

STATE DEFENSE COUNCIL NAMED

C. S. HUDSON MEMBER FROM THIS SECTION.

Council Expected to Serve as Clearing House for Organized Mobilization of Oregon's Resources—May Control Funds.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) SALEM, April 24.—(Special.)—Governor Withycombe, at the request of Newton D. Baker, secretary of war, has appointed a State Council of National Defense, which will be Oregon's official organization for co-operation with the National Council in the work of mobilizing the state's resources for war-time efficiency.

The distinction falls to a Bend man of being Central Oregon's representative on this council, the governor having asked C. S. Hudson, president of the First National Bank, to serve. Mr. Hudson has accepted.

The chairman of the council is Henry Ladd Corbett, president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. Other members are General Charles E. Beebe, of Portland; Clarke Leiter, editor of the Observer, La Grande; H. N. Stanfield, of Pendleton, speaker of the last House of Representatives and one of the largest ranch owners and sheep raisers in the west; W. E. Shimpff, of Astoria, member of the legislature, and Charles Hall, a prominent citizen of Marshfield.

Meeting Called. At the governor's request, Mr. Corbett is calling an immediate meeting of the council at Portland. Its first purpose is to select a member of the council to go to Washington to represent Oregon at a nationwide war conference called by Secretary Baker, to meet with him on May 2.

It is expected that the State Council will serve as the official clearing house for all organized mobilization of Oregon's resources as directed and advised by the national authorities, and that locally it will coordinate the activities of the various organizations working in different fields. The State Council probably will exercise general supervision over the application of any funds which may become available from the national treasury, and it presumably would be the agency in conjunction with which the government would act if the direct regulation of food prices and similar work, is undertaken.

EXPERTS PROBE TUMALO LEAKS

REPORT WILL BE BASIS FOR EXPENDITURE OF STATE MONEY APPROPRIATED—THE LAND SHOULD BE SOLD, SAYS LEWIS.

(From Friday's Daily.)

Returning from Tumalo, where he has been with J. P. Newell, H. M. Parks and Fred N. Wallace, members of the commission appointed by the Desert Land board to ascertain the cause of leakage in the Tumalo reservoir, State Engineer John H. Lewis was in Bend today, and declared that several weeks might elapse before a definite report could be given by the commission. He intimated that a more inclusive investigation might be found necessary than had at first been expected.

During the present trip of the commission, several days will be spent at the Tumalo reservoir. The commission's final report will be the basis for the expenditure of \$10,000 appropriated by the last legislature to cure the leak which has impaired the efficiency of the Tumalo irrigation system.

"One of the main things now is to sell the land and bring in more settlers," Mr. Lewis stated this morning. "There are approximately 3000 acres of land in the Tumalo section, unsold, which are independent of the reservoir. When the repairs contemplated have been made, the development of the country should be rapid indeed."

PLANS ELABORATE FOR MAY FESTIVAL

Children are Being Drilled for Next Tuesday's Event—Parson's Orchestra to Give Music.

(From Wednesday Daily.) Elaborate plans are being made by Mrs. G. W. Shriner for the May Festival which will be given Tuesday afternoon at the Hippodrome. Mrs. Shriner is drilling more than a score of children for the event. The crowning of the May Queen who will be selected by Saturday night, and the winding of the May Pole will be principal features of the afternoon's program. A musical program composed of local talent will be rendered during the afternoon.

The May Queen will be announced at the Hippodrome next Saturday evening. Parson's Peerless Orchestra, of Portland, will give the music for the event. Dancing will be held after the festival until 6 o'clock, and again in the evening from 9 o'clock to midnight.

Program. 1.—Overture, Parson's Orchestra. 2.—"Star Spangled Banner," chorus. 3.—Crowning May Queen. 4.—Solo, "America, I Love You," Mr. Bennett. 5.—Solo, selected, Mrs. Reed. 6.—Piano solo, selected, Alice Stockmon. 7.—Trio, "Dixie," Mrs. Fish, Mrs. MacLaurin, Mrs. Parker. 8.—Solo, "May Morning," Margaret Thompson. 9.—Quartet, selected, Messrs Staats, Gilson, Bell, Triplett. 10.—Solo, "My Own United States," Mrs. Fish. 11.—"America," chorus.

LEAGUE SEASON OPENS SUNDAY

BEND PLAYS SHEVLIN-HIXON HERE.

Local Nine Will Get First Showing on Home Diamond April 29—Jefferson County Plays Prineville—Grounds Worked.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

The Central Oregon Baseball league season will open next Sunday with Bend playing The Shevlin-Hixon nine on the Bend diamond, and the Jefferson County team, composed of picked men from Madras and Culver, playing at Prineville.

As yet little preliminary practice by any of the teams has been done, owing to the belated spring weather and unfavorable grounds. Although next Sunday's game will not promise much in the way of spectacular work, it will start the season off and afford the teams an opportunity to get started away.

The Shevlin-Hixon nine promises to be much stronger than it was last year. Manager Ash Houston has been in the field for some time for men whom he has enlisted to play summer ball with the mill company. He says he is going to see that The Shevlin-Hixon aggregation tops the league this season. Up to this time the Bend nine has not been able to effect an organization, but a meeting has been called for the council rooms Wednesday evening, at which prospective candidates for the Bend team are requested to be present to start off the season with a strong lineup.

It is now planned to rearrange the local grounds. The grandstand will be moved to the south of its present site and the outfielders will not be compelled to face the sun in the late afternoon. It is expected to make the grounds much faster than last year, which will make better ball than last year.

The schedule for the season has been completed. Each team plays 15 games during the season, which will close August 5. Holiday or games played outside the schedule will not effect the standing of the teams.

DISPENSATION FOR COMMANDERY SURE

(From Thursday's Daily.) Word has been received from the Grand Eminent Commander of the Knights Templar, favorable to the granting of a dispensation for the establishment of a Commandery in Bend. He will come here to bring the dispensation and start the work in the Commandery as soon as a satisfactory date can be set.

GRANT PETITION FOR RED CROSS

ORGANIZER IS TO BE HERE FRIDAY.

Enrollment of Between 200 and 300 Members Expected—Preparation for War's Emergencies Will Be the Chief Aim.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Announcement that the petition of Bend men and women to be permitted to organize a Red Cross Chapter here, is granted, was chief in interest at the weekly luncheon of the Commercial Club held this noon at the Pilot Butte Inn. The intelligence was first received in a telegram directed to Mrs. A. E. Trahan, who has been one of the leaders in the movement to secure a chapter of the association for Bend. District Organizer William H. Hush, of San Francisco, will be here Friday evening, the telegram stated, to perfect the organization.

Commercial Club Manager H. J. Overturf announced that the first meeting of the Red Cross would be held at 8 o'clock Friday night at the Hippodrome. It is expected that between 200 and 300 members will be enrolled, both women and men being eligible, and it is urged that a large turnout be present at the initial gathering. Chief among the aims of the organization will be the preparation for war emergencies.

Hatchery Betterment Sought. The matter of the fish hatchery was again brought up, and the manager was directed to write the Fish and Game Commission asking that the plant be given a thorough renovating, and also to inquire as to when a deputy game warden will be appointed for Central Oregon.

The matter of the good roads convention to be held in Portland Saturday, received some attention, and it was moved that a committee of at least three be sent to represent Bend.

In line with the food preparedness movement, A. J. Kroenert, of the Irrigation committee, suggested that with the cry going out for vacant land, that now should be the time to get federal aid for the completion of irrigation projects in the vicinity of Bend.

MISS SUSAN BENSON CLAIMED BY DEATH

Born in Vermont, Was Eight Years a Resident of Bend Vicinity—Services to Be Tomorrow.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

After an illness of several weeks' duration, Miss Susan E. Benson died last night at her home on Mountain Crest View ranch, aged 50 years. She is survived by two brothers and two sisters, W. D. Benson, of Seattle; Miss Mary Benson, of Bend, and Mrs. Nellie Higgins and P. H. Benson, of Wallingford, Vermont.

Miss Benson was born in Clarendon, Vermont, in 1857, and has been a resident of this vicinity for the last eight years.

Funeral services will be conducted from the home at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Drastic Punishment Given Convicted Bend Bootlegger

(From Thursday's Daily.)

As the first result of investigations which have been conducted for some time past through the office of District Attorney H. H. DeArmond and Sheriff S. E. Roberts, with the cooperation of the city police, Frank Sheffield was found guilty in Justice court late yesterday afternoon on a charge of bootlegging, was sentenced to serve three months in jail, and to pay a fine of \$250. The jury returned a verdict half an hour after leaving the court room.

The defense set up by Sheffield was a blanket denial of the testimony given by the state's witnesses. He declared that the liquor found in his car had been purchased last year, but it was noted that the government revenue stamp bore the date 1917, while testimony given by Chief of Police Nixon, based on local express records, showed that no such purchases had been made under the old law allowing two quarts a month. City Officer Willard Houston declared that he had seen the defendant early on Monday evening with a

BEND POWER CO. TO GIVE WATER

TO AID PREPAREDNESS GARDENERS.

Patriotism Lauded as Example to Other Companies Throughout the State—Seeds Will Be Given Children Unable to Buy.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)

SALEM, April 19.—The Public Service commission has just received a wire from T. H. Foley, manager of the Bend Water, Light & Power Co., accepting a suggestion for reduced water rates for back yard and vacant lot gardening, and going the commission one better by offering free water, and free seeds, as an aid to the food preparedness movement.

This is the first reply received to the commission's suggestions which have been sent out to water companies in Oregon, and the action of the progressive, patriotic Bend corporation is considered here to be a splendid state-wide example.

The action of the Bend Water, Light & Power Co. is winning much favorable comment in the papers in Portland and in Salem. It is stated that Governor Withycombe originated the plan last week in a letter written to the commission. The governor is writing direct to Mr. Foley, complimenting him on his action.

Mr. Foley's telegram to the State Public Service commission in which he made the offer quoted in the Salem dispatch, was as follows:

"Replying to your letter of the 16th, please be advised that we will file schedule to be effective May 1, allowing the free use of water by school children for vacant lot gardening. We will also furnish free garden seeds of varieties recommended by the County Agriculturalist to children unable to purchase same. We will, in addition, allow free use of water to anyone for back yard gardening."

OFFER YARD PRIZES

Contest for Property Owners in River Terrace to Close August 1.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

In line with the general home preparedness movement throughout the country, the owners of River Terrace, acting through their sales agent, Harrison Latham, are offering prizes of \$15, \$10, and \$5, for the most attractive yard in the addition. The contest will close August 1. Both back and front yard gardens, as well as lawns, will be taken into consideration in judging, Mr. Latham announced.

GETS BIG CHECK

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Hans A. Johnson, of Tumalo, came to town this morning with a load of potatoes, 3080 pounds in all, and sold them readily, receiving a check for \$108.20. He also had a can of cream along, worth about \$8. Oh, for a farmer's life. Mr. John last year had one of the biggest yields of potatoes ever known on the Tumalo project and running 400 bushels to the acre.

FARMERS URGED TO COMBAT SHORTAGE

Organizations in County Asked to Meet Without Delay to Consider Means for Increasing Crops.

(From Monday's Daily.)

A letter issued to the members of the county agricultural council by County Agriculturalist Blanchard, emphasizes the food shortage which menaces the nation, and urges the immediate meeting of all farm organizations in the county, to do their part in solving the problem.

Mr. Blanchard's letter is as follows:

The United States is at war. Large preparations are being made for munitions and an army of 2,000,000 men. It is a matter of historical record that during the length of any hostilities between nations it is not guns and men—but food, that offers the most serious problem. You already know why Germany waged her submarine warfare. You have read for two years of Belgium's pitiful plight, as well as others. There exists a world food shortage—and the American farmer holds the crisis in hand.

If our county agricultural council, which has worked so splendidly prior to this event, has never functioned in a big way, the opportunity now beckons for action. President Wilson is calling on the loyalty of every American citizen to take up the hoe, produce something of value, that our army, navy, citizens and allies may be fed. Our council of 33 members represents organized farmers of over 1175 men in both Crook and Deschutes counties in Oregon.

To each member who receives this letter an urgent request is being made to immediately call your local club, union, grange, organization and neighbors together. Explain to the farmers that this is not a matter of the agriculturalist, the council, yourself or any particular interest, but concerns us all in patriotic duty to the United States in that mutual cooperation which characterizes a successful national in war.

The movement is national, spreading over the entire country, every city and town is mobilizing its citizens and children in back yard and vacant lot gardening. The American farmer as never before in our history has a duty to perform. Prices of course are bound to be high.

The season is already late and in some parts advanced. However, the following are some of the things we can do:

- 1. Breed every sow on the place. 2. Breed all heifers in condition. 3. Plant more potatoes, within reason of labor. 4. Sow spring barley, wheat, rye, and oats on every available place. 5. Increase the poultry, set more hens. 6. Grow a garden for the home. 7. Save all the waste, use manure as never before, buy less canned goods.

Yours for patriotic loyalty, R. A. BLANCHARD, County Agricultural Agent.

CITY IS PUSHING CLEANUP CAMPAIGN

Alleys in Business Section Being Thoroughly Renovated Under Direction of Chief of Police.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Convinced that at least 50 per cent of the renters and property owners in Bend will do nothing in the immediate future toward cleaning up their premises, Chief of Police Nixon is entering with vigor on the renovation of private holdings. Incidentally, he is entering the charges against the owners.

The chief trouble, he declared this morning, is being encountered in the business section, and it is in this district that refuse cluttered alleys are being rapidly put into shape by the city.

FOLEY IS PRESIDENT OF HOLDING COMPANY

Is Chosen to Head Organization on Which Financial Burden of Athletic Club Will Rest.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Election of officers for the holding company of the Bend Amateur Athletic club, which is to have charge of the financial affairs of the club, resulted last night in the selection of T. H. Foley as president, and Carl Johnson, vice president. Members of the board of directors are C. S. Hudson, H. E. Allen, D. E. Hunter, J. V. McCann, H. J. Stewart, Carl Johnson and Mr. Foley.

COUNTY COURT TO MEET

The next session of the county court will be the regular meeting on Wednesday, May 2, it was announced this morning.

NO LIQUOR WAS SOLD AT HOTEL

GUESTS BROUGHT OWN SUPPLY.

Charges of Violation of Liquor Laws Investigated by District Attorney in Hearing Today—Many Witnesses are Heard.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

District Attorney DeArmond's investigation before Justice Eastes of alleged violation of the state prohibition laws at the time of the opening of the Pilot Butte Inn in March was begun this morning before a large audience in the council room. From the many witnesses examined, it was brought out that while guests of the hotel had liquor with them at the time, it was confined to themselves and their friends in their rooms. No evidence of sales was brought out, and Manager Birdsall denied having any knowledge of liquor brought to the hotel or used by its guests.

A number of witnesses testified to having seen one, two or possibly four men under the influence of liquor during the course of the evening, but no names were mentioned, the witnesses preferring to give the names to the district attorney privately.

As the hearing developed chief importance was given to questions concerning a barber named Orchard, who was stated by Manager Birdsall to have offered to sell him several gallons of whiskey. Mr. Birdsall said that he refused the offer. None of the succeeding witnesses were approached by Orchard. Mr. Birdsall also stated that he had investigated claims by the barber of a theft of money and found them to be without foundation.

De Armond Tells Aim. A number of witnesses testified freely of having been given drinks, and even of "swiping" them from the rooms and seeking for more, while others saw neither liquor nor signs of intoxication. Beyond the Orchard matter related by Mr. Birdsall, no evidence was given of sales or attempted sales.

Before the taking of testimony commenced District Attorney DeArmond addressed the court, explaining the motives actuating him in initiating a probe of conditions allegedly existing at the Pilot Butte opening.

"This investigation is called for the purpose of determining whether or not there were any violations of the prohibition law at the opening

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LOST CHILDREN FOUND IN BEND

BOY AND GIRL WHO RAN AWAY FRIDAY NIGHT LOCATED YESTERDAY AFTER SEARCH PARTY IS ORGANIZED.

(From Monday's Daily.)

After their parents and city officers had searched for them for more than a day's time, Harold, aged eight, and Thelma, aged seven, the children of H. J. Svenson, of this city, were found yesterday morning in a tent back of the Lawrence building on Wall street. The children ran away from home Friday night, in a fit of temper because their parents would not take them to church. For an outfit they took with them 16 eggs, a can of condensed milk, a loaf of bread, and a box of matches. The little girl wore a pair of her brother's shoes. The children had apparently suffered no harm from their adventure.

Sunday morning after all efforts to find the missing youngsters had been in vain telephone calls were sent out with the intention of recruiting a search party, and the fine alarm was rung for the same purpose, it being feared that the children had met with some accident. After they were found, it developed that they had gone on similar excursions before, and had manifested some ability in being able to shift for themselves.

Mr. Svenson is recently of the Salvation Army, and is in Bend for the purpose of establishing an independent mission.