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sure to attend. By joining in with the state-wide movement much good may come to our county.

MANY BILLS PREPARED

If all the bills which are now in the process of framing should be passed at the next legislature, Oregon would indeed be handed a white elephant; but we trust to the wisdom of some of the legislative members putting in over-time voting "no."

Fish and game laws—Demand will be made that the total receipts from fishing and hunting licenses be turned into the state; that restrictions be established for the better protection of farms from reckless hunters; that the Rogue River fishing industry be regulated entirely by the fish and game commission, and that hatchery operations be regulated and developed.

Military training—That military training be made compulsory in high schools will be proposed. Banning the state—Several measures are being evolved to bond the state to provide employment in public works in order to tide over the reconstruction period until workers shall have found private employment to their liking.

Marriage—It is proposed to put teeth into the present law requiring health certificates for marriage; also to protect against Vancouver marriages held in evasion of the Oregon state requirements.

Abolishing the senate—A constitutional amendment has been designed to be submitted to substitute one small house for the present bicameral system of legislation.

Banking—State guarantee of bank deposits and new kinks in banking regulation.

University of Oregon—A determined effort will be made to reduce the appropriation of this institution as well as the state agricultural college.

Abolishing normal school—Complete abolition of the state normal school at Monmouth is proposed, with the transfer of its functions to the University of Oregon.

Alien workers—Employment of aliens on public works to be prohibited.

Child labor—Many changes are proposed, both to tighten and loosen present law.

SOLDIER LETTERS

Ben. W. Coutant Gets Mail at Last France, October 21, 1918

Dear Folks: Received your letters of July 28, August 4, 12, 19, 25 and September 1 and 8, along with about twenty more, including one from Ralph Dusenbury, Clyde Smith who is over here, Chet Gorham and Uncle Jay, along with this first class mail came papers of July 24, 26, and August 14 and 28.

Dad speaks of applying for service where he can be used. I'll do his bit when it comes to service and he can raise the products we want to eat while at war.

Mother's letters seem to get through better and it is right that they should for they are the most concerned about the boys "over here."

The men in the S. O. S. are allowed to tell the name of their town, but we in the Z. of A. (zone of advance) are not permitted to tell of our location.

I have received the clippings which you have sent and sure enjoy them.

You can imagine by the reports in the papers how busy we are, here and for a while we had three shifts working on the roads to keep them in shape for the great amount of heavy traffic both nights and days, a continual line of trucks.

Our camp is quite a ways from the activities and we work about four kilometers further up. We can hardly hear the activities which are going on. Have been back with the company for a couple of days and are still juggling rocks, building roads and tearing down ruins for rock to build roads. There are plenty of quarries, but it is faster and helps to clear up the ruins.

An enclosing another Highwayman for your perusal. It will help to show you what the 23rd is doing. Lots of love, WALLACE.

Bombs From "Jerry or Frita" Planes

An extract from a letter written near the front in France October 25, Wallace Coutant says:

The outfit is quite a ways back from the front at present, but not so far that the old Boche planes neglect to bomb us once in a while. It is a great sensation to hear Old Jerry or Frita wandering around like a bumble bee, and not to know where the bombs are going to be dropped. Then you see a flash and hear a boom—and what a sigh of relief. It is about the same when the whizz bangs come sailing over. They come screaming over looking for a place to light and when they finally light 50 or 100 feet from you it gives you a good feeling and makes you glad it did not light nearer.

The best friend we have over here is the always-present pick and shov-

el. I guess the majority of the engineers in France have mastered the operation of a pick and shovel and can go through the manual of arms with either one.

Through the pick and shovel we get to travel around France a great deal however. We toured this section in a Mack track a month or so ago and it was some trip. The trouble was we did not hit many big towns. We had an evening in a town of sixty thousand and a day or so in one of five thousand and the rest of the time in small villages or in the country.

Meets With Friends

A letter dated October 30 he writes:

Received your good letters of September 18 and 22 with all the clippings enclosed. They came in mighty handy, too, for I have been with "Pete" (Carl) Smith and he enjoyed reading them. He and Ralph Britton are in the same company and we sure had a good visit. A letter from Janet came in the same mail and she told many things which interested the other boys.

Had a letter from Clyde Smith the other day and have written him.

Had a good talk with Loyal Heath today and one with Walter Weekler the other day.

Our work has been varied lately; one day working service troops, the next on pick and shovel repairing roads and the next tearing down walls for road material. One town that we used for its rock has only half of a church left to mark the spot. That may be torn down before we get through.

Must get to bed and get a good rest for another day.

In Huns' Winter Quarters

France, November 7, 1918.

Dear Folks:

Have your letters of September 15th and 29th, which came just after I wrote you the last time. Since the first of November I have had letters from Clyde Smith, Mac Dickerson, Tom Ostian and Georgia. There is not a great deal that I can tell now, but we have moved a couple of times, once back and then up again into territory where the Germans had settled down for the winter, but they were sadly disappointed. We hiked about 20 kilometers from 8 a. m. to 3 p. m. with an hour and a half for nooning.

Am living with three other fellows in the front room of an old French house and the indications show that the Huns lived pretty well while they were in here. The fellows are from California, Washington and Wisconsin, so the coast is pretty well represented.

This part of the country is pretty hilly, but there is none of the rugged sections like we have at home. The villages are pretty well shot up, but there are many buildings that are in fair condition. Noticed one with 1772 on it, so they were very old anyway.

Must go to bed, for I am very tired tonight after the hike of yesterday and out on the job today.

Lots of love, WALLACE

HAVE YOU A BAD BACK

If You Have, the Statement of This Grants Pass Resident Will Interest You

Does your back ache, night and day? Hinder work; destroy your rest? Does it stab you through and through? When you stoop or lift or bend? Then your kidneys may be weak. Often backache is the clue. Just to give you further proof, The kidney action may be wrong. If attention is not paid, More distress will soon appear. Headaches, dizzy spells and nerves, Uric acid and its ills. Make the burden worse and worse. Liniments and plasters can't Reach the inward cause at all; Help the kidneys—use the pills. Grants Pass folks have tried and proved.

What they say you can believe. Read this Grants Pass woman's account. See her, ask her, if you doubt. Mrs. A. R. Orme, 814 Oak St., says: "I gladly recommend a medicine I know has merit and may prove of benefit to others. I can endorse Doan's Kidney Pills, for I know from personal experience they are all they are claimed to be. When I get a tired ache across my kidneys, a few doses of Doan's Kidney Pills soon relieve it."

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Confirmation. No woman is really satisfied with the compliments her mirror pays her unless they are reiterated by some man. Boston Transcript.

CAPTURED GERMAN MESSENGER DOG.



Many of the messenger dogs used by the Germans are captured by the allies. This one wandered into the British lines, and an officer is seen removing the message from the dog's collar.

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Proposed Tax Levy For Funds For 1918

The following is the proposed tax levy for the year 1918, to be collected during 1919:

Table with columns for item, amount, and total. Items include County Judge and Commissioners, County Clerk, Sheriff, Assessor, Treasurer, School Superintendent, Justice Court, County Court, Care of Poor, Jail, Board of Prisoners, Tax Refunds, Intense, Advertising, Fees, Scrap Bounties, Miscellaneous Expenses, District Attorney, Water Master, and Estimated Cost for Bridges, Lumber, Nails, Paint for Steel Bridges and maintenance of culverts. Total amount is \$64,990.00.

Total \$64,990.00. For the above it will be necessary to levy a 7.5 mill tax. Besides this a levy of 3.7 mills for county school purposes, raising about \$32,042.00; 1.5 mills for the new Court House, raising about \$12,990.00; 3.2 mills for state tax, raising about \$27,712.00; 6 mills in order to take care of interest on warrants and reduce the outstanding warrants, raising about \$51,960, making a total of 21.9 mills. Also 4 mills for roads, raising about \$25,375.00.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS DERIVED FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN BY DIRECT TAX

Table with columns for item and amount. Items include County Clerk's fees, Interest on Treasurer's Deposits, Refund on Scrap Bounty, Penalties and Interest on Delinquent Taxes, County Fair, and 5 per cent sale of timber. Total amount is \$8,275.00.

The levy will be made Thursday, December 5, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m. If any person desires to discuss the same they must be present at that time. B. L. COBURN, County Clerk, Josephine County, Oregon.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1918

OREGON WEATHER

Unsettled, probably rain + west; rain or snow east. Fresh + southerly winds.

AN ALL-OREGON ORGANIZATION

There is a movement on foot, which is said to have had its inception at Albany and Salem recently, to organize what is to be known as the Oregon Chamber of Commerce. A convention will be held at Portland December 12, 13 and 14, when citizens from every section of the state will be expected to be present to assist in forming the organization. Every commercial body in the state has been communicated with in regard to the meeting.

Problems affecting the development of the country are being considered to a greater degree than ever before. Many states are working upon plans for attracting settlers, and the interior and agricultural departments of the federal government are working upon plans for the employment of our returned soldiers. Naturally the tendency of these departments is toward land development, and the western states, with their large areas of untitled land, are being scrutinized as never before.

Oregon, with her vast areas of logged-off lands and burned over and arid sections, her recently developed irrigated districts, offers advantages not excelled by any other state.

A thorough survey of the burned-over and logged-off lands in Oregon shows \$30,675 acres suitable for agricultural purposes when cleared, and 1,286,000 acres which could be used as pasturage. This does not include the many thousands of acres of tillable cleared land now idle and upon which settlers could be put at once.

The Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Oregon Land Settlement commission and the Oregon Agricultural college have outlined a plan which will be presented by Whitney L. Boise, representing the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Oregon Land Settlement commission, and H. D. Scudder, representing the Oregon Agricultural College, to the officials at Washington, D. C., within a few days.

This is a question that should interest Grants Pass and all of Josephine county. At the next get-together luncheon at the Chamber of Commerce rooms, Monday noon, the matter of participating in the Portland meeting will be discussed. Josephine county wants all that is rightly due her. If you are interested in the welfare of the county, be

Have You Reported?



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