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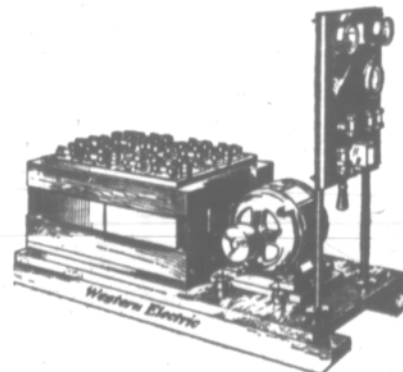
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List of Men Registering

We publish this week the names of those who registered on June 5th, in Sherman county, who have become 21 years of age since the first registration for army service. It is probable that the government will require another registration before the end of the year of those soon to be 21 years old and it is very likely that two or more registrations will be made each year in the future. James M. Bolton, Kent. James Belshie Morrison, Grass Valley. Vernon Lyle Agge, Grass Valley. Reinhardt Wassenmiller, Kent. Thomas H. Aperson, Wasco. Lester Jack Kuks, Milwaukie, Ore. Samuel R. Hunter, Moro. Lawrence E. Davis, Grass Valley. Floyd Rhonald Stow, Grass Valley. Francis Marian Van Metre, Grass Valley. John J. Thompson, Monkland. Geo. L. Barnett, Kent. Byards Burdett Fleck, Rufus. Geo. E. Meloy, Moro. Charles A. Kane, Gresham, Ore. William Sion Bates, Grass Valley. Clyde D. Davis, Grass Valley. John J. Roberts, Klondike. Otto S. Haugen, DeMoss. Bonnie H. Morrow, Wasco. Lorenzo D. Wilson, Rufus.

Give Children Toys That Teach.

Toys which develop the imagination are better than intricate mechanical toys and elaborately dressed dolls. Next to a ball, the very best plaything is a set of blocks, which is capable of being transformed into anything desired, from a train of cars to a pigeon house. Give a boy of five a hammer, some nails and a few pieces of wood and see what he can make—the results are often surprising. Children love to create, and the toy which they have made themselves will give a more lasting pleasure than the usual elaborate plaything bought ready-made.

Notice of Annual School Meeting.

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of School District No. 17 of Sherman county, state of Oregon, that the Annual School Meeting of said District will be held at the School House, to begin at the hour of 1:30 o'clock p.m. on the third Monday of June, being the 17th day of June, A.D. 1918. This meeting is called for the purpose of electing one director for a term of three years; the election of a clerk for a term of 1 year, and transaction of business usual at such meeting. Dated this 4th day of June, 1918. Dr. E. Stephens, Chairman Board of Directors. F. E. Fortner, District Clerk.

Teachers' Examinations.

Notice is hereby given that the County School Superintendent of Sherman county, Ore., will hold the regular examination of applicants for state certificates at the Court house in Moro, Oregon, as follows: Commencing Wednesday, June 26th, 1918, at 9 o'clock a.m., and continuing until Saturday, June 29th, 1918, at 4:00 o'clock p.m. Wednesday forenoon—Writing (Penmanship), Music, U. S. History, Drawing. Wednesday afternoon—Reading, Physiology, Manual Training, Composition, Domestic Science, Methods in Reading, Course of Study for Drawing, Methods in Arithmetic. Thursday forenoon—Arithmetic, History of Education, Psychology, Methods in Geography, Mechanical Drawing, Domestic Art, Course of Study for Domestic Art. Thursday afternoon—Grammar, Geography, Stenography, American Literature, Physics, Typewriting, Methods in Language, Thesis for Primary Certificate. Friday forenoon—Theory and Practice, Orthography, Physical Geography, English Literature, Chemistry, Physical Culture. Friday afternoon—School Law, Geology, Algebra, Civil Government. Saturday forenoon—Geometry, Botany. Saturday afternoon—General History, Book-keeping. F. E. Fagan, County School Superintendent.

Guardians Sale of Real Property

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman county, in the matter of the estate and guardianship of Edna E. McCaleb, a minor. Notice is hereby given that pursuant to an order, duly made and entered in the said court and matter on the 4th day of February, A.D. 1918, the undersigned will proceed to sell, at private sale, not less than \$200 of purchase price to be paid in cash; a term of credit may be allowed upon balance of price, in which case note must be given of usual commercial form, secured by first mortgage upon the property, bearing not less than six per cent per annum interest, the following described land, viz: w 1/2 ne 1/4 and w 1/2 sw 1/4 of section 8 in township 1 north range 19 east of Willamette meridian, and also, beginning at a point 80 rods east of the north-west corner of said southwest quarter of said section 8, thence east 70 rods; thence south 160 rods; thence west 70 rods; thence north 160 rods, to the place of beginning, containing 230 acres more or less, together with the tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances thereto belonging and appertaining. That said sale will be made on or after Saturday, the 22nd day of June, A.D. 1918, at 10 o'clock a.m., at the law office of Bright & Bryant, in Moro, in said county, and subject to the dower interest of Phoebe C. DeMoss, and to the confirmation of the court. Dated and first published at Moro, in said county and state, May 17th, 1918. Phoebe C. DeMoss, Guardian Bright & Bryant, attorneys for guardian. Last publication, June 21, 1918. (6)

WILL INVESTIGATE ALL DRAFT LISTS

Crowder Asks That Men Be Reclassified Wherever Evidence Justifies.

Washington.—With the double purpose of increasing the number of men available for military service and of insuring fairer administration of the selective service law, Provost Marshal-General Crowder telegraphed governors of all states asking immediately re-investigation of the draft classification lists everywhere. Class I, already exhausted in some localities by the repeated calls, contains 28.7 per cent of all the registrants, according to the national average, but percentages in the 4500 local exemption board districts vary materially both up and down from the average figure. By "slacker marriages" and "ungrounded claim of right to industrial or agricultural exemption," General Crowder believes, some registrants have imposed on the local boards to escape service, while in other districts an application of the regulations has been perhaps stricter than is intended. It was said that with the gradual exhaustion of class I, unskilled farm laborers whom the boards have been allowed to place at its bottom will have to go to cantonments. There will be no change in this policy and the only relief, it is declared, will come from enforcement of the "work or fight" order generally.

HOOVER ORDERS CUT IN PRICE OF FOOD

Washington.—Food Administrator Hoover has ordered a nation-wide movement to reduce the cost of food to the consumer, to compel dealers to observe the fair price list and to standardize methods. Lists will be published in every county, town and city, and consumers will be asked to co-operate with officials in forcing merchants to bring their prices to a uniform level. In carrying out the new standardization plan, the administration will establish price-interpreting committees composed of representatives of wholesalers, retailers and consumers. The board will determine fair retail prices on basic commodities that comprise a large part of the nation's diet. The published lists will give the range of maximum selling prices, showing a reasonable price which will reflect the prices that should obtain in "cash and carry" stores and a higher price representing a fair price for the "credit and delivery" stores. The local administrator for each locality will act as chairman of the price board. Each board will have detailed reports of actual wholesale prices and will ascertain fair margins of profit the retailer should be satisfied with.

FARM WAGES ARE FIXED

Common Labor to Receive \$3.50 a Day and Board. Pendleton, Or.—An agreement on wages for the coming hay and grain harvest was reached here by farmers and their representatives from the eight grain-producing counties of Oregon and two of Washington. For the present season common labor during haying and grain harvest will receive \$3.50 a day, stackers and loaders \$4, header and harvester drivers \$5, sack sewers on standard machines \$5, cooks \$3. Board is included in all these wages. After considerable discussion a proposal for a 10-hour day was voted down. It was decided that no action need be taken on the number of hours which will constitute a day.

Grange Protests Disloyalty Charge. Seattle, Wash.—Urging a federal investigation "to determine whether the officers and members of the Washington State Grange are disloyal or whether it is the local authorities of Walla Walla, Wash., who so summarily broke up the annual meeting of the state Grange, who are disloyal," the executive committee of the state Grange, after a session here, sent a lengthy telegram to President Wilson, protesting against the alleged unfriendly attitude of Walla Walla residents. The Walla Walla school board is said to have refused members of the Grange permission to hold their annual meeting in a school building in that city.

French Praise Americans. Paris.—The French government has issued the following statement respecting the American troops: "With strong will and irresistible activity the American troops continue absolutely to dominate the adversaries they oppose. Detailed operations, which are frequent northwest of Chateau Thierry, have an importance which, thanks to the liaison existing between the two armies, is of the highest degree and the results of which have already been felt."

CHAUTAUQUA



There is a wide gap between the average group of Hawaiian singers and players, and the thoroughly capable, carefully selected and well-coached organization of Hawaiian musicians brought to Chautauqua by Monna Vierra. Her Royal Hawaiian quartet presents two comprehensive programs of the best in Hawaiian music—those haunting melodies, which in recent years have set a new record for popularity in America. Were you to visit the Islands you would not hear a more faithful rendition of the best that land of music and flowers has to offer than you will hear in the two concerts of the Royal Hawaiians at Chautauqua. The ukulele, taro-patch and steel guitar are featured in instrumental numbers. The voices, individually and collectively, are excellent.

Red Cross Activities.

Because of conditions over which it has no control, the American Red Cross has begun a careful rearrangement of all Red Cross activities. Regret will be brought to thousands of women affiliated with the hundreds of Red Cross auxiliaries, because what virtually amounts to a suspension of active work, especially in the production of hospital garments has been decided upon. Mainly this is because the country has been rushing madly on in the production of this class of goods, and it was not until very recently that this work could be systematized so that the production of just the articles desired could be arranged. At the time there is an over-production of hospital garments, there is an under-production of surgical dressings. To the Northwest has been assigned the manufacture of 500,000 of the famous sphagnum moss dressings and, owing to the arrival of warmer weather, reduced attendance has marked every surgical dressing workshop in the Northwest, and more especially in the larger cities. From time to time we receive inquiries regarding wheat ranches, stock ranches, and combination ranches in Sherman County. That we may furnish accurate and reliable information to such inquiries and thereby be a means of bringing prospective buyers and sellers together, we have decided to add a REAL ESTATE DEPARTMENT to our company to meet this condition. Connected with this department there will be persons who are thoroughly familiar with the county and who have an intimate knowledge of land values. If we can be of any service to you in this new field of endeavor, let us know. Sherman County Abstract Co., Moro, Oregon.

Excuses of Little Value. The world does not want men who offer excuses in place of accomplishment. Often it is compelled to accept excuses. Often it experiences genuine sorrow for the man who, instead of succeeding, brings back a satisfactory excuse for failure. But when the time for advancement comes, the man who is pushed forward is he who has done the work, who has not offered hard-luck stories in place of successful effort. In him confidence can be placed.

First Dahlia Grown in Mexico. The dahlia first appeared in the botanical gardens in the City of Mexico. It was in 1784 that the director of the Mexican gardens sent to the director of the botanical gardens in Madrid the first specimen of the plant botanists had ever seen.

Freezing to Death. Many a traveler has frozen to death while asleep. As recent scientific experiments have shown, the body's capacity to regulate temperature is diminished through sleep. This appears to apply both to heat and cold. A healthy man's nervous and muscular activity is reduced to the natural minimum when he falls asleep, and it is then that his temperature falls to its lowest point.

Motor Vehicles Necessity on Large Ranches

"It is surprising to an easterner to see the extent to which motor vehicles are used on the farms of the Northwest" said J. C. Ayers, Vice-President of the Denby Motor Truck Company, on his return from a trip through this territory. "I spent several days with the Denby dealers at Walla Walla, Washington, and at Pendleton, Oregon, visiting many of the owners of big wheat farms of that district. Not only are they practically all owners of passenger cars, but of trucks as well. And in both passenger cars and trucks, they are buying the best obtainable. On the streets of the towns and cities of this district you will see a vastly greater proportion of high priced cars than in any eastern city. "On the farms, one is impressed with the completeness with which machinery is used for every possible purpose. Every labor and time saving device is quickly adopted and I believe the farms of this district will equal or surpass any in the country for efficient management. "High grade motor trucks, capable of overcoming the natural difficulties of this service are an important factor there. They do not demand cheapness, but they do demand trucks of more than ordinary ability. The long hauls, and the great tonnage that has to be moved, require trucks of big capacity, and the nature of the roads necessitates powerful trucks. "Denby trucks are very popular in the 'Inland Empire' for three reasons. The Internal Gear Drive gives the great pulling ability over heavy road needed; the perfect enclosure of all working parts cuts down wear and lengthens the life of the vehicle greatly; and the reliability of Denby trucks assures them of uninterrupted service in the day and night service necessary in the rush season. "This trip has impressed me more than ever of the absolute necessity of truck production being kept at the highest possible point if we are to attain maximum production in the factory and on the farm."

Great Soldiers of Small Physique. Military greatness seems to arrive often to the short. It is hard to think of a giant general of first class genius; while military history is peopled by fine strategists and tacticians of diminutive size or poor physique. Alexander, Caesar and Napoleon were all little men. William III never won through a battle without propping himself up with a cane. General Pitt Rivers, who beat him again and again, was a dwarfish hunchback. Moltke was a living skeleton, who never expected to survive the rigors of 1870.

Drafting of Men to 45 Proposed. Washington.—Amendments to extend the army draft law to all men between the ages of 18 and 45 were offered by Senator Cummins, of Iowa, and France, of Maryland, when the senate military committee began consideration of the \$12,000,000,000 army appropriation bill passed by the house.

Decapitated Who Swam Marse. Washington.—General Pershing's communique states that Lieutenant William J. Flannery, infantry, received the Croix de Guerre for swimming the Marse on June 3 and bringing back a wounded French soldier.

FRENCH THROW GERMANS BACK

Advance on Front of 7 1/2 Miles and Take Over 1000 Teutons Prisoner.

Paris.—The French have struck the Germans a hard blow along a front of about 7 1/2 miles between Rubescourt and St. Maur, recapturing Belloy, Genlis wood and the heights between Courcelles and Mortemer. The official announcement by the war office of this gain says that the Germans suffered heavy losses and left more than 1000 prisoners and some guns in the hands of the French. Several villages and important height positions were recaptured from the Germans and the fighting was as terrific as at any time during the war. It was over this front that the French, since Sunday's offensive began, had held back the Germans from keeping pace with the advance they were making from the center of the line south of Reims-sur-Matz toward the Oise river, where the onslaughts of the invaders were met with a defense in man and gun power that brought to the Germans enormous casualties. The apex of the German wedge also was attacked with success and driven back, while the teutons made a slight gain nearer Neuton. American marines also have continued their brilliant gains against the Germans in the vicinity of Chateau Thierry, having in a new terrific attack driven the Germans completely from Belleu wood, capturing 300 additional prisoners and a quantity of war material.

GERMANS ATTACK ALONG NEW FRONT

Paris.—In a new thrust directed at the sector between Montdidier and Noyon, the Germans have succeeded in gaining ground along about a 20-mile front to a depth of about two and a half miles at certain points, according to the war office announcement. On the French left wing furious German attacks made time after time were broken by the French fire. In the center the enemy, bringing up reinforcements, made progress, reaching the southern part of Cuvilly wood and Reims-sur-Matz. Notwithstanding the great forces the Germans threw into the line when they opened their offensive between Montdidier and the Oise, they did not achieve any considerable advance. The Germans were able to make some immediate progress because the allies retired from the advanced posts which constitute the first line westward from Noyon. When the real line of resistance was reached, however, the enemy's advance was checked and small counter attacks delivered immediately by the allies were successful in regaining ground.

U. S. CASUALTIES ARE 7315

General Pershing Reports 1033 Soldiers Killed in Action. Washington.—Casualties among the American expeditionary forces this far reported by General Pershing total 7315, the war department announced in making public the first of regular weekly summaries of casualties. Deaths in action and from wounds, diseases/accidents and all other causes number 2927, while 4046 men have been wounded and 342 are missing in action, including men held prisoners in Germany. The department's recapitulation follows: Killed in action (including 291 at sea), 1033; died of wounds, 310; died of disease, 1192; died of accidents and other causes, 392; wounded in action, 4046; missing in action (including prisoners), 342. Total 7315.

Pershing Directs Attack in Person. Washington.—General Pershing personally commanded the recent American advance which resulted in the capture of Cantigny with heavy German losses. This information was given to the senate military affairs committee at their weekly conference with the war council.

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