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## WHAT IT COSTS TO FEED AN ARMY

Fifty American Soldiers Live  
Well for Ten Days for  
About \$100.

Since the war in Europe has commenced the question of what it costs to feed the vast armies now in the field is often discussed. To get at some idea as to this feature of carrying on a war, the Itemizer has secured from W. P. Miller, cook for Company L, the Dallas company, the quantity and cost of the rations consumed by the men of his company during the recent encampment at Gearheart. Here is the full list of grub consumed by fifty men during the ten days in camp:

Beef, 260 lbs. ....	\$31.85
Bacon, 43 lbs. ....	6.21
Potatoes, 5 sacks. ....	8.75
Beans, 65 lbs. ....	3.00
Lard, 20 lbs. ....	2.22
Flour, 50 lbs. ....	1.07
Bread, 235 loaves. ....	8.81
Sugar, 85 lbs. ....	3.61
Milk, 66 cans. ....	2.07
Butter, 58 lbs. ....	14.50
Coffee, 35 lbs. ....	6.30
Syrup, 4 gallons. ....	1.72
Onions, 20 lbs. ....	.68
Dried Peaches, 20 lbs. ....	1.80
Salt, 20 lbs. ....	.04
Tomatoes, 12 cans. ....	1.20
Jam, 1 qt. ....	.36
Pepper, 1 can. ....	.10
Eggs, 15 doz. ....	3.75
Fresh milk, 10 gal. ....	2.50
Sundries ..... 2.50	
Total .....	\$103.24

These were all first-class goods, which had to pass inspection by government experts, and there was plenty to eat for all at every meal.

### Caught Big Devil Fish.

The following special from Nehalem, Oregon, to the Telegram, relates to a son of J. B. Nunn, half of the circuit court here:

"G. G. Nunn is showing a curiosity at the Manzanita Inn in the shape of a devil fish captured at the foot of Neah-Kah-Nie mountain last week. Mr. Nunn, accompanied by Fred Burke, of Portland, went after sea crabs at the base of the mountain, when the devil fish was found industriously looking around among the rocks, and Nunn decided to take it home. The fish decided differently and the way it stuck to the rocks made the captors work. They finally pried it loose and took the game to the Inn, where it became a source of attraction to visitors at Manzanita and Neah-Kah-Nie beaches. The fish spread more than six feet across and had numberless suckers on the lower side of its tentacles with which to hold fast to any object to which it attached itself."

### Returned Missionary to Lecture.

Rev. W. L. Mellinger, of Portland, a missionary to Mexico, will give two illustrated lectures on the land and people of Mexico in the Christian church Monday and Tuesday evenings, August 17th and 18th. Mr. and Mrs. Mellinger with their family spent four years in Monterey, Mexico, as missionaries and are thoroughly familiar with the people and their customs and will illustrate the two lectures with the stereopticon. Some of the slides having been obtained from the government, are prized very highly by him. Many of the people of Dallas had the privilege of hearing Mr. Mellinger recently in one of his lectures and will be glad of this opportunity to hear the remaining two of a series. No admission fee will be charged, but an offering will be received to help defray the expense.

### Successful Hunters Return.

A. C. Dimick and Harry Norton returned Tuesday afternoon from a hunting and fishing trip along the coast. They brought home two big black bears and two fine deer, which were shot in the vicinity of Skookum Lake. The hunters give credit to the dogs of Jim Simmons and Charlie Fletcher for helping to run down the bear.

### Don't Want to be Soldiers.

Since the war in Europe has started and the call has been issued for a return home of the European reservists in this country, application for citizen-

ship have become numerous all over the United States. Two declarations of intention to become citizens of the United States were made to County Clerk Robinson within the past week. Louis Babick, a native of Montenegro, and employed in a lumber camp at Black Rock, was the first to appear. Monday John Abder Halden, whose nativity is Swiss, but who now resides at Buell, filed his application.

### Council Meeting Proceedings.

Barely a quorum was present at the adjourned meeting of the city council Tuesday evening. Gohrke, Hayter and Westover being absent.

Miller reported that boozing parties were being held in the city park evenings and Sundays, and moved that the police officers see that the practice was stopped. The motion carried. Bids for the purchase of the county fair ground bonds were opened. The Dallas City Bank was the only bidder and was awarded the bonds at par and 6 per cent interest.

Barber, for the special committee appointed to investigate the matter, reported that the Hayter lot was not needed by the fair as an entrance to the grounds and recommended that it not be purchased by the city. A communication from Dr. Hayter, owner of the lot, was read to the same effect. The report of the committee was approved. A new license regulating peddlers and itinerant merchants was given its first reading.

Barber moved that city attorney draw a resolution to assess the street improvements on Ash, Clay and Shelton streets at \$1.75 per front foot, estimated cost, and 30 cents per foot for curbing.

L. D. Brown delivered deed and abstract for lot city has purchased for site of septic tank. They were referred to the city attorney.

A resolution was passed transferring \$1000 from the road fund to the sewage disposal fund.

## AGRICULTURAL EXHIBIT WILL BE BEST EVER

### Farmers Taking Much Interest in Contributing to Display of Grains and Grasses.

Much interest is being evidenced in the coming Polk county fair, especially among the farmers, who are attracted by the liberal premiums offered for agricultural exhibits.

All exhibits in this class must be made up from the products of individual farms, display to be grown by the exhibitor. The awards will be made according to the number of points scored out of a possible 100; the same to be determined by the following scale of points: Garden products, 10; Orchard products, 10; Field products, including sheep, grain, 10; Grain, threshed, 10; Arrangement and decoration, 20 Quality, 40. Premiums, first, \$40; second, \$25; third, \$15.

A full list of the premiums offered will be found on pages 12 and 13 of the official premium list of the fair.

Those who have contributed exhibits for the fair for the week ending August 8th, are:

O. DeHaven & Son, barley, oats and wheat; C. I. Ballard, wheat; Wm. Mackie, wheat; Clow Bros., wheat; F. M. Nelson, oats wheat; J. Powell, prunes, wheat, oats; P. O. Powell, oats; Wm. Kraeger, oats; O. E. Dennis, plums; F. A. Koser, plums, wheat, oats; Cass Riggs, oats; C. M. Warren, oats; M. H. Richards, plums.

### Pension Case Not Settled.

The published reports that Judge Holmes had decided the case of Mrs. Maud Ena Zachary vs. the Polk County Court, involving a widow's pension, in favor of the plaintiff, were somewhat misleading. Owing to a pressure of other business District Attorney Sibley had failed to file the necessary answer in the case, and default judgment was entered when the case was called on the docket. Later Mr. Sibley filed a motion to re-open the case and set aside the default judgment, which was granted by Judge Holmes, and the case will be argued on the points of law involved and on its merits before the adjournment of the present term of court.

## PETRE PROTESTS ROAD EXPENDITURES

### County Commissioner Calls Attention to Law That Will Forbid Further Highway Work.

During the August session of the county court last week, Commissioner S. H. Petre filed the following protest against any more road work being done this year to be paid for from the general fund:

"Inasmuch as Chapter 234 of the General Laws of Oregon for 1913 provides that no greater expenditure of public money shall be made by any county for any specific purpose than the amount estimated and levied for such specific purpose plus 10 per cent thereof, and inasmuch as the amount estimated and levied upon the 1914 assessment, under said law for general road purposes plus 10 per cent thereof has now been expended I, S. H. Petre, County Commissioner, do hereby protest against the further expenditure of public moneys of Polk county for general road purposes and also against the drawing hereafter of any warrants on said general road fund and I direct that this protest be entered upon the journal of the county court.

S. H. Petre."

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\* Notes From the Circuit \*  
\* Court Room. \*  
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The Independence liquor cases have all been continued until the next term of court, owing to the illness of one of the defendants.

An electric fan has been installed in the court room, which adds much to comfort of those who are compelled to sit there through these hot days.

The jury in the case of John M. Rennie vs. D. L. Keyt, appealed from the justice court, Saturday returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, for full amount claimed.

Judgment for the defendant, by verdict of the jury, in the damage suit brought against W. P. Lewis, marshal of Falls City, by C. W. Curtis. Curtis sued the officer for \$2,000 for an alleged beating while under arrest.

Default judgments were rendered Monday in the cases of Portland Association of Credit Men vs. E. W. and C. C. Ingalls, and Maude A. McKinnon vs. Mary G. Lynnot et al, foreclosure.

A second suit brought by J. L. Hanna vs. Alluvial Farm Co., otherwise known as Krebbs Brothers, over the collection of a note, was heard Wednesday morning. An instructed verdict was rendered for the plaintiff.

The demurrer in the case of the State vs. Arthur Serr, charged with a statutory crime, was argued in chambers Monday afternoon and was overruled. The case was set for trial at 1 o'clock this afternoon. Deputy Sheriff Lee Smith has been compelled to make a trip into the far depths of the Lincoln county forests to subpoena one of the witnesses for the state, 14 miles of the trip being made on foot.

One of the most important cases of the present term, and one that caused a great deal of interest, was that of the State vs. B. L. Bishop and R. G. Williams, tried Tuesday. The defendants had been indicted for the crime of embezzlement, being charged with converting the sum of \$75 belonging to the Holt Piano company, of Portland, to their own use while acting as agents of the company in Dallas in the early spring. The case took all of Tuesday to try and was hard fought from start to finish. The jury was out about half an hour, returning a verdict of not guilty. J. E. Sibley, district attorney, and Oscar Hayter, as special prosecutor, had charge of the case for the state. The defendants were represented by H. H. Belt and L. D. Brown, of the law firm of Brown, Sibley & Belt.

## Grand Jury Condemns Jail. DESTROYS WAREHOUSE

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