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FLU HOSPITAL TO BE CLOSED EARLY IN WEEK

Few Patients from Disease Remaining.

EXPERT NURSES AID MANY

Red Cross Nurses Will Stay Till Close; Eight Sent from Portland, Only Six Arrived.

As the "flu" situation is now well in hand and in fact practically at an end the Red Cross Emergency Hospital No. 1 will be closed early next week, as soon as the present patients are well enough to return to their homes. Red Cross Hospital No. 2, which was opened early last week, was closed again Sunday as it was found that the spread of the disease had been so checked that one hospital could accommodate all patients.

Few cases remain at the hospital out of the large number cared for and no new cases have developed during the past two days.

We have been extremely fortunate here in Burns in that despite the fact that over 200 cases of influenza developed in less than three weeks, no deaths have resulted from that cause alone. While it is true that the severity of the plague has this year been much lighter than last, still during its height there were some mighty serious cases which, had it not been for the expert and constant nursing, would have resulted in death.

Anti-Tuberculosis Society Promises Aid in Securing County Public Health Nurse

Secretary Don M. Taylor of the local Red Cross chapter has recently received a letter from Saddle Orr-Dunbar, executive secretary of the Oregon Anti-Tuberculosis association in which she gives assurance of the interest and desire of that organization to aid Harney county in securing a county public health nurse, and pledges aid and full cooperation in the work. The letter says further: "We are assisting Miss Allen in trying to interest the highly-trained, efficient public-health nurses in the Oregon program and trust to be able to announce very soon that we have secured a few as our share of the new graduates from the course in the various eastern universities."

"Do not be discouraged by the delay. Hood River county court has appropriated the money, yet we have not a nurse for them. It makes us sick to see the money idle, but it would certainly prove fatal to put in an inexperienced or untrained nurse. Please remember that we are as interested as you are, for our goal is a county nurse in every county, and we will lend you every aid in putting the program over quickly."

OPENS NATIONAL G. O. T. HEADQUARTERS



Clarence B. Miller of Minnesota, is the new secretary of the Republican National Committee and has already opened and taken charge of national headquarters at Washington, D. C. He was a former congressman from his state.

JOHN W. SAYER IS PAINFULLY HURT

Sustains Broken Jaw While Aiding Friend Repair Pump.

John W. Sayer had his lower jaw broken Monday while assisting W. M. Sutton in hoisting a pump at the latter's home. Mr. Sutton had occasion to raise his pump out of the well to do some repairing, and as Neil Smith the plumber, in down with influenza, he was going to do the work himself. While on his way home with some tools he needed, he was met by Mr. Sayer, who offered to help, as he had nothing else to do. Sutton accepted the proffered aid. They raised the pump and Mr. Sayer was near the end of a scantling which they used as a pry while Mr. Sutton adjusted a jack to hold the pump in position while they did the repair work. At a critical time the jack broke and the scantling was thrown up, striking John under the chin, and breaking his lower jaw. He was rushed to the hospital where Dr. Smith found it necessary to wire the broken bone together.

Yesterday Mr. Sayer was doing fine and said he expected to leave the hospital within a day or two. He does not complain of his injury and it is really fortunate that he comes off so lucky, as Mr. Sutton was much concerned at first, believing, in fact, that his friend had been killed.

Joseph Sturtevant, Formerly of Harney County, Dies at La Grande

Joseph Sturtevant, aged seventy-one, died yesterday at 10 o'clock at the Danland Hotel, following a weeks' illness from liver trouble. Mr. Sturtevant, who was a retired miller, was born in Lowborough, Canada, May 23, 1848. He leaves to mourn his loss, three brothers, T. H. of Formosa, Kansas; Harry J., and Grant, who is a farmer in the Fruitdale section; three sisters, Mrs. H. C. Lawyer, of this city, Mr. Nate Stafford, of Formosa, Kansas; Mrs. Jane Hawley, of Chicago; and Mrs. George Hawley, of New York.

The funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 o'clock from the Hohenkamp chapel, and interment will be in the Masonic cemetery—La Grande Observer, Feb. 2. Joe Sturtevant was a resident of this city for years where he formerly conducted the flour mill. When he sold out here he went to Portland for a time but later bought property in La Grande where he had since resided. Many of the pioneer people of this place regret his demise.

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Information About Income Tax Given

Deputy Collector Will Be at Court House February 9th to 14th Inclusive.

SHOULD SUBMIT STATEMENT OF ALL 1919 REVENUE

Liberty Bonds, Property or Bonuses Counted As Cash in Figuring Tax; Heavy Penalty for Evasion or Delinquency; Family Head Exemptions.

The collector of internal revenue has advised that Deputy Collector H. O. Payne will be at the court house in Burns from and including Feb. 9th to and including Feb. 14th for the purpose of assisting taxpayers in making their 1919 income tax returns.

The law provides that all returns must be made on or before March 15th, 1920 and any persons delinquent in filing will be subject to heavy penalties imposed thereby.

Prepare a statement of your entire receipts from all sources during 1919 and also of the amounts to be claimed as allowable deductions arising through the conduct of your business and be ready to submit the same to the Deputy at the time and place designated.

Collector Milton A. Miller gives out the following information:

A word of warning to income taxpayers is contained in a statement given out by Internal Revenue Collector Milton A. Miller who points out that returns must show all items of taxable income for 1919.

Guesswork, estimates, and other hit-or-miss tactics are barred when a person is making out his income tax returns. Accuracy and completeness must be insisted upon. And remember, the return is a sworn statement; as such, it must be thorough and accurate.

Salaries and wages—earnings must not confine their returns to figures showing a year's pay at so much a day or so much a week. The actual amount drawn should be ascertained and reported. Overtime, bonuses, shares in the profits of a business, value of quarters and board furnished by the employer, and a number of other items of similar nature which are compensations for services, are taxable as part of the year's earnings, and must be included.

Income Not Always Cash.
It must be borne in mind that compensation may be paid in other forms than in cash. A bonus in Liberty Bonds is taxable at the market value of bonds. A note received in payment for services is taxable income at its face value, and the interest upon it is also taxable.
Premiums paid by an employer for

life or other insurance in favor of employees is additional compensation to the employees.

The Income Tax does not apply to amounts received under accident and health insurance, or under workmen's compensation laws; and damages recovered by suit or settlement for injuries or sickness is also exempt.

Tips received by waiters, porters and others are taxable income for such donations are in recognition of services and are not gifts.

A pension paid by an employer or by the U. S. Government is taxable income. A widow who received payments in recognition of the services of her late husband, may construe such payments as gifts.

Aside from what a person may earn by services, there are many other sources of income. He must include in his annual reckoning the gains he made in business and other ventures; also the income that his money and property earned.

FAMILY HEAD EXEMPTIONS

Unmarried men and women who are bread-winners for others are granted special exemptions on their earnings before figuring the Income Tax now being collected. Although a return must be filed by every unmarried person, and by every married person living apart from wife (or husband), who had a net income of \$1000 or more during 1919, recognition is made in the law of the home burdens carried, and relief from excessive taxation is especially provided.

In addition to the ordinary personal exemption of \$1000, an additional exemption of \$1000 is granted to "heads of families"; and there is also provided an exemption of \$200 for each dependent under 18 years of age or who is mentally or physically defective. The \$200 for each dependent may be claimed by any taxpayer who is the chief support of such dependent. This is not confined to dependents who are members of the family or relatives. It does not include others who are earning their living, and it does not apply to the wife or husband of the married taxpayer, even though such person may

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OTTINGER BUYS MORE PROPERTY IN BURNS

Eventually Will Be Used to Accommodate Growth of Farmers Exchange.

Nate Franklin, manager of the Farmers Exchange, announces that A. Ottinger, proprietor of the establishment, has purchased the post office building and also the stone structure in which the Harney County Abstract Co. is housed.

These buildings formerly belonged to Geo. Fry and are well put up structures of stone and brick. They join the present home of the Farmers Exchange and eventually the additional space will be used to accommodate the enlarged business contemplated.

Mr. Ottinger is a resident of San Francisco. He has made several trips to this place and always expressed his faith in the future of the country and said when things appeared to be right he would make further investments here. The recent action of the people in taking hold of the irrigation project and the evident assurances of the development of this territory prompted Mr. Ottinger to make this additional investment in order to have the necessary room to enlarge the business.

The Farmers Exchange has made material gains in business during the short time it has been established and its management sees an opportunity for a more extensive business in the immediate future. It is well for Burns to have such enterprising men take an interest in its future. Mr. Ottinger is a man of affairs and is financially able to carry to a successful conclusion any undertaking he starts. With this additional floor space in the very best part of the business district of Burns it gives the establishment a chance to grow.

Mr. Franklin, the local manager, has not stated definitely what will be done in the immediate future but merely stated that Mr. Ottinger had desired more room for the business and that possibly another store will be added should it be found necessary.

The purchase of the new buildings will give the property a frontage of about 75 feet on Main street.

Graduate 1000 Ford Service Men in First Year

Students from Every State in Union Enrolled in Present Training Course.

During the first year of its existence, the Ford Service Course, organized January 1, 1918, by the Ford Motor Company, graduated more than 1000 service men who came to Detroit from Ford dealers in various parts of the United States to learn the proper and most efficient way to repair Ford cars. It is the intention of the company to eventually have every service man and mechanic employed by Authorized Ford dealers come to Detroit to take the course.

Appointments are made through the Ford branches, one of which ends five delegates each day. The time occupied is one month and it is divided between theory and practice. The students are paid by the Ford company for their time—a part of which is spent doing actual work on cars in the factory. In the present class are 120 students, and every state is represented.

The expenditure of \$150,000, which was the cost of beginning this course, is looked upon by company officials as a good investment because it will help to give standard service to car owners.

PETER CLEMENS ANSWERS GRIM REAPER'S CALL

Succumbs After Illness of Few Weeks.

LIFE FULL OF ADVENTURE

Came Around Cape Horn in 1868; Settled in Harney Valley in 1880 Mined and Farmed.

Peter Clemens died at his home in this city this morning, February 7, after an illness lasting only a few weeks. The funeral will be held from the family home tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 the service being conducted by the Masonic Lodge of which he was a member.

Mr. Clemens was born in Lorraine, France, on July 5, 1854 and his parents left that country almost immediately following his birth and located in Montreal, Canada, where they resided during Peter's early boyhood. He came to the Pacific coast in 1868 around the Horn; he stopped for a few months in California but later went to Victoria, B. C. where he remained for three years mining, meeting with gratifying success. Subsequently he went to Buenos Ayres where he remained for eighteen months, working in partnership with an uncle. He followed mining until 1878 in the Black Hills and Nevada and later came to White Horse in the southern part of this county where he remained for a time working at his trade of stone mason for Devine & Toddhunter. He was interrupted on his journey northward by Indian troubles and it was not until 1880 that he finally arrived in Harney valley, locating after a year or two on Poison creek where he had since resided until retiring from the farm to his city residence.

In 1883 he was married to Jennie Thomas and to this union was born three sons; Clay, Cal and Glen, all of whom have grown to manhood and are well known to the people of this community. He is also survived by his wife.

Mr. Clemens was a member of Burns Lodge No. 97, A. F. & A. M. He was esteemed by his wide acquaintance and will be mourned by many pioneer people. He had acquired valuable property in this vicinity and his big farm on Poison creek is one of the best developed in the entire country.

CAPT. R. M. DUNCAN BUYS J. HILL FARM

A. A. Traugott of the Inland Empire Realty Co. this week announced that Capt. R. M. Duncan had purchased the Joseph Hill ranch on the Island just above the Embrose bridge. This property consists of 400 acres of fine meadow land that has an abundance of water. It has been devoted to wild hay and pasture during the many years Mr. Hill has owned it as he has been engaged in the stock business. Capt. Duncan hopes to see this property developed with the new system of irrigation which will follow the construction of a reservoir, thus making it much more valuable. The consideration for this transfer was not given out.

WRIGLEY SETS WORLD RECORD IN HOG SALE

A real "big league" stock sale in which 34 Poland-China sows at auction averaged \$1554.84 for a total of \$52,909; and which buyers from all over the mid-western corn belt attended in a special train furnished them from Chicago, was staged Jan. 9 by William Wrigley, Jr., at Green Gables Farm, near Lake Geneva, Wis. More pork to the pig, more pigs to the litter is Wrigley's formula for lowering the cost of living. Hog breeders paid \$55,975 for the thoroughbred sows, establishing a world record.

Sows bred to The Clansman, 26 in number, sold for an average of \$1927.42. The top notch of \$4000 was paid for Long Lady by Ernest Melberg of Norway, Ia., seven other animals sold for \$2500 or more.

Mr. Wrigley's Poland-China sows are The Clansman, for which he paid \$18,000 and has refused an offer of \$30,000, and The Advance, a young sow, for which he paid \$3000.



THE BARRAGE RUNNER