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ALBANY, OREGON, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

## WATER TRANSPORTATION NEEDED

There was an opportunity presented at the Albany Chamber of Commerce yesterday which, if not accepted, will be due to extreme shortsightedness on the part of the business men of this city. The officers of the Inland Empire Boat and Truck Company come here asking the business men to invest a small portion of their savings on freight and cartage for one year and will, in return, place two boats in service between Corvallis and Portland.

It offers a solution to the car shortage plea and will place a direct barrier upon the transportation lines making an excessive freight charge in the future. The effect of the forced rate as shown between Portland and Tangent is well known, and the actual operation of boats will have a further tendency to keep the costs down.

The promoters of the enterprise come with a clean-cut proposition and should receive encouragement. A meeting of the whole Chamber of Commerce will be called soon to take up the matter and every business man in the city should be on hand. A little more concerted action is needed in Albany and here is one good place to start, especially when the individual's and city's pocket books will benefit thereby. That should be inducement enough to arouse the most lethargic member of the community.

## A SOLDIER'S COMMUNITY HOUSE

One of the best things that has been proposed in Albany for some time is the active beginning of work towards the securing of a community house and a memorial to the soldiers, sailors and marines of Linn County who served in the great war.

As Mrs. Mason aptly expressed it, there were many promises and words of praise for our boys while they were fighting and spilling their blood for us over in France, but now that they are nearly all safely home we have been too slow to take steps to carry out our obligations.

The American Legion is a live-wire organization, just as any adjunct of the United States Army would be, and is fully capable of getting almost anything it chooses to go after. But can they be expected to solicit funds, or even suggest a memorial for themselves? Many of the boys have been heard to grumble a bit over the apparent lack of ap-

preciation shown by the home folks. They are deserving of all the attention that we can give them.

They need a place where they can meet, have their reading and recreation rooms, gymnasium, baths, and where the public might assemble on important occasions. Such a building, solidly built, would serve as a lasting monument to the men who served in the greatest of wars and fill a present need of the city and county.

The cost would not be great. We have raised many times the amount needed in relief drives, and a small contribution on the part of every citizen in the county would do the work. Subscriptions have already been received and many more people are ready to come forward. The matter has been smouldering for some time and it but remained for Mrs. Mason to start the ball rolling. Now that it has been started the matter should not be allowed to rest until the end is attained and sufficient funds have been subscribed to erect a creditable building.

A number of prominent Albany and Linn County people have had the matter under consideration for some time and in the near future a meeting will be called to form an organization to carry on the work.

## TODAY'S EVENTS

(Saturday, February 14, 1920)  
St. Valentine's Day.  
Observance of Admission Day in Arizona.

A grand carnival of winter sports will be opened in Quebec today.

A federation of business and professional women of New England is to be organized at a meeting in Boston today.

Today has been fixed as the date for launching a drive to raise \$100,000 in the United States through the sale of bonds for the aid of the so-called "Irish Republic".

Because the League of Nations figures as the chief issue, national interest centers in the special election to be held in the Third congressional district of Missouri to day to choose a successor to Joshua W. Alexander, who resigned his seat in Congress to become Secretary of Commerce of the United States.

For Sunday, February 15, 1920  
Centenary of the death of William Ellery, a Rhode Island singer of the Declaration of Independence.

The one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Susan B. Anthony, famous pioneer of the woman suffrage cause, will be widely observed throughout the United States today.

Memorial exercises will be held in Havana today for the Americans who perished in the blowing up of the U. S. battleship Maine in Havana harbor, Feb. 15, 1898.

Elihu Root, former Secretary of State and later United States senator from New York, will receive congratulations today on the seventy-fifth anniversary of his birth.

## Today's Calendar of Sports

### Racing

Winter meeting of Cuba-American Jockey Club, at Havana.

Winter meeting of Business Men's Racing Assn., at New Orleans.

### Automobile

Opening of shows in Detroit and Brooklyn.

### Golf

Opening of annual Spring tournament at Ashville, N. C.

## Comments of the State Press

### Astoria Faked—

The great port of the Columbia is faked up to inflame the imagination with visions of a commercial Utopia. Emissaries of Astoria have from time to time extolled its beauties to Portland luncheon clubs whose good nature overcame their civic loyalty or their good judgement.—Astoria Budget.

### Riding to a Fall—

Organized labor is riding to a fall when it attempts to run the nation for its own benefit. America will not tolerate an autocracy of labor any more than it will an autocracy of capital, for it spells the downfall of democracy. In no sense can it be construed as a square deal for the people—the idea of the republic.—Journal

### Salem Commercial Club—

The new literature being planned



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## Leslie's Confectionery

by the Salem Commercial club will refer very largely to what can be grown on the land here. That's the stuff: "More acres and more to the acre." All the other benefits will follow.—Oregon Statesman.

### Lest We Forget—

In a cablegram to President Wilson, Crown Prince William of Germany announces that he is willing to be the "victim" in place of the German officers asked for by the allies.

This is an insult which the president will no doubt return in kind.—Baker Herald

### Bad Shape—

With the president disabled and with cabinet meetings suspended, the government of the United States becomes the most unco-ordinated gov-

ernment in the world. Its chief bond of union is the treasury, where all the members draw their pay.—Oregonian

### Maarry at 21—

Young men should marry at 21, according to a California club woman. At that age most latter-day young men are not able to earn their salt let alone beefsteak and onions for two.—Ex.

### Newspaper Unpopular—

Newspapers are unpopular for two reasons. Sometimes they don't tell the truth and sometimes they do tell it.—Stayton Mail.

Napoleon's handwriting was so illegible that his letters from Germany to Josephine were at first taken for rough maps of the seat of war.

## Valentine Records

Records Are Most Appropriate as Valentine Gifts. One of More of the following good numbers will be appreciated—

- 1002—You Can't Make Me Stop Loving You—Oakland . . . . . 85c
- 1075—In All My Dreams—Duett . . . . . 85c
- 1341—When I Know That Thou Art Near Me—Burr . . . . . 85c
- 1404—Peg O' My Heart—Henry Burr . . . 85c
- 1523—If I Had Someone at Home Like You . . . . . 85c
- 1017—I'll Await My Love—Will Oakland . . . . . 85c
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