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THE SOLDIERS SHOULD APPLY FOR RELEASE

Congressman Sinnott Sends Information Concerning regulations and Rulings of Departments in Regard to The Discharge of Soldiers. Method to Follow to Get Consideration.

Congressman Nick Sinnott, of Oregon, at the request of numerous parents in his district has made inquiry at the War and Navy Departments here concerning the proper method to be pursued to obtain the discharge of a man in the service. He has been informed that in all cases the application for such release must be made by the soldier directly to his commanding officer and that no action will be taken at headquarters, or in Washington, until such application has been received and passed upon by such commanding officers.

In order that interested parents and others may have the fullest up-to-date information concerning the regulations and rulings of the departments in regard to the discharge of soldiers, sailors and marines and also under just what circumstances such special discharges will be considered favorably the congressman has sent this paper the following summary of the regulations.

THE ARMY
Department commanders within the United States are authorized in certain individual and exceptional cases to discharge men on their own application when there is sickness or other distress in the soldier's family, or when he is needed to resume employment in an industry or occupation in which there is urgent need of his services, provided his services can be spared and that it will not disrupt an existing organization.

THE NAVY
It is the desire of the Navy Department to release from active service at the earliest practicable time those members of the Naval Reserve Force, and those men of the regular service who enlisted for the duration of the war, and who wish to complete their education or who have urgent family and business interests demanding immediate and personal attention. No definite time can be set for release but it will be done as soon as the exigencies of service will permit. Those desiring to be released under above condition must in every instance, submit formal request in writing through official channels, stating in full their reasons. This is extremely important as it is the present policy to discharge only those who wish it. Those who enlisted for Four Years will be discharged only where exceptional dependency exists.

THE MARINES
The same policy against releasing Four Year Men obtains in the Marines in the Navy proper. It is the policy of the Marine Headquarters, however, to discharge Marines who enlisted for duration of war only, or are in Marine Corps reserve, who desire their immediate release from military duty for educational or industrial reasons or on account of dependency of family. Requests of men of the two classes mentioned must be forwarded through Official Channels, i. e. their commanding officers and will then be acted on individually at headquarters. Because it is not the present plan to demobilize any unit or class of marines as the Navy department will need the authorized strength of corps for many months to come it will probably be more difficult to get released from this service than the other branches.

It is probably that there would be objection to allowing a soldier, sailor or marine filing application for his own discharge as indicated to the War and Navy Departments with supporting evidence in the way

of statements from parents or others as would explain more fully or corroborate the reasons he sets out for desiring to be released from service but the most important point to remember is that the soldier himself must take the initiative and that it must be done through his immediate commanding officer.

PROCLAMATION
WHEREAS: Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States and President of the American Red Cross, has summoned every citizen of this country to the comradeship of universal membership in the Red Cross;

AND WHEREAS: Membership in the American Red Cross is an evidence of loyalty;

AND WHEREAS: The American Red Cross is on the eve of the greatest year's work in its history, supplying aid and material encouragement to American soldiers on duty in France, Russia, Siberia and in this country; taking care of the dependents of soldiers in this country by means of Home Service; aiding in the reconstruction of Europe by assisting the repatriated citizens; assisting returned soldiers to positions; providing help and encouragement to wounded soldiers, and in other ways assisting the world to recover from the results of the War;

AND WHEREAS: It is desired that every adult citizen become a member of the American Red Cross that all may feel they have a living part in the work of the Society;

NOW THEREFORE: I C. H. Leonard, Mayor of the city of Burns State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim that the week of December 16-23 be devoted to the purpose of securing membership in the American Red Cross and do urge every citizen to join the Red Cross and to assist in promoting universal membership in that organization.

Given under my hand this 9 day of December, 1918.

C. H. Leonard,
Mayor of Burns.
Attest: W. Y. King,
City Recorder.

MARKET REPORT OF DEC. 10.
Cattle receipts today at the Portland Union Stock Yards are comparatively small, only 200 head, with 1350 head on the market yesterday, everything sold readily, prime steers selling 25 cents higher than at the close of last week, with other grades going at following quotations: Prime steers \$11.50-12.00; Good to choice steers \$10.50-11.50; Medium to good steers \$9.50-10.00; Fair to medium steers \$8.00-8.50; Common to fair steers \$5.50-7.50; Choice cows & heifers \$7.50-8.00; Medium to good cows & heifers \$5.00-6.00; Canners \$3.50-4.00; Bulls \$5.00-7.00; Calves \$9.00-11.50; Stockers & Feeders \$6.00-9.00;

500 head of hogs came into the yards over night, yesterday receipts 4000 head, all grades meeting a steady market at following quotations: Prime mixed \$16.75-17.00; Medium mixed \$16.50-16.75; Rough heavies \$14.75-16.00; Pigs \$14.00-15.00; Bulk \$16.85;

There are not very many sheep coming forward at this time, with practically no change in prices; Quotations follow: Prime lambs \$12.00-13.00; Fair to medium lambs \$9.00-11.00; Yearlings \$10.00-11.50; Wethers \$9.00-10.00; Ewes \$6.00-8.00.

SINNOTT'S PRESIDENT TO ACE TABLE.



Americans have imposed a great responsibility on this man. He is Captain Edward McAuley, U. S. N., in command of the George Washington, the ship assigned to take President Wilson's peace party to Europe and return. The crew for the ship was drawn entirely from the navy.

GLASS GETS M'ADOO PLACE ON ABILITY.



Secretary of Treasurer Carter Glass might be called President Wilson's peace appointee. His appointment was the last made by the president before sailing to France. Glass won recognition in the drafting of the Federal Banking laws when he was congressman from Virginia. He is well qualified for McAdoo's place, in his general opinion.

RED CROSS HONOR ROLL BOUND AND PRESERVED

Receipts Will Not be Given This Year. Names of Members Will be Inscribed on Blanks and Buttons Will be Given. Enrollment Booths Will be Placed in Stores and Post Office.

No receipts are to be given this year to subscribers to Red Cross memberships, in the campaign beginning Monday, December 16, and ending December 23. Instead, each subscriber is to sign his or her name to a blank provided for this purpose. Space is provided for 25 names on each blank, and at the end of the campaign these are to be bound into a permanent record to be kept on file at the local chapter of the Red Cross.

At the top of each blank is a lithographed heading with the words "Red Cross Honor Roll," placed over a holly background. At the bottom is a receipt certifying that the total number of names of each blank has been obtained, and that \$1 has been paid in by each. This is to be torn off by the campaign worker and presented at headquarters together with the money collected by him.

Each subscriber is to be given a button having the figures 1918 upon it so that confusion with buttons of other campaigns may be avoided. In addition to this, a window poster will be given, which also varies slightly from the one of the preceding year in that the blue border surrounding the white field bearing the red cross has a small white line running through its center. For each additional member of the family who subscribes, a small Red Cross sticker is provided which is to be affixed to the larger poster.

No stamps are to be put on sale this Christmas by the National Tuberculosis associations, as the National Red Cross has donated \$2,500,000 for the purpose of carrying on the fight against tuberculosis. As the drive this Christmas is for \$1 memberships, those wishing to subscribe \$2 for the Red Cross magazine must have special arrangements made for this purpose. The workers will not be provided with the necessary receipts for the subscription.

Enrollment booths will be at Hagey's Store, Post Office and Reed's Drug Store. Everybody please come as due to the "flu", a house to house canvass will be impossible.

LET US HASTEN THE CHANGE.

According to the picture presented to the children of Israel when they fled from Egypt, the land they would inherit would flow with "Milk and Honey," and judging by the reports of the men who gathered in Ontario this week, this is that land.

Here in this city were entertained this week the Dairyman and the Beekeepers. Both declared that milk and honey will make this region rich, and literally they proved their assertion, at the luncheon given in their honor at the Commercial Club rooms Tuesday noon.

The luncheon, a buffet affair was arranged by a committee composed of D. M. Taggart, H. H. Tunny, W. L. Turney, H. C. Smith, Frank Rader and E. A. Fraser. G. K. Aiken, president of the club, presided at the informal program which followed.

Prof. E. L. Fitts, of O. A. C. who spoke for the dairymen, declared that this is the ideal dairy country and that here dairy cattle fed with alfalfa can turn that crop into more money than can any other means. P. E. Farrell, secretary of the Beekeepers association, put the honey into the picture by declaring that already \$225,000 worth of honey had been sold this year, with more to follow.

L. R. Breithaupt, formerly of the Experiment Station in Harney county, predicted a change in conditions in this section which will necessitate different marketing conditions here. He said that with the improvement of different marketing conditions here,

of the interior the hay now bought from this section will not find a market there and it will be necessary for the alfalfa rancher here to feed his crop.

J. R. Brown, manager of the Payette creamery, declared that on an average the dairy cow brings \$30,000 per month into this section and that one car load of butter sold last week netted \$23,000.—Ontario Argus.

IT'S ALL VERY DIFFERENT NOW.

The council of National Defense has had a change of heart.

Not long ago it besought us to be tightwads. It berated the extravagant, and applauded the parsimonious. It told us to make a list of all things we liked, and to learn to live without them.

Christmas was to be like Lent pushed forward on the calendar. It was to be a season of abstinence. We were not to buy candy for our best girls, or cigars for our best friends.

Now the Council tells us to go as far as we like. "Buy all the stickpins, chocolate, stogies and cuff-links," it says. "Buy the kids the toys they holler for. Make the girls sick with marshmallows and meringues."

It is the command of Grosvenor B. Clarkson, acting director of the Council. He announces that pre-war conditions must be established as quickly as possible. It is essential to prosperity. Money must circulate freely, and the wheels of antebellum production must be set turning at top speed. And Clarkson is right.

Very well, folks of Burns. The word of Grosvenor B. must be obeyed, and we have enough stores in town to make it easy. But be gentle to the toiling store-clerks, and don't crowd all their work into the last twelve hours.

PRESIDENT WILSON AND THE PEACE CONFERENCE

President Wilson's trip abroad to attend the peace conference is a wise and appropriate undertaking. There are several reasons why he should be at hand.

In the first place, the German advances for peace have been made to him and presented to the Allies through his agency.

In the second place, at the conference many questions will naturally come up which will be subject to marked differences of opinion. The Allies, necessarily harmonious in time of war, may disagree in regard to the terms of peace. President Wilson's authority and personality are likely to be a strong factor in composing any such differences. The fact that America has nothing to ask for herself will strengthen his position.

In the third place, though America seeks neither indemnity nor annexation of territory, she has a real and grave interest in many of the adjustments to be made. Who can handle these matters as well as Mr. Wilson? We applaud his decision to go.

In the casualty list published in the Portland Oregonian of Dec. 6 was the name of Basil A. Kirsch who is reported as having died of wounds. The young man enlisted from this place although his residence is given as Stayton. He formerly worked in the Hibbard dairy and was well known on the milk route. He was a fine young man.

Europe just now resembles one of those dissected pictures so popular a few years ago. It can be put together again, but to do so will require an infinite degree of study and care.

FARM RECORD KEEPING AIM OF NEW CAMPAIGN.

A campaign to promote farm record keeping has been planned jointly by the Oregon State Bankers' Association, the Oregon Agricultural College, and the U. S. department of agriculture.

"The project will encourage and assist farmers to keep financial and cost of production records," explains R. V. Gunn, farm demonstrator for the extension service. "This practice has not been generally developed among farmers, although its value is not questioned by them."

"The need for such records has been emphasized by the government's requirement that nearly all farmers must submit income tax reports, to determine whether they are subject to the income tax. This need is further emphasized in the scant recognition given to farmers by price-fixing commissions engaged in fixing prices on farm produce, because accurate data is lacking."

Groups of farmers in nine counties have already agreed to cooperate with the bankers and the College in obtaining and recording production cost. Simple, uniform farm records have been prepared and will be supplied to the farmers through the county agents and farm bureau.

One more county group will be accepted by Mr. Gunn, who says that he can handle ten groups next year. Officers of the bankers' association say that the first issue of 3000 record books is only one third enough to supply the demand that will be created by the campaign.

H. W. Randall of Portland is registered at the Levens.

NO EXAMINATION FOR CERTIFICATES IN DECEMBER.

School Sup. Clark wired State Supt. Churchill that local authorities did not consider it safe to hold the regular examination of teachers for certificates this month in this county because of the influenza epidemic. In reply Mr. Churchill wired as follows:

"Notify teachers all certificates in your county expiring in December valid until next examination which will be held in your county on a date to be fixed later by this department."

CALVIN H. MCPHEETERS.

The Times-Herald mentioned in its last issue that C. H. McPheeters had met with an accident and was in a serious condition at the King hospital. Mr. McPheeters died Sunday afternoon and the funeral was conducted by Rev. Geo. Ward of the Nazarene church the following afternoon at the cemetery.

Deceased had been a resident of this vicinity since 1887. He owned the farm just across the river above town where Dalt Gibbs now resides, but of more recent years has lived in town where he owned property, also an acreage tract near the river.

Calvin Hezekiah McPheeters was born in Missouri in 1838, therefore was in his 80th year at the time of his death. He was a brother of the late Dr. S. B. McPheeters and leaves four brothers and one sister in Kansas. The immediate relatives in this section are his nephew, Chas. E. McPheeters, and his niece, Mrs. Lloyd Culp of Lawen, and Mrs. B. F. Johnson of Prineville.

Do your Christmas shopping early.

OH JOY, A WHITE CHRISTMAS!

HOEVERS

AMERICAN HOUSEWIVES

WHITE SUGAR

WHITE FLOUR

The American Red Cross sent 2,000 tons of condensed milk to the children of prisoners in Archangel, Siberia, and 2,000 pounds of powdered milk to the children of France.