

UNCONDITIONAL SIGNING CALLED FOR BY ALLIES

Discussion of Quality of Marine Materials Germany is Required to Deliver is Left for Later Consideration.

CONFERENCE CONSIDERING COLONIES' MANDATORIES

Only Naval Mission Returns to Berlin to Receive Instructions Concerning Councils Demand for Signature.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—The entente's answer to the recent German note requires unconditional signing of the protocol. It is understood here today.

Consider Mandatories

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The peace conference is today considering a project for allied mandatories over former German colonies. It divided Germany's former holdings in southeast Africa between Belgium and England.

Naval Mission Returns

The conference was advised that only the German naval mission returned to Berlin to discuss the latest allied note demanding that Germany sign the protocol. The remainder of the German mission remains in Paris.

HIGH SCHOOL HAS 16 PENMANSHIP EXPERTS

Pendleton high school has a large number of expert penmen, according to a letter received by A. C. Crowl, commercial instructor from the American Penman Company of New York.

For Farmers' Week

Fred Bension, county agent, is organizing a local delegation to go to Corvallis for the annual farmers' week from December 29 to January 3, inclusive.

Indian Fined for Being Drunk

Edward Williams, an Indian, was fined \$15 in police court today on a charge of being drunk and disorderly.

CONCILIATORY SPIRIT GAINS GROUND IN TREATY STRUGGLE AS CHRISTMAS "TIME OUT" IS TAKEN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Progress toward treaty compromise in the senate was halted today while the senators hurried home for Christmas.

925 SACKS OF SUGAR LIE IN BOX CAR AS MERCHANTS FRANTICALLY SEEK SINGLE SACKFULL FOR HOLIDAY SWEETTOOTH

CHRISTMAS POSTAL BUSINESS BREAKS ALL RECORDS; OFFICE OPEN TWO HOURS TOMORROW

Hours Tomorrow: General Delivery and carriers windows open from 8 until 10 a. m.

The Christmas business through the Pendleton post office has been the heaviest within the memory of the oldest employe but despite this fact the mail including Christmas parcels is being worked out with speed.

GOVERNOR'S STAND BY FINLEY NOT TALKED OF BY COMMISSIONER

Friends of Marion Jack, Local Member of Fish and Game Body, See Tangle, Possibly Resignation en Masse.

Governor O'Leary's proposal to the state fish and game commission to re-instate William L. Finley as state biologist would not be commented on today by Marion Jack, local member of the commission.

Mr. Jack refused either to condemn or condone the action of the commission in altering the stand he recently took in support of the commission. He said that when he receives the governor's letter of explanation he will be in better position to make a statement.

Tree at Tullahoma, Miss.

Parsons Motable, Gilbert Conner, Elsie Spokane and Rev. J. M. Cornelison compose a committee that has been making purchases here today for a Christmas tree to be held at the Tullahoma mission Christmas night.

Return from Astoria

Leo D. Drake, advertising manager for the East Oregonian, returned this morning from Astoria where he had been for a couple of weeks on duties connected with the Astoria Evening Budget.

Two Couples Will Wed

Marriage licenses in the pre-Christmas rush were issued today to two couples, Merritt Jennings (father) and Miss Ruth Clara Booth were given their first papers.

Must Renew Range Leases

Leases on range in the Umatilla national forest are renewable January 21 and the supervisor is mailing out blanks for renewal purposes to stockmen making use of the reserve.

ARGUMENTS BEGIN IN COQUILLE MURDER CASE

MARSHFIELD, Dec. 24.—The Harold Howell murder case was finished Monday night and the arguments were begun today at the circuit court at Coquille. Monday the prosecution produced a witness who swore he had fired three shots in rapid succession near the scene of the murder on the day of Lillian Leathold's death in the woods in the eastern part of Hudson.

31 DRAWN FOR JURY DUTY, JANUARY TERM

Thirty-one taxpayers were drawn today for jury duty during the January term of circuit court, which opens January 12, 1920. Those selected, together with their postoffice addresses, follow:

- A. B. Johnson, Freeewater; N. E. Koepcke, Helix; Harry Spingler, Umatilla; Maurice Frazer, Athena; W. J. Jackson, Hermiston; Charles E. Byrd, Pilot Rock; J. H. Gwin, Pendleton; E. M. Temple, Pendleton; Alex. Johnson, Weston; Delbert Cheesman, Freeewater; Craig Tull, Freeewater; George N. Winn, Freeewater; David Shumway, Noll; H. A. Wimer, McKay; W. G. Sutherland, Pendleton; John Bude, Freeewater; L. L. Mann, Martin Kapers and H. W. Hatch, all of Pendleton; A. D. Hillman, Gardiner; Alvin M. Johnson, Athena; S. R. Thompson, Pendleton; John B. Ross, Milton; A. E. Steele, Athena; Charles Bloom, Pendleton; S. J. Colley, Weston; Gottlieb Miller, Pendleton; Peiser Herman, Freeewater; P. A. Cheek, Hermiston; D. K. Bell, Pendleton; Austin Post, Athena.

D. S. C. Winner in City

Leonard Blumgren of Weston, a winner of the distinguished service cross for gallantry in service, is in Pendleton to spend Christmas at the home of Frank Graham. Mr. Blumgren was recently returned from overseas. He is accompanied by Sylvan Kennard, also of Weston, who is a guest at the Graham home, also.

OFFERS TWO MILLIONS FOR COOK'S RELEASE BY CHRISTMAS DINNER TIME

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—When his cook was arrested for disorderly conduct, Gimerindo Porfirio hurried to court and offered two millions for her release in time to seek the Christmas dinner. The court only charged him five hundred.

TWO YOUTHS PEDdle FURS ON MAIN STREET; WIRE ALLEGES THEFT

Two youths, giving the names of Bud and William Williamson were arrested by Deputy Sheriff Jake Marin yesterday afternoon for trying to dispose of furs to the public on Main street. The furs are alleged to have been stolen at Salt Lake and a wire from the police there advised the sheriff to hold them.

Uncle of Pair Arrested Shortly Afterward for Possession of Whisky; Trio Jailed Pending Salt Lake Instruction

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IT'S SIMPLY BUSINESS TO DELIVER WHAT ONE SELLS, REALTOR THINKS

When real estate men sell a client a ranch, under two feet of snow, they hardly like to have the snow go off and take the ranch with it. Such was the situation which confronted P. W. Dayton Saturday, when Hired Creek threatened to take out the bridge leading to the I. W. Terry place and, in going out, wash away considerable of the alfalfa land he had sold for Mr. Terry to Fred Enlysk.

K. G. WARNER SUCCEEDS BURGESS ON COMMISSION

SALEM, Dec. 24.—Governor O'Leary announced today the appointment of K. G. Warner of Pendleton, to succeed the late J. N. Burgess as a member of the state livestock sanitary commission. It was made on the recommendation of the Oregon Wool Growers' Association. The law provides he shall serve until June 3, 1921.

Track Washed Out

Owens to the fact that the Northern Pacific track is washed out for a distance of 200 feet at a point three miles out from Pendleton, the forenoon train did not arrive at all today. Instead the train was run down to the washout and passengers given the privilege of walking into town.

CITY OF STANFIELD INUNDATED BY RUSH OF THAW WATERS DOWN STAGE GULCH; HOMES ISOLATED

Flood Reaches City in Early Morning and Continues Rising at Rate of Two Inches Each Hour, Business Section Under Two Feet of Water; Families Desert Flooded Homes.

FINISH FIGHT LOOMS IN DANIELS PROBE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The controversy over the alleged refusal of Secretary Daniels to execute the recommendations of Admiral Sims, in awarding naval war decorations will be fought to a finish, it is evident today. Sims is said to be determined not to act as a "rubber stamp" in the decoration of naval men.

SALVATION ARMY WILL HELP NEEDY FAMILIES

It was "coffee and—" with emphasis on the doughnuts, in France, but in Pendleton it will be sugar, coffee, a roast, fruit, milk, bread, butter, potatoes and nuts that the Salvation Army will distribute tomorrow. Fifteen families will be visited with baskets full of Christmas cheer gathered by Captain Jennie Conrad and her little squad of workers, through donations in kind and of money in kettles.

UNIQUE PROGRAM AT WASHINGTON SCHOOL

The Washington school enjoyed its Christmas celebration in a unique way. Several of the teachers arrived early yesterday morning to decorate a tree that had been stationed in the lower hall the evening before. The Christmas trees were a surprise to the children and many exclamations of delight and admiration were heard as the children passed to their respective rooms.

THREAT OF FLOOD AT ADAMS IS DISPELLED

(East Oregonian Special) ADAMS, Dec. 24.—Weather conditions here are improving, following the floods of the last few days. The wind and rain have served to keep Spring Hollow and Wild Horse creeks high, but damage such as was wrought by Saturday's flood is being lessened.

WORCESTER FUNERAL IS SET FOR FRIDAY, 2:30

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STANFIELD, Ore., Dec. 24.—(Special to the East Oregonian by phone)

Stanfield will have a wet Christmas. About 2 o'clock this morning the water in Stage Gulch began to rise from the heavy rains and the melting of snow up the cañons. At 10 o'clock the water was two feet deep in the business section of the town and many basements in the residential portion of town had become filled. The water was then rising at the rate of about two inches an hour. Water in the offices of the Stanfield Standard was on a level with the floor and efforts were being made to move perishable supplies and equipment to places of safety.

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THE OLD, OLD STORY



THE WEATHER FORECAST

Tonight and Thursday occasional rain; cooler tonight.