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### **OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST**

#### **Principal Events of the Week** Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

Governor Withycombe designated Sunday, May 6, as "Oregon Y. M. C. A. day.

Astoria celebrated the anniversary of the Battle of Lexington with approprinte exercises.

A ban has been placed on the sale of "stomach bitters" in Lebanon by the city officials.

Lumbermen in Klamath county are predicting a big season in their particular line this year.

The nomination of George H. Foster as postmaster at Baker was confirmed by the Senate.

The Good Roards association of Harney county is advocating two main highways in that county.

The people of Juntura have formed a good roads association to promote a state highway from Burns to Vale.

Circulation of petitions to call a special election June 4 to bond Grant County for \$140,000 has been begun.

Mrs. Thomas Brogan of The Dalles has recently bought six sections of land from the Eastern Oregon Land company.

A patriotic day parade, which took more than two and half hours to pass a given point, was held in Portland last week

Brownsville Presbyterians celebrat ed their 60th anniversary last week, the Brownsville church having been organized in 1857.

The United States forest service will replant 420 acres in the Mount Hebo district, Siuslaw national forest, the coming summer. The Linn county Sunday schools

held their annual convention in Lebanon last week with nearly 100 delegates in attendance.

The Radiators, Eugene's marching organization, in which 150 of the city's business men are enrolled, has organized a home guard.

Howard L. Aumack, employed as a lineman by the Portland Railway. Light & Power company, was electrocuted at Mount Angel.

Organization of an Oregon branch of the League to Enforce Peace, of which Ex-President Taft is the head, was perfected at Portland.

The twelfth annual conference of the Woman's Home Missionary society. Salem district, of the Methodist Episcopal chighh, was held at Salem.

The rivers and harbors board of en incers has reported adversely on the

cadets of the junior and senior classes of Oregon Agricultural college have filed applications for admission to the training camp, which is to be opened at the Presidio, at San Francisco, May 8

During the week ending April 19, 202 accidents were reported to the industrial accident commission. Of these, three were fatal, the fatalities being Jim Lispes, Pendleton, railroad operator; George Webb, unknown residence, and Roy Barnes, Fall Creek, both alleged to be trespassers. The gathering of enscara bark is getting to he an industry of some Importance in Willamina. A. R. Ford, merchant of Willamina and Butler, shipped out 40,000 pounds of it last

week and received \$3500 for it. in accordance with the government plan to increase the production of foodstuffs, the Klamath commercial club has appealed to the legislators at Washington for the completion of

the Klamath reclamation project. News that Thomas R. Sheridan, ex-

president of the First National bank. of Roseburg, had been pardoned by President Wilson was received with approval by the great majority of residents of Roseburg and vicinity.

Portland is contributing more men to the navy than any other city save New York, according to figures given out by Secretary Daniels for the week ending April 12. There were 355 navy enlistments in New York and 323 in Portland.

Tillamook beach resorts, including Gartbaldi, Barview, Rockaway, Saltair and as far north as Manhattan will be equipped with electric lights and electrifying to be permanent in con struction.

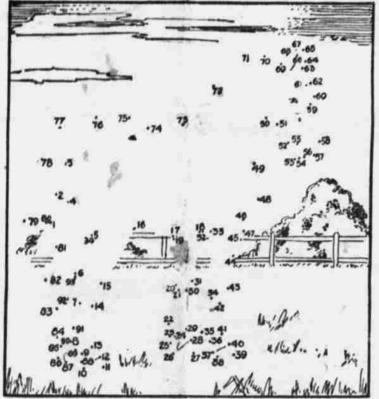
The Umpous Baptist association. which will be held at Riddle this year, has changed its dates from June 6, 7, 8 to June 20, 21, 22. About 50 delegates are expected to attend and the dates were changed to accommodate the visiting delegates.

Because all the bids received were below par, the state land board rejected all bids for the \$250,000 rural credits bonds and instructed the clerk factory this season. of the board to immediately wire the board's attorney in each county to cease taking applications for loans.

Thure A. Lindstrom, teacher at the Oregon school for the deaf, at Salem, is engaged in securing a census of all the deaf in that vicinity to ascertain who among them will help to make next three years with moneys derived up a regiment of "silent fighters" to from both federal and state funds. offer their services to Colonel Roosevelt.

A signal achievement in navy recruiting, unequaled by any other state from the state, it means that about in the union, has been attained by \$750,000 will be available for expendi-Oregon. The 800 men to be recruited ture on forest roads within the threefrom April 1 to 20 have been secured year period. by the navy recruiting office at Port land under Lieutenant Commander Blackburn. Spence Wortman, deputy state seal er of weights and measures, has sent notice to his district scalers to prose cute all berry dealers who do not give their customers full measure of ber strawberry season.

## Fill In Picture Puzzle No. 3



HE camel, the last picture you drew, children, is the pack horse of the As you noticed when drawing the camel, it is of a queer shape desert. In traveling over the desert, where water is very scarce, the camel has been known to go days without a drink. Where does it get water? you will It carries it in a little pouch or reservoir. Get busy again, children. Start ank power for the summer season, the your pencil at No. 1, push it along to 2, 3, 4, 5, etc., and see what you will get.

000,000 feet, mostly fir, spruce and tional affairs; M. Simon, inspector of finances; M. Hovelacque, inspector hemlock, was included in the sale. Spring farm work was very much general of public instruction.

> 2,000,000 Men Needed on Farms. Washington-Plans for supplying Pacific railroad from disposing of tim-

of Labor Wilson. The department's A preliminary census has nearly 2,300,000 acres of Oregon and disclosed that some 2,000,000 will be Washington land, worth \$30,000,000.

Paris .- Upward of 300,000 copies of authority of an expert of Armour & President Wilson's war address to Co., that if every seed potato now in congress are to be dropped over the this country were planted the crop German lines by French and American would be 25 per cent under normal. aviators.

Women Work in North Dakota Fields. Bismarck, N. D.-Women are work- attle, vice-chairman of the federal

which has developed.

PRESENT BATTLE IS

#### **CONGRESS CONSIDERS** NEW ARMY MEASURE Wilson to Wage Strong Fight to Create Big Force By Selective Draft.

on a general strike in protest against Washington. - President Wilson's reduction of the bread ration, accordfight to organize a war-time army in accordance with the plans of the war department and the army general On the eastern front in Russia, Gastaff began in earnest Monday in both licia and Roumania, there is little houses of congress. fighting. In the Austro-Italian theater

In the senate the administration army bill, supported by Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the military committee, and a majority of his committee as it was, started on its way to a vote.

The house bill, as reported by a The failure of the Germans to resist majority of the committee, provided the pressure of the French is the outfor volunteer enlistment, with constanding feature of the operations in scription only as a last resort, and the the great offensive on the Aisne and fight for this measure was led by in the Champagne. It is clear that Chairman, Dent, of the military com-General Nivelle's armies are in no mittee, whose supporters felt sure that danger of losing the initiative and that they would make a good showing. gradually but surely all the salients

A strong element in the house, however, backed the selective conscription plan advocated by the army general staff and recommended by the military committee minority, led by Representative Kahn, of California, a republican.

The espionage bill has been laid aside in the senate to permit consideration of the conscription army measure. The senate declared for a press censorship during the war by retaining that clause by a vote of 43 to 33.

## AUTHORITY TO LIMIT FOOD PRICES ASKED

Washington .- The government's programme for food control during the war was put before congress by Secretary Houston in a communication to the senate asking power for the department of agriculture to take direct supervision of food production and distribution in the United States and requesting a \$25,000,000 appropriation for putting the plan into operation.

Chicago .- Mayor Thompson said on Authority was asked for the Council of National Defense, in an emergency, to buy and sell foodstuffs and to fix maximum or minimum prices.

As outlined to the senate the government's plan is first to make a complete survey of the country's food supply to determine its ownership and ing in the fields of North Dakota be- trade commission, died at a hospital distribution, if necessary to license cause of an acute labor shortage here from the effects of an operation, and control the operations of all concerns engaged in the manufacture of food or feeds, agricultural implements and all materials required for agri-

delayed in the Rogue river valley by reason of the continued rains. The planting of the beet crop is now in progress and as beet plantings can 2,000,000 workers for the country's ber and minerals on its lands received continue till June, there will be no farms were announced by Secretary by congressional grant. reduction in the acreage which has been contracted for. The product of employment service has been ordered ment won in its suit against the between 3500 and 4000 acres will be to comb the country for men to till Southern Pacific railroad to regain brought to the Grants Pass sugar the soll.

Members of the state highway comneeded. mission and officials of the govern

ment forestry service, during a con-War Speech is Going to Germans. ference in Portland, agreed upon a network of forest roads which are to be graded and improved during the

THE MARKETS.

proposed improvement of the Willam ette river between Corvallia and Eugene.

The fifth annual state shoot of the Oregon State Sportsmen's association will be held under the auspices of the Capitol City Rod and Gun club at Salem on May 6, 7 and 8.

The net risks written by fire insurance companies in Oregon during the year 1916 totaled \$283,944,004, accord ing to a statement issued by Insurance Commissioner Wells.

The forest service has recommended to Senator Chamberlain that an ap propriation be made in the sundry civil bill of \$5000 for fire protection on the Coos bay wagon road lands.

Car shortage in the acute form that has prevailed during the last six months soon will be a thing of the past, says J. H. Dyer, assistant general manager of the Southern Pacific. Under the administration army bill, reported to the Senate by Senator Chamberlain, Oregon probably will be asked to contribute from 4500 to 5000 men under the first call of the president.

Frank C. Oxman, a Durkee stock man, was arrested on a felony charge of attempting to induce F. E. Rigall, of Grayville, Ill., to swear falsely in the murder trial of Thomas J. Mooney, at San Francisco.

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The state land board, by unanimous vote, decided to call a meeting of the emergency board, to consider Attorney General Brown's request for \$3000 for continuing the Pacific Livestock company land fraud case.

Owing to the discouraging outlook for a reasonable price for hops, some of the hopgrowers of Forest Grove are preparing to join the preparedness propaganda and turn their hopyards into bean fields.

A drastic resolution against the sale of the essence of Jamaica, bitters, and other so-called remedles which contain a high percentage of alcohol, was adopted by the state board of pharmacists at a meeting in Portland.

One hundred and forty-two student

Agricultural college, was authorized to take complete charge of Oregon's food production and conservation campaign at a meeting of representatives of most of the state's indus trial, commercial, civic and social interests at Portland.

Convinced, after a preliminary examination that sufficient grounds exist for a thorough probe of the farm products rates of the Oregon-Wash ington Railroad & Navigation company and the Oregon Short Line Rail road company, the public service com mission ordered a hearing on both. The director of the United States Geological survey has obtained from Secretary of State Olcott a list of all automobile owners in Oregon, to provide them with data relative to the topographic maps of the state. These are maps, the director says, in which every automobile owner is interested, FRENCH LEADERS ARE SAFE and he desires to get them into the

hands of all such car owners. A mass meeting of fully 400 fisher men at Astoria adopted a resolution forbidding the sale in Oregon of sal ficially announced here. mon caught by trollers outside the aiso decided to bring an action to test the constitutionality of the law.

ing timber to the extend of about 100, of deputies and a student of interna- now said to be ashamed."

TROOPS GUARD U. S. **EMBASSY IN RUSSIA** 

Each year a sum of \$127,500 forest

service money will be available, and as

this is to be matched by a like sum

Petrograd, via London.-An effort \$20. ries. This notice is being given in by a small group of ultra-radicals to connection with the arrival of the make an unfriendly demonstration before the American embassy was frus-W. J. Kerr, president of the Oregon trated by militiamen as the radicals 45c. marched down the Nevsky Prospect on their way to the embassy.

The demonstration was headed by Nikolai Lenine, the radical socialist leader, who recently arrived here through Germany from Switzerland with a safe conduct from the German authorities. The demonstration is said to have been due to the alleged killing in America of an anarchist named Mooney, who was under sentence in San Francisco.

A guard was sent by the authorities to protect the embassy.

The Mooney referred to in the foregoing is Thomas J. Mooney, who is under sentence of death for connection with the bomb explosion in San Francisco in July, 1916, in which several persons were killed.

Commission Headed by Viviani and Joffre Arrive.

protesting against the law enacted at state is advised of the safe arrival of the recent session of the legislature the French commission," it was of-

three-mile limit during the Columbis Viviani, minister of justice and vice what German methods mean, not, as est units of the famous Treadwell river closed seasons. The meeting president of the council of ministers, with the early atrocities in the heat group of mines. Other members of the party are: of passion and the first lust of war, Marshal Joseph Jacques Cesaire Jof- but by one of those deeds that make

The Crown-Willamette Paper com- fre, commander-in-chief of the French one despair of the future of the human pany has purchased from M. J. Kinney, armies until last December, now mili-race; a deed coldly planned, studiousa Portland timber dealer, a tract of tary adviser of the government; Vice ly matured and deliberately and sysabout 2000 acres in Clatsop county in Admiral P. L. A. Chocheprat, dean of tematically executed, a deed so cruel the Lewis and Clark river district, the French admirals and an expert on that German soldiers are said to have The property, with the timber upon it, submarine problems; Marquis Pierre wept in its execution and so monwas valued at about \$175,000. Stand de Chambrun, member of the chamber strous that even German officers are

#### Portland.

Wheat-Club \$2.25; bluestem \$2.32; red Russian, \$2.21; forty-fold, \$2.26. Barley-No. 1 Feed, \$51 per ton.

Butter-Creamery, 42c. Eggs-Ranch, 33c Wool-Eastern Oregon, 44c; valley,

Hops-1916 crop, 5@6c; 1917 contracts, nominal.

Seattle

Wheat-Bluestem \$2.36; club \$2.27; forty-fold, \$2.27; red Russian, \$2.24; fife, \$2.27; turkey red, \$2.33. Barley-\$50.50 per ton. Butter-Treamery, 43c Eggs-36%

WHITLOCK REPORT PUBLIC

Believes People of Belgium Will Never Be Satisfied With German Rule.

lines by Brand Whitlock, American by the state department.

In concluding his report Mr. Whitblow to any prospect they may ever be appalling." have had of being tolerated by the Washington .- "The department of population of Flanders, they have brought home to every heart in the land, in a way that will impress its which lot the waters of Gastineau horror indelibly on the memory of At the head of the mission is Rene three generations, a realization of the abandonment of three of the larg

navy gunners on the American steam through negotiation. er Mongolia. Its periscope was hit.

cultural purposes.

Authority is sought for the agricultural department to take over and operate the concerns if that course is demanded by the public interest.

#### **BRITAIN TO GET FIRST LOAN**

Initial Bond Issue to Depend on Imme diate Needs of Allies.

Washington.-The first American loan to the allied nations will go to

In reaching the decision to make

In making the loan, the United States will accept British bonds bearing 3½ per cent interest as security. The interest payments upon themat a rate considerably lower than that which Great Britain has had to pay for recent borrowings-will balance the payments to holders of the American bonds.

Billingsley Saws Way to Freedom. Seattle. - Logan Billingsley, under sentence of 13 months' imprisonment in a federal penitentiary for conspiracy to violate the federal laws by importing alcoholic liquors into the state Juneau, Alaska .- A surface cave-in, of Washington, and the principal witness for the state in the recent whisky graft trial here, sawed his way to freedom from the immigration detention station where he had been held since his sentence.

Spain Gives Germany Warning. Amsterdam, via London.-Spain's for wheat was set here when a carload note to Germany, as given in a Berlin dispatch, while conveying a grave warning that the end of Spanish patience is in sight, also contains a sug-A German submarine was sunk by gestion that a crisis may be averted

Fort Worth, Texas .- A new record of Texas No. 2 hard wheat sold for \$3 a bushel to a Texas mill.

# FIERCEST OF WAR

London .- Reuter's correspondent tel-Hay-Timothy, \$26 per ton; alfalfa, egraphing from the British headquarters in France says:

BRIEF WAR NEWS

Both in Palestine and Mesopotamia

north of Bagdad, British forces have

German destroyers on Sunday threw

100 shells ashore in the region of Ca-

lais, killing some civilians and wound-

Twenty thousand munitions work-

ers in Berlin and Spandau went out

ing to latest information from Ger-

the bombardments have again become

intense. Considerable fighting has

taken place in Macedonia in the Cerna

river bend and southwest of Lake

Doiran, but no important changes are

along the Solssons-Auberive front are

The fact that an entire German am-

bulance section, together with its doc-

tors, was taken in one haul of prison-

ers demonstrated the rapidity of the

action of the French troops, as these

sections always operate behind the

LAND GRANT DECREE UPHELD

Decision of Supreme Court Goes

Against Southern Pacific.

gon-California land case, the supreme

court affirmed the Oregon federal

court's decree enjoining the Southern

By the same decision the govern-

Seed Potatoes Are Short.

Will H. Parry Dies.

Washington .--- Will H. Parry, of Se-

Washington .- In deciding the Ore-

added to their recent successes.

ing 12 other persons.

many.

reported.

being crushed.

first fighting line.

"The fighting now proceeding is the fiercest seen in this war. The Germans have thrown in large reserves and have brought up a great number of fresh guns."

The correspondent contrasts the Great Britain. reckless prodigality with which the Germans are now throwing reserves the first loan to Great Britain, offiof men and guns into the firing line cials have been influenced by the fact with their previous prudence and says that Great Britain as banker for the that they clearly realize the full extent allies prior to America's entrance into of the Anglo-French menace to their the war, has met the heaviest finanwhole system of communications and cial strain imposed upon any of the are desperately trying to counter the entente governments. danger.

"They are throwing in their strategic reserves wholesale and are rushing up guns and ammunition which Washington .- A bitter indictment must be weakening some other point of German brutality in the deportation in their long-drawn armor. Since the of conquered Belgians for forced la- Germans began their retreat in the bor, written from behind the German . middle of February they have shown every desire to conserve man-power, minister to Belgium, was made public but the past few days they have shown

a complete recklessness in repeating counter attacks in mass formation tock says: "They have dealt a mortal without regard to the cost, which must

Cave-In Floods Treadwell Mine.

channel into lower workings, forced

\$3 a Bushel Paid for Wheat.