

ASHLAND climate, without the aid of medicine, cures nine cases out of ten of asthma. This is a proven fact.

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NATIONAL CAPITAL IN GRIP OF BLIZZARD

MANY DISABLED VETERANS GET PAYING JOBS

NUMEROUS INSTANCES OF EX-SERVICE MEN DEVELOPING LATENT TALENT; MANY NOW EARN A LIVELIHOOD.

Government Aid Bureau is Making Rapid Strides, Achieving Remarkable Results in Rehabilitation of Disabled Veterans.

(International News Service) WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—The United States Veterans' bureau is making rapid strides and achieving some remarkable results in the rehabilitation of disabled ex-service men, according to reports received by Director Forbes.

Many former service men, unable to pursue their pre-war occupations because of disabilities, are having their latent talents and abilities developed to a extent that will soon enable them to resume their former places in every day life of the nation, fully equipped to earn a livelihood.

Colonel Forbes receives constant reports of instances in which disabled veterans, being rehabilitated by the bureau, have made such gratifying progress that their future success is assured. Prominent among these cases which have come to the attention of officials here are:

Four disabled veterans, unable to follow their pre-war occupations, because of their disabilities, were rehabilitated by the bureau as X-ray technicians, spending ten months in training, and are now receiving an average salary of \$312.50 per month.

Ninety-six former service men who were rehabilitated by the bureau as salesmen, spending eight months in training, are now earning an average of \$148 per month, in spite of the general industrial depression during the past year.

John Aversa, a young Italian of Baltimore, was a tailor before the war. He was wounded in France, and, while recuperating at Walter Reed hospital here, he engaged in clay modeling as a pastime, displaying remarkable talent. Recognizing his marked ability in this line, the bureau recently sent him to Rome, where he will continue the study of sculpture.

Joseph Kaufman, studying music under the rehabilitation division of the veterans' bureau at a school of music in Minneapolis, Minn., has developed three voices. When he sings it sounds as though three men were singing side by side in unison. He has rejected several offers to appear in vaudeville, preferring to complete his music course.

Dr. George E. Wells is now a member of the University of Maryland faculty, after completing a medical course as a student of the bureau.

The bureau is training over 300 women, army nurses, yeomanettes and others who served in the military service in useful pursuits. The women, due to disabilities incident to the service, were unable to carry on in their pre-war occupation.

Carl H. Spurlock, of Covelo, Calif., a student of the rehabilitation division of the bureau, who is taking a course in horticulture at the University of California, has made sixty-six "A" grades out of a possible sixty-seven.

BEND LUMBER MILL STARTS FULL TIME

BEND, Or., Jan. 27.—Capacity production of the Shevlin-Hixon company's mill here will be resumed after a year's half-time operation, on February 1, when a second shift in the mill starts work, according to an announcement today. This will mean the employment of at least 150 additional men immediately and more as soon as shipping is increased.

Move started to consolidate Portland and Multnomah county.

Mrs. Romberg Gives Recital Next Friday

Mrs. Romberg, of Denver, Colo., will give a recital under the auspices of the Wednesday club at the Presbyterian church next Friday evening at 7:30. No charge will be made, but an offering will be taken.

It is very generous of Mrs. Romberg to do this, and music lovers will enjoy her beautiful voice. She has been abroad two years, studying and singing in concert among professional people and the nobility. Appearing in many of the old castles and cathedrals of the continent, she had varied experiences. The Stockholm, Sweden, papers gave great praise of her voice when she sang to a great audience there for the benefit of the poor children of Europe. In England and Scotland, people continually asked for negro melodies, in the singing of which she excels. After the Pueblo, Colo. flood, Mrs. Romberg appeared in a benefit concert for the flood sufferers.

The Wednesday club has a reputation for giving worth while affairs, and this recital promises to be a joy to old and young. A full program will appear next week, showing her range of voice and selections.

THOUSANDS OWE THEIR LIFE TO CALL BY RADIOS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—Radio systems, strung along the coasts in a veritable net work, saved untold lives last year.

Commander W. E. Reynolds, chief of the coast guard service, says perfection of the radio in life-saving and in preventing ship disasters at sea is one of the wonders of the age. Strung along the coasts for this service there are 2340 miles of telephone lines, made up of 1800 miles of overhead line and 440 miles of cable.

Over these wires information of marine disasters is transmitted and quick summons are conveyed that bring revenue cutters and other rescue vessels to distressed ships, bearing their loads of precious lives.

Though the coast guard is maintained by the government at small cost, the service rendered assistance last year to vessels valued at more than \$66,000,000. These vessels assisted had on board at the time of mishaps 14,013 persons. Besides these, 1621 persons were rescued by coast guard officers or enlisted men from peril in water disasters.

The coast guard is covering a wide range of public service. Warnings are sent to vessels at sea telling of impending dangers and close cooperation has been established with other branches of the government in patrol of coast waters and in the enforcement of the customs and other laws.

MEXICO AGAIN SCENE OF FIGHTS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—The recent outbreak on the Mexican-Guatemalan border, as viewed in official quarters here today, will open up a keg of gunpowder with plenty of fire in the vicinity.

Hostilities might be expected at any moment, it was stated, if fighting has not already occurred.

The Mexican ambassador has already received accounts of clashes along the border, but in absence of official confirmation of actual fighting between the Mexicans and Guatemalans, he is inclined to explain the reports as resulting from conflicts between the troops of the provisional Guatemalan guards and members of the so-called "Unionist" faction who are endeavoring to escape into Mexico.

SHANTUNG CONTROVERSY SETTLED

NOW UP TO PEKIN AND TOKIO GOVERNMENTS TO APPROVE ACTION OF THEIR DELEGATES AT WASHINGTON PARLEY.

Chinese Are to Accept a 15 Year Loan from Japan to Buy the Shantung Railroad With Option of Taking It Up Sooner.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—The Shantung controversy is now settled so far as the Chinese and Japanese delegations here are concerned. It was announced by Dr. C. T. Wang, one of the senior Chinese delegates.

An agreement has been reached with the Japanese on lines suggested by the British and American mediators, Dr. Wang said. It is now up to the Pekin and Tokio governments to approve the action of their delegates here and no difficulty is anticipated on that score, Dr. Wang said.

An official announcement of the settlement of the controversy may be expected on Monday, the Chinese asserted.

The Chinese are to accept a 15 year loan from Japan to buy the Shantung railway, with an option of taking up the loan and after five years China is to control the railroad and employ a Japanese traffic manager and chief accountant.

Announcement of the settlement of this old controversy came within 48 hours after President Harding's intervention in the case.

BULLETINS

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Great Britain is preparing to pay the United States 35,000,000 pounds sterling (normally \$170,100,000) as the first installment on the interest of war loans borrowed from America, it was learned from a treasury official here today.

BERLIN, Jan. 28.—The keynote of a German note to the allied reparations commission, which was dispatched yesterday, is that Germany needs a "breathing spell" in the matter of indemnity. This was revealed in authoritative circles today.

Globe Trotter Visits Ashland

Herman Silverman, Philadelphia bantamweight prizefighter, who started last July from that city on a round-the-world hike, in order to regain lost condition and to fulfill a wager, spent several hours in this city yesterday.

Near the summit of the Siskiyou Thursday during a blinding snow storm Silverman declared that he walked over a 50-foot embankment, fell to the bottom and landed unscratched. Upon reaching the highway again an automobile party bound for Portland picked him up and brought him to this city where he refreshed and warmed himself and decided that he was uninjured. Silverman has traveled 7000 miles, covered 21 states, and has secured the autographs of all the mayors of cities and governors of states he has visited.

He makes expenses while enroute by selling postcards, staging a boxing bout now and then and whistling at entertainments. It is understood that he is an accomplished whistler.

Silverman left for Portland yesterday. He will continue his journey as far north as Seattle, returning east from there.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 28.—Martial law was proclaimed today at Nebraska City as a result of strike riots in the packing plant there. The latest clash resulted in the injury of a dozen men.

Haz Kik

I think a good Chamber of Commerce slogan for this year would be: "Millions for cats, but not a cent to let out-of-town people know what Ashland has."

Luncheon, luncheon, who has the luncheon? But what right have I to make this suggestion? I am not a member and have no right to butt in any more than I was allowed to when I was a member.

HAZ KIK.

STATE TAX COMMISSION ENDS SESSION

INEQUALITY OF THE PRESENT ASSESSMENT SYSTEM ALLOWS VAST AMOUNT OF WEALTH TO ESCAPE TAXATION.

An Income Tax Can Absorb at Least Part of the State Load and Will Recapture 50 Per Cent of Oregon Values, Says Commission.

PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 27.—The three day session of the state tax investigating committee, which ended today, developed five important features of the tax problem in the state:

1. Millions of dollars worth of property in the state is escaping taxation.
 2. The present property tax system is inadequate.
 3. Inequality of assessment is causing a vast amount of wealth to escape taxation.
 4. Motor vehicles cannot be placed on the tax list and the present license system abolished, without forcing the state to raise, by taxation, funds to meet the interest and principal on highway bonds, now carried by motor vehicle licenses.
 5. An income tax can absorb part, if not all of the load, and will recapture for taxation about 50 per cent of the wealth of Oregon.
- The commission agreed as to the feasibility of the income tax, but it does not feel certain that all the revenue needed can be raised through this source, so a compromise may be worked out by means of which a state income tax and a state property tax will be combined so that all classes of property, real and personal, will be assessed.

LABOR FORCES REQUESTED TO AID FARMERS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—Organized labor throughout the United States was asked to support the efforts of the farmers to get congress to pass immediately the pending measures designed to relieve the depressed agricultural situation.

The action to align the labor forces with the dirt farmers taken at the concluding meeting of the "rump" conference held by admittedly disgruntled farmers who called a parley of their own when they became dissatisfied with the working of the alleged "hand-picked" conference President Harding called.

Local Elks Defeat Medford Legion

The basketball games Wednesday evening were both good, and with a little additional practice, the local boys will be able to take care of any team that may come their way. The first game was between the American Legion and the First company and resulted in a victory for the former by a score of 36 to 12. The second game was between the local Elks' team and an all-star American Legion team from Medford. The Elks took the visiting team into camp with the score of 38 to 17. Bauchman of the Medford team, suffered a badly sprained ankle and was compelled to quit the game.

The lineup was as follows: Ashland—Grubb, center; Hughes and Bentley, forwards; Harris and Young, guards; Ashcraft and Patton, substitutes. Medford—Williamson, center; Watson and Harrington, forwards; Sherwood and Bauchman, guards, with Phillips as substitute.

The Elks' team is negotiating with an all-star team from Eugene for a game in the near future, and hope to get a chance to play the Medford high school before the season is over.

GARNER CITY TO BECOME LUMBER CENTER

As an immediate result of the recent conference between R. A. Long, president of the Long-Bell Lumber company and heads of subsidiary companies at Weed, Calif., work will be resumed at once on the completion of the new lumber town of Garner City, which the Weed Lumber company started some time ago, nine miles east of Bray.

About 100 cottages will be erected this year. The town will eventually have about 250 homes. A spur track is completed to the site from the Southern Pacific line at a "Y" branching off about one mile south of Bray. A roundhouse is finished at Garner City, but no houses, except a few loggers' cabins, have been built.

Work shut down last year when lumber production was curtailed by price decline, and the resumption of building is taken as indication of the belief of the Long-Bell company chief that prosperity is returning to the lumber industry.

Garner City is designed to be the logging center for a large area of timber, which, at the present rate of manufacture by the Weed plant, it is estimated, will require 20 years in the logging. At present, 2000 men are engaged in logging this area, and when accommodations are completed for families, the logging force will increase gradually, until eventually Garner City will be a town of 1500 or more population, with a lighting system supplied by its own power plant, a church, schools, theater, club rooms, and all that goes to make a modern municipality.

Christian Endeavor Program—Christian Endeavor week will be observed by the Presbyterian society as follows: Sunday evening, junior demonstration at Phoenix; Tuesday evening, attend the revival meeting at the Christian church and assist in the music; Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock, annual birthday banquet at the church, followed by a business meeting; Sunday evening, rally program and conducting of evening service at the church.

Drove from Redding—It is interesting to note that the highway over the Siskiyou mountains is open, and machines are going over both ways. Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Sylvia of the northern part of the state, drove from Redding, Calif. yesterday and would have arrived in very good time, but machine trouble delayed them, and they arrived shortly after midnight.

ATLANTIC COAST HAS SEVERE SNOW STORM

TWENTY-FOUR HOUR STORM DEMORALIZES TRAFFIC, BLOCKADES STREETS AND CAUSES SEVERAL AUTO ACCIDENTS.

Many Senators Snow Bound, Unable to Reach Capitol Today, Preventing Action on Eleven Billion Dollar Debt Funding Bill.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—The national capital is struggling through one of the severest snowstorms in 20 years. The snow has been falling steadily since 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, demoralizing traffic, blockading the streets and resulting in several automobile accidents.

The blizzard enveloping Washington and other Atlantic coast cities forced the senate to postpone final consideration of the eleven billion dollar foreign debt funding bill until Monday.

Many senators are snowbound and will be unable to reach the capital today, upsetting the "gentleman's agreement" between the republican and democratic leaders for a final vote on the measure tonight.

Baltimore and other cities along Chesapeake bay are reported to be in the grip of the worst blizzard they have had for 50 years. Snowfall, accompanied by a terrific gale, has completely demoralized the street-car and train traffic, and several ocean-going vessels are imprisoned in the ice in Chesapeake bay.

MARINES AND POLICE CLASH IN NICARAGUA

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—As a result of disorders occurring at Managua, Nicaragua, between the United States marines and the Nicaraguan police, during which one marine was killed, a battalion of marines was ordered rushed from Quantico, Va., to Guantanamo, Cuba, for replacement purposes, it was learned here today.

The detachment at Managua is in process of being relieved now, the navy department stated. The detachment of marines stationed at Camaguey, Cuba, will proceed to Guantanamo.

TRIO ESCAPE FROM GRANTS PASS JAIL

GRANTS PASS, Or., Jan. 27.—On entering the county jail this morning, Bill Schroeder, janitor and jailor, was met at the door by Geo. Ryan, one of the prisoners. "The gang's all gone," said Ryan in answer to the jailor's inquiry as to what he was doing outside of the jail.

Investigation disclosed that three men recently sentenced to terms in the county jail on bootlegging charges had disappeared during the night. Roll call showed that the missing were Bob Blackburn, Sid Appleby and Bert Lewis.

Working from without the bastille, under the glare of the electric light, some unknown party or parties had sawed and jimmied four padlocks, liberating the prisoners. The padlocks on the gate, the entrance to the jail, the corridor and the cage were forced.

When asked why he did not join the bootleggers, Ryan, who is doing time for having been in a similar business, replied that he had a mother here, and if he left he would never be able to return to Grants Pass to see her. For this reason he stayed. An effort is being made to get him to tell who it was released the men.

Deaf, Dumb and Blind

STOP, LOOK AND LISTEN