

SEVENTH COMPANY TO MOBILIZE AT FORT STEVENS

One source of anxiety, or rather uncertainty, on the part of Company Seven members has been removed, for the command has been ordered to mobilize at Fort Stevens.

Captain A. J. Vance, learned this information last evening in a long distance telephone talk with Colonel Hammond at the coast artillery corps headquarters in Eugene. He has also learned that the coast artillery corps will be mobilized into the federal service at Fort Stevens on August 1. The various companies of the command will be mobilized at the respective armories next Wednesday.

There has been much speculation as to whether the coast artillery corps would be transferred into the infantry or some other branch of the service after it is mobilized into the federal service.

"That is a matter that one person can't even at all guess at," said Captain A. J. Vance today. "It will be decided by the War Department."

That the coast artillery will be given a long time is estimated by the fact that Captain Vance has received orders to give to the army base at once and since all the stores, material and equipment owned by the company actually reside in a few days at Fort Stevens, it is the case there it

Ashland. The company's lease does not expire for a year.

The company will put its two planes, Victrola and furniture of the club rooms in the armory in storage in the city to remain until it returns from the war. This club equipment is the private property of the company. It is feared that after being mustered in the federal service at Fort Stevens the command will be at that location for two or more months the company will have its controls sent to the fort.

Home Guard and Amnory.

Captain Vance has received a contract with a local restaurant for meals for the company during such time as it is in the city after the mobilization next Wednesday. A period of probably five days.

Last night Captain Vance visited the Home Guard company while it was at drill on the streets, explained the armory situation to its members and suggested that the Home Guard take over the lease of the armory.

The armory would make an ideal headquarters for the Home Guard company and meeting place for the club. Home guard, as well as for general patriotic meetings.

Nothing will be done by the Home Guard at present towards obtaining the armory beyond making an effort to have the state or government lease the armory for the organization's use. Now that the time is fast approaching for mobilization of Company Seven, its members who are at present and visit in all parts of the Pacific coast are beginning to arrive in the city ready to go.

L. W. W. AGITATORS IN CALIFORNIA OIL FIELDS

With the arrival of an L. W. W. unit in Bakerfield, California, the "Woodmen" in the oil fields of California became a known fact today. The men are migrating here from Louisiana and other states.

PROSPECT FOREST FIRE CONTROLLED; OTHERS BURNING

Early this afternoon the forest fire situation in this district was reported as more favorable than for several days past. W. T. Greave, state supervising fire warden of Jackson county, returned to the city this morning and reported that the big fire near Mill creek station in the Prospect section was under control.

This fire has burned over 300 acres, but the fire was very old and had little live timber was left. Yesterday it twice jumped the road during the heat of the day and got away from the fire fighters. Twenty-five men are still working on this fire.

In Woodstuff Meadows.

No word has been received up to this afternoon from Forest Supervisor Erickson, who is in charge of the big fire in the Cedar reserve in the Woodstuff Meadows section. He has 35 men at work on this fire which has burned over 100 acres of timber so far.

Of the eight fires in the Fuller Falls district, Supervisor Greave said this noon that all but two were under control. He sent 10 men out to that district today to fight the fires. In speaking of the general forest fire situation Mr. Greave said that no more than 100 live timber has been burned as was at first reported.

Mr. Greave wants all men who live out to fight fires in either the state or federal forests to know that fire fighting is no snap and that for the pay they receive they must do good hard work.

Fire Fighters Sought. "We pay fire fighters a good

ASK COURT TO COMPEL OPERATION SEATTLE TROLLEYS

SEATTLE, July 18.—Acting under the direction of the city council and with the approval of Mayor Gill, Corporation Counsel Caldwell appeared in the superior court of King county this afternoon, and petitioned Judge Tallman for an alternative writ of mandamus compelling the Puget Sound Traction, Light and Power company within 24 hours to begin and continue to operate cars over each and all of its lines. The lines have been tied in since Tuesday morning by a strike of 1900 trolley men and conductors for recognition of the union and higher wages.

TACOMA, Wa., July 18.—With the city council unanimously adopting a resolution presented by Mayor Foxcroft calling upon the state public service commission and attorney general of the state to institute court proceedings to compel adequate street car service and with the company again sending out ten cars in city lines the fourth day of the Tacoma street car strike.

wage, not less than 25 cents an hour, and treat them as well as we can under the conditions prevailing," says Mr. Greave. "We pay the men from the time they leave the city, transport them both ways free, and feed them. We do not pay them, however, for the time they spend in eating meals. All a man needs to take along from home is a good blanket. "If for drinking or any other reason we discharge a man at a fire, we pay him off and give him the price of transportation back to the city but do not transport him back. We must get back to best in our

TWO CITIES PROTEST MACADAMIZING OF SISKIYOU HIGHWAY

A joint meeting was held this forenoon at the Commercial club by the directors of the club and representatives of the Ashland Commercial club, to take some action relative to endeavoring to persuade the state highway commission to hard surface the Siskiyou highway instead of macadamizing it, and to speed construction of the Ashland Hill section of the highway.

After discussing the situation in all its phases, Bert E. Greer, as representative of the Ashland Commercial club, and S. S. Smith, as representative of the Medford club, were appointed a committee to call upon Governor Willson at Salem early tomorrow, and to later in the day confer with the state highway commission in Portland. It is hoped that this committee may be able to have the macadamizing plans of the highway commission abandoned in favor of the hard surface paving.

Business Men Protest.

The meeting which was attended by many business men was in the nature of a protest against the plan of the state highway commission to macadamize the 6 1/2 miles from the Siskiyou summit to the California state line this summer and fall. It was the general sense of the meeting that if this was done the commission would later pave the whole mountain road in this side with macadam instead of hard surfacing it. A letter from State Highway Engineer Nunn was read before the meeting by Frank Jordan, president of the Ashland Commercial club, in

which Mr. Nunn explained why this 6 1/2 miles was to be macadamized.

Reasons for Action.

In the first place, he wrote, the state had a contract for \$9000 tons of rock, made by the old commission, which cannot be rescinded. The second big reason he gave was that owing to the lateness of the season it would be impossible to hard surface this stretch of road before winter set in.

C. W. McDonald, president of the Medford Commercial club, presided at the meeting. The representatives of the Ashland commercial club present were President Frank Jordan, Secretary H. O. Frobach, and Bert E. Greer, a director.

LONDON, July 18.—French men, women and children, under 15 and more than fifty years of age, are being returned by the Germans to France from the occupied sections in the northern part of the country at the rate of 1900 a day, according to advices received by the Belgian relief commission here. The repatriation is being carried out through Switzerland.

Thousands of these refugees have arrived at Evian-les-Bains, in the department of Haute-Savoie, on Lake Geneva. Their condition is described as most pitiful. The relief commission and the American Red Cross are taking measures to relieve them, as Evian-les-Bains, with no adequate accommodations for such throngs, is daily becoming more congested.

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- 50 All Wool Pants \$2.98
- Dresses, Tables, Chairs, Stoves, and other things too numerous to mention, all at clean-up prices.

Men's Suits

- Blue Serge Suits, latest style, well made \$9.98
- One lot of Suits going at \$7.50
- One lot of All Wool, Gray and Brown \$10.98
- Twenty Dollar Suits going at \$12.50
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