

WANT FORESTRY LAWS UNCHANGED

Commercial Club Passes Resolutions Asking Co-operation of Legislature.

BUSINESS MEN TO MEET ON SALES DAY QUESTION

Annual Organization of Club to Be Held on Next Monday Evening.

Believing that the logging industry in Oregon is vitally important to the people of the state, the commercial club executive committee at its meeting last night passed resolutions urging the retention of the present forestry laws, as it is believed that they are entirely efficient. A copy of the resolutions will be sent to the Linn county delegation at the legislature, and their co-operation in the matter will be urged.

Following are the resolutions: "WHEREAS, logging and manufacture of lumber are the largest and most important industries in Oregon, bringing into the state annually over \$30,000,000, and furnishing employment for over 20,000 people; and

WHEREAS, the foundation of these industries is vitally dependent upon the supply of raw material contained in our forests, which, in the best interest of the citizens of the state should be thoroughly protected against destruction from fire; and

WHEREAS, during the past four years timber owners have expended increasingly greater amounts to provide protection and, with the supervision and co-operation of the state and federal governments, have increased the efficiency of protective measures to a marked degree; and

WHEREAS, our own county of Linn, having 40 billion feet of standing timber, is vitally affected by the passage of any law for the protection of these forests; Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we urge upon the members of the present legislature the absolute need of continuing the excellent work performed by the state in protecting our forests, and that in our opinion this can be best accomplished by leaving the management of it as is provided for by the present law; and be it

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to each member of the Linn county delegation in the present legislature to apprise them of the imperative need for providing the State Board of Forestry with sufficient funds to carry on their work up to at least the same degree of efficiency as that reached during the past year."

The committee having in hand the organization of an association to provide for the sale of the fruit and vegetables of this locality, reported that their campaign among the people was progressing favorably, and recommended that a meeting of the business men of Albany be herein ordered that this matter and the public sales day could be explained to them at length. On motion the following committee was appointed to extend the invitation to attend the meeting at the club rooms on February 22nd: C. H. Stewart, E. M. Reagan, J. L. Howard, A. M. Hammer, and A. L. Fisher.

On motion it was ordered that the regular annual meeting for the organization of the club for the next year be held on Monday evening, March 1st, and that a banquet be held at that time. The following committee was appointed to make all the necessary arrangements: E. M. Reagan, P. A. Young, and B. R. Westbrook.

Boys Take Naval Test.
Washington, Feb. 16.—A score of Washington boys ambitious to be naval officers lined up in front of Franklin school here today for the mental examination to determine whether they are fit candidates for appointment from the district to the naval academy. Two appointments will be made from the group which passes by President Wilson upon the recommendation of the district commissioners.

YOUTHFUL TALLMAN BURGLAR IS SENT TO AID SOCIETY

Paul Warnkey, of Eugene, too Young For Penitentiary, too Old For Reform School.

Paul Warnkey, wanted neither by the state penitentiary nor by the reform school because of his age, 17, intermediate between the reform school and the penitentiary age, was sent to Portland this afternoon by Judge D. Bruce McKnight, where he will be taken in charge by the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society. Warnkey was brought here from Eugene several days ago, being wanted for the robbery of the store at Tallman. After committing him to the Portland society, the court cited his parents in Eugene to appear and show cause why he should not be disposed of, but they failed to put in an appearance at Albany. Constable John Catlin accompanied the boy to Portland. Earlier this fall, Warnkey was before the police court on a charge of drunkenness, but was let go during good behavior.

This is the second case of the kind in Linn county since the amendment of the state law in 1913. The other case was in the fall of 1913, when the grand jury returned a not true bill against Harry Wright and Harvey Thompson, on a charge of larceny, because of their intermediate age. The case proved a puzzle, and the boys were kept in the county jail until a proper disposal of their case could be arranged. They solved the difficulty themselves by escaping.

\$10,000 WILL BE RAISED TO REJUVENATE CANNERY

Frank Francisco In Charge Of Plans to Make Over Corvallis Association.

Corvallis, Or., Feb. 16.—The net result of the all day session of the members of the Benton County Growers Association at the court house was the appointment of Frank Francisco as chairman of a committee, to be selected by himself, that is empowered to raise \$10,000 for the rejuvenation of the Corvallis cannery. This was the plan proposed by A. J. Johnson, who expressed the belief that there were 100 growers who would take two twenty-five dollar shares, and another 200 who would take one twenty-five dollar share—payable half cash and half cannery products. Mr. Francisco was selected as the one to attempt to raise the amount, and was authorized to take stock subscriptions. Another meeting is to be held next Saturday at 1 p. m.

The meeting developed considerable acrid expressions. The report of the expert accountant, J. W. Boies, showed a loss of \$8,000 last year. This was the result of a lack of delivery at the cannery of sufficient products. The overhead expense averaged far too great for the extent of business. There was a disposition on the part of some to criticize the management, and this developed some fiery retorts. Manager Paul Rusch, who with H. S. Rondeau and Bookkeeper Wooten, who had been serving since October without pay, said he would quit right then and there. The general sentiment, however, is decidedly in favor of Mr. Rusch.

There were about 50 growers and 135 proxies presented at the meeting, less than one-quarter of the 600 members. The attitude was largely one of indifference to the fate of the cannery. What Mr. Francisco may be able to do is a matter of conjecture—Gazette-Times.

PRINCE JUDGES A TANGO CONTEST AT BALL TONIGHT

New York, Feb. 16.—A prince will act as a tango judge tonight at a ball for which society women have posted bills. The affair is the suffrage ball, to be held at Grand Central Palace. Prince Troubetzkoy, husband of Amelia Rives, the novelist, will determine which of the many society tango-crazed experts present is the best tangoist.

An army of young women, headed by Miss Agnes Morgesfau, niece of the ambassador to Turkey, "papered the town last week."

Miss Sadie Wolfe, of Portland, was in Albany this morning on her way to Gates where she will visit with friends.

Mrs. Edward Boyd, of Centralia, Washington, was in town this morning on her way to Detroit.

Al Peacock, of Portland, formerly of this city, was in town yesterday.

ENGLAND AWAITS GERMAN ATTACK

Is Believed Sinking of Merchantmen Will Arouse the Entire World.

GERMANS ADMIT POSSIBLE SINKING NEUTRAL SHIPS

Consider, However That Fair Warning Has Been Given to Non-warring Nation.

(By United Press Association)

By Ed Keen.

London, Feb. 16.—England awaits "the day" with supreme confidence. British officialdom generally accepts the enforcement of the submarine blockade, beginning Thursday, as indicating the "beginning of the end." They believe it will be Germany's last great blow. The Zeppelins, according to the English view, haven't been up to expectations and the German submarines are the last weapon available. It is believed in London that Germany marks her own doom as soon as she torpedoes merchantmen carrying passengers. The British authorities insist that the civilized world would not view with equanimity the sinking, without warning, of merchantmen with crews and passengers, unable to save themselves. In view of the speech in the house of commons yesterday by first lord of the Admiralty, Churchill, it is believed the British, French and Russian fleets will enforce the most complete blockade ever attempted when they close about the German coast. The newspapers in commenting on the German note to America, say it is the last effort by the German officialdom to "save their face."

Must Not Blame Germany.

Berlin, Feb. 16.—Warnings have been published that the German people must not be too anxious for quick results in the proposed operations of submarines against the British commerce. The government article declares that rumors should not be credited, but people should await official reports, which are available only after the submarines have returned to their bases. The article admits the possibility of the destruction of neutral ships; but insists that Germany cannot be blamed, as she has given the fullest possible warning to neutrals of the danger.

MANUFACTURING COMPANY INCORPORATES FOR \$1500

Under the name of the Lebanon Manufacturing company, A. W. Hubbs, M. D. Good, and A. F. Bahrick have filed articles of incorporation in the county clerk's office. The sum at which the company is incorporated is \$1500.

According to the articles, the members of the company will engage in practically every line of business under the sun. Their specialty will be the manufacture of a patent ironing board.

G. E. Schaefer, of Salem, was in Albany yesterday on business.

Mrs. C. E. Hawkins, of Toledo, was an Albany visitor yesterday.

FORMER ALBANY CLERK HERE FROM LOMA, MONT.

Olin B. Stalnaker, of Loma, Montana, is in the city. Mrs. Stalnaker is in Halsey, where her mother, Mrs. Patton, is seriously ill with inflammatory rheumatism. Mr. Stalnaker is a former clerk in the store of S. E. Young & Son, where he sold shoes for several years, going from the store to Loma, where he took up a claim, which he considers a good proposition. In fact it looks so good he may conclude to remain after he gets his patent, a year from next April. He has a hundred acres in fall wheat, and with prospects of \$1.50 a bushel and a fine yield, it looks as if there may be some excellent cleanups for the Loma farmers, many of whom are former Albany people.

ONE VOTE IN SENATE CAST AGAINST PROHIBITION BILL

Solons Also Pass Measure to Protect the Employes of Railroads.

Salem, Feb. 16.—The senate passed the Anderson prohibition bill 29 to 1, Kellaher cast the dissenting vote. The house had previously passed the measure. Voting occupied 30 minutes. The galleries and floor were crowded.

Game Laws Revised.

Salem, Feb. 16.—The senate passed the bill requiring the person or corporation wishing to establish a public utility in a field already occupied to obtain a certificate of authority from the railroad commission. The bill protects the employes of railroad companies by prescribing the clearance distance the railroad companies must allow in the future construction of tracks, bridges, and tunnels, was defeated by the senate. Both bills were important. The house passed a bill revising the game and fishing laws, introduced by the game committee.

FOUR PAY TAXES OVER \$100; OVER \$1000 IS TAKEN IN

Since W. W. Francis, county treasurer, started collecting Linn county taxes Saturday, four have paid amounts running over \$100. They are as follows: Kinne Mercantile Co., \$320; John A. Shaw, \$151.77; Smith Cox, \$202.28, and H. W. McElmurry, \$143.50. Of all those who have come in, says Mr. Francis only one did not offer to pay the full year's taxes. He paid the first half. In all \$443.69 was taken in Saturday, and \$661.64 was gathered in yesterday.

SENATE BILL PROTECTS EMPLOYES OF RAILROADS

(By United Press Association)
Washington, Feb. 16.—The passage by the house of the administration's compromise on the ship purchase bill tonight is assured. The house adopted the gag rule, limiting the debate on the bill to six hours. The vote on the adoption was 186 to 139. It is expected this plurality for the administration advocates will be maintained in the final vote tonight on the bill itself.

I. M. WILLIAMS GETS \$25 FOR KILLING TIMBER WOLF

Twenty-five dollars was the reward accorded I. M. Elliott of Foster, this afternoon in the county clerk's office for killing a timber wolf recently. The animal was a good sized one, for the pelt brought in by Mr. Elliott measured seven feet from tip to tip. Twenty dollars of the reward was paid by the state and the balance by the county.

Mr. Williams stated that he had no trouble in killing the wolf. "I just shot him. That was all there was to it," he said.

PLEAD GUILTY, BUT WERE DISCHARGED

Portland, Feb. 16.—The case of A. H. Lewis and H. A. McGinley for larceny from the Mosquito Range station on the Crater Lake National Forest, was held before the grand jury in Portland on February 6. Although the defendants pleaded guilty, the jury failed to indict, the evident reason being that the men had been sufficiently punished by being in jail for two months.

On or about December 4, these two men broke into the Mosquito Ranger Station and stole a quantity of government property. As soon as the matter was discovered an investigation was started. Tracks were found from the ranger station to the cabin where Lewis and McGinley were stopping, a search warrant obtained, the cabin searched, and the government property found in the cabin. The men were arrested and taken before the U. S. commissioner at Medford, and held to await the action of the grand jury. In default of \$200 bail, the men were committed to the county jail at Medford and later removed to Portland. They admitted their guilt, stating that they had been lost and intended to return the property, but were arrested before they could do so. That this was simply an excuse was shown not only by the fact that they lived only seven miles from the ranger station and it was ten days from the time the goods were stolen until the men were arrested, but by other circumstances equally convincing.

U. S. INTERMEDIARY FOR BELLIGERENTS

Considered in Washington That England and Germany Are in Mood to Make Concessions.

STATE DEPARTMENT ASKS RELEASE OF WILHELMINA

Little Attention Is Paid to Von Bernstorff's Offer in National Capital.

(By United Press Association)

Washington, Feb. 16.—Developments in the controversy between England and Germany over the use of neutral flags and the proposed German blockade of the British waters, has placed the United States in the attitude of an intermediary between the belligerents. Forwarding by the American state departments to England the combined German threat and the offer of compromise was apparently to establish the attitude. The state department requested that England release the Wilhelmina's cargo, unless it has evidence lither-to undeveloped, was evident by the authorities. It is considered that both England and Germany are in a mood to make concessions which might result in benefit to American commerce.

Cabinet Meeting.

Washington, Feb. 16.—All the international complications with which the United States is now confronted, have been considered by the president and cabinet. Secretary Bryan was present. He submitted to the president the text of the second reply from Great Britain regarding the shipping protest of the United States. Extended negotiations over the matter are expected to continue. The cabinet gave particular attention to the note presented by Von Bernstorff in which an offer was made on behalf of Germany to abandon the plans of attack of the British merchantmen if England will remove restrictions on food shipments to Germany. It is feared here that the prospect of relieving the strained situation resulting from this controversy is dim.

Water Pipe Breaks—

A police call was turned in this morning at about half past nine, but when the police reported it was found that a break in the water pipe at the city jail had been the cause of the call.

MISS ALTHA HUTCHINS DIES AT FATHER'S HOME

Miss Altha Hutchins, age twenty years, and one of the Hutchins' twins, died last night at the home of her father, R. W. Hutchins, near Tangent. Tuberculosis was the cause of death given. Mrs. Hutchins died about three years ago of the same ailment.

Miss Hutchins was well known in Albany, having worked in this city formerly as an employee of the Home Telephone company.

The funeral will take place tomorrow from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hutchins. Dr. Geselbracht will officiate.

F. H. Stickley went to Portland this morning on business.

COMPARATIVELY SLIGHT RAINFALL IN VALLEY

"Who said rain?" is the caption of the folder just put out by the Willamette Valley Exposition association, to explode the fallacy that Western Oregon is the wettest part of the United States. The inside of the folder is illustrated with three pictures of a bathing girl standing in a glass of water. The height of water in the glass represents the annual rainfall in three parts of the United States, the Willamette valley, New Orleans, and New York, which is 38, 62, and 45 inches respectively. Miss Lottie Mayer, aquatic woman champion of America, posed for the picture which will be used at the Oregon exhibit at the Panama-Pacific exposition.

LETTER MAILED 5 YEARS AGO FOUND WHEN FIRE THREATENS

Slipped Behind Letter Drop, is Explanation Given By Local Mail Men.

The ordinary time during which an outgoing letter rests in the Albany postoffice is but a few hours, but an epistle addressed to Dave Herdman, Pasco, Washington, has lain dormant in the local postoffice for five years. It took Friday's big fire finally to resurrect the missive.

When the mail was moved Friday afternoon, a solitary envelope was found behind the maildrop. As it was addressed to Pasco, the Albany post-office immediately communicated with the Washington postmaster to the effect that the letter had been detained here a few days on account of the fire. Uncle Sam's representative at Pasco, however, took occasion to observe the date and found that the letter had been mailed on Feb. 16, 1910.

His reply, requesting that he be informed where the letter had been in the five years preceding the fire started an investigation in the Albany postoffice, and the conclusion was reached that the letter must have slipped down behind the drop when it was pushed through the mailing slot.

The letter, which was on exhibition this morning, was none the worse for fire, but the address, which had been written in indelible pencil, had been badly blurred from water which had come in contact with it from the dampened floor of the office.

BRITISH TROOPS MAKE SMALL ADVANCE ON YPRES

Paris Reports Claim Capture of Trenches; German Reports Deny.

(By United Press Association)

Paris, Feb. 16.—The British troops have recaptured two lines of outlying trenches between Steloi and the Ypres canal. The positions were taken after an infantry charge. The war office announced this engagement was the only infantry clash in Flanders, in northern France since last Sunday.

Elsewhere the activity has been confined to artillery duels.

Deny Report.

Berlin, Feb. 16.—Directly contradicting the French statement that the British had recaptured the trenches near Steloi, the war office asserted that the British assaults had been repulsed. The Communiqué declared that in the eastern theater war zone, the pursuit of the Russians was proceeding favorably.

H. A. Beauchamp, of Stayton, was an Albany visitor yesterday.

Miss Denia Egan went to Salem this afternoon.

MANY ATTEND CONVENTION OF MERCHANTS OF OREGON

A protest against the use of trading stamps, was the feature of the first day of the conference of the Oregon Merchants' association in Portland, at which many Albany merchants are in attendance. Last night the delegates were guests at a high theater party at the Orpheum, and will conclude their convention tonight with a banquet at the Commercial club. The Multnomah hotel is headquarters for the visiting merchants.

Albany men at the convention are: F. M. French, P. A. Young, P. A. Goodwin, and J. L. Tomlinson. From Lebanon are: Alex Powers, George H. Buhl, and A. W. Reeves.

Mrs. J. R. Shaw, of Mill City, spent last night in Albany with her sister, and returned home this morning.

G. E. Blank, of Weatherford, Oklahoma, passed through Albany this morning enroute to Kingston.

M. D. Kent left this morning for Mill City on business.

W. H. Hesema, of Gates, was in Albany last night on business. He returned to his home this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Brandel, of Lebanon, stopped off in Albany this morning on their way to Portland.

Miss Sina Truelove went to Portland this morning to visit with friends in that city.

CROWN PRINCESS DEPLORES STRIFE

Cecilie, of Germany, Contrasts Peaceful America, With Europe, in Interview.

WOMEN PLAYING IMPORTANT PART IN EMPIRE'S AFFAIRS

This Although They Oppose War She Says; Praises Generosity of United States.

By Karl Von Wiegand.

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Berlin, Jan. 30.—(By courier to New York.)—"After all, is it not the women and children who are the real sufferers from war? Theirs is the suspense; theirs the dread casualty list; theirs the alternating hope, fear and despair that a father or a husband or a brother may be among the missing. The future, to them, may hold gloom and poverty. Theirs never can be the glory."

It was the Crown Princess Cecilie, the future empress of Germany, who was talking. In the Cecelian, the Fatherland's Women's Association at Charlottenburg I met her. She was occupied, as she has been every day since the war acting as angel of mercy, comforting the wounded and aiding their women and children.

"Europe is one vast hospital," she continued. "Isn't it a pity—such a pity! How happy your American women should be—happy mothers, happy wives, happy sisters. They have none of the heartaches and miseries of war. They have none of the suspense that is ours. Yet, to them also is denied the lesson of self-sacrifice, of unselfish, loving ministrations to the wounded, whether our own or the enemy's; of doing something for the fatherland. Our German women have risen nobly.

In the Cecelian home are centralized ten departments of sociological work, including the feeding of a number of poor children, the furnishing of pure milk for children of the poor, the giving of practical courses in housekeeping to women and girls, conducting kitchens where the poor may get food at nominal prices, depots for visiting nurses and the like. The crown princess has centralized her activities here. She especially takes interest in hospital wards.

She was simply dressed. The future empress is tall, graceful of movement and of the type best described as "chic" and "dainty." There is neither pose, stiffness nor condescension in her manner. Her big brown eyes dance and she shows great animation and vivacity. She is a brunette rather of the "international" type than of the German. Her mother was a Russian grand duchess and she is a relative of the czar. She speaks German, Russian, English and French.

When I was presented to her by Captain Jachmann she said: "I understand you were with my husband at S—, and that you were able to reach the trenches. It must be interesting."

The princess passed into a large festival hall and lecture room, which has now been transformed into a hospital. The first cot she stopped at was occupied by a soldier whose shoulder

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REV. YOUNG PERFORMED FIRST CEREMONY HERE

Two young people of Sweet Home, Chester Brown and Miss Veda Tyler, started life together yesterday evening, in the office of Dr. J. L. Hill, as husband and wife. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Young, the new pastor of the Baptist church, and Mr. and Mrs. Brown have the honor of being the first couple married by Rev. Young since his arrival in Oregon. The newlyweds left for their home at Sweet Home, where Mr. Brown has a farm.