has promised to call his workers together this morning to consider what their part shall be.

"We guarantee a reception worth while," he declared.

Mrs. John Carson, head of the local War Mothers unit, has already conferred with Mrs. R. J. Hendricks, who represents the state organization, with the result that they will undoubtedly ask the women to aid in getting up a dinner as a climax to the parade. This might be served at the Hotel Marion or elsewhere. Any boys whose homes are out of the city will be guests over night of local mothers.

No definite information can be obtained as to just what train the boys will come on. Neither can their exact numbers be learned. Lieutenant Compton, when questioned, said 30 were likely to come in, whereas Sergeant Hansen canvassed the company and mentioned finding only the 16 who were certain of returning in a body.

Homecoming observances are being planned for the near future by a number of organizations. The Spanish War Veterans have already asked all returned men to attend their meeting Monday night. The Elks lodge is also preparing to receive its returned members.

Those in charge of arrangements for Friday are particularly anxious that all of Salem's returned soldiers play a prominent part in the celebra-

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CHILDREN HEAR PITIFUL APPEAL

If Adults Would Do as Well County Quota for Relief of Armenians Would Come Easily; About Half Raised

Inclement weather since the beginning of the drive for Armenian relief funds began has greatly retarded the work, but under the leadership of County Manager R. R. Hewitt and City Manager H. N. Aldrich scores of willing workers have been active and about half the required quota for Salem and Marion county has poured in. Aurora was the first locality to go over the top, soon followed by Aumsville, and other districts are making progress in the matter of raising the quotas assigned them.

However, there is much work to be done in the next few days and the force at headquarters is checking up with a view to completing the work within a week and reporting the full amount assigned to this county. The pitiful appeal of starving women and children in Armenia, Syria and Persia is bringing in the coins in a constant stream from one end of the county to the other, but the general committee calls attention to he need of hase in raising the funds and getting them into the hands of those where they may immediately be used to prevent thousands of the innocent victims of the Turks from dying before relief can reach them.

These appeals have come home to the children of this community with greater force than to the adults and many envelopes are being received from children offering their small savings to these starving children of the east. If the adult populace would sacrifice just a small fraction in proportion to its ability and keep pace with the local children, Armenians would be saved to reap the benfits of what is in store for them as a nation when the peace in Europe is concluded.

The solicitors who called at the homes over the city were advised in many instances that the contributions expected of them would be made at the down town places of business and the committee proposes to give all who desire to contribute an opportunity to do so. If notice is given at phone 348 or at room 317 United States National bank building, prompt attention will be given to any person desiring to contribute to this worthy cause.

HEAVY SEAS HALT WILSON'S SHIP

George Washington Cannot Reach Brest Before 8 O'clock Tonight; President Poincare to Meet the President

BREST, March 12.—A wireless message received here from the U. S. S. George Washington, timed 11.20 a. m. Wednesday, says that the steamer is delayed and is not expected to reach Brest before 8 o'clock Thursday evening.

There is a stiff breeze blowing here with heavy seas.

Responding to a message from the mayor of Brest, President Wilson agreed to proceed from the quay to the railroad station, but the late arrival of the George Washington will likely prevent this. The president will probably enter the train at the quay.

PARIS, Mach 12.—(By The Associated Press)—President Wilson will be met at Brest by the French minister of marine, Georges Leygues; Captain Andre Tardieu, Colonel E. M. House and his son-in-law, George Auchincloss, who left Paris by special train this evening.

President Poincare with a guard of honor and band will meet president Wilson at the Paris station on his arrival here Friday, probably between 11 o'clock and noon. The reception will be unofficial and will lack the ceremony which attended the first arrival of President and Mrs. Wilson in Paris.

The steamer George Washington is expected to reach Brest about 8 o'clock Thursday night, the president going immediately to a special train, which will make a slow trip to the French capital.

IF ALIVE, SUIT AWAITS NICHOLAS

Judgment for Big Amount Obtained Against Romanoff Who Had Million Dollars Deposited in New York Bank

NEW YORK, March 12.—Bernard Naumberg, a lawyer, was named today by Supreme Court Justice Benedict in Brooklyn, as a committee of one to ascertain whether Nicholas Romanoff, former czar of Russia is dead or alive, and if dead, who is next of kin.

Tonight Mr. Naumberg is looking for someone who can solve the riddle for him, for on its solution rests the question whether a $117,450 judgement which Mr. Naumberg recently obtained against Mr. Romanoff on behalf of the Marine Transportation Service corporation, can be collected.

The corporation in the early part the war transported a large quantiorder. Before collection was made. Nicholas was deposed and, acordingl to generally accepted reports, slain.

Mr. Naumberg recently learned learned etaoinshrdclmf cmfwyp hr that the czar had $1,000,000 on desit in the National City bank here. He obtained a court judgement for $117,450, but upon presenting it to the bank was informed that the bank conuld not pay out of the fund unless nicholas was either served with a notice or proved dead. He then applied for appointment for receiver of the fund, hoing to obtain satisfaction from the receiver. Justice Benedict denied the aplication, however, telling Mr. Naumberg it would be necessary to first serve Nicholas with notice or prove him dead, to serve notice uponh is nxt of kin. The next of kin would beh is wife, if she is alive; if not his children, if alive; if not, Michael Romanoff his brother, who at last accounts was alive.

DR. FLINT OF CORNELL COMES

President of Important MiddleWestern College Arrives in Salem

Dr. Charles W. Flint, president of Cornell college of Mount Vernon, Ia., will arrive in Salem at 6:55 o'clock this morning on Southern Pacific train No. 16, to become acquainted with Salem and Willamette university incident to a trip through Oregon and other western states. Dr. Flint will be met at the train by Walter L. Tooze and will go to the Marion hotel where he will be met by President Doney of Willamette later in the morning.

As president of Cornell college, one of the important Methodist colleges of the middle west, Dr. Flint is prominent in educational circles of the country.

Mr. Tooze was apprised of the coming of President Flint through his son, Captain Walter L. Tooze, Jr., who is commander of the officers training camp at Cornell college, a position taken by Captain Tooze after the demobiliztion of the students army raining corps of which he had charge at Cornell.

League of Nations Is Endorsed Despite Mann

PORTLAND, Ore., March 12—Over the heated protest of City Commissioner John M. Mann who counseled delay and investigation, the Portland council today adopted resolutions indorsing the proposed league of nations.

BUILDING FUND TO BE EXCEEDED

Erection of Livestock Building in Portland Is Now Beyond Doubt

PORTLAND, Or., March 12.—Indications today were that the $300,000 planned to be raised for erection of a building wherein to hold annual livestock shows would be largely exceeded, according to statements by members of the committee in charge Portland firms are matching all sums raised in outside counties of the state.

It is planned to spend $230,000 on the building and to use the balance of the fund in putting on annual exposition of the Pacific International Livestock association here.

Turkish Boundaries to Be Settled by Supreme Board

PARIS, March 12.—(By The Associated Press)—The council of the five great nations has been decided that the question of the Turkish boundaries shall not be passed upon by theboundaries commission, but shal be acted upon by the supreme council.

The boundary between Albania and Jugo-Slavia has also been reserved for action by the supreme council and will be considered together with the entire Adriatic question and the delimation of the boundaries of Italy and Jugo-Slavia. The west German boundary also has been reserved for action by the supreme council because of its many complexities.

DATES SET FOR FIFTH LOAN DRIVE

Victory Liberty Bond Campaign Will Open Monday, April 21, and Close on Saturday, May 10.

SHORT TERM NOTES ARE TO BE ISSUED

Maturity in Not Over Five Years Is Plan Announced by Carter Glass

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The victory liberty loan campaign will open Monday, April 21 and close three weeks later, Saturday, May 10.

Secretary Glass announced the dates tonight, together with the fact that ten short term notes maturing in not over five years would be issued instead of the longer term bonds. The amount of notes to be offered was not disclosed but it has been generally understood that the loan would be for a minimum of $5,000,000,000 with the treasury reserving the right to accept all over-supscriptions.

Mr. Glass said the interest rate on the notes and the amounts to be exempted from taxation would not be determined until a week or two before the campaign; this would be based on financial conditions at that time.

It was intimated however, that the notes might bear interest in excess of 4¼ per cent, the interest rates on the third and fourth loans.

"After studying financial conditions in all parts of the country," said Mr. Glass, "I have determined that the interests of the United States will be best served at this time by the issuance of short term notes rather than of longer term bonds which would have to bear the limited rate of 4¼ per cent.

"The victory liberty loan will therefore take the form of notes of the United States maturing in not over five years from the date of issuance.

These notes will be, as were the liberty loan bonds, the direct promise to pay off the debt, will be in registered and coupon form, and the coupon notes will be in final form and will have attached the interest coupons covering the entire life of the notes. I am hopeful that the notes will be ready for delivery by the opening of the campaign on April 21.

"I am led to adopt the plan of issuing short term notes rather than long term bonds because largely I believe that a short term issue will maintain a price at about par after the campaign is concluded far more readily than would longer term issue.

"I have not yet reached a conclusion as to the rate of interest and exemptions of taxation which those notes will bear because this decision must be based on existing conditions immediately prior to the opening of the campaign.

"I take this opportunity to repeat what I have already stated, that it is the intention of the treasury deparment to carry on he same kind of intensive campaign for distribution as heretofore. It would be a most unfortunate occurrance if the people of the United States failed to take these notes, thus placing the burden of subscriptions on the banks. The business of the country looks to the banking system for credit wherewith to carry on its operations, and if this credit is absorbed to a large extent by the purchase of government securities, there would bem any limitations placed upon the supply of credit for business purposes. Our merchants and manufacturers need ample credit for setting the wheels of industry in motion for peace time production and distribution and the wage earner is directly interested in seeingthat these wheels are kept moving at a normal rate in order that full employment at good wages may continue and where adjustment conditions have necessitated a slowing down of industry it is vitally important that activity be resumed and labor re-employed at the earlies possible moment.

"I, therefore, ask the American people once again to give their support to their government in order that this great loan may be made an overwhelming success by the widest possible distribution."

Eugene Citizens Start on Building Campaign

EUGENE, Ore., March 12.—Eugene citizens subscribed $8,721 on the first day of the campaign just started to raise $25,000 for the woman's building at the University of Oregon as a part of the $100,000 to be raised by private subsription throughout the state to match a similar sum appropriated by the last legislature. The campaign will continue throughout the week.

BIRD BILL TO GO ON BALLOT

Malheur Lake Reserve to Be Proposed at General Election of 1920

PORTLAND, Ore., March 12.—Bird lovers despite the failure of the recent legislature in Oregon to pass a bill setting aside Malheur lake as a permanent wild bird reservation, have not given up hope that this can be accomplished. They will initiate a bill creating a "Roosevelt bird reservation" from Malheur lake and giving the people a chance to vote on it at the next general election in November 1920.

A committee of citizens from various parts of the state has been named to raise funds. Reverend W. T. Sumner, bishop of Oregon, is chairman and State Biologist William L. Finley, secretary-treasurer of the committee.

Proponents of the bird reserve declare that the waters of the lake cannot be used for irrigation and that the surrounding salt grass flats are so filled with alkali that they can never be used for agriculture.

Three-Cent Postage Is Off After First of July

SAN FRANCNSCO, Cal., March 12.—Instructions were received by the San Francisco postmaster today from Washington to dispose of his stocks of three-cent stamped envelopes, two-cent postal cards and three-cent adhesive stamps, preparatory to a return on July 1 of pre-war postage rates. Three cent stamps will be used after June 30 on third and fourth class mail.

After July 1 letters will require a two-cent stamp, postal cards one-cent stamps.

Secretary of War Will Visit Portland Saturday

PORTLAND, Ore., March 12—Secretary of War Baker and party who are on a tour of inspection of the Pacific coast will arrive in Portland next Saturday afternoon, according to a message received today by the Portland Chamber of Commerce.

Offending Students at Stanford Are Pardoned

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., March 12.—A majority of the 43 freshman students who recently were suspended for participation in a parade on the campus on Washington's birthday will be permitted to return next quarter, it was announced here tonight. President Ray Lyman Wilbur made this announcement tonight after interviewing the students individually.

Jonnart Not to Be Head Man in Alsace Lorraine

PARIS, March 12.—(By The Associated Press)—Premier Clemenceau, speaking this afternoon to a delegation of the left wing of the Republican party, formally denied that M. Jonnart would be appointed governor general of Alsace Lorraine. M. Clemenceau said that the present authorities would remain at their posts.

The premier announced that important improvements in the public services in Alsace Lorraine.

Names of Soldier Dead May Be Placed on Flag

LINCOLN, Neb., March 12.—In an opinion rendered today, Attorney General Davis held it was not a desecration to the flag for a mother of a soldier who died in the service to embroider on it the name of her son. Attorney General Davis said his office would refuse to prosecute any such alleged desecration.

"It is well known," says the attorney general in his opinion, "that one of the reasons why the flag is held in reverence and respect is the fact that men have died for it."

Geneva May Be Seat of Proposed Nation League

PARIS, March 12.—(By The Associated Press)—An invitation has been sent to all the neutral nations in Europe, Asia and South America asking them to attend a private and unofficial conference here Thursday March 20, with the object of giving neutrals an opportunity to express their views on the league of nations. The invitation was sent by the conference authorities to the ministers of the neutral powers in Paris and they have forwarded it to their governments.

Switzerland has already replied favorably to the suggestion. No South American governments have yet an-

A strong sentiment is developing in high quarters of the conference towards making Geneva the official seat of the the league of nations. Several of the heads of the delegations who have been consulted have granted their approval.

OFFICIALS OF STATE EXEMPT

Article in Portland Newspaper Erroneous Relative tive to Income Tax

The Portland Journal of last night has a scarehead article warning state officials and all employes of the state and its subdivisions, such as pudicial districts, counties, cities and school districts, that they are subject to the federal income tax, and must make returns on their salaries and wages as such by Saturday, March 15, in order to escape the possible penalties under that federal law.

The United States supreme court has decided that the federal government cannot constitutionally tax a state or its subdivisions or, by the same token, the payment of salaries by such state and their subdivisions to their officials and employes.

There has been no reversal of that decision.

Until there shall be a reversal, it would seem that any state employe who desires the exemption is entitled to it, and that congress, if it has not specifically exempted him, cannot by any implication include him; that it would be ultra vires.

So, some of the best informed men in Salem have been advising state officials and employes that they are clearly within their rights if they desire to omit from the operations of the income tax law their public salaries and wages.

Under the fourth paragraph of section 9, article I of the constitution of the United States, these officials and employes are clearly exempt.

If this status was changed on the ratification of the sixteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States, still the exemption would seem to be clear, until there shall be a reversal of the decision of the United States supreme court.

Bank Robbery Scheme May Have Yielded Culprits Loot

ABERDEEN, Wash., March 12.—An attempt was made last night to open the safe of the Oakville State bank at Oakville. The door of the safe was so badly battered that it could not be openede by means of the combination, so that it has not yet been learned whether the cash in safe was touched.

Mother Locks Babes in Room, They Burn to Death

SEATTLE, Wash., March 12.—Fire that caught in their home during their mother's absence at a store, late today burned to death James Wilbur Barry, aged 5, and Lee J. Barry, aged 3. The children were the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Lee J. Barry. Mrs. Barry had locked the boys in a room while she went to the store. Neighbors were unable to render assistance.

American Bullets Used in Fight Against Villa

EL PASO, Tex., March 12.—On a permit by the United States government, 50,000 rounds of ammunition, which was purchased in the United States some time ago but held up at the border here, was permitted to cross today for the Mexican federal army in northern Mexico. It will be used in a campaign against Villa.

Enemy Aliens, I. W. W. Will Be Sent to Germany

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, March 12.—Immediately upon the signing of the peace pact between the central powers and the allies and United States, 35 enemy aliens confined in the war prison barracks at Fort Douglas, near here, will be deported to Germany and Austria, it was announced today by R. M. Price of the United States bureau of investigation. They will be kept at the war prison until peace is signed.

Most of the men are members of the I. W. W., according to Mr. Price, but they are enemy aliens, too, and subject to deportation because of their alleged anarchistic preachings.

Oregon to Have Emergency Starch Rate to the East

PORTLAND, Ore., March12.—Word was received here today from railroad administrations officials thatt hey will investigate and grant, if possible, a request for an emergency freight rate on starch from Beaverton, Ore., to the eastern seabord. The application was made by local men in behalf of a potato starch company of Portland. A rate of $1.25 per hundred pounds is desired.

The starch plant which was built with Oregon capital, is expected to utilize each season 5000 tons of cull potatoes.

Max Thielen, head of the public service division of the railroad administration, has stated he would approve a rate to encourage the enterprise.

ELKS OUTDO ALL EFFORTS LAST NIGHT

All Available Space Sold When First Appearance of "Officer 666" Is Put on at Grand Opera House.

BIG LAUGHS PULLED BY CLEVER COMEDY

Governor Olcott and Mayor Albin Have Parts in Season's Great Hit

Had the Elks wished to advertise a drawing feature for their annual show put on last night at the Opera house they might have played up the fact that in their cast were Oregon's governor and secretary of state and Salem's mayor. But—the performance needed no publicity of that sort, seats were at a premium, the house was sold out last night, is sold out for tonight and the one remaining chance to view "Officer 666" will be on Friday night.

A melodramatic farce comedy in three acts, "Officer 666" is primarily a man's play. There was no fumbling—no uncertainty—no unnaturalness in the acting of the principal characters. Oscar B. Gingrich, James Mott, Karl Hinges, George C. L. Snyder and Mayor Albin. While Snyder and Mott easily captured the biggest laughs the burden of the heavy acting fell on Mr. Gingrich in his part as Alfred Wilson, an international picture thief, the man of many narrow escapes. His interpretation was exceptionally effective in the close of the second act where he rose from a packing case in which he had been concealed and, holding an empty revolver in hand, overed the millionaire owner of the collection of paintings. This sprung a surprise for the audience, as the thief had apparently departed from the room with the switching off of the electric lights earlier in the play.

The original Police Officer Michael Phelan, No. 666 could have taken a few lessons from George Snyder last night. From his flapping suspender ends, to his Irish brogue he couldnt be surpassed. The cleverest situation in the comedy hinged on his ready tongue and innocent demeanor and he was there with both.

James Mott, director of the production, played the leading part, that of Gladwin, the picture collector, whose search for thrills and love of a woman led him into the complication. Mott directed the other plays put on the past two years by the Elks, "The Man From Home" and "Get Rich Quick Wallingford," both of which were surpassed by his latest production. Mott is a versatile actor, adapts himself readily to a stellar role and never disappoints his audience.

Supporting him was Karl Hinges, whose precise portrayal of Gladwin's dudish pal, won much applause.

Mayor Albin, as the police captain, led a force of huskies among whom were Governor Ben W. Olcott, Dan F. Langenberg and two real policemen, Walter Thompson, and Harry Rowe. This group was supplemented by Murray L. Hart in the part of the plain clothes man. This he carried off creditably, assuming the arrogant air of authority of the detective with ease.

E. Cooke Patton had little opportunity to stage his usual line of comedy, but did justice to the Jap butler's part. A. L. Fraser took the part of the picture thief's assistant.

But three women were in the cast, Miss Olga Gray, Miss Florence Cartwright and Mrs. Walter Spaulding, whose handsome gowns made a pleasing spot of color on the stage. They kept the performance from dragging by injecting the love element and carried off much of the glory from what, after all, was intended for a strictly masculine production.

The dramatic effect as a whole was excellent and the cast well balanced, especially as to the character parts. The story moves rapidly, all of the acts taking place in the same room in close succession. An interrupted elopement, an equally disturbed theft and an attempted impersonation furnish plenty of thrills through which inevitably moves the figure of Michael Phelan, officer 666, and his flapping, striped suspenders and air of perpetual worry.

Spokane People Gulled by Alleged Naval Flyer

WASHINGTON, March 12.—Navy department officials today denied reports from Spokane, Wash., that a trans-Atlantic flight would be attempted in May by a navy dirigible. They said the name of Albert J. Perry who announced in Spokane that he had been ordered to Camp May, N. J., to prepare for such a flight, could not be found in the department records.