

BELGIANS NEED AMERICAN AID IN RECONSTRUCTION

HAVRE, Nov. 22.—Conditions in some French and Belgian cities and towns near the Franco-Belgian border are reported as "in general, good" by Major John van Schaick, r., acting Red Cross commissioner or Belgium who was one of the first Americans to enter some of these places after the Germans evacuated them. In a message to the Red Cross headquarters here, he said:

"There is no great emergency like general famine, there is great amount of sickness, there is no tremendous shortage of clothing but here is need of prompt assistance on our part to meet what distress exists. The roads are horrible, especially on the Paschennelo Ridge.

"Roulers, a town of 25,000 inhabitants, has now but 1,100 civilians left. Iseghem, a few miles distant, a town of 18,000 inhabitants, has 1,000 left.

"Our camions have rushed a lot of food up to Turoing, Lille, Roubaix. Other camions took emergency actions up to some of the other little villages this side of Roulers. Ambulances brought back sick and wounded Belgians who had been under bombardment.

"Telling of his trip to Iseghem, Major van Schaick described an incident typical of the return of the Belgians to their homes which had been occupied by the German military forces.

"We had with us a school master," wrote the Red Cross commissioner. "When the war began he buried all his little fortune, an accumulation of the savings of a lifetime in the garden of his house in Roulers. He returned with our driver, wondering whether he was a poor man in his old age or whether he had enough to live on comfortably for the rest of his life. He found his house burned, his garden ploughed with shells and no trace whatever of his money.

"I will start again," he said. It was a tough thing to find that he had lost everything.

"While some of the inhabitants have been taken away to work," reported Major van Schaick, "they are in the minority. Many thousands, of course, have been sent back being the German lines. There are thousands who remain. They need the help of the American people."

CASTELNAU SLATED TO BECOME MARSHAL

PARIS, Nov. 22.—General Edouard de Castelnau, who will enter Strasbourg Sunday with the French army, according to the Echo de Paris, probably will at that time "assume a new dignity."

Paris newspapers have reported that three new marshals of France probably would be appointed and that one general would be promoted when Strasbourg was entered.

General de Castelnau was chief of the French general staff under Marshal Joffre and later was commander of the French armies in France and Belgium.

CENTRAL POINT

The community was shocked Wednesday morning to learn of the sudden death of Mrs. T. J. O'Hara, who was suddenly stricken at 8 a. m. and died at 10 a. m. Mrs. O'Hara was beloved by all who knew her and was a friend to everyone. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved husband and daughter, Mrs. Martin Bowers.

Little Chester Grim is spending this week with his sister, Mrs. McAllister at Gold Hill.

I. Marshall and family left Monday evening for Seattle and other points in Washington to visit relatives for several months.

Miss Christina Heckman has returned to Applegate where she is teaching.

Mrs. Jessie Clairey has returned from a very pleasant visit with relatives at Ashland.

Rev. M. C. Reed of Ashland was a visitor here last week.

Miss Ruth Lull of Kansas Creek was shopping here the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Doff Olson of Trail visited Minus Pence and family here the first of the week and departed for Bend, Oregon, Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Weeden made a business trip north the first of the week.

C. F. Case and mother of Beagle were trading here the first of the week.

Mrs. Martin and Miss Martin of Beagle were business visitors here during the week.

A. R. Parker of Portland is visiting his mother here.

G. S. Moore who has been quite ill for the past ten days, is able to be out once more.

Mrs. Ed Moore is at Sams Valley nursing her brother's wife.

Mrs. Thomas was a business visitor to Medford Tuesday.

Oscar Williams is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Williams.

If nothing prevents the public schools of Central Point expect to reopen Monday.

MOVING THEATER ENTERTAINS SICK AT CAMP LEWIS

CAMP LEWIS, Tacoma, Wash., Nov. 22.—A traveling theater that can be set up in any room, that can be packed upon half an hour and moved from place to place in an automobile truck, soon will be established in Camp Lewis for convalescent and quarantined soldiers. From theatrical talent in camp, much of it from professional ranks, will be drawn the personnel of actors.

Captain Walter L. Doty and Lieut. Robert Armstrong are behind the theater and will take large casts of soldier actors to Seattle and Tacoma soon where theatrical performances will be given to raise funds for the project.

The announcement of the traveling theater is big news to hundreds of men in camp. During the past week 43 companies were under quarantine because of contagious diseases that had occurred in their ranks. The theater will give amusement to the well members of these quarantine companies who cannot mingle with other men in camp or visit camp places of amusement.

One of the most interesting war maneuvers yet held in camp was carried out by the 213th engineers and supporting infantry today on American lake when pontoon bridges were laid across that lake to allow the infantry to cross over and attack an imaginary enemy on the opposite shore.

Three hundred rose bushes from the Oregon State hospital at Salem have been received in camp for the beautifying of roadsides. Many horticulturalists, professional and private, of both Oregon and Washington recently have sent large quantities of flower cuttings for replanting in camp.

RIVERSIDE RIPPLES

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Wahl, of Medford were calling on Riverside friends Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Brashere and Mrs. W. H. Striker were Medford visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Nye of Medford were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Alden. Mr. and Mrs. Nye expect to leave soon for their new home at Hollywood, Cal., and made several farewell calls on old friends.

F. C. Elliott and family were down from Medford Sunday in their new Dodge car. They spent the day with Mr. Elliott's mother, Mrs. C. H. Wahl.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Champlin were Grants Pass visitors on Tuesday.

The Recreation Club resumed their meetings on Tuesday and met with Mrs. G. B. Alden. Although a very stormy afternoon, nearly all the members were present. Miss Miss Anne McCohmick gave a very interesting talk on food combinations. Mrs. Chas. Champlin read

SEEK TO BRING OUT WESTERLUND TO DESTROY SHELDON

PORTLAND, Nov. 22.—The statement was made in the lobby of a hotel today, by a man closely associated with the campaign of one of the candidates for speaker of the next legislature, that "our crowd has about closed arrangements to induce John Westerlund of Medford to announce himself as a candidate for speaker. The game is, of course, to undermine the campaign of Sheldon who comes from the same county. It isn't fixed yet, but we feel sure we can put it over."

Mr. Sheldon, when seen today, stated that he had heard such a rumor, but that it did not bother him as Mr. Westerlund had given him an unequivocal pledge of support; that he knew Westerlund to be a man who kept his word, but that the pledge was given in the presence of Mayor C. E. Gates, Bert Anderson and S. S. Smith, all of Medford.

Concerning Sheldon's candidacy, the Spectator says:

Ben C. Sheldon, representative from Jackson county, is said to be the most likely candidate for speakership, although the others promise to be serious contenders when the hour arrives for organizing the lower branch of the assembly. Mr. Sheldon, because of his experience as a legislator and because of his wide acquaintance throughout Oregon, has gained support from all parts of the state.

An instructive magazine article and Mrs. Gay's musical number on the piano was greatly enjoyed. Guests of the club were Mrs. John Dubins, of Grants Pass, Mrs. Lynn Smith and Mrs. McCaughan, of Gold Hill.

Friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Boyd gathered at their home Friday evening to help them celebrate their sixth wedding anniversary. Dancing was enjoyed and refreshments which had been hastily gathered up were of the very best.

Mrs. Jacobs and George Jacobs were shopping in Rogue River on Saturday.

Mrs. Grant Mathews and the Misses Muriel and Daphne Mathews, were callers at the Alden home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lauce of Foote Creek, have gone to Dunsmuir, Cal., for a few months.

Mrs. A. Champlin, Mrs. Georgia Kettle and Fred Champlin are expected home on Friday from a six-week's visit in Chicago.

Mr. C. H. Wahl received a message the past week that his sister in Iowa had passed away.

Mrs. I. H. Porter entertained Mrs. D. H. Stead and children at dinner on Tuesday.

Many of the housewives on Riverside were greatly inconvenienced Monday, when the electricity was turned off just as the washing was well commenced.

There will be a quarterly business meeting of the Community Club at their club house on Saturday evening, November 23.

REESE CREEK RIPLETS

School began again Monday with most of the pupils present and one new one.

The school at Laurel Hill has not opened yet. The teacher, Miss Zanta Rader, has been suffering from a bad cold.

Mrs. Walter Woods has recovered enough to be up and around in the house some.

In the recent war drive of the Victory boys and girls Reese Creek went way over the top. The school was closed during the week of the drive, but the week following Miss Marguerite Hammond, the teacher, being back took hold of the work very en-

WAGE INCREASES ANNOUNCED FOR ELECTRIC WORKERS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Wage increases were announced today by the war labor board for interurban trainmen at Portland, Ore. Interurban trainmen employed by the Portland Railway, Light and Power company were given a scale ranging from 49 cents per hour for passenger brakemen to 60 cents per hour for night yard switch crews with 54 cents an hour for passenger trainmen and 50 cents for freight trainmen. Extra work and overtime is to be paid for at time and a half after 10 hours.

An examiner of the labor board will be kept at Portland to enforce the board's award which takes effect as of July 17, 1918. The award says the increase in wages will add substantially to the operating cost of the company and the board recommends a reconsideration by proper authorities looking to an increase in passenger fares.

The board also fixed a new scale of higher wages for employees of the Butte, Mont., Electric Railway company, ranging from 61 to 66 cents an hour. The award takes effect as of August 3 last, and the company must pay the retroactive increases before February 1. The board recommends an advance in passenger fares to pay the increased operating cost.

FEMALE JURY FINDS SOLDIER GUILTY

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 22.—Six women were on a jury which today found Alvin Adams, 24-year-old soldier, drafted from Kansas City, guilty of murdering M. R. Raymer, an automobile driver, near Redmond, Wash., last June.

Adams said he hired Raymer to take him to Redmond, where he could steal a ride aboard a railroad train to his home. When Raymer told him his bill was \$7, Adams said he became frightened, having no money, so he killed the driver and drove the car to Portland.

thrustastically and pushed it will success, sending in about eight dollars.

Mrs. Frank Caator is still suffering from a very sore foot.

H. Watkins and wife were up at the Rancharie ranch last week and brought down F. Howard's horses. H. Watkins will have the care of them.

W. E. Hammond was in Central Point the first of the week.

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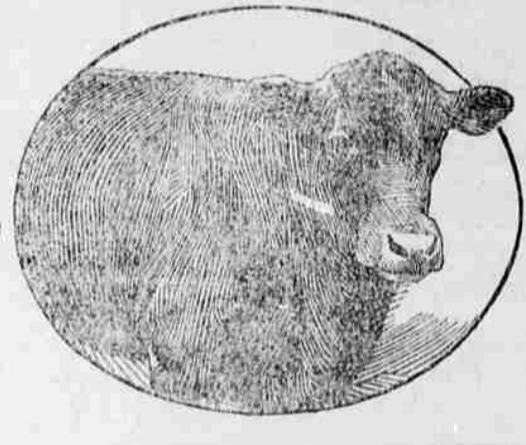
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