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WEARY CONGRESS

While our boys in khaki are getting down to the stern work of war, and our businessmen and industrial workers are entering with zest into all the toil of preparation, a strange spirit is found in the very heart of our national war machine, the capitol at Washington. According to dispatches written by frank correspondents, the only question of real interest now-a-days is, "When are we going to adjourn?"

While congress has been discussing the plans to raise and spend \$18,000,000,000, enough to run the United States about ten years in normal times, it has been almost impossible to keep enough lawmakers on hand to do business. One day recently, while the senate was debating the \$11,000,000,000 bond issue bill and the house was considering the \$7,000,000,000 urgent deficiency bill to meet the unexpected needs of the army and navy, it was necessary to call the senate roll three times to obtain a quorum; and of the 425 members of the house, most of the time there were less than ten present in the chamber. Part of the time, too, there was not a single member of the appropriations committee, which has charge of the bill, on hand to explain any feature of it that might be questioned.

"The congressmen did not pretend to debate the bill," says one correspondent. "Those who were allotted time to speak discussed their pet hobbies or personal grievances."

Washington observers say they wouldn't be surprised if the president found it necessary soon to administer a rebuke to "slacker congressmen," reminding them that their country is at war, and that it is their duty to stay on the job and supply the necessary legislation promptly and intelligently.

It is hard to believe that such a rebuke can be needed. If it is, it should be administered unhesitatingly, not only by the president, who has the responsibility of directing the war, but by everybody who is concerned with winning in our great enterprise.

It is easily understood that congressmen are tired. They have been in session long, and have done much hard work, and much excellent work. But what should we think of soldiers who shirked duty at the front, pleading that they wanted to go home for a rest? Can't congress play its part as well as the army?

That Senator Chamberlain has practically recovered from his recent illness is a matter of congratulation to both the state and the nation. The country needs Senator Chamberlain in times of this character and a protracted illness would have robbed the senate of a leader whose place could not be easily filled.

"Y" Secretaries Turn Out Billet Doux for Soldiers

CAMP LEWIS, Oct. 3.—(U. P.)—Aides to Cupid are the secretaries of the Young Men's Christian association here.

Sentiment is their stock in trade, love-sick phrases their specialty. Miner, cowboy, farmer, laborer come to these sentimental secretaries to write letters to the girls the men left behind. And the Y. M. C. A. men write.

First, the secretaries find out how much the man really thinks of the girl, if he intends to marry her "when he comes back," how long they have been going together. And then he writes.

These agents for Cupid say the number of men who come to them for advice and letters is constantly increasing. The men are encouraged to ask for help in letter writing, and each one is carefully handled.

Crops Show Increase Says Bank Report

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 3.—(U. P.)—Crops of the 12th federal reserve district show a material increase, according to the bulletin of the 12th Federal Reserve bank issued Tuesday.

Wheat and barley, two of the big crops of the northwest, show a decreased yield of 18 per cent, 64,796,000 bushels against 78,448,000 in 1916, being the figures for wheat alone given in the bulletin.

Pacific Northwest lumber production shows a decided decrease under corresponding months a year ago. The decrease in the production of 147 mills is 50 per cent, with shipments averaging 17 per cent above actual output, according to the report.

August bank clearings for the 20 principal cities of the district increased 38 per cent over the corresponding month a year ago. On the other hand, building permits declined in the same cities 22 per cent.

Two French Towns Want Names of Lafayette

PARIS, Sept. 10.—(By Mail)—The name of Lafayette has been the bone of contention of two townships in the Haute-Loire department. The town of Le Puy-en-Velay, which has played a certain role in French history, as the birthplace of several well known men including a pope, has been advocating changing its name to that of Le Puy-LaFayette, in honor of

MARKET REPORT

The prices given in the local quotations are those asked by the wholesaler from the retailer for fruit and vegetables. All other prices are those paid the producer. List corrected daily.

LOCAL GRAINS	
Wheat	\$1.90
Oats, 75c.	
Barley	\$3.50
Vetch seed	\$3.10
Shorts	\$3.50
Hay, cheat	\$2.00
Hay, vetch	\$2.00
Hay, timothy	\$2.20
Clover	\$2.00
Flour, hard wheat	\$10.58
Flour, valley	\$10.00
Sugar	\$8.08
Butter	
Butterfat	49c.
Creamery butter	49c.
Country butter, trade	50c.
Eggs and Poultry	
Eggs, cash	43c.
Eggs, trade	44c.
Hens, per pound	13@15c.
Roosters	8c.
Broilers	15c.
Springs	14c.
Ducks	14@15c.
Geese	(—)
Pork, Veal and Mutton	
Hogs	\$13@17
Cows	4@5 1-2c.
Steers	5@7c.
Veal	7@9c.
Bulls	4@5c.
Fwes	5@7c.
Lambs	8 1-2c@10 1-2c.
Yearling sheep	7@8c.

PORTLAND MARKET

Portland, October 3, 1917.
Bluestem, \$2.25.
Fortyfold, \$2.03.
Club, \$2.01.
Red Russian, \$2.01.
Oats, white No. 2 feed, \$4.
Barley, feed, \$4.50.
Hay
Willamette Timothy, fancy \$24@25.
Vetch, \$22@23.
Cheat, \$22@23.
Clover, \$22.
Vegetables
Potatoes, \$1.25@1.50.
Beans—nominal, small white, 14 1-2c.
large white 14 1-2c; pink, 10 3-4c.
limas, 13 1-2c; bayons, 10 1-2c; red, 10 1-2c.
Livestock
Prime steers \$7.50@9.75.
Hogs, best live, \$17.75@18.35.
Fancy cows, \$6.75@7.50.
Calves, \$7@9.50.
Sheep, valley yearlings, \$11@11.50.
Spring lambs, \$12.75@13.50.
Butter, Eggs and Sugar
Butter, city creamery, 46c.
Butterfat, 49c.
Eggs, selected ex. 44c.
Sugar, \$8.00.
Live Poultry
Hens, Plymouth Rocks, 19c.
Broilers, 19c.
Turkeys, live, 19@22c.
Geese, live, 10c.
Pekin Ducks, 18@20c.
Wool, '16 valley cotswold, best, 55c.
medium Shropshire, 60c.
Hops, '16 crop, 25@27c; contracts, 39@41c.

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the general whose old home is not far off.

But the town of Brioude has taken exception. During a recent session of the municipal council it was decreed that, inasmuch as the Chateau of Chavanac, LaFayette's birthplace, was in the parish of Brioude, and that several of his family resided in that town where the general was wont to come every year for the local fete, the name of Lafayette belonged by right to Brioude and should not be usurped by Le-Puy.

NEW LOAN MADE TO BELGIUM

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—(U. P.)—The treasury department announced today that two million dollars had been loaned to Belgium.

WHEN answering Classified ads please mention the Democrat.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The Girls' Glee club of the high school held its first meeting of the year yesterday afternoon. About 40 girls were present. The girls decided to give an operetta in the spring. Zelma Rhoades was elected president. Ruth Lockner vice-president, and Lucile Longbottom secretary and treasurer.

The first meeting of the Boys' Athletic association was held yesterday. The following officers were elected—president, Vernon Henderson; vice-president, Harold Irvine; secretary, Roy Harris; treasurer, Royal Archibald; football manager, Jay Willard; and faculty manager, Mr. Overfield.

Moose Carnival

Auspices Corvallis Moose

CORVALLIS

All this Week

Great Wortham Shows Biggest
And Best Extant

20 All New Shows 300 People

The Whip, Monkey Auto Races, Wild Animal Circus, Water Show, Hippodrome, Bluey-Bluey, Spidora, Side Show, Athletic Show, Silodrome, Honey-moon, Trail, High Life, Ferris Wheel, Miracle, Merry-Go-Round, and Many Other Big Ones.

Corvallis All This Week

A NICE LARGE PICTURE FREE

We cannot begin to supply our customers' demands for Christmas pictures if they wait until the last few weeks before Christmas to have them taken.

As an inducement to come in now for a short time only we will give a large picture free with every order amounting to \$3.00 or over. Pictures need not be called for till Christmas if so desired.

Clifford Studio**Your Fall Suit**

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October Sale of Ladies and Misses' Coats

Right at the beginning of the season, coats that represent fashion's newest ideas, will be placed on sale this week beginning Thursday morning.

See our Window Display

Splendid material of Borillas, Cheviots, etc. in heavy weights. Coats that boast large convertible collars, novel belted effects, gathered or plaited backs. Some are trimmed with Kerami Fur.

Our ability to escape the commonplace is fully portrayed in this showing at

\$13.95**Worth's Dept. Store**

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The Store that Saves You Money

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To Attend State Convention—

Mrs. S. C. Starr, of Beffountain, president of the Benton county W. C. T. U., was in Corvallis today on her way to Albany to attend the state convention of the W. C. T. U. which is to convene in that city tomorrow and continue through the week. A number of delegates will go to represent the two Corvallis unions—Corvallis Times.

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