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JUSTICE OF THE PEACE TERMS

The news from Salem carries a modest story regarding a bill seeking to amend Sec. 27-208 of the code to change the term of justices of the peace from two years to six years. To the general reader this might be a source of puzzlement, for anyone whose memory runs from one election to another will doubtless recall that for some time now we have been electing our justices of the peace for six years at a stretch. Why then

The fact of the matter is that the law does give the justice The fact of the matter is that the law thee give the justice of the peace an elective term of two years. Years ago, however, a decision (Webster vs. Boyer), held that justice's court is a court, hence the justice of the peace is a judge. Because judges were entitled to six year terms under another section of the code, justices of the peace were entitled to six years terms. They have been getting them ever since. But the law making specific reference to them still provides a two year tenure.

The proposed amendment, then, has as its immediate pur-pose not the lengthening of the term of office but rather to make the statute conform to the court's interpretation.

Once the measure is passed, it is indicated, another measure would seek to specify that justices of the peace, like other members of the judiciary, would be elected by non-partisan ballot, instead of being required to ask party nomination and later to try for election as party candidates on the general

The change, it seems to us, would be a proper one.

WAR PRODUCTION NEEDS

especially in view of the suggestion by a war production board official that the objection be withdrawn in order to facilitate production of lumber needed for the war effort. Wood has been of tremendous importance in prosecution of the war, a sof prime essentiality.

The courts' unwillingness to withdraw their protests is also to be deplored since the reasons given in support of their stand had been shown to lack in validity. Whether their suggestions for solving the situation through the agency of the state board of forestry will lead to the solution of the physics.

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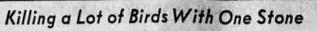
state board of forestry will lead to the solution of the situation remains to be seen.

There is still some cause for hope in the phrasing of the report on the Klamath Falls meeting this week. In reference to the presentation by Huntington Taylor, the WPB representative, the news stated that the courts rejected, "temporarily at least." By intimation this might be taken as pointing to the possibility of reconsideration if the courts negotiations with the state board of forestry prove fruitiess.

| punishments, is well fixed. | In criminal cases in time of the presentation of the still standard of the state in cases in time of the state of the presentation was still as and brutal overseers who drove their neckines; mass production was still as and half-starved them, but owners of slaves who treated them cruelly, or permitted their overseers to do it, were almost one of these Negro artisans, not in Augusta but in Charleston, made grilled iron work of such grace and beauty that gateways made by him still sell at fancy prices.

for the trial.

The right of the military to administer justice in such a case is well fixed by law and precedent. Navigation laws of the United States have been written with perhaps more detail than any other statutes. The authority of shipmasters to "log" their crew members, forfeiting their pay and administering other disciplinary in the properties of the captain and crew of the S.S. Kodiak Victory when it was launched at Oregon shippard, the guest speaker, presented the bear's head in behalf of the city for which the new ship was named.





WAY OUR PEOPLE by

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Washington
Column

By Peter Edson
(NEA Staff Correspondent)
Washington, D. C.—In a fight over a poker game at Oran, Algeria last July, United States merchant seaman Albert F. Mc.
Lead stabbed a shipmate to death.
Brought back to the United States, McLeod was tried before a military court martial at Norfolk, Va., found guilty and sentenced to ten years in Federal Reformatory at Chilicothe, Ohio. McLeod is now being held in the Federal Northeastern Penitentiary at Chilicothe, Ohio. McLeod is now being held in the Federal Northeastern Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pa., however, from t. maker—an old Negro with white hair—worked steadily making the rough shoes that the Negroes wore in the winter time. During the summer they went barefoot. All the rough unpainted furni-ture of the Negro cabins was made in the plantation carpenter shop.

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them cruelly, or them cruelly, or poverseers to do it, were amoverseers to do it, were amoverseers to do it, were amoverseers were never considered "gentlemen," within the old firm southern meaning of that term. Their pay was astonishingly low in view of the great responsibility placed on their should ders. Eight hundred dollars a year was looked upon as high wages indeed for an overseer. Besides he had his house rent free, sides he had his house rent free, so was an instructor.

In a nimth grade cassay contest. Ned an instructor.

The Shevlin-Hixon Company as the top the scale of pay ran average good overseer the spread of smallpox in Bend after physicians report more than 50 cases in the city.

HER GIFT DELAYED 27 YEARS Ithac, N. Y. (P)—Miss Inez J. Kisselburgh, Albany, made a gif to the alumnifund of Cornell unversity As a result of a received the check did not reach the unversity As a result of a received the check did not reach the unversity As a result of a received manual properties.

The large plantations were few in number as compared to the whole agricultural industry. About nine-tenths of the white cultivators of the soil consisted of poor farmers who owned no slaves. They lived on their small farms, and cultivated them with the help of their families. These poor white occupied the least productive land; in every section of the south the wealthy plantation owners had crowded the small farmers out of the rich and fertile land near the rivers and creeks. The poor cotton growers lived chiefly among the semi-

Rev. Neil J. Barnes of the Bap-tist church, announces he plans to leave Bend and go to Marsh-field.

From Legislature

Much contraversial legislation will shortly be introduced in the state legislature, Rep. William Niskanen predicted here today while in Bend for the weekend. The legislator said that the session was slow in getting under way, but that he expected it to gain momentum when the solons assemble again on Monday. Rep. Niskanan, who was accompanied here by Mrs. Niskanen, planned to return to Salem tomorrow. Niskanen is chairman of the important game committee, and

mportant game committee, and is also a member of the irrigation forestry, administration and re-organization, and banking and corporations committees.

Legislature Ends

2nd Quiet Week

Politics Feared
Although proposals have been heard from Olympia, Wash., that the Oregon investigating committee of five legislators join with a similar group from Washington, there has been no public discussion of that possibility, with several legislators feeling that such a project would become involved in partisan politics, and not be the "fair and impartial" investigation asked by Gov. Earl Snell.

A hearing will be conducted on Wednesday and Thursday of next week over the controversial "big truck" bill, which would maintain the present load-weight limitatios on trucks in the state.

Niskanen Back

Sergeant Miller Finishes School

to the alumni fund of Cornell university through a bank draft in June 1917, but for some reason the check did not reach the university. As a result of a recent legal notice in an Albany newspaper listing the credit to Cornell, the check was sent to the alumni fund at the university—arriving in the same mail as Miss Kisselwards, 1944 eff to the fund. burgh's 1944 gift to the fund.

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Salem, Ore., Jan. 20 (17)—Members of the Oregon legislature today were in adjournment until Monday, having completed a second relatively quiet week of the 1945 session.

Only a few controversial measures have been dropped into the hopper so far, and only one has come on to the floor. It is the proposal to investigate the Oregon liquor control commission purchase of two distilleries in 1943 in connection with the Washington commission.

The measure passed the house quietly and unanimously yesterday after a stormy time in the senate, where opposition followed the party line.

Politics Feared

Although proposals have been heard from Olympia Wash, that Help America Win the War...

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