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THURSDAY, JANUARY 31 1918.

Appeal to the People of Oregon. Oregon has responded royally to President Wilson's appeals for the Red Cross and the Army Y. M. C. A. He now asks us to supply generous aid for the relief of the sufferers in Asia Minor.

For three years the Armenians and Syrians have passed through untold sufferings in massacre, deportation and starvation. The only agency that has been able to help the suffering survivors is the American people. American relief money distributed by American still remaining on the field has been the means of keeping thousands alive.

Reports of American diplomatic and consular agents and other American residents who have recently returned from Western Asia indicate that two and one half million survivors, mostly women and children of whom 400,000 are orphans, are on the verge of death by starvation unless they receive immediate help. Exiled from home, robbed of their possessions, wandering in a desolate land, their only hope for the barest necessities of life is in American charity.

In view of the fact that government aid is impossible and that American generosity is the only means of keeping these starving people alive, I appeal to the sympathy of the people of Oregon to contribute generously through the Oregon Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief, Pen Selling, Treasurer Portland, Oregon.

James Withycombe, Governor.

British Flying Corps Wants Flyers

British Subjects resident in the United States who up to the present have not had an opportunity of getting a commission in some branch of the British Army can now have a chance to get a commission in the Royal Flying Corps according to information received at the British and Canadian Recruiting Office, Third and Oak Streets, Portland.

Applicants must be between the ages of 18 and 30, and be possessed of a good education. Students, Bankers, Auto Sales Managers, Technical Engineers, and Clerks are the class of men most desired. The pay ranges from \$1.10 to \$1.60 while in training, and when commissioned as a Second Lieutenant the pay is \$5.00 per day.

As this popular branch of the service is not likely to remain open very long, intending applicants are urged to communicate with the British and Canadian Recruiting Office, as soon as possible.

Leland B. Erwin PIANO INSTRUCTION. Diploma from the Chicago Musical College. Will be in Cloverdale on Thursday of each week. Terms \$1.00 Per Lesson.

An advertisement this size in the Cloverdale Courier at only 35c the issue. Don't let the door hinges of your business place get rusty for the want of a little advertising.

STATE NEWS NOTES

Brief Items of Interest from Various Towns in Oregon.

War demands are putting new life into the lumber and logging industries in Benton county.

C. F. Williams, of Salem, has been elected president of the Oregon State Poultry association.

Oregon's Thrift campaign is gaining ground. Sales of war savings stamps have reached \$613,734.

The total payroll disbursements to the two big sawmills at Bend for the year 1917 were \$1,287,000.

Assisted by Baker school teachers, 20 of Baker's prominent business men have formed a knitting class.

Two home guard companies were organized in Marshfield, one by the Moose lodge and the other by the Elks lodge.

Roy Campbell, 16, was shot and killed by his companion, Roy Norris, near Mount Scott, 25 miles east of Roseburg.

Secretary of State Olcott has issued a formal announcement of his candidacy for the republican nomination for the governorship.

Special investigation of capacity of all shipyards in the Portland district will be made at once upon orders from Vice Chairman Piez.

The ship-knee industry is rapidly assuming big proportions in Clackamas county. The Molalla country also has become a big ship-knee center.

The Sun Dial ranch, north of Troutdale, is shipping turnips by the carload to the Wittenberg-King company at The Dalles, to be evaporated.

Efforts to locate Miss Mignon Swanson, a young woman who was teaching school near Halsey, and who disappeared mysteriously a few days ago, have been unsuccessful.

Cattle thieves have been operating in Lane county on a wholesale scale, according to Sheriff Parker, who will offer a reward of \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the rustlers.

Attorney-General Brown has prepared ballot title for an initiative petition filed by E. L. Walters, of Oregon City, which proposes to prohibit all trap, seine or fish wheel fishing in all the rivers of the state.

Alfalfa produced \$105 per acre on the Umatilla project in 1917, according to figures collected by the United States reclamation service officials. The maximum yield was seven tons and the average price was \$15 per ton.

The terms of the district attorneys of Deschutes, Wheeler and Clatsop counties expire at the end of this year and their successors are to be elected in November, according to an opinion given Secretary Olcott by Attorney-General Brown.

In a special effort to combat the spread of blight, Jackson County Pathologist C. C. Cate has established a class for instructing girls and women in the Rogue river valley in the art of cutting out this dread fruit-tree disease.

The Springfield flouring mill, owned by the Eugene Mill & Elevator company, started its machinery last week having been shut down several months, during which it was thoroughly overhauled and put in thorough up-to-date shape inside.

A chronology of election dates as applying to the primary and general elections coming up in the state this year, has just been compiled by Secretary of State Olcott and will be published for distribution within a short time to those interested.

In a written opinion given to Adjutant General Williams, Attorney General Brown advises that the city of Marshfield's title to the block offered as a site for a new armory is not clear. He suggests that a suit should be instituted to clear the title.

Migratory birds have increased 50 per cent as a result of the new federal laws which now cover not only the United States, but Canada, according to a statement made by District Inspector Cattron, who has charge of the states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

Organization for Oregon's part in the third Liberty Loan campaign is under way with a state executive committee composed of Edward Cockingham, chairman; J. C. Ainsworth, George L. Baker, Franklin T. Griffith, William A. MacRae, A. L. Miles, Emery Olmstead, E. B. Piper, and Nathan Strauss.

Within two years from now, highway commission officials predict, it will be possible for a man to ride between Salem and Walla Walla, Washington, without getting off of a

paved road. Leading up to this the commission will probably award contracts at its next meeting for grading and macadamizing a road between the Morrow-Umatilla county line and Echo, and for grading and macadamizing a continuation of the road from Echo to Pendleton.

Preifer Bros., the railroad construction contractors, are making preparations to open six camps in the spruce belt in the western part of Clatsop county to get out aeroplane lumber for the government.

The first step toward the bulk handling of wheat in Union county was made last week, when the farmers of Imbler organized the Imbler Union Elevator company and instructed the board of directors to proceed at once with the erection of a 100,000 bushel elevator.

Representative Hawley is urging the reservation by the government of a small tract of land, now embraced in a Northern Pacific selection, which embraces the intake for the water supply of Oregon City, in order that the water supply may be permanently protected.

Three of the 489 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission during the week ending January 24 were fatal. They were: Al Haggeund, of Svenson, and L. Hlosich Knappa, killed in logging operations; and D. A. Basich, Dee, killed in lumbering operations.

Plans are being developed at the headquarters of the Santiam national forest to restock a burned-over area on Battleax mountain this year. This tract is located about 10 miles north of Detroit. It is expected that 225,000 young Douglas fir trees will be required for the work.

With five counties still missing, and no apparent indication of their being received, the school census for 1917 shows a total of 184,196. The total for 1916 was 205,417. Giving to the five missing counties the same census as the last one available, the total for this year would be 203,419.

That drainage development in Oregon is well under way and is to make great strides the coming year is evident from the representative gathering and lively interest shown as well as the constructive program outlined at the annual meeting of the State Drainage association at Corvallis.

Negotiations were closed Saturday for the sale of approximately 7000 acres of timber in Columbia county by the Fir Tree Timber company to the Clark & Wilson Lumber company. The tract is said to cruise approximately 400,000,000 board measure, largely gip timber, and the money consideration is upward of \$1,900,000.

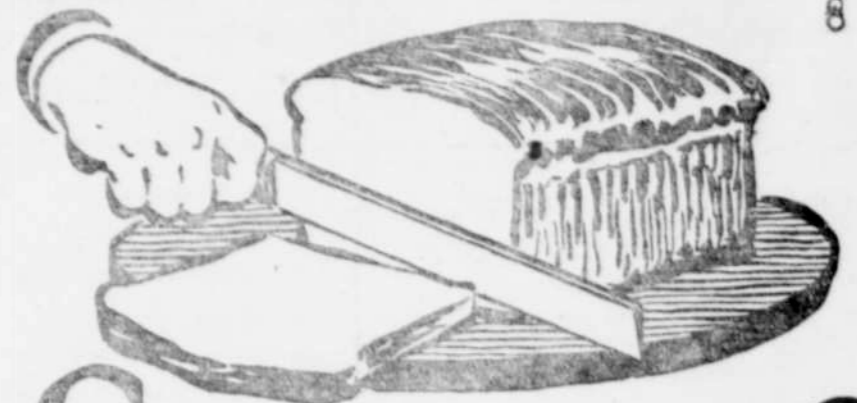
After a little more than an hour of deliberation the jury in the circuit court at Pendleton brought in a verdict of not guilty for Cora Colwell and Lawrence Colwell, jointly charged with the murder last May of James E. Short, an aged rancher of northern Umatilla county. The boy admitted the shooting, but pleaded self-defense.

Secretary Lane has formally notified members of the Oregon delegation that he cannot approve the Malheur irrigation projects in eastern Oregon, saying there are no funds available. If congress will make available a further lump sum for building new projects, the secretary promised that the Malheur project will be among the first adopted.

Lumber orders placed in Oregon with mills at Portland, Rainier, Tillamook, Silverton and Dallas approximating 10,000,000 feet and which is said to be only "a starter," will play a leading role in the construction of the Hog Island shipbuilding project at Philadelphia, which is to be the largest plant of the kind in the world and will employ 40,000 men.

Anticipating, apparently, that legislation will be enacted by congress permitting the utilizing of water sites that have been withdrawn by the government, H. S. McGowan, of the state of Washington, has filed two applications for the appropriation of water from the Deschutes river. One calls for the appropriation of the stream in Wasco and Sherman counties and the other in Jefferson county. The estimated cost for the works of the first is \$2,300,000 and for the last named \$4,000,000.

That hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of the best land in the McKenzie river valley from Thurston to Cogswell's hill is menaced by the McKenzie river, and that unless immediate action is taken it will be swept



Save a loaf a week help win the war

Food will win the war. He who wastes a crust of bread prolongs the war. don't waste it!

WHY WE MUST SAVE FOOD. HASTENED RUSSIAN COLLAPSE

The 1917 wheat crop in France was less than half normal, using the crop of 1913 as a basis of comparison. There was a shortage of 170,000,000 bushels, or 52.3 per cent. The potato crop was only within one-third of normal. The sugar beet crop showed a deficit of 67.9 per cent. Her meat herds in the early fall showed a shortage of 1,800,000 animals.

"We must not overlook the fact that Russia collapsed, not because of the Germans on her borders, but because she failed to organize and feed her own citizenship," the food administration announced. "We must be warned that if we are to emerge victorious from this war we cannot risk the collapse of another of our associates in this war from this cause. "Anybody that is looking for the collapse of the German people on the food question had better turn around and look at the moon, because the results will be the same. Germany is in no more danger of collapsing on that score than we are, if as much."

away, is the statement made by C. R. Seitz, forest supervisor of the Cascade forest, who made an examination of the situation at the request of a number of the farmers. Already the river has washed away a number of good buildings, and is within 10 feet of one of the best barns in the valley. "Oregon farmers must turn to the bulk method of handling grain," said F. C. Hawkins, of the United States department of agriculture, co-operating with the Oregon Agricultural college, who in company with a co-worker, W. B. Oldham, is spending two weeks in and near Heppner. "The United States government has commandeered 60,000,000 sacks for army purposes," continued Mr. Hawkins, "and last year there were shipped into this country from Calcutta only 39,000,000 sacks. I predict that grain bags will be selling for 25 cents a piece and I doubt if they can be had at that price on account of the short crop." Mr. Hawkins advises every farmer to hold on to all sacks he has whether first or second hand, and ship out all his grain in bulk.

A Gentle Hint. Mabel—I do admire the little waves; they're so affectionate. George—Affectionate? Mabel—Yes; they're always kissing the sand.



"How'd you like to be a fireman? They has a snap!" "Yes; but not for mine. I saw a fireman get soaked with water wunst." Borrowing is the ruin of agricultural nations and the life of manufacturing ones.