

BELGIUM INNOCENT BYSTANDERS AMONG WARRING NATIONS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 23.—Perhaps no other organization in the United States is keeping in such close touch with the geography of the European war as the National Geographic society of Washington. While it is furnishing geographical data daily to the press, it is itself receiving a wealth of geographic material with reference to the countries at war, their peoples, their customs, their industries and their geographic history. In a communication on "Belgium," the Innocent Bystander, William Joseph Showalter tells the more than 300,000 members of the society:

"The Belgium of today has an area less than one-fourth as great as Mississippi, yet at the outbreak of the present war its population was four times as large as that of Mississippi. Twenty-two and a half countries like Belgium could be tucked away in a state like Texas, and their aggregate population would be more than that of the United States and Germany together."

Seven Millions of Residents Within Belgium's 11,373 square miles of territory, smaller than Massachusetts and Connecticut, with a population of 7,579,000, there lived at the outbreak of the war nearly 3,000,000 French-speaking Walloons who cannot talk with a like number of their compatriot Flemish speaking Flemings. In their habits of mind and methods of gaining a livelihood they differ as widely as the English and the French, but the bond of religion has bound them together for generations, with never a fratricidal war in their modern history.

The Belgian constitution, framed in 1830 by a convention of Belgians, guarantees freedom of conscience, education and of press, and the right of peaceful assembly. The kingship is filled by succession. There is a cabinet, a senate and a house of representatives. A senator's pay, remarkable as it may seem, is a free pass on the railroads without a dollar of actual salary. A representative gets a free horse and \$800 a year.

Suffrage Laws Interesting The suffrage laws are interesting. A Belgian gets one vote when he reaches the age of 25. If, at the age of 35 he pays \$1 in taxes and is married or a widower with legitimate children, he gets a second vote. If he pays a certain amount of taxes or holds a university diploma he is entitled to two additional votes—except that in no case may a man cast more than three votes. In selecting representatives, parties and not men are voted for, and each party gets a representation in proportion to its voting strength.

No Milkmen in Belgium There were no milkmen in Belgium, for the women drove the dog carts that constituted the nation's milk wagons. Every milk can had to shine, every dog had to have harness to fit him, a bowl for his drinking water and a carpet or bag to lie down on when tired. No dog in Belgium, except those of the rich, escaped bearing his share of the family burdens.

The people of Belgium were the world's greatest beer drinkers before the outbreak of the present war, with 48.8 gallons per capita per year, as compared with the German consumption of 26.3 gallons. On the other hand the Belgian used only one gallon of wine as compared with the Frenchman's thirty-four gallons. Railway fares were very low. A double daily journey of 20 miles cost 37 1/2 cents a week; of 44 miles, 50 cents a week. Every person entering a railroad station had to pay 1 cent for that privilege, and the revenue therefor amounted to \$50,000 a year.

Belgium's foreign business was large. These wonderful little engines that did such good work at Panama were large-made, and an example of Belgium's exports. The country's foreign trade was greater than that of all South America together. If the United States imported as much per capita as Belgium, its imports would total twelve billion dollars a year; if we exported as much per capita our export business would amount to ten billion dollars a year.

NEWS FROM COUNTRY CORRESPONDENTS ASHLAND AND VICINITY

At an adjourned meeting of the city council last Friday night a resolution was introduced providing for the levying of a special tax, not exceeding one-half a mill, for publicity purposes in general. This resolution will come up for disposal at a meeting to be held on the 24th inst. Land was ordered to be purchased for camping purposes, a move agitated for some time past, and made necessary by the tide of travel through here. The tracts in question are located on Water street and in area embrace about the equivalent of two ordinary sized lots. Space for an automobile camp is also being considered on an upper portion of the park-site. The official count of the vote of the charter amendment special election showed 1191 ballots for the measure and 221 against, leaving a majority of 970, an increase of three over previous estimates. The rabies scare is still with us, and the city attorney is drawing up a new ordinance, more effective than ever in its provisions, inasmuch as several suspicious acting canines are still at large, and it is deemed best to be on the safe side.

The broom factory has stuck on hand for 8000 dozen brooms, instead of merely 8000 individual sweepers as incorrectly reported among these items recently. The equivalent of 8000 dozen, or approximately 100,000 brooms, will keep the factory busy for months to come.

The local football squad, although a trifle the worse for wear during the strenuous experience of the past few days, are serene in the consciousness of having fairly won the championship of southern Oregon in a series of games which have not been marred by a single unpleasantness. The final struggle at Medford Saturday was a good, hard game, and was won by Ashland in practically the first half. The standing at present leaves Ashland victors of every game played this season, whether fought on home grounds or in other territory. Furthermore, the local team has not been scored against in a single instance this season. A Thanksgiving game will be played at The Dalles, the team leaving for the north on Tuesday.

The chief social event of the season will be the annual Thanksgiving ball Thursday night by the Elks, formal programs concerning which will soon be issued. Music will be imported from Grants Pass in the form of an unrivaled orchestra of six pieces. A happy prelude to the dancing event will be the appearance of the Danbar quartet at the Vining Wednesday evening, also under auspices of the Elks, as a leading attraction in the lyceum course of entertainments.

W. E. Newcombe, manager of the local Western Union office, left Sunday for Portland on a business trip. An abundance of drinking facilities—water, of course—during the past summer, has demonstrated the wisdom of the installation of a dozen or more bubbling fountains all over town. These are useful as well as ornamental, and their distribution has been such as to accommodate depots, churches, schools, library, hospital and other centers. Private individuals have also installed several, notable among them being the Carter memorial fountain on the Plaza, a work of art. Another ornate one is that located at the Citizens' bank corner. The firm of Loomis & Nelson has one in front of their store on A street, and the fine new Eaders' block is similarly equipped. Those erected by the city are very durable, fashioned in rough rock or concrete and average in cost about \$25 each.

The Church of the Nazarene is the first in the field this season in leading the revival movement, special services having begun Sunday, led by Mrs. Stella Crooks, who is assisted by Miss Edith Whiteside of Portland, both prominently identified with the evangelistic work.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Lamkin and J. R. Lamkin have returned from southern California, in which section they visited nearly six weeks. While down near the international boundary they made a short incursion into Mexican territory. Their tour both coming and going was made in the family automobile and was without delay or mishap. Ed Hughes, former resident, now rancher near Holland, in Josephine county, was in town Sunday on his way home from a business trip to southern California territory.

An army of 97 hoboes were passing through Ashland Saturday night, stopping briefly to find out that free soup was a thing of the past in this locality. Practically all were going south. The high school anniversary play is being staged, though its appearance has been delayed until after the Thanksgiving holidays. In the production, which will be a parody on "The Merchant of Venice," 16 students will appear in the cast. State Game Warden Finley was

here for a brief time Sunday in consultation with Game Warden Hubbard. Mr. Finley was on his return to Portland from an eastern trip, which embraced a good portion of the Atlantic seaboard, extending way up into New England territory. At Washington he attended the National Association of Game Wardens, also the American Fishing society, and consulted with the federal biological survey concerning co-operative work with the Oregon board along similar lines. He also attended a conservation meeting at New Orleans. Throughout his extensive trip he exhibited a series of moving pictures relating mainly to the game conservation movement, which innovations were commented upon most favorably by the eastern champions of sports afield.

EAGLE POINT EAGLETS

I omitted to state in my last that Mr. and Mrs. W. F. De Witt of Ashland were here with his cousin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Walker, and their daughter, Miss Sarah Emma Walker, of Redding, Ore., and Uncle John McAlister of Lake Creek, last Monday. Mr. Walker and family came up to visit Mr. De Witt of Ashland and started to motor up to Mr. McAlister's on the north fork of Little Butte, but found that the road just about Brownsboro had been recently gravelled, so phoned to him to meet them at Brownsboro, and thus they all met and took dinner together at the Sunnyside. The visitors were delighted with the Rogue River valley.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Carpenter of Medford came out Tuesday and were met at the depot by W. H. Crandall, and motored out to his home farm, where they spent a few days very pleasantly with Mr. C. and his sisters.

G. W. McAlister of Butte Falls came out on the P. & E. and was met at the depot by Dr. W. W. P. Holt with his auto and taken to the Sunnyside for medical treatment. His trouble seems to be an old chronic complaint of the kidneys. He was able to return home again Thursday morning.

Game Warden Hubbard and two other men came out Tuesday and brought three contrivances to be placed in the fish from going into the ditch and being washed out onto the land, to place them in a ditch here as an experiment and for the owners of the different ditches to select the kind they prefer to buy to put in their ditch.

H. C. Barker of Brownsboro was in town the first of the week, and while here gave me his subscription to the Daily Mail Tribune, and William Nussstrom was also here and renewed his mother's subscription to the Weekly Mail Tribune.

Senator H. Von der Hellen was in town receiving congratulations from his many friends over his success in the late election.

Joe and Hunter Stickle of Gold Hill were here the past week visiting old's daughter, Mrs. Jacob Jouns.

J. M. Corlies, foreman on the Ali Vista orchard, was in town Wednesday and reports that they have all of their Sautzenburg apples packed and shipped and are ready to begin on their Newtowns. They had a fine lot of fruit this year and no irrigation.

Quite a number of the members of the L. O. O. F. lodge here made a visit to Jasper Hannah, who is on the sick list.

J. P. Fenster of Weed, Cal., was here this week trying to organize a class in penmanship.

Last Wednesday the Ladies' Foreign Missionary society met at the home of Mrs. Frank Nichols and had one of those pleasant times that are so common in Eagle Point. There were fourteen of the members present. The exercises were opened by reading a Scripture lesson, singing and prayer, and after a few preliminaries were gone through. Mrs. George von der Hellen, our primary teacher, was introduced, and she gave an account of her experience in the Philippine islands as a teacher among the natives and a short account of the missionary work in that field. She said that they had to travel for five days into the interior and during the trip encountered some of the most gruesome sights imaginable, among which was a company of head hunters that were in search of their victims. She said that the schools were divided and that the pupils were taught as far as the fourth grade in the primary department and then they were turned over to her department. She gave a brief account of the work of the missionaries in that country, stating that the most of them were of the Catholic faith, but that they were doing good work among them.

Light refreshments were served and a charge of 10 cents was made, the money going into the foreign missionary fund, which amounted to \$1.90. Mrs. J. W. Grover and her daughter, Verla, favored them with a song and Miss Loretta Childreth entertained them by asking questions and having those present answer by a quotation from the Bible. Those who were there report that they had a very fine time and that Mrs. von der Hellen's talk was extra fine. I was unable to attend, so had to get my points from someone else, and consequently the account is very meagre. Thomas Vestal, foreman on the Willey orchard, has been shipping quite a lot of fine dressed turkeys to the Portland market. Applegate Posters The Boys and Girls industrial club has been busy the past week collecting vegetables, fruit and clothing for the Boys and Girls Aid society of Portland. Enough material was collected to fill three boxes and consisted of 18 quarts of canned fruit, one box of apples, 49 pounds of dry beans, four pounds of rice, 29 pounds of onions, 25 pounds of potatoes, 19 pounds of popcorn, besides squash and various articles of clothing. Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler brought the boxes to Medford Friday night and the railroad company make no charge for carrying them to Portland. The Parent-Teachers' circle has arranged an entertainment for Saturday night, December 5th, at the new socialist hall. Some excellent help has been secured including Miss Bertha Calkins of Ashland. The program will consist of dramatic readings, comic songs and recitations with costumes. It will be entirely for entertainment, those wishing instruction should not come. The hall management will give a dance after the program. Watch for further announcement. On Wednesday of this week Mr. Rafely and George Herriott went to Grants Pass and purchased a new player piano for the socialist hall which is now completed. Mr. Nelson of Williams creek has been hauling grain from the O'Brien ranch. A collection of \$5 was taken up Friday among the school children for the purpose of getting a volley ball. With this addition of play ground equipment we will then have swings, teeters, athletic rings, horizontal bars and basket ball. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stanley of Oakland, Cal., are visiting with relatives here. Mr. Stroud has returned here from Grants Pass. He is expecting to spend the next week hunting in the Steamboat district in company with Mr. Christian and Elmo Throckmorton. Mrs. Stroud will remain at the Rose house. Mrs. Armstrong of Forest creek visited with friends and relatives here last week. Steps have been taken to organize a boys and girls basket ball team. The socialist hall has been secured and it is hoped that a number of games can be arranged with the different schools during the winter months. County School Superintendent J. P. Wells visited this school Thursday. While here he introduced a number of new games which made quite a hit with the pupils. A. L. Bates of the Valley Pride Creamery, is expected home Friday. Mr. Bates has been in Grants Pass for the last three weeks. Henry Pernoll and a party of friends from Grants Pass were hunting ducks on the river of this vicinity Tuesday. They returned in the evening. Butte Falls Bubbles Mr. Netherlands, a former citizen of this place, was here Monday. He spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. Edmondson. Mrs. Cross enjoyed Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. McDonald. Some of the young girls and ladies of Butte Falls surprised Miss Anna Patton with a shower at the home of her parents Wednesday night. Jack Tugate went to Medford Tuesday returning Thursday. A school entertainment will be held at the school house Wednesday night. Everyone invited. Mrs. Cadron has been spending the week in Medford. O. B. Morris and wife went to Portland Thursday expecting to be gone a week. Ray Spencer and Mr. Mahoney went to Fort Klamath Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. John Clark who live about two miles down the creek were in Butte Falls Wednesday. Mr. Hart and family who live on the Bear place are moving to Eagle Point today. NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, at its next regular meeting December 1, 1914, for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors in quantities less than a gallon, at their place of business on South First street, located on lots 10, 11 and 12, block 43, of the original townsite, in said city, for a period of six months. HOTEL MOORE Date of first publication November 19th, 1914. Mrs. J. W. Grover and her daughter,

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WILSON A PEDESTRIAN ON STREETS OF CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—President Wilson walked abroad through the business section of the city today and, undisturbed by a very cold wind, left his automobile behind. He did some banking and other personal business and acknowledged frequent greetings from pedestrians by raising his hat.

Tie Game for U. of O.-O. A. C.

CORVALLIS, Ore., Nov. 23.—After making a forward pass that netted them 46 yards, Oregon scored a place kick in the fourth period and tied the score in the annual struggle with Oregon Agricultural college on the latter's field here. Final score 3 to 3.

PROCLAIM PROHIBITION FOR GRANTS PASS

GRANTS PASS, Nov. 23.—The county court, with Judge Gillette and Commissioner Lind and Savage present, met Saturday and issued a proclamation of prohibition under the local option law for the city of Grants Pass, the proclamation to be effective January 1. The action of the court is in accord with the state law, which provides that such proclamation shall be issued within ten days after the official announcement of the outcome of the local option election.

The budget was also discussed by the board, but no changes were made except to authorize the increase of the item for widow's pensions from \$2500 to \$4000. The budget will be further considered and finally determined upon at the regular December meeting.

WEEK SAW ADVANCE IN LIVESTOCK PRICES

Receipts for the week have been cattle 1293; calves 43; hogs 6796; sheep 5183. This week marked a more encouraging outlook for cattle that showed quality. Top steers went at \$7.50, very few sold below \$7.00. Cows did not show quality except occasionally good stuff bringing as high as \$6.25.

Hog receipts continued both liberal in quantity and strong in price. Tops advanced from \$7.49 Monday to \$7.55 Friday. Market closed in excellent shape, prices higher than at some eastern markets.

Continued short receipts and strong prices characterized the full weeks sheep market. Lambs sold as high as \$6.50; ewes \$4.55 and all other lines on the same price level.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Reported by Jackson County Abstract Co., Sixth and Fir Sts.

- Real Estate Transfers Joseph A. Newell et al to C. C. Tschirgi et al, land in sec. 33-36-1W, \$53,600 Charles Kibbe et ux to M. L. Johnson, lot in Ashland, 100 Ira L. Whipple et ux to Johanna M. Whipple, lot 6, blk. 4, Park Add., Medford 1 F. P. Gallagher et ux to J. F. Halloran, land in sec. 5-34-1W, 10 C. W. Baxye to Wm. Trimble, land in sec. 31-37-4W, and in sec. 6-38-4W, 1 W. Trimble et ux to Oscar M. Knox, same as above 1

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