

PROF. D'COU, U. O., TOLD ABOUT CANADA

With 4,000 Miles Between Us
There Is Not a Fort or
Battlement.

CANADIANS LAW-ABIDING AND PEACEABLE

Instead of a Big Tariff Wall
There Should Be Reciprocity
Between Canada and U. S.

That the United States and Canada, with four thousand miles of division line between, have affiliated for over a hundred years without a fortification or battlement between them is a remarkable, as well as pleasing fact, according to Prof. DeCou, of the U. O., who gave his address on Canada, at the library last evening, before a large audience. Had this been the program in Europe there would have been no big war there. Canada, said Professor DeCou, is a country of peaceable, law-abiding people, a self-governed people. Canada, with her eight million people, is the best customer this country has. When the present war ends England will probably be. In extent Canada is just about the size of the United States. The climate was explained. Very cold and severe in the east, reaching west to the Pacific, where a big change occurs, on account of the Japanese current, it being much warmer. In the middle west is a wonderful prairie, in area eight times as large as Illinois, which is probably the finest wheat raising section of the world. Other sections are noted for their coal mines, fisheries, forests, silver and gold mines.

In giving the history of the country he told how fifty thousand Tories left the United States when the republic was formed. After our Civil War on account of the high tariff wall between the countries there was a great depression and fully a million young men left Canada for the United States. During the last ten years they have probably regained that number of Americans in the great wheat belt.

Canada is governed by a parliament, which meets at Ottawa, composed of commons and senators, with the premier, elected by the parliament, at the head. There is governor general, sent by the king, but he is merely a figurehead. Canada has no standing army, not even a battleship, always having depended upon the Monroe doctrine for protection. She has sent 50,000 men to the big war.

An unfortunate thing is that reciprocity does not exist between the two countries, the speaker said. Canada is a country of railroads, and has 36,000 miles. The Canadian Pacific is the biggest system in the world, with 15,000 miles. It is an interesting fact that the president and builder are both natives of the United States, while the United States' greatest railroad man, Jim Hill, is a native of Canada. Canada has the shortest route from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and a great possibility was suggested by the fact that it is only 1,500 miles from Oregon to Hudson Bay, where the products of the Northwest may some day be shipped to meet vessels for Europe, thus saving 1500 miles of freight. It has been predicted that Canada will have a population of one hundred millions, when it and the United States will be the leaders of the world. A fine lot of pictures, showing the principal cities, with prominent buildings and industries, and scenery along the way, were shown, beginning with Halifax, and going west past St. John, St. Andrew, Montreal, Quebec, Ontario, Ottawa, Toronto, Calgary, Banff, Kootenai, Nelson, Frazier River, and Vancouver to Victoria.

Prof. DeCou was born in Canada, but was educated in this country. He has been with the U. of O. for 13 years, a very useful instructor, a pleasing speaker, a professor whose influence has always been for good.

ALBANY BOY WHO MAY BEAT DAD SOME DAY

E. W. Blair, one of the Albany College students who took part in the debate at Wood-Work Hall on Friday night of last week, is a son of Rev. J. C. Blair who was located here as pastor of the Presbyterian church ten years ago. He is a bright appearing young fellow and made a good bit with the audience as a debater—in fact he bids fair to beat Dad as a platform speaker at no distant day.

ROOSEVELT SCORED BARNES TO THE VERY LIMIT

Declared Him to Be a Dr. Jekyll
and Mr. Hyde, a Man of
Two Standards.

(By United Press Association)
Syracuse, April 23.—Political Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde in the person of Barnes was pictured by Colonel Roosevelt. On the stand for cross examination by Attorney Ivins for "apexes," engaged in spirited verbal passages with the questioner, and then presented his opinion of Barnes for the jury's consideration. The Colonel declared that for years he tried to develop good traits and make Barnes a "useful public citizen," but abandoned all hope. He said Barnes had two moral standards—one for the public and the other for private life.

OREGON POWER CO'S. LOW COOKING RATE

In Order to Promote Electricity
Cooking a Low Rate Has
Been Offered.

J. L. White, superintendent of the Oregon Power Co., today announced that the company, in order to encourage cooking and house heating by electricity, has made a low rate, as an experiment, to cover all the valley towns as follows: Junction, Brownsville, Harrisburg, Shedd, Tangent, Halsey, Corburg, Corvallis, Dallas, Independence, Monmouth, Plufomath, Albany and Springfield. Here is the proposed rate which has been filed with the state board of railroad commissioners to be effective May 1. First 30 k. w. per month, 5.5c; next 30 k. w., 4.4c; all over 60 k. w., 2.2c. These are subject to a 10 per cent reduction if paid before the tenth of the month. The minimum bill will be \$1.50 for first 2 k. w. of maximum demand; \$2.50 for all installations over 2 k. w., but not exceeding 5 k. w.; \$1 for each k. w. of maximum demand exceeding 5 k. w. A condition is that the wiring shall be separate, and no lighting or power will be permitted; there must be a suitable meter board properly installed. If this develops sufficient business to justify the rate it will be made permanent.

SOPHS HELD FORT TILL LIMIT WAS UP

Holding the fort until 10 o'clock last night the sophomores of Albany College, succeeded in keeping their numerals, '17, on the roof of the college building. It was done only after a hard contest, the four sophs holding off about seven freshmen. During the day Seth French, Bob Stewart and Louis and Arthur Jones, of the sophomores, alternated in keeping guard. At night they were altogether up under the roof. Between 9 and 10 o'clock the freshmen made a last desperate attack, but French and Louis Jones remained in the copula, with the former swinging a long pole on a projecting place just above the figures. At 10 o'clock the limit, the game was ended, and the boys were all friends again, with the four sophs master of the situation.

Basket Social Tonight—The Queen Esther Society of the Methodist church will give a basket social at 8:00 o'clock this evening. The young ladies are preparing some attractive baskets to be filled with delicious things, to eat in order to raise money to apply on their pledge. The society is educating a young girl down South. This is the second year that they have kept her in school.



Scene from "The Criminal Code," at the Rolfe tonight.

AVIATORS MADE ZEPPELIN ATTACK

Claim to Have Destroyed a
Couple of Dirigibles at
Ghent.

FIERCE FIGHTING IN PROGRESS ON YPRES

In Region of Labasse Germans
Are Pushing Movement
Against the Allies.

(By United Press Association)
London, April 23.—An attack upon a German Zeppelin shed at Ghent by 19 allied aviators during which two and possibly more, dirigibles are believed to have been destroyed, is announced by Field Marshal French in his weekly report to the war office. The French continued the reports of desperate attacks by the Germans who are said to be making an attempt to retake hill sixty, an important height east of Ypres, captured by the British forces. The enemy was thrown back with heavy losses, he stated. Denial is made to the claims that the Germans had succeeded in recapturing the heights. In the region of Labasse the Germans are attempting the offensive movement. They are employing sapping operations everywhere.

City News

Where Did He Get It?—Scio News: It is rumored that one of Scio's citizens who howls in season and out, admonishing the people to trade at home, has been percolating on our streets this week shamelessly flaunting a new coat, vest, trousers and dome tateel, all purchased, presumably, of a mail order house, assuredly not in Scio. It is up to our friend to explain the why of the discrepancy between his precepts and his practice.

Miss Hammel's Matinee Musical—Miss Blanche Hammel yesterday afternoon received many compliments after the presentation of a program of much merit, one of the offerings of the conservatory of music, of Albany College. It was heard at the Presbyterian church, given at 4 o'clock, with a general invitation to the friends of the school and participants. Miss Blanche Hammel has a rich, pleasing voice and a charming presence. Albany people are always glad to hear her. She was accompanied by Miss Wagener.

Will Lay Corner Stone—Friday of next week has been set for the laying of the corner stone of the new junior high school building. The exercises will be under the auspices of the St. John's lodge.

Modern Travelers Meet—The Modern Travelers will meet tomorrow with Mrs. Elizabeth Merrill on South Ferry Street.

Returned from Lincoln County—L. H. Fish returned this noon from Lincoln county, where he had been with a couple of men, one from Portland, the other from Roseburg, to show some of the holdings of the firm of Fish & Hodges.

Swiss Couple to Marry—A marriage license was issued this afternoon to Martin Gisher and Elza Eggerschweiler, both of Scio. They have been in Scio about a month, having come to this country from Switzerland, their native land.

ALBANY MAN TO RUN STATE FLAX PLANT

Will Receive \$250 Per Month
to Start Plant at the State
Penitentiary.

(By United Press Association)
Salem, Or., April 23.—John Cady, of Albany, was employed by the State Board of Control today at a salary of \$250 a month to have general supervision of installing and conducting a flax retting plant at the State Penitentiary. The last legislature appropriated \$50,000 for use in furnishing equipment for the convicts, part of which will be used in establishing the plant at the prison.

Mr. Cady is a flax expert, having had considerable experience in the work in Eau Claire, Wis. He came to Oregon several months ago to establish a linen factory, and informed the board today that he intended entering into that business this summer. His employment by the state is not permanent, nor is that of Emil Hansett, who will superintend the planting and cultivating of flax on the state land and assist farmers who desire to engage in flax-growing. The board of control has promised to buy all flax growing in the county at a price which it is believed will make it a profitable crop.

According to Mr. Cady, the plant at the penitentiary will not cost more than \$200. He was instructed to install it at once, and probably will go to Europe to obtain the machinery. He declares there is no question but that flax can be grown here profitably.

ODD FELLOWS WILL CELEBRATE 97TH ANNIVERSARY

In commemoration of the founding of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Baltimore 97 years ago, the local lodge will observe the day with an appropriate program in their hall Monday evening. All friends of the Rebecca and Odd Fellows are invited for this will be an open meeting. The order was founded in 1818. Addresses will be made by Rev. Young, of the Baptist church, Rev. Van Nuys and Mrs. Marquam will be heard in solos. The Albany high school orchestra has been engaged to play during the evening. Refreshments will be served after the program. Details have not been completed, but the program will be announced Monday.

CEMETERY ASSOCIATION WILL BANQUET TONIGHT

The Riverside cemetery association will hold its banquet and entertainment in the basement of the First Presbyterian church at 6:30 this evening. Besides a delicious banquet prepared by the ladies of the association, there will be musical numbers and other entertaining features.

The past committees have been busy the several days and a large number of tickets are sold for the event. The Cemetery Association has done fine work in beautifying the burial ground and have spent considerable money for improvements. A new fountain has just been placed, and work will soon begin on a new cement sidewalk along the Seventh street side of the grounds. There will also be installed gravelled driveways, and many other things done to beautify the place.

The supper will begin at 6:30 and thus enable those wishing to attend other attractions to get away in time.

CAST OF CHARACTERS IN "TALE OF A HAT"

That those who take part in Mrs. Adams' "Tale of a Hat" are artists and that a highly enjoyable entertainment will be given is assured when the following personnel is noted:

Mrs. F. M. Powell as Miss Croak-emboss of uncertain age and crouchy disposition; Miss Blanche Hammel, as Miss Sivelover, of operative tendencies; Mrs. A. L. Rahn, as the irrepressible Miss Loffer, whose sense of the ridiculous is appalling; Miss Helen Holbert, the dainty little high-school girl, with a love for a social bit; J. C. Irvin, whose interpretation of the part of the Jolly Dr. Long Hobe is astonishing; M. L. Peters, as Prof. High-tone, whose dignity and broken heart figure barely; Frank M. Powell, as Mr. S. Lowe, with badly affected vocal chords; Jay Palmer, as Mr. Leigh Z. Sleeper, with eyes for Miss Smiler, only—when he is awake; Mrs. Adams as Mrs. Adelpate, the excitable leader.

The "Tale of a Hat" promises to be the biggest success of the season, both for fun and for fine singing. The date is Monday, May 3.

TEXAS DEVASTATED BY A BIG FLOOD

Forty to Sixty People Drowned
and Killed, Many Homeless
Around Austin.

\$250,000 DAMAGES TO PROPERTY REPORTED

In Addition a Tornado Swept
Texas and Oklahoma Causing
Death and Damage.

(By United Press Association)
Austin, Tex., April 23.—From forty to sixty persons are dead, several hundred are homeless and property damage of \$250,000 was done by a flood which enveloped Austin and vicinity the past 24 hours. Rivers and creek are rampaging. Hourly reports bring news of further loss of life. Houses with people clinging to them are floating down stream. The lowlands are inundated. Scores of villages are partly under water. Besides the flood, a tornado swept Texas and Oklahoma, doing great damage, also causing loss of life.

Miss Nancy Ralston of the county treasurer's office went to Lawson, district 85, to attend the closing exercises of the school which her sister teaches.

Personal Mention

Mrs. I. V. King and Miss Pearl Grimes returned to Lyons this morning.
Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mobler, of Portland went to Scio this morning. Mr. Mobler is buying molasses for the H. F. Norton Co.
A. Sternberg went to Scio on a business trip this morning.
T. H. Payne went to Portland this morning.
I. R. Schultz went to Portland on business trip this morning.
Mrs. A. D. Anderson left yesterday for Pendleton.
Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lewis returned to Elkhorn this morning after shopping in this city.
Sam Dolan left this morning for Detroit.
E. M. Deidze, of Norton, is in the city.
C. J. Maher of Portland transacted business here yesterday and left for Salem on the morning electric.
W. L. Fairbanks and son went to Salem on the morning electric.
C. Allen left for Eugene this morning.
Chas. Monson went to Salem this morning.
A. J. Rahn was a passenger to Independence today.
Wm. Hofflich went to Portland on a business trip this morning.
Mrs. W. A. Kinsey left this morning for Grants Pass where she will visit for a short time.
B. B. Beatty, of Brownsville, is in the city today on business errands.
Mrs. Miriam H. Reed, of Sweet Home, was in town today.
Mrs. Ralph Swartout, nee Gertrude McBee, will arrive this afternoon from Corvallis for a visit with Miss Mary Stevens.
Mrs. O. W. Axtel, of Eugene, is in the city on a visit of the guest of her daughter, Mrs. R. K. Hartsock.
Park Meas, a prominent resident of Brownsville, was in the city today, returning home after an Albany trip.

PACIFIC COAST WILL HAVE THE BATTLESHIPS

Government Has Decided to
Send Them Through the
Canal Anyway.

(By United Press Association)
Washington, April 23.—The cabinet decided definitely to send the Atlantic fleet through the canal according to the original schedule, unless a serious slide of earth intervenes. This action enables the navy department to purchase the necessary coal and supplies for the voyage.

Trawler Torpedoed.

(By United Press Association)
Grimsby, England, April 23.—The trawler St. Lawrence was torpedoed and sunk in the North Sea, it is learned. Two of the crew were drowned. Those rescued by another trawler were landed at Grimsby.

"THE CANDY SHOP" CANCELS IT'S ENGAGEMENT HERE

Poor Houses Scare Away Big
Show Billed Here For
Sunday Evening.

"The Candy Shop" show is off. Manager I. R. Schultz of the Albany Opera House yesterday received a telegram from the manager of the company in Portland announcing that they were cancelling all engagements in Oregon, owing to the heavy expense that the show is under and the poor houses that good productions have been playing to. It is possible that the company will go straight through to California.
There was a possibility of bringing "Everywoman," a Henry W. Savage production, here, but this company passed up Albany on the grounds of not sufficient prospects for a paying house. "Everywoman" plays in Salem Saturday evening.

Motoring to Portland

Councilman and Mrs. Charles Carrier, John Robson and family, Mrs. L. M. Carl and C. W. Burns and family left this morning in automobiles on a trip to Portland. They will be gone several days.

ONE WHO LIVES IN A WHEEL CHAIR

Mrs. Sara Baltimore, who has been residing on Main street, is now at 832 East Second street, with Mr. and Mrs. Carns. Though she practically lives on a wheel chair, she enjoys life, and believes in making the best of things, always being thankful for what she has, and being happy and gay. She has a cane over forty years old, her husband cut from a tree on the Cascade mountains. It has a double head, with little forked ends, and with it she does a great many things, including the making of her bread. It certainly is a friend. The grouches of the world, who never have anything to suit them, need to take a lesson from those like Mrs. Baltimore, who patiently and genially play their part in life's drama.

Concert Tonight

There promises to be a good attendance at the concert at the Christian church tonight. The talent of the performers, Prof. South, violinist, and Mrs. Annetta Stoddard, of Portland, pianist, is an assurance of a program of rare merit. Both have no superiors in Oregon in their specialties.

SOME BURGLARS WERE AROUND

Albany Commission House
Was Entered Last Night,
Probably About 4 A. M.

STORE OF H. A. STEARNS ALSO ROBBED BEFORE

Indications That Thieves Went
Down River With Their
Plunder.

Another burglary occurred last night. This one was at the warehouse of the Albany Commission Co. on Ferry street. Sometime during the night, probably between 3 and 4 o'clock, entrance was secured some way into the building, just how is not known, as nothing could be found to indicate the means used. The exit was plain enough, for the rear door was wide open. Nor is it known just what was obtained, but probably some boxes of candy, cheese, crackers and gum, perhaps a theater of the value of \$10 or \$15. Other things may have been taken, it being difficult to ascertain from appearances.

The river steamer coming up stream at 4 o'clock passed a boat with some men in it, undoubtedly the thieves. The stuff stolen was put in a sack, a sack being missing, the thieves probably filling it, and taking it down to the boat.

Several nights ago the store of H. A. Stearns was robbed of several things, entrance being made from the rear, not being made public until last evening. Some things indicate that it was done by the same crowd.

An element around suggests that special vigilance should be used in keeping strangers off the streets at night. Groceries are evidently what is wanted, with perhaps a little gum along to aid digestion. Though not much was taken on these occasions such stealing is always very unpleasant.

AT THE THEATRES.

The Hub.
"Captain Swift" is the title of an excellent five reel drama that will be presented at the Hub theatre tonight and tomorrow. This play ran all of last week at the Majestic Theatre in Portland. "Captain Swift" is the story of a fatherless boy who is placed with a family to raise. Taunted by the son of these people he runs away and becomes a bush-ranger in Australia, where his clever exploits and escapes from arrest attract wide attention. He finally reforms and returns to England, where one incident after another develops with interesting rapidity, and the play is brought to a close in a very appropriate manner.

The Globe.
Miss Priscilla Fleming and Willard Hall, two clever young people of unusual ability from Salem are the head liners at the Globe today. Miss Fleming has long been recognized as a dancer of merit and has attracted many times in local performances. Her Spanish dances have attracted wide attention, and her society dances with Mr. Hall, are gems of grace and rhythm. Miss Fleming is the daughter of R. B. Fleming, a prominent Salem merchant, and is well known to a large number of Albany people. Mr. Hall and Miss Fleming will leave on a vaudeville tour at once, it is understood. They are billed for two days. There are also four good reels of motion pictures, making a good evening's entertainment.

Rolie Theatre.
The master crook in a cruel conspiracy adopts a fugitive orphaned girl, educates her and forces her to steal. Finally, in desperation, she steals him with a hat pin and escapes. He recovers from the wound, and escapes. The persecuted girl vindicates herself in a most astounding manner. This is the basis of "The Criminal Code," a production replete with heart throbs of the Rolie tonight and Saturday. "The Criminal Code" is a four reel Box Office Attraction. "Gertie," a Dinosaur, a gigantic animal that lived in the dark ages, is shown on the screen from the pen of Winsor McCay, America's greatest living cartoonist. Two other good reels are also on the bill.

GRANTS PASS BANK ROBBERS HAVE ESCAPED

(By United Press Association)
Grants Pass, Or., April 23.—No trace of the robber who late Thursday threw the contents of a bottle of ammonia into the face of E. R. Rosser, cashier of the State Bank at Rogue River and escaped with \$200 of the institution's has been found. A mysterious automobile which was thought to have played a part in the robbery has been accounted for. It contained a party of Menford people.



Prof. Chas. South, who will appear at the Christian church tonight in concert, with Mrs. Annetta Stoddard as pianist.