

COMMITTEE GETS NEW PROPOSALS ON MEASURES TO AID VETERANS

Representative of Soldiers Organization Asks for Flat Sum of \$500 for all Ex-service Men.

OPPOSES MEASURES

Sperry Says no Adequate Relief Promised by any of the Pending Miserly Measures for Compensation.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5—By Associated Press—Lump sum payment of five hundred dollars to each person serving in the military or naval forces of the United States during the war was urged today by Marvin Gates Sperry, president of the national private Soldiers and Sailors Legion, before the house ways and means committee.

Sperry said that he was opposed to the proposals that had been submitted by the representatives of The American Legion and the Society of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He stated that no adjusted compensation could be made on any basis of from \$30 to \$50 a month for the ex-service men.

GRAIN PROBE IS DEEMED LIKELY

Senate Committee Reports Favorably on Bill to Conduct Investigation

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5—By Associated Press—Senator Reed's resolution proposing an investigation of the United States Grain corporation and the wheat prices was reported favorably today by a contingent of the senate committee ordered to investigate the measure.

New Classified

FRESH MILK—Can supply a few more quarts of morning's milk at 12 cents a quart. J. G. Jackson, Phone 561 J. m5

LOST—One weed chain, 35 by 5 on Corvallis road near Calapooia. Finder notify Chas. Curry. 346 Y. m5

FOR SALE—80 acre farm complete with crop, sheep with lambs, goats, horses, cattle, farming implements, etc. A new 7-room house, barn and other outside buildings. Orchard and running water. Price \$4,500. Inquire at 1421 Santian, Albany, Ore. 5m12

FOR SALE—Oliver typewriter nearly new, and good office desk. Call Mrs. Farmer, 319 West 3rd, Albany, Oregon. m5

FOR SALE—Canadian blue red devil games, Allen round head games \$3.00 per 15. H. J. Fitchau, Albany Bakery. 4m6

WANTED—Young man or woman to clerk in store and help keep the books. Inquire at Democrat office. 1m6

FOR SALE—Practically a new bicycle with Smith motor wheel attached. All in A-1 condition, \$75.00 for the outfit at Hixsons, 129 Lyon St. 5m8

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DUTCH REFUSE TO HAND OVER KAISER FOR SECOND TIME

THE HAGUE, Mar. 5—By Associated Press—The Dutch government today for the second time has refused absolutely to deliver the former German Emperor to the Allied powers for trial on the indictments returned against him.

CUPID AT WORK IN EARLY HOURS OF THE MORNING

Couple Routs Officials Out of Sound Slumbers

That the mills of the diminutive love God can grind exceedingly swiftly when the occasion requires is evidenced by the wedding ceremony that took place here while most of the residents of Albany were slumbering deeply at 1 o'clock this morning.

Routing county clerk Russell out of his bed, dragging Reverend G. H. Young from the land of dreams, arousing sleep laden witnesses, all these were accomplished early this morning to tie the nuptial bond between William Shults, aged 55, pioneer resident of Albany and Mrs. Minna Kenyon Titus aged 43, also of this city.

Age is no impediment to impetuosity when the shafts from cupid's bow strikes apparently for though no marriage had been contemplated when the parties called early last evening at the home of their mutual friends Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Davis in the Daventport apartments, a joking reference to the union lead to the rapid sealing of the contract.

ROAD FUND TO BE PROPOSED

Bill Will Seek 100 Millions for State Highways

SALEM, Or., March 5—(Special.)—That Senator Chamberlain of Oregon will introduce in congress within the next few days a bill providing for an appropriation of \$1,000,000,000 with which to match state and county money for highway construction in the so-called ten western road states was information brought here yesterday by C. B. McCulloch, bridge engineer for the state highway commission.

Mr. McCulloch said the delegates went on record favoring a continuance of federal appropriations for highway work in the western states, and on Saturday, the last day of the conference, appeared before the senate committee on postoffices and roads. Although the members of this committee would give no intimation as to their contemplated action, it was the opinion of the delegates that a favorable report would be forthcoming.

Senator Chamberlain was present at this conference, according to Mr. McCulloch, and in addition to urging a continuance of federal aid in highway building in the west promised to introduce in congress a bill calling for an appropriation of \$100,000,000. Should this appropriation finally be approved as urged by the conference delegates, Oregon would receive \$1,576,000 as its share of the funds.

UNIQUE DEPOSIT PLACED IN BANK

Peppermint Oil Put in Bank Vault for Safety

Vaults of the Albany State Bank were the depository last night for 18 cans of peppermint oil owned by the farmers of this locality. These 18 cans held approximately 360 pounds which is worth \$8.00 per pound or \$2880.00.

The peppermint industry, which is in its infancy here, is destined to be one of the leading industries of this section. We are told that there is only one other section in the world that can equal the quality grown here and that is a small valley in England.

Mexicans Kidnap American WASHINGTON, Mar. 5—By A. P.—Peter W. Summers, an American citizen was kidnapped by the Mexican rebels at Salina Cruz according to a wire received today by the State department.

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL STATE MEET OF DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION OPENED HERE TODAY

NUMEROUS DELEGATES FROM OREGON CHAPTERS ARE IN ATTENDANCE AT THE INITIAL SESSION OF CONFERENCE AT MASONIC TEMPLE; ADDRESSES FEATURE PROGRAM.

Enrollment of delegates and the registration of visitors at 9:30 o'clock this morning in the Masonic temple marked the opening in Albany of the seventh annual state conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Fully 100 delegates and visitors were present for the inauguration of the convention which is to last until Saturday night.

Mrs. Francis Marion Wilkins called the conference to order following which the "Star Spangled Banner" was sung by the assemblage led by Mrs. Earl B. Day of Albany.

The pledge to the flag, and to the republic for which it stands. One nation, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice to all" was led by Mrs. Isaac Earl of the national chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

The invocation was read by Mrs. Aggie M. Gould of Marshfield, state chaplain and the address of welcome was made by Mrs. Levi E. Tracy, the first regent of the Linn county chapter. Response was made by Mrs. J. B. Montgomery of Portland, the first state regent.

Miss Anne Lang, chairman made a report of the roll call of the committee on credentials following which the minutes of the Sixth annual Oregon state conference were read by Miss Edith E. Benedict, state recording secretary.

The principal address of the morning was next on the program and was delivered by Miss Francis Marion Wilkins, the state regent. Letters of greeting and announcements were then read from various organizations and officials of the national chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

The morning session closed with reports of the corresponding secretary, Miss Amy Dunn, the recording secretary, Miss Edith Benedict and the con-

VETERAN IS MET BY BOTH WIVES

Two Loving Mates Greet Hero Upon His Return From France

When Carl Eric Greenfield, discharged overseas veteran and hero of the Argonne, stepped from the troop train at the union station in Portland on August 30, 1919, he was not lacking in loved ones to welcome him back to his native heath, according to the story unfolded yesterday by Mrs. Mabel Greenfield in Circuit Judge Percy Kelly's divorce court.

Two loving wives acclaimed the battle scarred warrior's return with open arms. One was Mrs. Mabel Greenfield of Albany, whom he had married at Roseburg in 1909 and the other was Mrs. Greenfield No.2, nee Ruth Graham Lockwood of Portland, whom he had married at Vancouver, Wash., in December 1917, without having gone through the formality of a divorce.

Further details of Mrs. Greenfield's testimony indicated that Greenfield was forgiven his carelessness upon his promise of reform. Later however she said he disappeared and she learned that he was living with No.2 in Kelso, Washington. Communication with the authorities there resulted in his arrest on a statutory charge she testified.

Following his release upon bail, the errant husband fled, supposedly to Canada where he would be beyond the jurisdiction of the American courts and since that time Mrs. Greenfield said she had heard no word from him. After listening to the entire story Judge Kelly granted Mrs. Greenfield a decree of divorce.

TANGENT CASE IS IN COURT TODAY

The case of Seymour Washburn against James Jenks and other, of Tangent for the collection of money due on material for the building of the Tangent school house is being tried before Judge Kelley today. The plaintiff is represented by Hewitt and Sox and the defendants by Weatherford and Wyatt.

POPULATION OF ISLANDS GIVEN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5—The population of the Philippines for 1918 was announced today as 10,350,000 of which 9,500,000.

SALE OF BRITISH WEST INDIES TO U. S. FOR DEBT PLANNED

LONDON, Mar. 5—By Associated Press—It is expected that the proposal to sell the British West Indies to the United States to balance war debt of England will be discussed in House of Commons Monday by Lloyd George.

ELKS CHOOSE OFFICERS FOR COMING TERM

Delegates to the Grand Lodge Convention are Chosen

Election of officers for the ensuing term which begins in April and the selection of delegate and alternate to the Chicago convention of the Grand lodge took place last evening at the meeting of the Albany Lodge No. 359 of the B. P. O. Elks.

E. D. Cusick was chosen as exalted ruler, J. J. Barrett, esteemed leading knight, Lee Bennett, esteemed loyal knight, W. M. Parker, secretary, A. K. MacMahon, esteemed lecturing knight, H. B. Cusick, treasurer, and A. M. Sturtevant, tiller.

L. G. Lewelling was chosen as delegate to the grand lodge convention and J. R. Wyatt alternate. Officers will be installed in April. The lodge has been invited to hold a special session in Toledo for the purpose of initiating a class of candidates early in June. Newport also has asked the lodge to initiate another large class, to attend a clam bake and help celebrate the fourth of July in Newport. A committee was appointed for the purpose of investigating the feasibility of the lodge accepting the invitations.

NO CLUE LOCATED TO BANK ROBBERS

Value of Loot May Reach Huge Sum

No further trace of the robbers who broke into the Scio State bank Wednesday night and escaped with liberty bonds and war savings stamps of a value estimated at from \$25,000 to \$50,000, has been found.

Detectives from Portland who arrived on the scene last night accompanied by Sheriff Kendal of Albany are unable to find any clue that leads to the perpetrators of the theft. The value of the bonds stolen will not be definitely ascertained for several days until all the parties who had boxes in the vault have been heard from.

J. S. Stiche, found a wallet among the rubbish belonging to him today which the robbers overlooked and which contained \$1200 in liberty bonds. Another resident of Scio lost bonds from his safety box valued at \$4,100.

BILL TO LOWER INTEREST RATE MUCH OPPOSED

The proposed measure to change the Oregon constitution and limit the legal rate of interest to 4 and 5 per cent is already having its effect in advising anybody with money to loan that Oregon will be off the map for making loans if the measure should pass.

The small merchant, business man, farmer and home builder would be the hardest hit as local banks would be put out of business and no money would be loaned within the state at such rates.

This is no overdrawn, "throw the scare into them", picture. If you had \$500 would you loan it at 5 per cent in Oregon when you could get much more by loaning it outside the state?

We cannot afford to let such a measure as this get by in this state.

REPORTS REDUCE ARMENIAN LOSS

PARIS, Mar. 5—By Associated Press—The number of armenians massacred at Marasch last month will not exceed five thousand according to detailed information which has been received by the French government.

Reports which were received at London yesterday estimate that between 15 and 20 thousand of the armenians had been butchered recently by the Turks but this amount is discounted by the French reports today.

Halsey Visitors—Hon Frank Porter, of Halsey, was a business visitor here today.

MINISTER TAKES STAND FOR THE DEFENSE DURING MURDER TRIAL

Letter Virtually Admits Nothing Connecting Grimm With Alleged Plot to Raid Hall Found.

R. R. HEAD MENTIONED

Defense Charges Hubbard With Being Instigator of Plot; State Avers he was in Portland.

MONTESANO, Mar. 5—By Associated Press.—T. T. Edmonds, a Presbyterian minister, now without charge but recently employed as an investigator for the defense in the case of the 10 alleged I. W. W. on trial for the murder of Warren Grimm in Centralia on armistice day, virtually admitted in a letter to Vandever, counsel for the defense and which was read into the court records that he had found no evidence connecting Grimm with alleged raid on the I. W. W. hall.

In testifying today Edmonds acknowledged the letter the production of which caused a dramatic surprise in the court room. Contained in the epistle was the expression that the "western law of reaching-for the gun should apply."

Asked if he meant that Grimm had reached for his gun, Edmonds said that he had tried to convey what a former service man had told him.

William S. Spears, testified that a man named Hubbard remarked to him just after the shooting that the I. W. W. deserved being run out of town. Vandever intimated that Hubbard was the president of the Eastern Railway Lumber and Mill company and that the defense could prove that Hubbard had engineered the raid. This is an issue which Vandever has been trying to get into the record during the entire case.

APPROVAL FOR COLBY DELAYED

Senate Indicates That Nomination May Result in Controversy

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5—By Associated Press—Action on the nomination of Bainbridge Colby as secretary of state was again deferred today by the foreign relations committee of the senate after the members had declined to vote until they had further information.

One senator said that while no definite charges had been filed and no formal investigation had been decided upon, certain matters should be cleared up before the committee made any recommendations on the appointment. It is believed that this action indicates that a contest of the appointment of President Wilson will be made. It is not known what matters the committee had reference to in saying that they ought to be cleared up before they would make any recommendation.

SOLDIERS SEEK MEMORIAL HOME

SALEM, March 5—The Marion county court will be asked to appropriate the \$10,000, authorized under an act of the last legislature, for the erection of a community house here as a monument to the men and women who participated in the late war, according to plans set on foot at the meeting of Capital post, American

WILSON SENDS NOTE TO ALLIES

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5—President Wilson's rejoinder to the French and British premiers on the Adriatic situation was called late last night. The state department refused to make the contents of the note public or indicate what position had been taken in the matter.

WORD OF DEATH RECEIVED HERE

W. A. Cox of this city received a dispatch from Kellerton Iowa yesterday that his brother Isaac M. Cox had passed away at the age of about 76 years. Another one of the brothers died last year. Of the six brothers W. A. Cox of this city and a younger brother survive.