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EX-SERVICE MEN TAKE CHARGE OF A. R. C. ROLL CALL

Local Chapter Resumes Activity in Work.

WIDE FIELD FOR RELIEF OPENED

Annual Campaign for Members Coming Earlier This Year—November 2 to 11, Dates.

The Soldiers and Sailors organization of Harney county will take active charge of the membership drive this year. Joe Krumholz, president of this organization, met with the executive committee on Tuesday and was given instructions and will be furnished with all necessary supplies and date covering the drive. His boys will look after the drive in the several communities of the county. It is expected the several auxiliaries will give such aid in this work as they can.

Harney County Chapter, American Red Cross, is to take an active part in community work again. That, at least, is the plan contemplated by the executive committee following a meeting with a field representative of the Northwest Division held at the office of Chairman Charles W. Ellis last Tuesday afternoon.

Elizabeth C. Tandy, a field representative of the Red Cross, came to Burns last Monday night in the interest of the coming membership drive and also to see what she could do toward getting the local organization into active work again. It had been the opinion of those who formerly took an active part in connection with returned soldiers and their immediate families, disabled men or dependent children. After discussing the work of the organization with Miss Tandy it was learned the activity opened a wide field and gives the communities an opportunity to furnish relief in many ways and do much good in civilian life.

The particular work of the organization at present is to look after the returned soldiers, see to any unfinished business that may have been neglected because of the slow process of the government red tape, such as any back pay, delayed baggage, mileage due, etc., and to consult with them regarding their insurance, point out the advantages of converting it to permanent and kindred matters of personal importance to them.

Another matter in connection with the returned soldiers is to see if they have had proper consideration in connection with injuries; if they require aid in future to see that the government is apprised of conditions and give the necessary aid as provided in such cases. The dependents of such soldiers are also to be considered and given such aid as is necessary.

In addition to this the Red Cross has the right to extend its aid to civilian families and any distressing circumstance that may arise. In some counties in this state they have a Red Cross nurse available always. She visits civilian families, looks into the condition of health of the children, especially any cripples, give attention to schools, advise with school

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CRANE WELL PLEASED WITH ITS CHAUTAUQUA

Weather Conditions Lessen Attendance—Too Late for Lyceum Course.

The manager of this paper spent a short time in Crane Thursday afternoon calling upon acquaintances and business friends. He found the people of that little city well pleased with the recent Chautauqua festival which closed that night. They did not have the attendance they had hoped for but weather conditions were responsible for it as each number of the program proved most attractive and satisfactory. The writer had the pleasure of meeting the superintendent of the festival and discussing the possibility of securing a Lyceum course for the winter months. It was found that the schedule had been entirely made up for this season however, and we must await next season for this entertainment.

During his visit he among others called upon Mr. Wallace of the Crane State Bank who evinced a keen interest in the affairs of the county and especially with the prospects for irrigation. Mr. Wallace stated his community was interested in the success of such a scheme and would certainly lend its influence to bring about the desired results. He suggested that the government might be a factor in promoting the storage of the flood waters of the Silvie's and thus bring about the reclamation of a larger area of land under the Silvie's irrigation project. It certainly would be a factor if it once took hold of the scheme but whether it could be done is a matter for those better informed than the writer.

The citizens of Crane are still behind the proposition of better road facilities between that point and Jordan Valley and are determined to make it go. That's the proper spirit and we hope to see it succeed. Mr. Wallace thinks the entire country should take up to its possibilities and get together on a general development plan as he considers we are neglecting our opportunities.

We suggest that a joint meeting be arranged between the Crane live wires and the Burns Commercial club where such matters may be brought before the two communities and discussed with the idea of team work on matters of mutual benefit.

Boxing Exhibition at Liberty Theatre on Next Saturday Night

A boxing exhibition has been arranged to take place at the Liberty theatre next Saturday night. The Liberty management has agreed to start the pictures at an earlier time than usual, and the exhibition will be given immediately following the completion of the regular program.

The "Fighting French Sailor," Pierre Forgeront, has agreed to show his fist skill with "Dutch" Herman Thois. This is almost a case of renewing hostilities between France and Germany, but the boys say there is no bad blood.

"Frenchy" is sure of his ability to give the Dutchman a sound drubbing, as he has had considerable ring experience before coming into the interior. "Dutch" is equally sure of his chances to show the Frenchman up, and local fans are agog to see the match. No one is telling about the betting, but the odds look pretty even.

A couple of fast preliminaries are being arranged, which will give the younger lads an opportunity to show their prowess. There may be a few Jack Dempseys hidden here in our sagebrush, and if so, the fight managers are going to bring them out. A fast card all the way through is promised for this Saturday night meet, and if enough interest is taken by local fans, boxing may again become a regular thing in Burns.

High School Has Program

Students of the high school rendered a program in the assembly room yesterday afternoon that was enjoyed by all who were fortunate enough to attend. The program follows: Song by the School, "America." Recitation by Jean Monroe. Solo—Helen Goodlow. Reading—William Brunet. Violin solo—Gladys Byrd. High School Notes—Frank Reineman. Duet—Charles Cawfield and Nick Robinson.

Ira Gabrielson, head of the U. S. Biological Survey work in this state, accompanied by F. L. Ballard, in charge of county agent work, arrived here this morning.

Special Meeting of Service Men to Join American Legion

A special meeting of the Harney County Military association has been called by the president for 7 o'clock Saturday evening, November 1st, in the Commercial club rooms. The object of the meeting will be to affiliate with The American Legion, and apply for a charter under which to organize a local post.

The present organization was made for the purpose of holding the men together until such time as a national body gained sufficient prestige that it could be considered the strongest organization of ex-service men that the war would produce. The American Legion seems to be this body, and men who are active in ex-service men's affairs are anxious to see the affiliation made.

Captain Robert M. Duncan has been instrumental in securing data and application blanks for the organization of a post. A copy of the constitution and by-laws of the Portland Post has also been secured, which contains a provision concern-

ing the election of members that will be of much interest to organizers of the present association. This question received a great deal of discussion at the earlier meetings, but seems to be satisfactorily solved by the Portland Post.

Lack of experience in such matters prevented the committee on constitution and by-laws from drawing up a set that was entirely satisfactory. It is doubtful if the records of the association will show that the set submitted was ever adopted or the organization completed. Little interest has been shown in meetings since the Honor Guard banquet and dance in June, but it is thought that with the better organization possible under The American Legion charter interest in a local post can be maintained.

An organization of ex-service men can be an influence for a great deal of good in this county. Recent discharges have added new blood that is expected to be of material assistance in conducting the affairs of the new body.

BUREAU WANTS CENSUS TAKERS IN COUNTY

Service Men to Be Given Preference if Found Competent.

W. A. Terrall, of Wasco, Oregon, who has charge of the census in Eastern and Central Oregon for the federal government, is in Burns arranging for the proper districting of Harney county and to give out information as to enumerators.

Mr. Terrall states there will be fifteen or twenty enumerators necessary for Harney county who will be chosen from the respective districts to take the census. These districts will be arranged in accordance with the voting precincts. The work is to begin on January 2, 1920, and is to be completed during the month.

Enumerators will receive approximately \$100 each for their work and applications for such positions are solicited at once. Examinations will be arranged for at Burns and other convenient places in the county where a simple test will be required of those applying. The position of census taker is open to both men and women between the ages of 18 and 60 years.

Ex-service men are to be given preference in this work if they apply and are found competent, but the examination is open to all citizens coming up to the requirements. Those applications should be made at once in order that the necessary examination be held and the applicants receive their appointments and necessary supplies. If an applicant lives in a remote section not convenient to any examination place the applicant may send direct to Mr. Terrall at Wasco and receive the ques-

tions which may be answered right at home and returned to the District Manager who will see that the papers reach the right department for proper credit.

Mr. Terrall has been covering his territory during the recent past few weeks and is on his last lap. He will remain here until tomorrow when he will leave for Bend finishing his work in Deschutes, Jefferson, Crook and Wasco counties. During his stay in Burns he will be glad to meet any prospective candidates for the position of enumerator and give them such information as he can.

READY TO BEGIN WAR ON RABBIT PESTS

E. E. Horn of the U. S. Biological Survey Department, the young man who is to conduct the campaign in this county during this winter to destroy the rabbits, arrived here yesterday morning. He expects to make a trip to Lake county in company with his chief, Ira Gabrielson, which will occupy a part of next week, after which he is going to settle down to a study of the territory he intends to cover and organize for the campaign to be waged later when weather conditions are right.

Mr. Horn has several methods in mind in this campaign of destruction and one is to organize the more thickly settled communities into rabbit driving clubs where pests will be dispatched in this manner, thus affording an opportunity of disposing of the carcasses for a sum to large concerns where they can be used for food. He expects to get in touch with such firms and see if he can create a demand for rabbits and thus have everything in readiness for shipment when the proper time comes. Should this method be followed he suggests that the funds derived be devoted to some worthy public charitable cause that will meet the approval of the citizens. Mr. Horn has other schemes, also which he will make known at the proper time.

APPLICATIONS FOR LAND SWAMP WM. HANLEY

Receives Over 150 Letters Asking Information About Small Tracts.

William Hanley did not expect to be put to such a "showdown" when he gave an interview to a Portland paper the other day respecting his intentions to cut up his holdings and dispose of them on easy terms to actual home seekers; but that's just what it has come to.

Readers of The Times-Herald will recall a clipping from the Portland Journal published in last issue outlining Mr. Hanley's intention to dispose of land in small tracts to farmers on attractive terms. This publicity has caused Mr. Hanley to receive over 150 letters during the few days since the publication in Portland, asking for information as to details of his plan and what the terms will be.

Mr. Hanley says there is no question as to the land hungry people. They want just such a proposition as he has offered and are ready to come. It has opened up a big thing and it is taxing his energy right at present to meet the situation in the proper way. We infer from his conversation that Mr. Hanley has not fully settled upon the plan he intends to follow in disposing of these small tracts, therefore he is not ready to answer these numerous letters. They have come in such numbers that he has not been able to classify them and form the replies, but it is his intention to keep in touch with the writers and arrange with them at the proper time for the purchase of the land.

This brings to mind the possibilities of this big country and what might be done under proper exploitation in co-operation with the big land holdings. If we could but get together on the irrigation schemes and place the lands in shape for such segregation as Mr. Hanley outlines, we would soon have a much larger population and a more prosperous country. Every feature necessary to such a result is here, provided we store the water and have it available at the time when needed for crops.

Halloween Dance Promises to Be Most Successful

The Halloween dance promises to be one of the most successful ever given in Burns. The management was successful in securing Reed and Robinson's Jazz orchestra for the affair, and the Mothers club is ready with its plans for the pumpkin pie supper as well as other good things. Timely decorations are almost completed, giving the hall an air of Halloween gaiety that will add immensely to the enjoyment of the evening. Several stunts will be offered for the patrons, tag steps, Paul Jones steps, ladies choice numbers, moonlight waltzes, etc.

Realizing that the moon will not be greatly in evidence at that time of the month, the managers have constructed their own "moon," and claim it gives a much better effect than the orb of night herself.

One feature of the dance about which there is considerable mystery, is the "Ghost Walk," which promises to be spooky enough to satisfy the most exacting spiritualist investigator.

Several out-of-town people are planning to come, as the men find an added attraction in the boxing exhibition to be staged at the Liberty earlier in the evening. The managers have taken the precaution of notifying several by mail of these two events, but in case anyone was overlooked on their mailing list, they are requested to accept this as notice.

Frank Cummins Dies in Boise

The Boise Statesman announces the death of Frank Cummins at his home in that city on last Saturday, Oct. 18, from hemorrhage of the brain. He was 42 years old. Frank formerly resided in this section but has been engaged in the stock business in Malheur county for several years. His father, Chauncey Cummins, formerly lived in Burns where he was engaged in the hardware business associated with I. S. Geer. Chauncey is quite sick at his Boise home suffering from typhoid fever.

LIBRARY CLUB MEETING.

The Burns Library club met at the home of Mrs. John Biggs on last Saturday afternoon. Papers on Walt Mason and "The American Boy and His War Bride," were read by members, as well as the recitation of some of Mason's famous poems.

The next meeting is at the home of Mrs. Leon Brown.

BURNS DISTRICT SEEKS EXTENSION OF MAIL SERVICE

Residents Urge Improved Facilities.

IDAHO RECEIVES BIG ADVANTAGE

Number of Central Oregon Towns Approve Petitions Calling for Improvement of Mail Roads.

Better facilities for communication with the outside world and Western Oregon in particular is the thought uppermost in the minds of the residents of Burns and that vicinity, according to a statement made by F. S. Bramwell, vice president of the State Chamber of Commerce, who visited that section recently. Says the Portland Journal:

Extension of mail roads is imperative now, says Bramwell, and unless Oregon heeds the call of the Central Oregon people, Idaho will obtain a firmer grip on the trade of this section than it has at present. The merchants are unable to prevent such a movement, despite their wishes to remain in every respect a part of this state.

Petitions have been drawn up and approved by several Central Oregon towns for extension of mail service, but the Burns demands seem to be the most urgent.

Burns wants the mail stage that runs from Canyon City half way to that city every day extended on through on an every other day schedule and says that the contractor handling the mail route will make this change without making additional charges.

The citizens also want a mail route established from Bend to Burns and yet have the mail route between Burns and Crane left undisturbed.

Bramwell says that during his visit in Burns he found that Portland mail arrived there two days late. This lost time would be made up to some extent by the extension of the Canyon City route, and with the opening of communications to Bend, it would be possible to obtain mail from Western Oregon the next day after being mailed.

With the Crane connections the eastern mail is handled in an admirable manner and it is the desire to leave this route undisturbed. The merchant of Boise is practically able to communicate with Burns and close a business deal before the Portland merchant can ever be heard from, and it is of interest to the entire state that the latter help Central Oregon obtain the new connections.

Resolutions have been passed by Bend, Vale, Ontario and other commercial clubs of Central Oregon for other changes, but are cooperating in the establishment of new service for Burns as the most imperative need for the entire section.

OREGON'S CHANCE TO RECLAIM LAND HERE

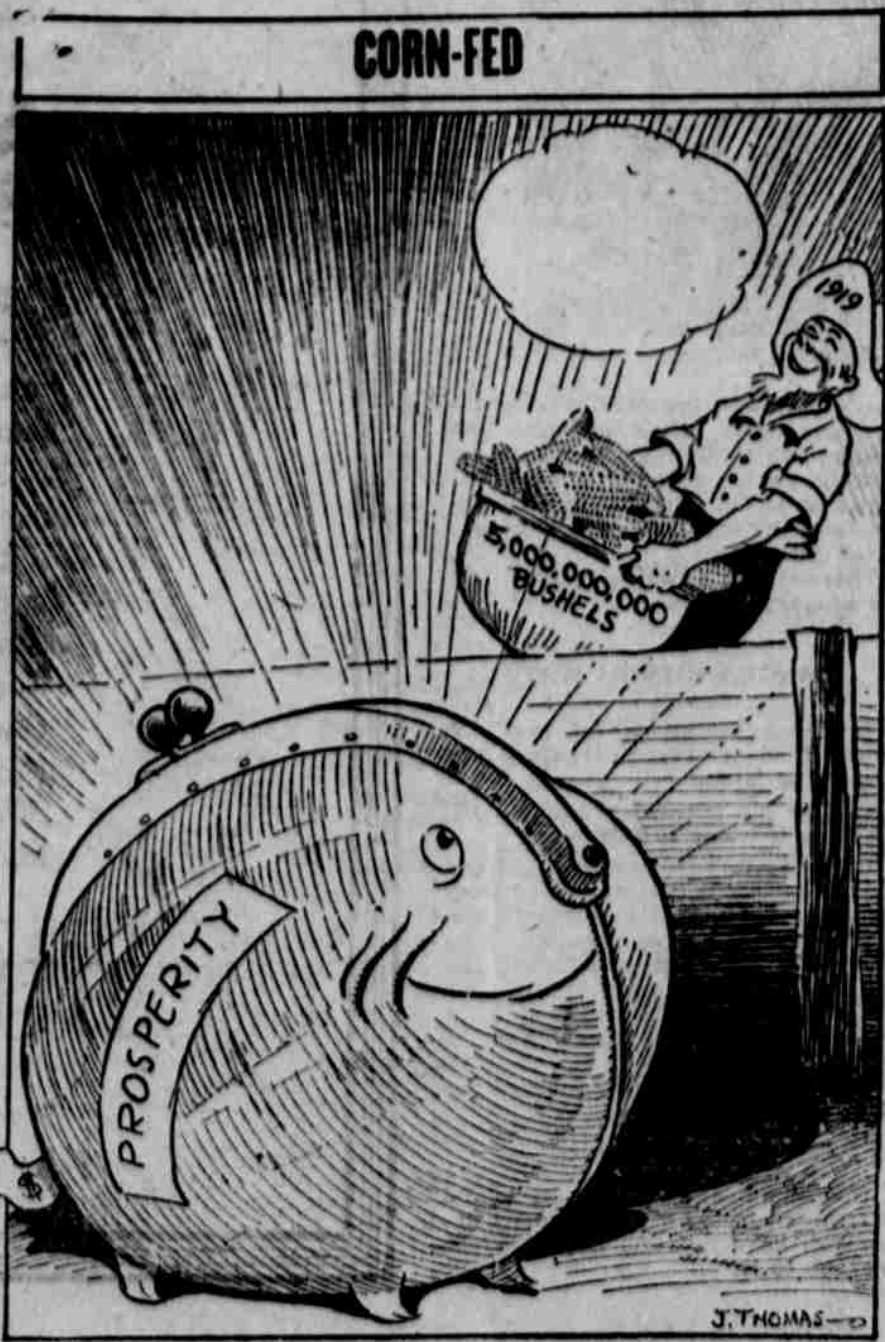
Judge King Says State Can Obtain Quick Action by Co-Operation.

"Oregon is in position to derive great benefits under the reclamation bills now in congress," says Will R. King, chief counsel of the United States reclamation service, who arrived at the Imperial yesterday. Says the Oregonian, "There are three reclamation measures now pending; the Mondell measure, which also is known as the Lane bill; the Jones bill which carries an appropriation of \$250,000,000 and the Chamberlain-Smith bill. Under any of these measures Oregon will be aided in its development, but until the league of nations matter is settled, there is no prospect of these reclamation bills being enacted. All legislation is being held up pending final action on the league of nations."

"Oregon and Washington will obtain quicker action than other states from these reclamation programs because these states are in position to co-operate with the federal government. Oregon's new law by which the state guarantees the payment of interest on approved irrigation projects for the first five years and the Washington law by which Washington underwrites the interest for the first four years, give these two states an advantage over others."

Vast Area to Be Reclaimed. "I venture to say that if the Chamberlain-Smith bill passes 1,000,000 acres will be reclaimed in Oregon in the next few years. Oregon has a vast amount of land to be reclaimed, and in addition to irrigation, the measures also provide for reclamation

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