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Problem For Traffic Cops.

If you were a traffic cop and a fire engine, an ambulance, a police patrol, a mail wagon and a fire patrol were all coming in different directions, to which would you give the right of way?—Topeka Capital.

Not Much Left.

A woman can feel so disgraced when her husband allows his undershirt sleeves to show a little below his cuffs that we often wonder what depths of chagrin and sorrow would be left for her if she caught him leading a double life.—Ohio State Journal.

Nervous.

They gave the lady the only unoccupied room in the hotel—one with a private bathroom. The next morning, when the guest was ready to leave, she said:

"I had you have a good night's sleep?"

"No, I didn't," rejoined the lady, emphatically. "I was afraid some one would want to take a bath, and the only way to it was through my room."—Exchange.

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"I should say she had. She's got him that time that she takes money out of his hand without him snapping at her."—Baltimore American.

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Blinks—That so?

Jinks—Yes; he gives them such nasty medicine that they're glad to get well.—Brooklyn Citizen.

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UNIFICATION IS BEGUN

General Order for Pooling of Railroads Under Generalship of Secretary McAdoo is Sent Forth.

Washington, D. C. — Definite steps toward national unification of railroads and improvement of congested conditions were taken Monday by Director General McAdoo in the appointment of a temporary staff and the issuing of his first formal order directing absolute pooling of all traffic, common utilization of terminals, rolling stock and other facilities, hauling of freight by the shortest routes and retention of all present officers and employees.

Special instructions were issued for the clearing of congestion in New York and Chicago through pooling of terminals and other traffic facilities, and Alfred H. Smith, president of the New York Central, was named temporary special assistant to supervise transportation in the trunk line territory east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio rivers, where congestion is greatest.

Walker D. Hines, of New York, a railroad lawyer and for many years a special student of government operation, was appointed assistant director general, pending the formation of a permanent staff. The Interstate Commerce commission was drafted for an immediate investigation by its inspectors of general freight conditions on Eastern trunk lines.

While the director general was conferring with a number of railroad heads, Interstate Commerce commissioners and members of congress, and planning immediate action to remedy faults of transportation, it became known that the demands of the four railway brotherhoods for a 40 per cent wage increase had been denied by the railroads and that consequently the labor men had decided to postpone for probably 60 days the presentation of their case to the government. It was thought probable that President Wilson would take up the labor situation in his address to congress this week.

'SHADY' WORK SEEN IN DEAL

Fat Contracts for Soldiers' Clothing Allowed After Prices Go Up.

Washington, D. C. — The senate war inquiry committee Monday investigated further the canceled scrap uniform cloth picking contracts let by the committee on supplies of the Council of National Defense to the Base Sorting Company of New York, under which witnesses testified the company could have made excessive profits aggregating several hundred thousand dollars annually.

Charles Eisenman, vice chairman of the committee, who approved the contracts and Samuel Kaplan, another member of the committee, whose brother, it was developed, is financially interested in the company, will be summoned to testify, it was announced, in a further inquiry the committee proposes to make. It was further developed that Kaplan's brother is treasurer of the company, owning a Connecticut woolen mill commandeered by the government.

Quartermaster General Sharpe testified that when the War department canceled the contracts last Thursday both Eisenman and Kaplan protested. The government, he explained, will take over the work.

In concluding his testimony regarding clothing and other army supplies, General Sharpe placed responsibility for delay in obtaining supplies of wool for army clothing on the Council of National Defense. The Council's committee, which had taken over the question of wool supplies, the general said, recommended use of shoddy material in making uniforms and delayed accepting raw wool offered last April by Boston dealers. No large purchases were made until September, after prices had risen greatly, he said. Senator Weeks told the committee he was reliably informed that a loss of \$150,000,000 to the government resulted.

Replying to testimony of commanders of Camps Bowie, Tex., and Doniphan, Okla., that overcrowding of tents and lack of winter clothing caused deaths of many men in recent disease epidemics, General Sharpe said the authorities knew tents would be short for the men suddenly called into service, but that supplies now are ample to reduce the tent quota from 12 to five men, as recommended by Surgeon General Gorgas.

Europe Cuts Rations.

Washington, D. C. — Further reduction of civilian rations in European countries is reported necessary. Information received by the food administration said the wheat shortage in France was becoming alarming and that Maurice Long, minister for general victualing, had indicated that a decrease of 20 per cent in the bread rations now would become imperative. A reduction of the bread ration is necessary because the final figures for the cereal harvest show 20,000,000 bushels less than in 1916.

Three British Gunboats Lost.

London—Three British torpedo boat destroyers were sunk through being struck by torpedoes or hitting a mine off the Dutch coast on the night of December 22, with a loss of 13 officers and 180 men, the admiralty announced. The statement reads:

"Three of our destroyers were mined or torpedoed during foggy weather off the Dutch coast on the night of December 22. A total of 13 officers and 180 men were lost."

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Walter Meals, a well-known resident of Josephine county, committed suicide by shooting himself in the forehead with a .32 caliber rifle, early Sunday morning.

A deal was closed at Seaside a few days ago whereby J. A. Prouty, of the Prouty Lumber & Box Co., secured the mill owned by the Nehalem Lumber company at Timber.

Secretary of State Olcott issued 48,632 automobile licenses during the year 1917, as compared to 33,917 for 1916, an increase of approximately 15,000, or nearly 50 per cent over 1916.

All Coos Bay industries, with the exception of the Coos Bay Shipbuilding company yard and the Bay Park sawmill, did not observe New Year's day, but continued work on government force needs.

William Ackres, of Roseburg, 103 years old, died Saturday at the county home. He was a Kentuckian, born in 1814. He has relatives in Coos county. He was the oldest white man in Douglas county when he died.

The Indians of the Shaker faith on the Klamath reservation have decided to combine with the original Shaker corporation of this sect at Olympia, Wash., and Sergeant Brown left for that point Saturday to complete the arrangements for the local organization.

Rain, which has fallen almost continuously during the past 10 days, has been the heaviest ever known in Clatsop county. Owing to the illness and death of Weather Observer Rost no accurate report of the rainfall has been kept, but it is believed to have smashed all previous records.

Lena Briggs 12, of Eugene, borrowed \$5 at the Bank of Commerce in February and invested the money in eggs under a plan of loans by the bank to boys and girls who are members of the pig and poultry clubs. She already has received returns of \$11.36 from her project and has 25 pullets and 18 cockerels left.

The Public Service commission has granted to the Portland Railway, Light & Power company a horizontal increase of 15 per cent on all of its freight rates on its interurban lines, with the exception of the rate on wood, which remains unchanged. It is understood that the road was particularly desirous of securing the increase in the rate on wood.

Bandon has quarantined against Marshfield to prevent spread of scarletina in that city, and the Bandon health officers declare several school teachers who visited in Marshfield during the holidays will be quarantined promptly upon returning to Bandon and kept under surveillance for 10 days. Three new cases have occurred in Marshfield within the past two days.

Heppner celebrated New Year's day under sunny skies and with a temperature of 65 degrees. Thus far the winter has been mildest on record and stockmen are jubilant. Grass on the ranges is still growing, and indications are that Morrow county will plant the greatest acreage in her history this winter. Some uneasiness is felt over the fruit crop, as many of the trees are almost ready to bloom. It is feared that freezing weather later may prove disastrous.

Union county went over the top in the Red Cross membership drive by a margin of at least 500. Belated returns coming in from outlying precincts will bring the total above the quota of 5000 for the county by 500 or 600. General Manager Kiddie has dismissed his workers.

State Highway Engineer Nunn has gone to Clatsop county to take charge of the work on contracts on the Lower Columbia River Highway recently taken from the Warren Construction company. What mode of procedure will be followed in completing this work has not been stated.

County Agent Jay L. Smith is an ardent advocate of greater hog production in Coos county, and in support of his contention calls the attention of ranchers to the fact that they are losing money by not utilizing wheat and corn in greater amounts. Coos county has drawn several first prizes for corn in shows for 1917, and Agent Smith says producers can command high returns if more hogs were raised.

Between 1500 and 2000 educators, representing every county in the state, attended the sessions of the 17th annual meeting of the Oregon State Teachers' association, which opened at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning in the Lincoln High School auditorium. Both morning and afternoon sessions were devoted to the consideration of the business of the association. The programs for Friday and Saturday were devoted to addresses by prominent educators and the discussion of educational topics.

William Squires, a resident of Tillamook for 50 years, and the first person to carry mail in that vicinity, was buried in Tillamook Sunday. He was born near Leeds, England, in 1828, and came to America in 1843.

Mrs. Laura Newport, wife of William Newport, manager of the cookhouse at the Crown Willamette Pulp & Paper company's construction camps in the Green Mountain district near Astoria, was instantly killed about 4 o'clock Monday afternoon by an explosion.

MUST STIMULATE ALL CROPS

State College to Work Out Program for Bigger Yields.

Washington's contribution to the war cause will be intensive stimulation of crop production. At a conference in Spokane last week of E. O. Holland, president of Washington State College; E. F. Benson, of the state department of agriculture, and Charles Hebbard, chairman of the food supply and conservation committee of the State Council of Defense, it was decided that the state college work out a program at once for greater food production.

"Winter wheat sowing in the state was only 15 to 25 per cent of normal," said Mr. Hebbard. "We must depend upon spring sowing to increase the wheat crop. The situation as it exists now is grave."

Definite plans will be formulated at a meeting in Spokane January 25.

Stops Sale of Bread in Quantity Lots.

The sale of bread in quantity lots by bakers and retail merchants has been forbidden by Charles Hebbard, food administrator for Washington. The ruling is effective at once and applies to bread dealers whether licensed or not.

"The food administration for Washington rules that the sale of bread in quantity lots—three loaves for 25 cents—is a wasteful practice and encourages over-consumption and the leaving of stale bread on hand in families," says the instructions sent to bakers and retailers by Mr. Hebbard. "You are notified that effective at once, quantity prices are to be discontinued. In future you will make loaf price only."

The distributors have been notified that they may make the price either eight or nine cents each, but must not make the price dependent upon the number of loaves sold.

Apple Gifts Appreciated.

Hood River — The members of the canteen committee of the Hood River Red Cross chapter are receiving numerous expressions of appreciation in letters from soldiers for apples distributed to all troop trains passing through here. Mrs. L. M. Bentley, a member of the committee, has just received a letter of appreciation from Mrs. Earl W. Reed, of Seattle, wife of a soldier on one of these trains. Up to the present time most of the fruit distributed to troop trains has been donated by growers.

NORTHWEST MARKET REPORT

Wheat—Bulk basis for No. 1 grade: Hard white—Bluestem, Early Bart, Allen, Galgalus, Martin Amber, \$2.05. Soft white—Palouse bluestem, fortyfold, White Valley, Gold Coin, White Russian, \$2.03. White club—Little club, Jenkins club, white hybrids, Sonor, \$2.01. Red Walla Walla—Red Russian, red hybrids, Jones, fife, Coppel, \$1.98. No. 2 grade, 3c less. No. 3 grade, 6c less; other grades handled by sample.

Flour—Patents, \$10. Millfeed—Spot mill prices: Bran, \$33 per ton; shorts, \$36; middlings, \$46; rolled barley, \$60@62; rolled oats, \$62.

Corn—Whole, \$84 per ton; cracked, \$85.

Hay—Buying prices: Eastern Oregon timothy, \$25@26; alfalfa, \$24 per ton; valley grain hay, \$24; clover, \$22; straw, \$8.

Butter—Cubes, extras, 45@46c per pound; prime firsts, 45c. Jobbing prices: Prints, extras, 46@48c; cartons, 1c extra; butterfat, No. 1, 52@53c, delivered.

Eggs—Fresh ranch, current receipts, 47@48c per dozen; candled, 50c; select, 55c.

Poultry—Hens, large, 20c; per pound; small, 18c; springs, 18@19c; ducks, 20c; geese, 14@18c; turkeys, live, 20@22c; dressed, choice, 30@30½c.

Veal—Fancy, 15@16c per pound. Pork—Fancy, 17@18c per pound.

Vegetables—Tomatoes, \$2.50 per crate; cabbage, 1½@2½c per pound; lettuce, \$2@2.25 per crate; cucumbers, 1.35@1.75 per dozen; peppers, 15@17c per pound; cauliflower, \$2.25@2.50 per crate; sprouts, 10@11c per pound; artichokes, 85c@1.10 per pound; garlic, 7@8c; squash, 1½c per pound; pumpkins, 1½c per pound; celery, \$3.50@4.52 per crate.

Potatoes—Oregon, \$1.25@1.60 per hundred; Yakima, \$1.50@1.75; sweet potatoes, 4½c per pound.

Onions—No. 1, \$2.50@2.75; No. 2, 2 per hundred.

Green fruits—Apples, \$1 @ 2.25; pears, \$1.25 @ 2.25; grapes, 7c per pound; cranberries, \$13.50@16.50 per barrel.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 50@60c per pound; valley, 55@60c; mohair, long staple, 55c.

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Canners, 3.00@ 5.50

Bulls, 4.50@ 7.00

Calves, 7.00@10.00

Stockers and feeders, 6.00@ 8.00

Hogs—Prime light hogs, \$15.35@15.50

Prime heavy hogs, 15.45@15.60

Pigs, 13.50@14.50

Bulk, 15.00

Sheep—Western lambs, \$13.00@13.50

Valley lambs, 12.50@13.00

Yearlings, 12.00@12.50

Wethers, 11.75@12.25

Ewes, 8.00@10.00

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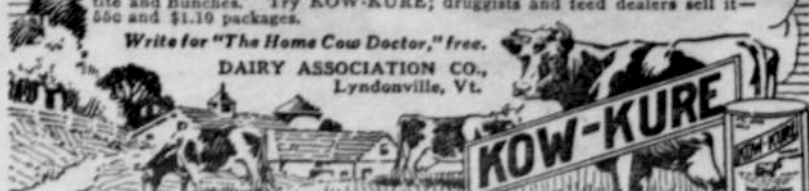
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A young woman seated in one of the last row of the auditorium got up and, full of indignation, left the room rather noisily, whereupon the lecturer remarked, "I did not mean that it should be done in such a hurry."—Exchange.

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Heroic Gent—Did you see him?

Old Maid—Yes.

Heroic Gent—Did he see you?

Old Maid—Yes.

Less Heroic Gent—You don't need any help.—Gargoyle.

Invitation Declined.

Professor (in chemical laboratory)—This is a very explosive substance and it might blow us all sky high. Come closer, gentlemen, so you may be better able to follow me.—Widow.

Her Part.

Young Arthur was wrestling with a lesson in grammar. "Father," said he, thoughtfully, "what part of speech is woman?"

"Woman, my boy, is not a part of speech; she is all of it," returned father.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Dr. Pierce's Pellets are best for liver, bowels and stomach. One little Pellet for a laxative—three for a cathartic.

Maybe He Was Winning Stake.

Beautiful Ernestine was sobbing as though her heart would break.

"What is it, dear?" asked her girl friend.

"W-why," she sobbed. "I t-told Jack, after he proposed, to go up and see papa."

"What of that?"

"Why they started playing crds, and now he goes up to see papa every night."

"My dear girl, don't lay so much stress on beauty. Modest worth is better far than millions."

"Yes, it doesn't get anywhere near beauty in catching a millionaire."

A Question of Conscience.

"Can doctors honestly take money from their patients?"

"Why not?"

"Are they not all ill-gotten gains?"

—Exchange.

A Natural Omission.

"Nature makes swans sing before they die."

"I wish nature would reverse the process with some people and make them die before they sing."—Baltimore American.

Nothing Doing.

"Say Clarence, how do you spell felicity?"

"I don't spell it."—Brooklyn Citizen.

Its Contradiction.

"An engine is a paradoxical sort of a proposition."

"How so?"

"It's hottest when its cooled."—Exchange.

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