

WAR FINANCE CORPORATION BILL PASSED BY THE HOUSE

La Follette of Washington and Mason of Illinois Cast Only Dissenting Votes.

READY FOR SIGNING EARLY NEXT WEEK

Board to Be Named About Time Liberty Loan Drive Opens.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The house with only La Follette of Washington and Mason of Illinois, dissenting, passed the war finance corporation bill for financially assisting American war industries. The senate had already passed it.

AUSTRIA, UKRAINA IN TROUBLE OVER DIVISION OF LAND

(JOSEPH SHAPLEN) PETROGRAD, March 21.—Serious developments between Austria and Ukraina regarding division territory are reported from Kieff. Austria demands part of the Volin province.

TROTSKY PLEADS FOR CREATION OF BIG RUSS ARMY

PETROGRAD, March 21.—Leon Trotsky was widely applauded when he pleaded with the Moscow soviet congress for the immediate creation of a large Russian army.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The United States position toward Russia is unchanged. She is still regarded as an "associate" or "co-belligerent" state department officials say in the light of Trotsky's efforts to reorganize the army.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Aviation officials declare the United States by September will have completed more than double the number of biplanes Germany, France and Britain are now using.

U. S. GUNNERS HOLD FRONT TRENCH



Four members of a machine gun squad in a first line trench on the American front in France. The two men in the center are operating the gun, one feeding in the cartridge holder and the other sighting and firing. The man on the right is observing the effect of the shots and is telling the man on the left who is writing out the reports for superior officers.

PREPARATIONS UNDER WAY TO EXTEND GOVT. INSURANCE TO VITAL WAR ESTABLISHMENTS

WASHINGTON, March 21.—It is learned the government is preparing a bill extending government insurance to cover over forty per cent of the vital war establishments, including flour mills, grain elevators, etc.

Britain Loses Eleven Vessels Over 1600 Tons During Past Week

LONDON, March 21.—British shipping losses for the week ending yesterday included eleven vessels over 1600 tons, six under that tonnage and two fishing boats.

GOVERNOR WITHCUMBE SEEKS RE-ELECTION, MAKES FEATURE OF STATE'S DUTIES IN THE WAR

Governor Withcombe today announced his candidacy for re-nomination for governor on the republican ticket making the war subject feature of his statement, which in full is as follows:

If the people of Oregon are of the opinion that I have served them faithfully, I should be pleased to receive a vote of confidence at their hands.

The Governor of the state has the ear of the people. It is therefore in his power to assist in creating and maintaining a healthy public sentiment on the many subjects which make for community welfare.

Under our form of government the conduct of a foreign war devolves on the President of the United States, who is the commander-in-chief of the Army and Navy.

Other destructive agencies in orchard and farm; for the general encouragement of productivity in all lines of endeavor for the careful, intelligent handling of several state institutions and their wards, observing as far as possible the best lines of modern treatment while at the same time securing for these and for every department of state business the closest possible economy.



Governor Withcombe

Domestic tranquillity and business confidence are intimately related to the public welfare. I view with pleasure the growing disposition of employers and employees to consider each other's rights and to adjust differences by discussion in a spirit of fairness and equity.

The routine duties of the office will not be neglected by me, but every effort will be put forth to bring such branch of the state to a condition of maximum usefulness. The efficiency of the service must never be sacrificed for the sake of political advantages.

WOMEN AND CHILDREN OF CITY AID IN BIG THRIFT STAMP DRIVE

With the ladies of the parent-teacher circles and of the women's clubs of the city reinforcing the school children, the house to house campaign for the selling of Thrift Stamps is gaining momentum today.

Reports from over the county indicate that in every community the campaign is well under way and that the per capita sales for Umatilla county will be boosted considerably by the week's work.

Mrs. R. T. Bishop, who has charge of the state campaign for the securing of funds for a women's building at the U. of O., has conceived the idea of having friends of the university pledge themselves to purchase one Thrift Stamp a month for the fund, in this way not only aiding the government but laying up money for a worthy cause.

The Lincoln school still leads in the selling of Thrift stamps up to date. The children of that school have been making a very active house-to-house canvass and have in this way succeeded in selling a great deal of stamps.

The high school quota of \$20 for each student which will amount to about \$5000 is rapidly being attained. At present Principal Drift reports that \$200 worth of stamps have been sold.

SHOOT STRAIGHT AND STRIKE HARD BAKER ADVISES AMERICANS

(FRED FERROUSON.) THE AMERICAN FRONT, March 21.—Americans and French in the Luneville section successfully routed enemy trenches after pulverizing their defenses with intensive bombardment.

TWO HUN DESTROYERS, 2 TORPEDO BOATS SENT DOWN OFF DUNKIRK

WILLIAM GILLETTE IS TAKEN BY DEATH

William F. Gillette, pioneer resident of Echo, succumbed to pneumonia at St. Anthony's hospital yesterday afternoon following an illness which was almost the first he had had in 82 years. The body will be taken to Echo where the funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Enemy Squadron Shelling City is Attacked by Two British and Three French Destroyers This Morning; One British Destroyer is Slightly damaged; Dunkirk is Thirty Miles West of German Naval Base at Ostend.

PIONEER WOMAN IS CALLED BY DEATH

At the age of 90 Mrs. Marguerite Dubele of this city died last evening at 6 o'clock at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. E. Blanchett, 1916 Jackson street.

LONDON, March 21.—An enemy squadron shelling Dunkirk this morning was attacked by two British and three French destroyers. Two German torpedo boats are believed sunk. One British destroyer was slightly damaged. Dunkirk is thirty miles west of the German naval base at Ostend, Belgium.

YARMASTER GETS COMMISSION IN ENGINEER CORPS

C. E. Powell, for the past year yardmaster for the O.W. at Pendleton and Rieth, has been commissioned a first lieutenant in the 31st Engineers, Railway Operating Department, in which he recently enlisted.

STATE POLICE FORCE UNIT IS AUTHORIZED TO GUARD INDUSTRY

SALEM, Ore., March 21.—By a vote of six to one, the state emergency board authorized the adjutant general to incur a deficiency in the appropriation for the national guard of \$250,000 for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a state police force until the next legislature meet.

This sum was recommended by Adjutant General Williams at the afternoon session of the board Wednesday. All members of the emergency board were present, including Governor Withcombe, Secretary of State Olcott, State Treasurer Kay, Senator Gus C. Moser, president of the senate, H. N. Stanfield, speaker of the house; Senator W. D. Wood, and Representative K. K. Kubl, chairman respectively of the senate and house ways and means committees.

Senator Wood opposes Plan. Senator Wood was the only member of the board to vote against the motion authorizing the efficiency. Before the final motion was put, he moved to amend by reducing the amount to \$150,000. This was defeated by a vote of five to two. Senators Wood and State Treasurer Kay voted for the amendment.

SHOOK-BECKWITH CO. TO OPERATE HERE

The Shook-Beckwith Motor Co., exclusive dealers in Chalmers cars, is to open an agency in Pendleton and to this end Messrs O. D. Shook and Fred S. Beckwith are in the city from Walla Walla where they now have an agency.

C. H. Nelson of Weston has already been named as Chalmers agent for the Weston-Albion territory. The Pendleton branch will be operated directly by the Shook-Beckwith Motor Co., and a location for the purpose is being sought.

J. TROXEL DIES AT PILOT ROCK

John J. Troxel, formerly a well-known resident of this county, died yesterday at Pilot Rock. He had returned to this county last June in the hopes of benefiting his health. Mr. Troxel was born in May, 1862 near Corvallis and on July 29, 1888 was married to Miss Lizzie Brooks. He came to Umatilla county in 1892 and lived here for 15 years before returning to the Willamette valley which has been his home for the past 10 years.

LENROOT VICTOR BY 1960 VOTES

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Complete unofficial returns indicate Irvine L. Lenroot won the republican senatorial nomination by 1960 votes.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The senate adopted Gore's amendment to the agricultural bill fixing the minimum wheat price at \$2.50 a bushel on all local markets. President Wilson recently set a lower price. A hot fight in conference is certain.

GERMANS PENETRATE BRITISH LINES NORTH OF LAMPICOURT; HEAVY BOMBARDMENT STARTS

BRITISH FRONT, March 21.—The enemy is reported to be advancing at several points between St. Quentin and Scarpe. The infantry penetrated the British front lines north of Lampicourt and Louvain advancing to the edge of the Cambrai salient, through Ganche wood, near Croisilles-sur-Villers. Berlin reports the Austro-Germans are active on the whole west front.

French Fronts Bombarded. PARIS, March 21.—Unceasing German bombardment has started on the northeast and southeast sectors of the French front, and also in Champagne this morning. French and American artillery frustrated the Champagne bombardment. North of Verdun, German infantry was repelled after fierce hand to hand fighting.

Austro-Germans Active. BERLIN, March 21.—Artillerying has been renewed in full force in broad sectors of the west front, Austro-German forces participating. The war office announced.

W.W. HARRAH LEAVES TONIGHT FOR WASHINGTON AS MEMBER OF FARMERS' ADVISORY BOARD

W. W. Harrah, prominent local farmer, leaves this evening for Washington D. C. to attend a meeting of a recently named advisory committee to the secretary of agriculture and Food Administrator Hoover.

The complete committee is as follows: E. S. Grisham, St. Albans, Vt.; Mr. F. Pratt, Butavia, N. Y.; C. J. Tyson Florida; Pa.; David R. Coker, Harrison, S. C.; Henry C. Stuart, Elk Garden, Va.; C. S. Barrett, Union City, Ga.; David P. Mastic, Chillicothe, Ohio; Oliver Wilson, Peoria, Ill.; D. O. Mahoney, Virginia, Wis.; Marion Sansom, Fort Worth, Texas; F. H. Hagenbarth, Spencer, Idaho; N. H. Gentry, Sedalia, Mo.; Isaac Lincoln, Aberdeen, R. D.; J. N. Hagan, Pismarez, N. D.; W. G. Gordon, Humboldt, Tenn.; W. L. Brown, Kingham, Kan.; H. W. Jeffers, Danstons, N. J.; Eugene Frank, Bloomington, Ill.; Milo D. Campbell, Coldwater, Mich.; W. W. Harrah, Pendleton Ore.; George C. Dodding, Fresno, Cal.; W. R. Dodson, Baton Rouge, La.; C. W. Hunt, Logan, Iowa; John Grattan, Colden, Colo.

The exact nature of the business to come before the meeting March 28 is not known but it is probable the question of grain standards will be one of the subjects up. The expenses of the committee are borne by the government but no salaries are paid members of the board.