

HARD-BOILED METHODS USED ON WAR VETERANS

Vocational Training Board Issues Order to Show Lack of Sympathy to Wounded.

Washington, March 16.—Representative James W. Husted, of New York, and Col. Franklin D. Oiler, commander of the American Legion, have instituted a fight on the inhumane methods of the Federal Board for Vocational Education. At the instance of the Legion head, Husted has introduced a resolution for the following information:

First, whether the Federal Board for Vocational Education, or any agent, officer or employee thereof, issued an order to any one or more of the officers, agents or employees of said board containing instructions to guide such officers, agents or employees in the disposition of applications of disabled soldiers for training under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, which said instructions were in the following language, or the substance thereof, to-wit:

"The organs used in approving cases are the eyes and the brain. The ears and the heart do not function. Be hard-boiled. Members of the district office staffs will beat you over the head with verbal pressure. District pressure causes all our mistakes. Put cotton in your ears and look the door. If you are naturally sympathetic, work nights when nobody is there. Accept advice from central office. Take all the cigarettes you can get from members of the district office, staffs, but no advice."

Second, if said order was so issued, the name of the person or persons issuing the same; whether said person or persons are now in the Government service under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, and, if not in such service, when and under what circumstances of resignation, dismissal or otherwise, the severance from the service took place; whether said order was issued with the knowledge of any one or more members of the Federal Board for Vocational Education, and, if so issued, the names of the members of said board who had such knowledge. If said order was issued without the knowledge of any member of the board, whether said order has been rescinded, and if rescinded, the date when said order became ineffective.

Husted's resolution was referred to the Education Committee of which Representative Simon D. Fess is chairman, for immediate hearings. In commenting upon his resolution Mr. Husted said:

"We cannot afford to overlook an absolutely incorrect and unsympathetic attitude of the board in connection with its work. The 'hard-boiled' order reflects an incorrect attitude which is callous and flippant, and everybody connected with its issuance should be dismissed from the board as wholly unfit to administer the rehabilitation law passed by Congress. If any department of the Gov-

ernment needs a Congressional investigation, the Federal Board for Vocational Education surely does, and I am going to the bottom of this matter, not only to find out who issued the unfeeling 'hard-boiled' order and whether the members of the board were aware of its issuance, but also to develop the facts concerning the entire operation and policy of the board.

"Every member of Congress is greatly disappointed at the failure of the Federal Board for Vocational Education to achieve the standards for which it was intended. It was the intention and hope of Congress that this organization should accomplish a great humanitarian work, and it surely was the belief that the administration of the rehabilitation law would be placed in the hands of men who would administer its provisions wisely and in accordance with a proper attitude toward the wounded sol-

ders. The 'hard-boiled' order is sufficient evidence of how short the board has fallen in maintaining the necessary sympathetic attitude toward the country's wounded veterans. Congress has generously appropriated \$21,000,000 for the work."

Arnold Piper, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Piper, has placed an order for \$4200 worth of lumber with the Heppner Planing & Chop Mill. Mr. Piper will begin the erection of a modern house on his farm east of Lexington in the near future.

Ben O. Anderson, who recently sold his Eight Mile farm to his brother Howard, has purchased a 7-passenger Chandler touring car from Martin Reid. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson will spend several weeks in Portland but may decide to locate in Hood River, where Mr. Anderson owns property.

Wood To Trust His Interests To Hays It Is Announced.

Chicago, March 16.—Following a conference between General Wood, William C. Procter, Frank Hitchcock, J. J. McGraw, Fred Stanley, Grederik A. Joss, N. S. Walpole and others actively interested in the Leonard Wood campaign, Chairman Procter issued a statement in which he declared that an overwhelming sentiment for Leonard Wood's candidacy has developed during the week all of us that Mr. Hitchcock has "It is of particular gratification to joined our committee," Mr. Procter said. "I want to take this occasion to deny vigorously the rumors that have been put into circulation to the effect that anyone connected with the Wood campaign will attempt to unseat Will Hays as chairman of the national committee after a presidential candidate is chosen by the Republican

party. Every staunch Republican knows that party has made great progress under the very able leadership of Mr. Hays, and General Wood will trust his interests in his capable hands when nominated."

Geo. W. Milholland, local agent for the Standard Oil Company, returned to Heppner Wednesday after spending several weeks in Portland where he underwent treatment at the hands of specialists. Mr. Milholland met with a serious accident about two years ago and the specialists found at this time that some of the bones in his neck were badly out of place. He returns home greatly improved in health, we are glad to state.

Christian Science.

Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock in the lodge room in the I. O. O. F. building.

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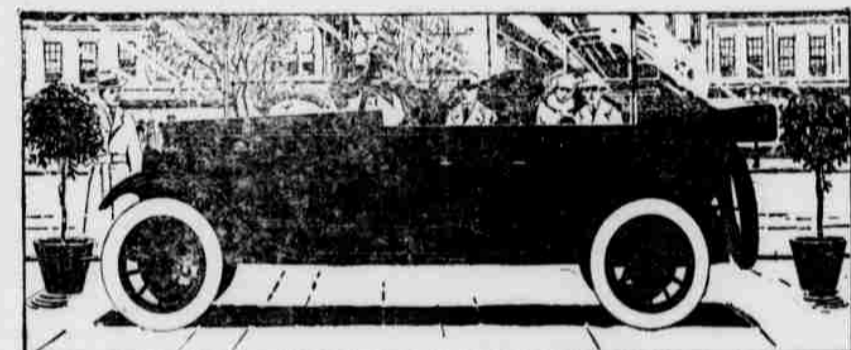


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