

SIX INDICTMENTS BY GRAND JURY COMPLETE WORK

The county grand jury after having been in session since Monday completed its work this forenoon and was discharged. The jury had few cases to consider and returned only six indictments.

After a thorough investigation of the charge against A. K. Earhart, former road supervisor of the Rogue River district, accused of charging the use of his auto against the county while in office as a wagon and team, the jury refused to indict Mr. Earhart and dropped the charge. The members of the former county court testified before the jury highly commending Mr. Earhart's work as supervisor. The jury returned an indictment against Ray Toft, the Medford loan broker, for the unlawful selling of a bottle of whisky to W. H. Smith, the local roofing contractor, early in December. An indictment was also returned against John Doe on the charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

No information was given out concerning the four other indictments returned, but it is understood that they were all returned in the four Ashland cases of criminal assault on young girls.

The session of the circuit court will open next Monday, and the first case to be tried is that against Mark Foster, the young Medford man accused of criminal assault on a school girl when out riding with her in an auto. This case was tried at the last term of court but the jury disagreed.

ARMY ENLISTMENTS TO BE RESUMED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—By a vote of 172 to 162 the house late today adopted a rule for immediate consideration of a senate bill authorizing resumption of volunteer enlistment in the regular army. Administration leaders said passage of the bill, expected tonight, virtually would end all possibility of action on the military committee's plan authorizing an army of half a million men during the year beginning next July.

The senate measure provides for an army of 175,000 men, the limit set by the national defense act of 1916. Immediately after the rule was adopted Chairman Dent of the military committee, announced an amendment would be offered to the senate bill limiting the period of enlistment to one year in actual service and to two years in the reserve instead of three years' active service and four years in the reserve as provided by the present law.

HOME PHONE PLANT AT PORTLAND SOLD

PORTLAND, Feb. 18.—The entire property of the Home Telephone & Telegraph company, appraised at \$2,100,000, was sold at public auction at the courthouse Monday and bid in for \$500,000 by the Security Savings & Trust company, in accordance with previous arrangements with the bondholders. C. F. Adams, acting for the Security Savings & Trust company, presenting the bid. There were no other bids and the plant and real estate were knocked down to the bidder without delay.

16 CAPITAL SHIPS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—All of the 16 capital ships already authorized by the navy will be under construction on the ways, within a year, Rear Admiral Taylor, chief of construction, today informed the senate naval affairs committee during consideration of the naval appropriation bill.

These ships will be completed within four years at a maximum from the time they are started, Admiral Taylor estimated.

The committee restored to the bill a provision continuing war time increased pay in the navy, which was stricken out by the house on a point of order.

Says It Is the Best in the World There is one remedy that those who know depend upon for relief from coughs that "hang on" after the grip. Foley's Honey and Tar clears the passages, soothes raw, inflamed membranes and banishes irritation and tickling in the throat. A. H. McDonald, Box 51, Lindsdale, W. Va., writes: "I am glad to tell you that Foley's Honey and Tar is the best medicine in this world. I have had a severe cough and before I used half a bottle I was better." For sale by Medford Pharmacy.

BRITISH ARMY OPERATING ROADS IN THE BALKANS

ADRIANOPOLE.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Railway travel in this section of Europe nowadays, is calculated either to develop or shatter one's patience. A trip from Saloniki to Constantinople, which in peace time required less than 15 hours, now takes a week or more. The correspondent of the Associated Press spent five days journeying from Serres in Greece to Adrianople—a distance which a fast American train would cover in less than 10 hours. The correspondent traveled in a stoveless box car with Bulgarian soldiers who outdid themselves to make him comfortable.

The British army has taken over the operation of main railways in Bulgaria and Turkey, and while the wretched condition of the German locomotives which have fallen into their hands, makes travel extremely slow, the service is unusually efficient. The traveler is always certain of reaching his destination however long it may take. It is this administrative efficiency on the part of the English that has made it possible for American Red Cross to transport hundreds of tons of supplies to points from Saloniki to Adrianople in Turkey to meet the urgent needs of Greek and Serbian refugees who are pouring back from Bulgaria and Turkey in ever increasing numbers.

Not only have the British authorities expedited these relief supplies in every possible way but they have at several points turned over to the American Red Cross large quantities of flour and other food stuffs. It is no exaggeration to say, if it were not for this and other help on the part of the British, the condition of returning refugees would be hopeless.

HOUSE PASSES BOXING BILL

SALEM, Feb. 18.—The house yesterday afternoon passed Dr. Earl C. McFarland's bill authorizing cities and towns in Oregon, if they so desire, to establish municipal boxing commissions after the Portland plan.

A few minor amendments have been made in the bill since its introduction. One action prohibits matches on Sunday; another requires that 100 taxpayers, in place of 10, file a petition with the mayor before the commission may be created. The house yesterday passed the Rogue river fishing bill with a comparatively small display of pyrotechnics. The real battle was over the committee report last week.

POINCARE TESTIFIES AGAINST HUMBERT

PARIS, Feb. 18.—President Poincare gave testimony yesterday in the case of Senator Charles Humbert, former proprietor of Le Journal, who has been under examination for some time in connection with charges growing out of the Bolo Pasha and other treason cases. The president's testimony was taken at the palace of the Elysee.

TO REDUCE GERMAN ARMY.

(Continued from page one.) pate in the League of Nations on the principle of political and economical equality. He said that Germany was ready to agree to disarmament on land and sea and in the air.

Erzberger admitted that Germany made a mistake in 1871 when she did not consult the people of Alsace-Lorraine as to their fate. He expressed the hope that France would not make the same mistake in annexing Germans without calling a plebiscite.

Financial Treaty Wanted LONDON, Feb. 17.—One of the notes presented by Mathias Erzberger, one of the German armistice commissioners to Marshal Foch at Treves on Friday, complained of the failure of the entente allies to commence negotiations at Spa for a financial treaty with Germany, according to a German wireless dispatch picked up here. Erzberger pointed out that the arrangements made by the entente called for a beginning of the negotiations on February 12, and that the German delegates were at Spa to commence work. He said it would be necessary to arrive at an agreement regarding the amount and price of foodstuffs to be supplied Germany and concerning the manner of payment. He declared that, as these matters were not settled it was impossible to give instructions to the commercial fleet, for "however anxious the German government is to fulfill its engagements, it is its solemn duty not to place the merchant fleet under foreign control until the purpose for which such a significant and painful measure was agreed upon has been assured."

THIS PRINCE IS A PHILANTHROPIST



This is the royal ruler of Liechtenstein, reported in December to have been detached from his throne by the wave of democracy which enveloped the little country in its sweep over Europe. Liechtenstein has only 60 square miles and 10,000 people and Prince Johann has been a benefactor of the country rather than an oppressor. He has large holdings in other parts of Europe and when the Liechtenstein treasury has been low it was his practice to finance public works from his private purse.

LENINE QUARRELS WITH TROTSKY

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 18.—Serious differences of opinion have arisen between the Moscow soviet headed by Premier Lenine and the Petrograd soviet headed by Leon Trotsky, over the allied proposal for a conference on the Princes Islands, according to a dispatch from Helsinki. Bolshevik forces operating in the Ukraine, according to advices from Kiev, have suffered several severe defeats at the hands of the Ukrainians.

BUTTE EDITOR ON TRIAL FOR DEFYING DEFENSE COUNCIL

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 18.—W. F. Dunn, editor of the Butte Bulletin and representative in the legislature from Silver Bow county, elected on the democratic ticket, and whose seat is now being contested under allegations of fraud, is being tried before Judge R. Lee Word of the district court of Lewis and Clark county on a charge of sedition. R. B. Smith and Leo Daly, co-defendants with Dunn and associated with him in the publication of the Bulletin, will be given separate trials, a motion to that effect having been granted by Judge Word this morning.

The three men are charged with ignoring an order of the Montana state council of defense in converting their newspaper into a daily from a weekly following an order from the war industries board and its communication to the Bulletin by the state council of defense, and with attempting to incite resistance to the mandates of the council of defense whose authority it denied in an editorial published August 16, 1918.

The questioning of jurors by counsel for the defense indicated that it would base its case on the constitutional guarantee of freedom of speech and freedom of the press. The prosecution will be based upon the state anti sedition law passed by the extra session of the legislature a year ago under the provisions of which resistance to a legally constituted state body operating for the winning of the war constitutes sedition. It is not expected the jury will be complete before tomorrow.

Drug clerks may yet have hope. The legislative bill cutting down their hours to 54 a week was resubmitted last week and is now one of the live ones lying on the tables. A bill on the table may be taken up at any time and become a live issue.

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FRENCH VIEW OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS TOLD BY BOURGEOIS

PARIS, Feb. 18.—The financial situation of France is being given serious attention in the chamber of deputies, where it will be the subject of an interpellation at an early date.

France's war expenses are expected to reach a total of 182,000,000,000 francs, with resources to meet it of 158,000,000,000 francs, showing a deficit of 24,000,000,000 francs. In addition to the 24,000,000,000 deficit, there are exceptional expenses such as compensation to civilians for war damage, which is placed in moderate estimates at 10,000,000,000 francs; the cost of exchanging the German mark currency of Alsace-Lorraine, 2,500,000,000 francs; the repayment of bonds issued in liberated regions, 1,500,000,000 francs; demobilization bonuses, estimated at between 2,000,000,000 and 6,000,000,000 francs, together with other exceptional expenses, which will bring the estimated total to 26,000,000,000 francs and make the total deficit 50,000,000,000 francs.

It is reckoned that the expenses for 1920 will be 18,500,000,000 francs, of which the existing budget can supply only 8,000,000,000 francs. The question is, therefore, being discussed in France quarters whether, apart from Germany's war contribution, a new division of war expenses ought not to be considered between the allies in order to distribute more equitably the burden which, it is contended, weighs more heavily on France than on the others.

SWEDISH WOMEN DECLARE FOR LEAGUE

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 18.—A resolution formulated by the Swedish section of the International Committee of Women for Permanent Peace and endorsed by representatives of 47,000 Swedish women declaring adhesion to President Wilson's peace program, will be sent by L. N. Morris, the American minister to President Wilson.

ARGENTINE LOAN TO GREAT BRITAIN

PARIS, Feb. 18.—Negotiations are under way between Great Britain and Argentina for an arrangement under which Argentina would make a credit loan to Great Britain, to be expended in Argentina in the purchase of foodstuffs and raw materials. Similar projects are reported under discussion between other entente powers and Argentina.

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OPPOSE RAISING \$4000 FOR FAIR BUILDING, PORTLAND

The Jackson County Business Men's association at its annual meeting held at the Hotel Holland last night went on record in opposition to Jackson county raising the \$4,000 allotted to it as its share of the \$175,000 to be raised in Oregon outside Portland for the building of a permanent building for the Pacific International Livestock exposition. The association, although it thought the exposition building would be a nice thing, yet felt that Jackson county could spare no money for this purpose and that the establishment of the county fair should come first in importance, rather than raising money to establish a permanent building in Portland.

A number of local matters of interest to merchants were discussed, as well as ratings, and the association elected the following board of directors, who will meet in the near future and elect officers: C. S. Butterfield, Blaine Klum, A. C. Hubbard, H. C. Garnett, Paul Janney, H. L. Walther and B. W. Paul. The only new directors elected were H. C. Garnett and H. L. Walther.

The association also adopted a resolution petitioning the government to restore the telephone system of the county to private ownership following a discussion which showed that there was much dissatisfaction with the phone service under government control and a feeling that the service would be much better under private ownership again.

OIL LAND LEASING BILL IS ACCEPTED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The house today adopted by a vote of 232 to 109 the conferees' report on the oil and mineral land leasing bill which opens up for development vast areas of western lands. Action by the senate is now awaited.

The bill makes possible the leasing of approximately 700,000,000 acres of public land, 365,000,000 acres of forest reserve, 35,000,000 acres of coal land, 6,000,000 acres of oil land, and 4,500,000 acres of phosphate land. In payment the government would receive royalties and rentals and the government reserves the right of supervising, controlling and regulating the development.

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THOUSANDS CHEER 65TH IN SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Feb. 18.—With enough snap in the weather to make it exhilarating 900 men and 40 officers of the 65th Coast Artillery, back from France, swung up Seattle's business streets today to the accompaniment of cheers from thousands. Officers of the North Pacific Coast Artillery district and coast defense of Puget Sound, bands, the mayor's welcoming committee and a platoon of police escorted the parade from the station to Masonic Temple, where lunch was served the troops. Automobile rides, theater attractions, and a ball tonight are on the program. Tomorrow the troops leave for Camp Lewis for demobilization.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. One Hundred Dollar reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 15c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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Reveries of a Flour Salesman He sold flour for a great big mill; They used to call him "Gold Peddle Bill"; We heard him remark to a friend one day— And this is what we heard him say: "The trade sure is a-treatin' me rough, Why everyone's stuck on this home-milled stuff. They shake my hand and smoke my cigar, But 'nothing doing' when I start to talk flour; For 'Gold Peddle' flour there seems no demand; Simply say, 'We like the VILMO brand— It's made from the wheat our farmers grow— Had a good raisin', don't you know! Uncontaminated by railroad or freight, Always at hand without worry or wait; The housewives say, and declare it is so, It's a dead sure success when mixed into dough." **Rogue Valley Milling Co.**