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BAN LIFTED BY COUNCIL

RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED ON ACCOUNT OF INFLUENZA ARE MODIFIED

Dances Prohibited Until Further Notice—Children Under Twelve Cannot Attend Theatre—Present Cases Quarantined and New Cases Must Be Reported.

At a meeting of the City Council last evening it was decided to remove the Spanish influenza quarantine restrictions as to everything except dances, and theatres for children under 12 years of age. Dances and the admittance of children to shows will continue to be prohibited until further notice. The order takes effect at noon on Saturday, November 23. This removes the ban on pool halls, card rooms, ice cream parlors, etc. The schools will open Monday.

With the removal of the ban a rigid quarantine of existing cases of influenza will take effect. The officials are determined that all present cases shall be kept isolated until released by the health officer. New cases developing must immediately be reported and will be placed under quarantine. The officials state that the law in regard to the quarantine will be strictly enforced.

City Taxes 11 Mills

Ordinance 447 levying 11 mills city taxes for the coming year was introduced and passed by the Council. The millage is divided as follows: General fund (including one mill for library) eight mills; funding interest fund, two mills; interest and funding fund for first installment on Delaware avenue and Division street bonds, one mill; total 11 mills.

Last year's levy for city taxes was 13 mills. Notwithstanding the reduction of two mills the taxes for the coming year will be higher, as the assessed valuation on Bandon property has been increased about 50 per cent.

Property Sold For Taxes

The Council instructed the mayor to issue certificates of condemnation to the County court for certain property in Bandon that has in the past been condemned for streets. Some of this property has sold for taxes several years ago and the taxes have since been paid by some company in Washington.

DIES OF HEART TROUBLE

Body of George Hansen Shipped to Condon for Burial.

George Hansen, native of Denmark, 82 years of age, who for some time has been residing on the M. G. Pohl place south of town, died there Friday evening of last week of heart trouble. He had been ill about a week and was taken care of by Mr. Smith a neighbor. The deceased had no relatives in this country. He was a member of the Masonic lodge at Condon, Oregon, and the remains were shipped to that place for burial.

MRS. MEL JOHNSON DIES

Family Who Recently Came Here from Port Orford Left Motherless.

Mrs. Melville Johnson, who recently moved to Bandon with her husband and family from Port Orford, died at their home here this morning. She leaves a large family of children. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The deceased was a sister of Mrs. Geo. Forty of Port Orford.

INFLUENZA TAKES BULLARDS RESIDENT

Miss Minnie Ned, daughter of Charles Ned and wife, Indians from the Bullards district died yesterday at the home of Mrs. Fred Aasen on the waterfront road at Marshfield. Influenza was the cause of death. The body will be sent to the home at Bullards for burial.

MAILING DATE EXTENDED

The final date for mailing parcels to the boys in France has been extended to November 30th. Mrs. J. H. Walker, who has charge of the mailing, announces that she will be at the Red Cross rooms on Tuesday and Friday of next week to receive and mail cartons.

COMMUNITY SING THANKSGIVING DAY

Every Community in the United States to Sing Freedom's Songs at 4:00 P. M.

A community sing will be held at Dreamland pavilion on the afternoon of Thanksgiving Day, at 4 o'clock according to Mrs. C. R. Wade, local chairman of the Liberty Chorus. The sing is held in accordance with the plans explained in the following letter received by Mrs. C. R. Wade from Mrs. Wm. Horsfall, Jr., county chairman of the Liberty Chorus.

"Thanksgiving day November 28th, has been designated as a National community sing. At four o'clock in the afternoon every community in the United States will join in a song service. As chairman of the Liberty Chorus for your town, you are asked to at once begin arrangements for a monster community sing in Bandon. Use such songs as you deem appropriate.

"Please give this service the most wide spread publicity, that you may do your part toward having the voices of ever community in the State or Oregon raised in song on this our National Thanksgiving Day."

An effort is being made to have the band furnish music, and, if the weather permits, to have the sing out of doors.

ALL PATIENTS RECOVERING

Many Local People Affected by the Prevailing Epidemic.

C. A. Parker, superintendent of the oil well operations here for eastern capital, has been confined to his room in the Ellingson building for a week or more with the influenza. His condition was dangerous for a time but he is now well on the road to recovery.

F. T. Tuttle, proprietor of Tuttle's News Stand, is back on the job after spending a week or more in bed suffering from the "flu." Fortunately he escaped the pneumonia.

Dr. F. A. Voge has been confined to his bed for several days with a severe case of lagrippe, which supposedly is a modified case of influenza.

Phyllis, the baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McGraw is convalescent after an attack of Spanish influenza that has left her in a weakened condition.

Dr. Arthur Gale, who is at Emergency hospital, is reported much improved. He had a severe attack of the "flu" followed by a touch of pneumonia. For a few days his condition was alarming.

Chas. Pfortner is dangerously ill of pneumonia, which he contracted after a severe siege of Spanish influenza. Mrs. Pfortner has also been very sick with influenza and pneumonia but is sufficiently recovered to be able to nurse her husband.

W. E. Best is again at his desk in the Pyfe-Wilson Lumber Co. office after a brief siege with the Spanish influenza. He spent several days in the hospital and is still quite weak, but feeling much improved. Mrs. Best is visiting relatives in California.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Williams took down with the influenza immediately on their arrival home from Coos Bay last week. Mr. Williams is at the Emergency hospital and his wife is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Langlois. Both are getting along nicely.

Among the most severe local cases of influenza, followed by pneumonia, were those of J. J. and S. W. Damron. Both have been out and around for two weeks now but they are still weak from the effects. J. J. Damron is an engineer at the Moore mill and his brother is fireman at the Acme Planing mill.

Geo. M. Laffaw formerly of Bandon and Marshfield, who is at the Benson Polytechnic School, is reported to be ill of influenza. A report in Tuesday's Marshfield Record stated that he was at the point of death with pneumonia, but the story is doubted as none of his friends had received word to that effect.

Chauncey Carpenter who is at Fort Stevens, has been dangerously ill of the "flu." It was reported here yesterday that he had died but such is not the case. Mrs. Carpenter has received a message from the commander that there is every hope for his complete recovery.

S. G. Whitsett is out again after a siege of Spanish influenza. He took no chances, going to the hospital right from the start. Although he has been incapacitated several weeks he says he feels O. K. again.

SCHOOLS OPEN NEXT MONDAY

JOINT CONFERENCE OF SCHOOL BOARD AND COUNCIL ACTED LAST NIGHT

School Buildings Being Disinfected and Parents Are Requested to Cooperate With Authorities in Taking Necessary Precautions—Children With Colds Must Remain at Home.

At the joint conference of the City Council and the School Board Wednesday evening it was decided that conditions would warrant opening the city schools next Monday. At the regular meeting of the School Board Monday night plans will be adopted looking toward making up as much of the work as possible.

School opens at the regular hour Monday, November 25th. The high school students will send in their week's written work as usual Friday afternoon. They will be provided Friday with assignments for Monday's recitations so that unnecessary loss of time on the opening day may be avoided. A teachers meeting has been called for 2:00 p. m. Friday to go over the changes necessary to starting the work promptly.

The janitors are thoroughly disinfecting the school buildings. Every precaution will be taken to prevent the possible spread of influenza. Children with colds will be required to remain at home. Children coming from homes in which there are cases of lagrippe or influenza will not be admitted. To avoid any danger of a recurrence of the epidemic in Bandon parents are urged to cooperate with the school and health authorities by keeping home children who are sick with colds or lagrippe and by reporting any cases of influenza in their neighborhood to the proper authorities.

CHRISTENSEN NOW BELIEVED SAFE

Popular Steward Who Has Chosen Bandon as His Home Was Member of Crew on Ill-Fated Vessel.

Freddie Christensen, until recently steward on various vessels plying between Bandon and San Francisco, was a member of the crew on the Steamer Dumaru, a 1752 ton vessel which sailed from San Francisco September 12th for Manila, and was struck by lightning and wrecked, on October 16th, 222 miles from Juan. Until Friday of last week it was not known that all of the crew were saved and local friends of Mr. Christensen had given up hope of ever seeing him again.

The original report of the disaster stated that the vessel had been wrecked and that one life boat with captain, second mate and three of crew had been picked up by a transport; remainder of crew missing. Nothing was then heard until last Friday's Oregonian carried a dispatch stating that a second life boat containing members of the Dumaru had been picked up and landed at a Philippine port and that the occupants of a third life boat had also landed at another port. The dispatch also stated that now all of the crew are accounted for. It is supposed that all are safe.

Mr. Christensen had been coming here for the past 20 years. Several years ago he bought five acres two miles south of town and has since built a fine modern bungalow. He has furnished it and has had much work done on the land in view of quitting the sea and making his home here. He is unmarried. His friends say that the trip on the Dumaru was being made for a friend of his who wanted a vacation and that it was to be the last journey for Mr. Christensen.

More Time Given

At the County Court session last week Messrs. Dyer & Plymale were given an extension of time from December 1, 1918 to December 1, 1919, to complete their contract for traveling the Bandon south section of the coast highway.

\$10,000 Damage By Electric Storm

Port Orford, Nov. 18.—The Inman Mines company reports that the heavy electric storm of last Wednesday struck the gate valve of the big dam of the Inman Mines company at South Falls, Sixes River, destroying the valve and injuring the dam to the amount of ten thousand dollars.

CAMPAIGN IS BELOW PAR

UNITED WAR WORK DRIVE DOES NOT COME UP TO EXPECTATIONS HERE

Original Quota is Assured But Desired Oversubscription Not in Sight—Fund Will Be Kept Open for Short Time and More Should Respond—To Publish List.

Returns received by Chairman H. J. McDiarmid to date indicate that the Bandon district has gone over the top in the original quota in the United War Work campaign, but that its quota is far from being 50 per cent oversubscribed, as requested by the United War Work headquarters. The original quota was \$2,000.

The requested oversubscription would bring it to \$3,000. Tonight Bandon district headquarters has a total of \$1,889.55 cash in the bank. There are two precincts within the city limits of Bandon and three outside of Bandon that have not yet been heard from. It is estimated that they will bring the total up to \$2,000.

The committee feels that the people of this district do not wish to have it said that they failed in reaching their full share in this drive, so the fund is being kept open for a few days in order to give those who have not subscribed and those who have not subscribed their full share, another chance. Bandon district should by all means reach the \$3,000 goal, which would keep it in good standing for all patriotic drives.

Chairman McDiarmid states that in next week's issue of Western World the names and amounts of all subscribers will be published.

THANKSGIVING SHOWER FOR MERCY HOSPITAL

All Coos County Invited to Donate for Charitable Institution Located at North Bend.

The following letter from Alta A. Armstrong of North Bend to F. Amelia Henry, Bandon vice president of the Public Health association, is self explanatory:

"We who live here near Mercy Hospital see a great need these trying days for a little Red Cross work right here in Coos county. So we are planning to ask a Thanksgiving offering of food and household linen for the hospital, throughout the county.

"The hospital serves the county yet while Catholic in management has no creed when it comes to caring for the sick. It does a big charity work all the time and especially at this time. Many patients who could pay come and go without paying and no bill is ever pushed.

"Will you kindly interest some of your ladies in this matter and ask them to send donations to the hospital next week.

"It would be wise I think to have a committee receive, pack and ship articles given so they may come altogether."

Miss Henry announces that the Red Cross rooms will be open Tuesday and Wednesday of next week to receive contributions of food, linen or money.

FRIDAY'S TIDE BIG ONE

Waves Splashed Over Highest Rocks On the Beach.

Bandon's harbor was all muddled up with drift wood and soap suds Friday morning. It was the roughest and highest tide for several years. The sou'wester that had been blowing for several days previous caused the surf to run wild, and waves splashed over the tops of the highest rocks on the beach. The line of breakers extended out to sea for fully two miles. Sunday's tide was the highest for several years according to the tide calendar, being 19.3 feet, but it was not as noticeable as Friday's because the surf had tamed down and there was less flood water in the river.

At Coos Bay Friday's tide flooded the boilers at the big Smith mill and put the power plant that supplies Coos Bay and Coquille out of commission for several hours.

Soldiers of the Spruce Division who are employed at the Prosper mill and the Moore mill are expecting a call at any time to leave for headquarters.

RED CROSS URGED TO KEEP UP WORK

Northwest Manager Points Out That The Soldiers and Sailors Will Need Help For Long Time

The part that the Red Cross is to take with the coming of peace is the subject of a letter from C. D. Stimson, division manager of the Northwest division of the American Red Cross.

The letter reminds the members of the organization that while the war is near an end, the soldiers and sailors, many of them sick or wounded, are to be cared for and their dependent families protected. The building up of the broken bodies and spirit of the people in stricken areas where misery not comprehended exists will mean a great problem for the association, and the co-operation of the members is asked now more than ever. The letter from Mr. Stimson, who has just received it from the war council of the American Red Cross and George E. Scott, general manager, follows:

"On February 10, last year nearly six weeks before the United States declared war, the National Red Cross headquarters advised the chapters to prepare for war. That which has followed in the record of the Red Cross in helping to win this war and to relieve suffering growing out of it, constitutes something of which every American citizen has a right to be proud. Every American Red Cross worker must feel a sense of gratitude in having had a share in it all.

"The moment has now come to prepare for peace. Actual peace may come at any moment; it may be deferred for some time. Until peace is really here there can be no relaxation in any Red Cross effort incident to active hostilities.

"But with peace, let no one suppose that the work of the Red Cross is finished. Millions of American boys are still under arms. Thousands of them are sick or wounded. Owing to the shortage in shipping, it may take a year or more to bring the boys from France. But whatever the time, our protecting arms must be about them and their families over the whole period which must elapse before the normal life of peace can be resumed.

"Our soldiers and sailors are enlisted until the commander-in-chief tells them there is no more work for them to do in the war. Let every Red Cross member and worker show our returning soldiers and sailors that to care for their health, welfare, and happiness, we are enlisted for no less a period than they are.

"The cessation of war will reveal a picture of misery such as the world has never seen before, especially in the many countries which cannot help themselves. The American people will expect the Red Cross to continue to act as their agent in repairing broken bodies and broken spirits. Peace terms and peace conditions will determine how we may best minister to the vast stricken areas which have been harrowed by war, and in this great act of mercy the heart of the American people must continue to be mobilized through the American Red Cross.

"On behalf of the war council, we accordingly ask each member of our splendid body of workers throughout the land to bear in mind the solemn obligation which rests upon each one to 'carry on,' we cannot abate one instant in our efforts or in spirit. There will be an abundance of work to do, but even at the moment of peace let no Red Cross worker falter.

"Our spirits must now call us to show that it is not the roar of cannon or the blood of our own alone that directs our activities, but that a great people will continue to respond greatly and freely to its obligation and opportunity to serve mankind."

Thanksgiving Day in Bandon.

President Wilson in his annual Thanksgiving proclamation, issued Nov. 17th says, "This year we have special and moving causes to be grateful and rejoice. God has in his good pleasure given us peace." Not only this, but God has been good to Bandon and her people in that during our great epidemic which has wrought havoc in so many places, no lives have thus far been lost here, and once more we are free to come and go at our own pleasure.

In view of these facts Thanksgiving services will be held Thursday morning, Nov. 28th at 10:30 o'clock at the Presbyterian Church. A most cordial invitation is extended to all to meet with us and unite in rendering thanks to Almighty God for his many blessings and mercies.

NATION WILL GIVE THANKS

PRESIDENT ISSUES THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION—PEOPLE MAY JUSTLY REJOICE

Victory in War Brings Promise of New Day—Divine Guidance Sought—Help Declared Imperative in Building New Structure of Peace and Good Will among Nations.

Washington, Nov. 17.—President Wilson, in a proclamation today, designated Thursday, November 28, as Thanksgiving day and said this year the American people have special and moving cause to be grateful and rejoice. Complete victory, he said, has brought not only peace, but the confident promise of a new day as well, in which "justice shall replace force and jealous intrigue among the nations."

The proclamation follows: THANKSGIVING, 1918. By the President of the United States of America.

A PROCLAMATION. It has long been our custom to turn in the Autumn of the year in praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God for his many blessings and mercies to us as a nation. This year we have special and moving cause to be grateful and to rejoice. God has in his good pleasure given us peace. It has not come as a mere cessation of arms, a mere relief from the strain and tragedy of war. It has come as a great triumph of right. Complete victory has brought us, not peace alone, but the confident promise of a new day as well, in which justice shall replace force and jealous intrigue among the nations.

Nation's Triumph Unstained. "Our gallant armies have participated in triumph which is not marred or strained by another purpose of selfish aggression. In a righteous cause they have won immortal glory and have nobly served their Nation in serving mankind. God has, indeed, been gracious. We have cause for such rejoicing as revives and strengthens in us all the best traditions of our National history. A new day shines about us, in which our hearts take new courage and look forward with new hope to new and greater duties.

"While we render thanks for these things, let us not forget to seek divine guidance in the performance of these duties and divine mercy and forgiveness for all error of act or purpose, and pray that in all that we do we shall strengthen the ties of friendship and mutual respect upon which we must assist to build the new structure of peace and good will among nations.

"Wherefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Thursday, the 28th of November next as a day of Thanksgiving and prayer, and invite the people throughout the land to cease upon that day from their ordinary occupations and in their several homes and places of worship to render thanks to God, the ruler of nations.

"In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done in the District of Columbia this sixteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the 143d.

"WOODROW WILSON."

"By the President, "Robert Lansing, Secretary of State."

Sister is Dying.

Mrs. J. C. Page received a message last evening that her sister, Mrs. J. W. Wright of San Francisco, is ill and not expected to recover. Mrs. Page left today via Eugene for the south.

TINY BABY IS BORN HERE

Probably the tiniest infant ever born in this community is a baby boy weighing 2 1/2 pounds, who arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Devereaux of Parkersburg Sunday, November 17th. The child is apparently normal in every way and is full of "pep."

WORLD HONOR ROLL

Thos. Raser, Sausalito, Cal.
Mrs. Rosa Binagan, Bandon
John L. Gary, Bandon
Mrs. Ethel Cook, Petrolia, Cal.
W. D. Matheny, Bandon
Ray Webb, Modesto, Cal.

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