

NEW MEMBERS OF ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL SEATED

ASHLAND, Jan. 13.—New members of the city council having been inducted into office, the personnel of the board now includes W. A. Turner, C. W. Banta, C. W. Root, J. H. McGee, Frank J. Shinn and A. C. Ninninger with C. B. Lamkin presiding as mayor, who has announced the following appointive officers:

Chief of police—J. W. Hatcher.
Night policeman—G. M. Lowe.
Fire chief—G. M. Roberts; assistants, William Myer and J. R. Robinson.
City electrician—O. S. Easterling.
Superintendent water works—E. R. Hooser.
Street commissioner—C. W. Fraley.
Caretaker dumpground—A. A. Graves.
City engineer—F. H. Walker.
Electric generating superintendent—F. E. Russell; assistants, G. W. King, Theodore Russell and Walter Kittredge.
City attorney—L. A. Roberts.

Three main problems confront the municipal administration, and these refer to a reduction of the city indebtedness, and devising ways and means for adding to, and extending the service of the water and electric light utilities. A steady reduction of the debt is being accomplished systematically by the introduction of the sinking fund measure, the proceeds of a specific levy in the municipal budget being applied exclusively for this purpose and none other. This leaves a definite fund to "bank off" annually, augmented by excess profits from the water and light departments, as prevailing circumstances may warrant. As to electric energy, the plans for supplementing the present supply are many and varied, and it is needless to add that the demands for "more light" will afford much food for thought at the hands of the committee which will initially have this problem under consideration before suggestions are finally submitted to the council as a body. The water problem is always with us, and bids us persistently, every summer during the dry season. For nine months in the year there is a abundant and to spare, in fact the waters of Ashland creek go to waste in great measure as far as this city is concerned. During these months we rest content in the face of a plentiful supply, only to realize each recurring year the period of scarcity during the July-September interval. At this time everybody has a plan for storing the supply up the canyon, a question which has never been satisfactorily settled. In the meantime, however, the report is that the present council will not allow another summer to pass without having marked out a feasible project, presumably on the storage reservoir basis.

The year 1919 will witness the maturity of a number of bankrupt obligations on having account, as in many instances, especially in the business district, the ninth assessment in this classification was redeemed in December, 1918, leaving the tenth assessment, due this year, as clearing the docket in many instances as far as this leading improvement is concerned.

The following standing committees of the council have been appointed by the mayor. The list is convenient to refer to whenever one wishes to formulate a specific request, report upon conditions, or air a grievance:

Finance—Turner, Banta, Root.
Ordinance—Shinn, McGee, Banta.
Electric light—Shinn, Turner, McGee.
Water—Banta, Turner, McGee.
Street—Banta, Root, Turner.
Fire—Shinn, Turner, Root.
Cemetery—Ninninger, Turner, Shinn.
Indigent—McGee, Ninninger, Banta.
Sanitary—Root, Ninninger, Shinn.
Building and realty—Turner, McGee, Banta.
Board of health—Dr. F. G. Swendenburg, Dr. G. W. Gregg, A. C. Ninninger, C. W. Root, J. H. McGee.

DAMP, CHANGING WEATHER

Brings Its Toll of Sickness to Medford People.
Chilly, damp, changing weather is hard on the kidneys.
Even more irritating are colds, grip and pneumonia;
They congest the kidneys;
They bring backache and disordered kidney action.
For weak kidneys use a tested remedy.
Medford people recommend Doan's Kidney Pills.
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JACKSON COUNTY SCHOOL PUPILS WIN THRIFT PRIZE

CORVALLIS, Jan. 13.—Jackson county won the \$50 prize in the thrift campaign conducted by the school children of the state during the last year under the auspices of the Oregon Bankers' association, the Oregon State Teachers' association, the Oregon Department of Education, the United States Department of Agriculture and the Oregon Agricultural college through the boys' and girls' club work department. Thousands of children were interested in the campaign and began habits of thrift which are expected to mean much to Oregon in the future.

The work has proved so successful that the Oregon Bankers' association will not only again offer \$50 in cash to the county making the best showing but has voted \$200 for the printing of pupils' record books. The State Teachers' association is preparing to publish a report of the work accomplished in the last year, and plans for future work.

Deposits Are Made
One thousand nine hundred and twenty-two children in Jackson county saved and deposited in banks or postoffices an average of 10 cents a week during the year. An average of three hours or more a week was devoted by 2361 pupils to home industries, including food production or preparation, such as gardening, poultry raising, and pig raising, fruit-picking, cooking, canning, sewing and carpentry. Written work on thrift was prepared and submitted to teachers, county superintendents or to some newspaper for publication by 2,762 children. Readings, recitations and debates were given in thrift programs by 1,678 youngsters.

Those keeping personal expense accounts, club project accounts, or who assisted their parents in keeping household or farm accounts numbered 1578. The total number of activities reported by G. W. Ager, county superintendent, was 11,391, a ratio of more than 300 per cent to the number of pupils enrolled.
The thrift movement is expected to mean much in the promotion of business enterprise and industry in Oregon. It is expected that a definite place will be assigned in every public school program for the teaching of thrift. The basis on which the prize was awarded to Jackson county was the summarized report of the superintendents, which was made up from individual reports of pupils taking part in the contest. Wasco, Linn and Union counties were highly commended for results obtained in the contest.

Committee Awards Prize
The prize was awarded at a joint meeting of the executive committee of the Oregon Bankers' association and special thrift committee of the Oregon State Teachers' association. This joint committee consists of F. J. Toole, superintendent of schools in Oregon City, chairman; Dean J. A. Bexell, School of Commerce, O. A. C., Corvallis; J. W. McCoy, banker, Ashland; Clyde T. Benney, county superintendent of schools, The Dalles; Thomas H. West, banker, Portland; Mrs. Gertrude Orth, teacher; Luke Goodrich, banker; A. C. Strance, superintendent of city schools, Baker City; James H. Albert, Salem.

SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS DRY LAW

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The supreme court held today that the Reed "bone dry" prohibition amendment prohibits interstate transportation into dry states of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes even when intended for personal use.
Justice McDevolds, in a dissenting opinion, concurred in by Justice Clark declared the Reed amendment was not an interstate commerce regulatory measure, but a direct intermeddling with a state's affairs and beyond federal control.
As interpreted by the court, the law nullifies state statutes permitting limited amounts of liquor to be brought in for personal use.

SEATTLE POLICE ATTACK RED FLAG

SEATTLE, Jan. 13.—Fourteen alleged Bolshevik sympathizers were in jail here today awaiting investigation of an attack made yesterday upon police who attempted to break up what they called a "Red Flag" parade. The parade followed a meeting at which Industrial Workers of the World speakers urged a general strike in all industries, to stop the manufacture and shipment of supplies for the American army in Russia.
Police Captain W. H. Searinz, who led a force of nearly 100 officers in an attempt to stop the parade was attacked by the paraders. A crowd estimated at nearly 5,000 gathered on the down town streets when the riot occurred.

FIRST BABY OF THE FRENCH HIGH COMMISSION IN WASHINGTON



MADAME JACQUES BOYRIVEN, WIFE OF CAPTAIN BOYRIVEN, AN AVIATOR ATTACHED TO THE FRENCH HIGH COMMISSION IN WASHINGTON, AND THEIR BABY, RENE.

The French high commission has a baby—the first born since the commission came to Washington from France.
That is to say, a member of the commission is the papa of a girl baby. He is Captain Jacques Boyriven of the aviation section of the commission.
His wife, a bride of a little more than a year, is a beautiful Parisienne who accompanied the captain to this country last year. The baby was born in their Washington home two months ago and has just had her first picture taken.

RUSSIA REVERTING TO PURE BARBARISM

LONDON, Jan. 13.—"Russia, that is soviet Russia, will revert to absolute barbarism within three years if assistance is not offered from the outside," says a British officer who recently escaped from Russia. To the correspondent of the Associated Press, he added:
"Men and women of the better classes who have lived through the first year of Bolshevism are donning peasant garb in self defense and dropping into the dull, monotonous village life. There's nothing else for them to do. Russia will soon be as primitive as the Congo if allowed to drift along under Bolsheviki control. It is hopeless to expect leadership in Russia which will save the country from reversion to mediocrity. The Bolsheviki leaders are not strong. Opposition leaders are so weak that Lenin and his associates seem strong by comparison. They are merely better organized than any other group."

BOLSHEVIKI EMISARY ARRESTED IN BERLIN

LONDON, Jan. 13.—Karl Radek, Russian Bolsheviki emissary, is reported arrested in Berlin.

FUEL LIMITATIONS FOR SHIPS REMOVED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—All limitations on the kind or amount of fuel, coal, food and other ship supplies which vessels outward bound from American ports may carry were removed in orders issued today by the war trade board. Licenses for bunker coal will be issued in the same manner as heretofore, however, and through this the board will continue to control the destinations of the ships.

WANT AUSTRIAN SHIPS TO TRANSPORT TROOPS

PARIS, Sunday, Jan. 12.—American and British representatives will hold a conference with German admiralty authorities at Treves on Wednesday for the purpose of acquiring possession of German and Austrian passenger ships for the transportation of troops. The United States will be represented by E. N. Hurley, chairman of the shipping board, and Admiral W. S. Benson.

AUSTRIANS PROVE DISPOSITION OF IMPERIAL FUNDS

VIENNA, Dec. 26.—(Correspondence of Associated Press.) Pending an investigation by parliament of the disposition of the imperial funds, the position of the former Emperor Charles and the erstwhile imperial family continues to be a painful one the not dangerous unless the situation should lead to disorders. In that event the family possibly may travel to Switzerland or elsewhere.
The socialist papers continue freely to attack the former emperor, archdukes and aristocracy, claiming that the latter did not do their duty during the war. There is much critical and frivolous gossip concerning the former Emperor Zita.

The secret file of the old Emperor Francis Joseph is being examined. His fortune is variously estimated at from 50,000,000 to 20,000,000 crowns. According to one report the old emperor divided 60,000,000 crowns between his two daughters Ghela and Valerie and his granddaughter, the Princess Windischgratz, with other large sums to the imperial funds from which donations were made to churches, pensions and the royal poor. Altho Charles, officially is the dispenser of these funds, it is stated that in reality it is handled by the bank directors.

Friends of the former Emperor Charles assert that all the sins of the Hapsburgs have been visited upon his head and that he has been blamed for all the grafting in the army, altho the aristocrats declare that the grafting generals were principally those without titles. They admitted, however, there were a few exceptions in which corrupt nobility profited by the war. It is asserted by the friends of Charles, the last emperor, that while the old emperor never was permitted to get in touch with the people, Charles immediately got rid of the "old crowd" and did his best to introduce new men and to stop the war.

TWO AVIATORS KILLED FORT WORTH FIELD

FORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 13.—Two aviators of Carruthers field were killed here this morning when their plane dropped into a tail-spin and fell 5,000 feet. They are Lieutenant John E. Garbit of Sheridan, Wyo., and Mechanic R. L. Quinn of Pittsburg, Pa.

TODAY'S CASUALTIES

Killed in action—Private Robert L. Henry, Lafayette, Ore.
Died from wounds—Private James R. Fenwick, Shevville, Ore.
Wounded severely—Private Griffith Jones, Oregon City, Ore.
Killed in action, previously reported missing in action—Private Walter C. Crane, Allegheny, Ore.

USED TRIP HAMMER TO SEND MESSAGES TO BOCHE U-BOATS

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 13.—An interesting story of enemy spy work is told by Frank H. Gaskill, assistant chief of the protective league, which rendered service during the war.
The organization, Mr. Gaskill relates, was responsible for the in-

tervention of a man caught spelling out dangerous messages with a trip hammer he was operating in a big industrial plant on the Delaware river. The messages were first detected by a telegraph operator in Palmyra, N. J. He caught the hammer spelling out: "Troop ship moving tomorrow morning."
The telegrapher notified the government authorities who caught the trio hammer operator signalling: "Haid on fishing fleet complete surprise."
This was several hours before the news dispatches brought word of the sinking fleet by German submarines off New England. The trip-hammer expert was found to be a former telegraph operator. Mr. Gaskill said the mystery of where the operator got his news or to whom he was signalling never was solved.

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