

SCHOOL BOARD AIDS RED CROSS; PHIPPS OPPOSES

The new school board at its first meeting held last night voted to tender the Red Cross chapter the use of the sewing machines in the High school and also the use of the building for Red Cross purposes. The only negative vote was cast by W. E. Phipps. The only absentee was H. O. Nordwick.

Immediately after Drs. E. H. Porter and E. C. Riddell, the newly elected members, had been sworn in, and the purpose of the special meeting had been explained by President Palmer, Dr. Porter presented a motion to permit the Red Cross the use of the building and sewing machines. Dr. Riddell at once seconded the motion. Before the motion could be put Mr. Phipps demanded a ye and nay vote, and made strong objections in a lengthy address against the motion.

Phipps Opposes Red Cross.

Mr. Phipps held that the board had no authority in law to loan the sewing machines—in fact contended that the action would be illegal. During the course of his remarks Mr. Phipps is quoted as saying:

"How do you know where the money goes that is being collected for the Red Cross through the United States? The war may last only three months and then who knows but it might happen that the most of that million dollar fund may be used by persons high in the Red Cross to take a jaunt to Europe to have a look at the battle fields.

"If the ladies (referring to the Medford Chapter of the Red Cross) want to do something for the Red Cross let them go out into the orchards and thin fruit and give the money they earn that way to the Red Cross."

Porter Defends Red Cross.

Hardly had Mr. Phipps concluded than Dr. Porter was on his feet making a vigorous defense of the Red Cross and explaining to Mr. Phipps that in his remarks he had shown he was ignorant of the purposes and nature of the Red Cross. He stated that the Red Cross was the only great world charity where 95 or 96 percent of its funds actually goes to relieve want and suffering, and explaining the workings of the Red Cross and the great work it had performed in the past, even citing local instances.

Dr. Porter also told Mr. Phipps that he had the wrong conception of the make up of the local chapter, and that many of the women who meet daily at headquarters to sew bandages, etc., for the wounded soldiers were of middle age and beyond, and would be incapable of working in orchards if they wanted to.

Talks of Injunction.

No ill feeling was shown at the meeting, but just as it had concluded Mr. Phipps remarked:

"You ought to have looked into the law of this thing before passing that motion. Who knows but that some citizen may get out an injunction against your loaning those sewing machines?"

"Why, my dear man," Dr. Porter replied: "I can conceive of no man being so small as to seek such an injunction. Why if a person tried it, there are enough people in Medford who would carry him bodily from the city and county—yes, even drive him out of the state and nation, and I for one would help do it."

No action was taken at the meeting to oust H. S. Stine, who was re-elected clerk by the old board at its last meeting. At that meeting Mr. Stine informed the members before the vote was taken that he had an opinion from the attorney general of the state that it would be legal for the old board to relet him.

The new board has written to the state attorney general for an opinion as to the legality of Mr. Stine's reelection, and an answer is expected before the next regular meeting of the board which is to be held two weeks from last night.

Come to Teach Boys to Fly.

NEW YORK, June 20.—Twelve French aviators, all commissioned officers of the flying corps and the majority wearing one or more decorations for distinguished service, arrived here today to serve as instructors in American flying corps now training for duty in France. All of the men are direct from the front, having received only four days notice to sail for this country.

CHICAGO, June 20.—Two armed men, their faces hidden by handkerchiefs, entered the Adams Express company car of a Chicago, Burlington & Quincy train number three as it stood in the yards last night, bound Ward R. Smiley, the messenger, and A. R. Andrews, his assistant and escaped with between \$25,000 and \$30,000, according to the story told by Smiley tonight.

BANKS REFUSE TO PAY INTEREST ON CITY DEPOSITS

The members of the city council were considerably peeved at their meeting last night when a communication from the Medford banks was read in which the banks stated that they accepted the recent order of the council to furnish surety company bonds to protect city deposits, but that hereafter they would pay no interest on city deposits.

The temper of the councilmen as shown in remarks last night is such that unless the Medford banks continue to pay interest on city deposits, the council will place city funds in banks that will pay interest. Mayor Gates said: "Everytime we ask something of the banks they take away something from the city. They first reduced the rate of interest and now they refuse to pay any interest."

A Charter Provision.

The charter of the city stipulates that the council must require surety bonds of the banks.

The entire matter was placed in the hands of the council finance committee with the suggestion that a mutual agreement of some kind might be made with the bankers which would lead to a continuation of paying interest.

The council members will spend Friday at the city water works intake to decide on the best means to provide the city with an adequate and healthful water supply with the limited finances which at present can be devoted to this matter.

Changes in System.

The consensus of opinion of the councilmen is that while the present intake must be removed to another location as soon as possible, the present flimsy intake structure may be repaired at expense of several hundred dollars to last for several months or until such time as the council has funds on hand which will permit the removal of the intake to another location.

Altho plans were informally discussed to obtain the city's water supply from an entirely new source than the Fish Lake dam, it was generally admitted that such talk was useless at the present time because it will be several years at least before the city can spend from \$125,000 to \$200,000 on a new source of supply.

RED CROSS FUND \$6978.

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Welch, Dr. E. G. Riddell, Dr. T. G. Helms, E. G. Trowbridge, Jonas Wold, Gus Newbury, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bennett.

The Jacksonville team in the Red Cross drive reported by telephone this afternoon that they had raised \$1500 so far, of which \$1135 was raised Tuesday. Lewis Ulrich is captain of the team whose other members are John M. Williams, Albert N. Gammons, G. A. Gardner, Emil Britt and W. H. Johnson.

Dutch Steamer Sunk.

BOSTON, June 20.—The Dutch steamer Eemdijk, which left Boston May 13 for Rotterdam with grain for the Holland government has been sunk according to advices received by agents here today. First reports gave no details as to the safety of the crew.

Samuel Ward of Butte Falls was a visitor in the city Wednesday.

WOMAN NOW IN PERFECT HEALTH

What Came From Reading a Pinkham Advertisement.

Paterson, N. J.—"I thank you for the Lydia E. Pinkham remedies as they have made me well and healthy. Some time ago I felt so run down, had pains in my back and side, was very irregular, tired, nervous, had such bad dreams, did not feel like eating and had short breath. I read your advertisement in the newspapers and decided to try a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It worked from the first bottle, so I took a second and a third, also a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Blood Purifier, and now I am just as well as any other woman. I advise every woman, single or married, who is troubled with any of the aforesaid ailments, to try your wonderful Vegetable Compound and Blood Purifier and I am sure they will help her to get rid of her troubles as they did me."

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GATES APPEALS TO CITIZENS TO PAY UP ASSESSMENTS

At last night's council meeting Mayor Gates presented the following proclamation to the people of Medford:

"To the Citizens of Medford: "In making the final arrangements to complete the Hanson plan of refinancing the city, the citizens of Medford owing for public improvements, either sewer, paving or water, can call at the City Hall and pay any amount desired from one dollar to the full amount of the assessments, thereby reducing the amount to be bonded by the city."

"The new lien docket is now complete and all improvement assessments have been consolidated. I believe it to be the patriotic duty of all citizens who are financially able to do so, to pay up as much of their assessments as possible, thereby increasing the credit of the city as well as increasing the selling value of the indebtedness to be bonded.

"I respectfully request all citizens who have the welfare of the city at heart to co-operate with the city administration in making the refinancing of the city a success by paying at least a part of their improvement indebtedness now.

(Signed) C. E. GATES, Mayor.

The decision of Judge Calkins yesterday afternoon sustaining the Hanson plan held that the plan had been properly submitted to the people and was in no sense a competitive measure to the Medynski plan. The failure to provide an enacting cause was held to be not fatal and the signing of applications under the Bancroft act does not constitute a contract within the prohibition of the federal constitution. The plan, held the court, was legally adopted and is in full force and effect.

In answer to the Stanley action the court held the bonds issued under the Bancroft act are general obligation bonds and the character of the bonds to be issued under the Hanson plan is identical with the old bonds. The assessments levied against the property of William Stanley were therefore held valid and Stanley is estopped at this time.

ASHLAND RAISES RED CROSS FUND \$5000 IN 2 DAYS

ASHLAND, June 20.—Red Cross subscriptions for the Ashland district totaled at noon \$5000, the amount designated. The committee will, however, proceed with securing subscriptions. Ten people gave \$250 each. Nine teams of four in each team are at work.

The various Red Cross committees are working overtime with gratifying results. By a comprehensive system the workers are not constantly employed in any given territory. The idea seems to be to change them about from day to day in order to secure best results. In other words one team might succeed in a given district where a previous one failed. Already the Red Cross badge is omnipresent, testifying as to the success which is crowning efforts of the canvassers. The schedule of dining accommodations as afforded by ladies of the various churches at the noon hour each day this week at Elks temple, beginning on Tuesday, is correct as heretofore published with the exception that the Catholics furnished the meal on Thursday, June 21, and the Methodists under auspices of the Tenants club on Saturday, June 23, the "finals" in the dining calendar to be a chicken pie affair.

I COMPANY SOLDIER BOYS AS FARMERS

At the urgent solicitation of the Rogue River Fruit and Produce association, Senator Chamberlain has appealed to the war department to permit the employment of national guardsmen, not on actual duty, to assist in overcoming the shortage of farm labor by working in the fields and orchards where help is badly needed at this time.

As a result, about 25 members of Company I, O. N. G., of Woodburn, stationed in this city, will engage in orchard and farm work for a period of two weeks, beginning today, subject, of course, to call to military duty at any time during that period. Captain Todd received instructions from headquarters in Portland Tuesday to that effect.

This is a part of the war department's policy to assist in every way in the promotion of preparedness

GERMAN ARMY SHY ON RESERVES ASSERTS CRITIC

PARIS, June 20.—General de la Croix publishes in the Temps the results of his study, supposedly from authoritative sources, of the present number of German reserves. He estimates that the grand total of German troops of all kinds and classes up to June 1 reached 13,130,000 and that this total was depleted by losses of 3,530,000—2,200,000 rendered unfit thru wounds and 1,330,000 resident in foreign countries.

General de laCroix estimates that of the balance nearly 5,500,000 are employed as first line, rear line and interior troops, leaving a moveable balance of reserves of about 755,000. This number will be increased in November by 450,000 of the class of 919. These troops will not, however, be available before that, for any service, any more than those in formation.

On this basis General de la Croix figures that Germany has 575,000 reserves with which to cover her losses until November, or 115,000 a month plus \$5.00 monthly of those who recover from their wounds, a grand total of 200,000 a month. The general points out that German losses in April and May have been at least 300,000 monthly, making a debit balance which he says has been met by a shortening of the German front and fewer attacks. The advance of reserve has caused, he claims an obvious shift from the old tactics of the German general staff.

work in all departments of activity, conceding that the production of food supplies is one of the most essential features of the general plan.

At this particular season, Company I will be able to render vital assistance to farmers and orchardists whose usual source of labor supply has "gone to war."

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