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OREGON WEATHER

Tonight and Tuesday generally fair; westerly winds.

THE HIGHWAY TO THE ILLINOIS VALLEY.

The road building problem in Josephine county is its most difficult one. The county court is confronted with scores of needs for the expenditure of cash, but the treasury is in a depleted condition, more than a hundred thousand of the expected dollars having failed to find their way into the county till because of the refusal of the railroad company to pay taxes upon the grant lands for three years.

worked out that would make improvement of the road possible at once. Almost any sacrifice would be warranted in building this highway from Grants Pass to the Illinois valley.

The attention which Grants Pass is attracting in the public eye is well evidenced by the space which the newspapers of Portland and elsewhere give to news from this source.

Word of the organization of the sugar beet clubs throughout Josephine county has reached the office of extension work of the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C.

Now is the time of the placer miner's harvest. His crop does not make much of a showing so far as bulk is concerned, but it runs into figures mighty fast in the bank book.

Multnomah county has 33 per cent of the wealth of the state, a third of the population, and 100 per cent of the Oregon members of the United States senate.

If Medford would stop her pipe dreaming and grow beets, she could assure herself a sugar factory by another season.

ARMED MERCHANT SHIPS "SNIPERS"

Berlin, via Amsterdam, Mar. 6.—"Armed merchantmen are the snipers of the sea," declared Dr. Hecksher, reichstag leader, "and the British admiralty, by instructing merchantmen to fire on submarines, began franc-tireur warfare on the seas."

Dr. Heckscher, whose position in the reichstag is similar to that held by Senator Stone as chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, discussed the German-American controversy over armed merchant ships at some length today.

"If an officer and 10 men in a hostile country saw a group of civilians across the street armed with two or three rifles, the officer could not wait until he had warned the civilians before ordering his soldiers to shoot," said Dr. Heckscher.

"The submarine is a legal sea weapon, as Secretary Lansing himself has admitted, and the submarine that attempts to warn an armed merchant vessel puts itself in grave danger, since it is easily damaged."

"It is said that the United States wants to settle the submarine question with Germany before taking up her trade relations with England, holding that questions affecting human lives should be first. Conceding this viewpoint, does America realize how many thousands of women and children in Germany and Poland lack nourishment today because America does not insist upon the right to send milk and food to the German people?"

"Germany has waited for months for America to take steps against England's illegal blockade, but nothing has been accomplished. Now, Germany, finding the English admiralty instructions aboard the steamer Woodfield, must act for herself."

PLACE WOMAN ON TRIAL FOR MURDER OF HUSBAND

McMinnville, Mar. 6.—Mrs. Anna Booth was placed on trial for the second time today for the murder of her husband last October. William Branson, indicted with her, was convicted of second degree murder three weeks ago.

Daylight Darkness. There are a number of daylight darknesses recorded in history, among them being those in B. C. 295, A. D. 746 and 775. There was a dark day in England in January, 1816, and another on Oct. 21, 1816.

GERMAN OPINION ON SENATE ACTION

Berlin, Mar. 6.—Americans who have canvassed the situation here today reported that the senate vote tabling the Gore resolution warning Americans not to sail on armed merchant vessels materially lessened the possibility of a German-American break on the submarine issue.

Berlin newspapers differ in their interpretations of the vote. Most of them agree that the senate would not be likely to interfere with the administration's plans unless the negotiations seemed leading straight to war.

The Cologne Gazette asserted the vote was without meaning.

WASHINGTON AGAIN UNDER SNOW BLANKET

Wenatchee, Wash., Mar. 6.—Three feet of snow fell in the mountains near here last night and today. The Great Northern railway is temporarily tied up.

Leavenworth and Peshastin reported 18 inches of snow. Only occasional flurries have visited Wenatchee.

FRANCIS IS NOMINATED AMBASSADOR TO RUSSIA

Washington, Mar. 6.—President Wilson today nominated David R. Francis, of St. Louis, as ambassador to Russia. He will succeed George T. Marrye, of San Francisco, who resigned on account of ill health.

Francis is a former governor of Missouri, was secretary of the interior under President Cleveland, and president of the Louisiana Purchase Centennial exposition in 1904.

445 MISSING FROM WRECKED SPANISH SHIP

London, Mar. 6.—Reports from Santos, Brazil, to Lloyd's declared 445 or more passengers and crew of the Spanish steamer Principe de Asturias were missing and believed lost in the wreck of the vessel on a reef off the South American coast. She was en route to Buenos Aires from Barcelona, Spain.

WASHINGTON CAR LINES TIED UP BY STRIKE

Washington, Mar. 6.—Senators and congressmen who are without automobiles walked to the capitol today, all street cars having been halted by a strike. Several congressmen are busy preparing resolutions calling for immediate arbitration of the strike, which was called yesterday when traction officials refused the demand of the employes for increased wages.

A fleet of jitny buses is reported en route from Baltimore to reap a harvest of nickels during the trouble.

Old papers, 5c per bundle, at the Courier office.

Advertisement for Welch's Grape Juice. Don't Take a Substitute When you can get the original Welch's 'The National Drink' At KINNEY & TRUAX GROCERY Quality First

COUNTY AGENT'S NOTES

I am located in Room 1, formerly occupied by the secretary of the commercial club. You can see the sign on the window, "County Agent." Until further notice I will be in the office on Saturdays only.

I am starting out this week with a Ford and will soon have our sign on it. Stop me anywhere at any time. This is an agent without anything to sell.

It has been fully demonstrated that leguminous crops are benefited by inoculation of the seeds. This is especially true when planted on old worn out soils or soils that have not had such crops grown upon them.

The Oregon Agricultural college is furnishing inoculation cultures at cost of preparation. Six A, for 1 to 2 acres, 40 cents; size B, 2 to 15 acres, 60 cents.

In the selection of a stallion for breeding during the coming season, do not let a few dollars in difference of service fees keep you from breeding to the best.

Do not breed to unlicensed sires; there is a reason, or they would be licensed. It is also a violation of the law.

I am surprised to find that so much feed and produce is shipped into Grants Pass, and even bought and consumed by the farmers. Nearly 700 tons of hay, 12 to 14 carloads of potatoes, and quantities of barley were shipped in here last year.

Cauliflower is being shipped in here and selling at fancy prices. You can grow just as good cauliflower here as the best grown anywhere.

While conditions have not been the best during the past few years, we must realize that it is disastrous to be sending good money away from home for those products. We should be producing them to ship out.

Fruit growers, if you are going to produce the right kind of fruit, be sure to attend to your spraying. One spray omitted may mean the loss of practically the entire crop. Be sure to use not less than 200 pounds pressure.

C. D. THOMPSON, County Agent.

DOUBT RETURN OF THE RAIDER MOEWE

London, Mar. 6.—Several London newspapers expressed doubt today that the German raider Moeve had eluded the British blockade fleet and had returned safely to Wilhelmshaven, as announced by Berlin. They believed the story was circulated to throw pursuing British warships off the trail.

The Times war expert, however, accepted the Berlin statement as true, and wrote:

"The possibility of an enterprising captain breaking through the blockade inward as well as outward has frequently been demonstrated. The Moeve's captain certainly executed a desperate adventure of skill and courage."

RUSSIAN SHELL HIT THE U. S. CONSULATE

Washington, Mar. 6.—A Russian shell struck the American consulate at Trebizond during the bombardment of that city by two Russian destroyers March 1, according to state department advices today. The shell killed a Turk standing within 20 feet of the vice-consul's desk. The residence of the vice-consul, adjoining, was also hit, but the consul and his staff escaped uninjured.

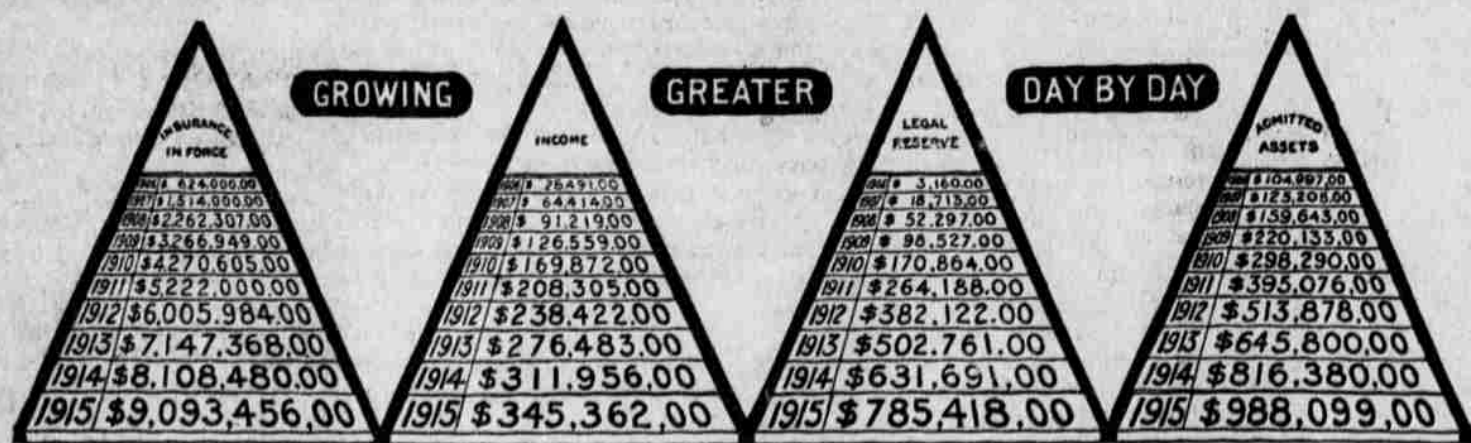
ARMED GUARDS PROTECT MUNITIONS AT PORTLAND

Portland, Mar. 6.—Following the publication of a news item that a large quantity of war ammunitions are piled on the Albina dock, waiting shipment to Russia, the O.-W. R. & N. company today placed five armed guards at the dock.

Large advertisement for Folger's Golden Gate Coffee. In some families the way to keep peace before breakfast is to say nothing & prepare a pot of Folger's Golden Gate Coffee. 45c Coffee 45c Quality. Folger Week March 6 to 11 Save 10c a pound.

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