

### WAR DECLARED ON DIGGER SQUIRREL IN JACKSON CO.

War has been declared on the Digger Squirrel in Jackson County and in every district the farmers are spreading poisoned barley with the idea of eliminating the ground squirrel from all the patented lands in the county. The project known as "Rodent Control" has been adopted in every community by members of the Farm Bureau and this project promises to be carried out with very good effect.

Mr. F. C. Homes of Ashland, is the county leader in this work with the following men as leaders for their respective communities:

Name	District
Joshua Patterson	Talent
Geo. Alford	Phoenix
J. E. Judy	Griffin Creek
Geo. Launspugh	Jacksonville
W. P. Young	Willow Springs
F. C. Homes	Bellview
M. Tucker	Nell Creek
Geo. Martin	Rogue River
D. M. Lowe	Valley View
F. E. Upton	Central Point
Geo. Brown	Eagle Point
Tom Strathorn	Sams Valley
L. C. Daley	Lake Creek
G. W. Jacobs	Gold Hill
A. L. Vincent	Table Rock
Henry Hanson	Dewey
D. D. Duff	Oak Grove
Geo. B. Brown	Brownboro

The above men will inform you relative to carrying out plans of rodent campaign in this county. They will tell you where to get the poison and assist you in any way possible. The county court of Jackson county has furnished the strychnine for poisoning barley and the poisoned barley can be obtained for seven cents per pound in every community in the county.

#### County Provides Central Mixing Plant

All equipment for a central mixing plant has been provided by the county court and the county agent has already mixed two tons of barley and will probably mix two or three more tons before the season is over. This mixing is done in the warehouse of the Rogue River Produce Association, on Main street, Medford, Oregon, and a supply of poison can always be obtained at this place.

#### ARREST ALLEGED FORGER PAYING A SOCIAL CALL

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—While in the company of Eva Smith, an 18-year-old girl of Portland, Ore., James A. Merrill, said by the police to be wanted on a charge of forgery in Vancouver, Wash., was arrested here last night. The girl was not arrested, but was taken to the juvenile detention home and her parents in Portland notified. The police said they had evidence also that Merrill is a deserter from the army.

Be ready for the Victory Liberty Loan. Buy the bonds and keep them. Saving means thrift. Thrift means success.

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### RODENT PESTS COST THE GOVERNMENT FULLY \$500,000,000

The annual losses from rodent pests in the United States have been estimated at fully \$500,000,000.

About two-fifths of this damage is inflicted by house rats and mice, both introduced from the Old World, and the remainder by native species.

This enormous waste of resources may be greatly reduced through systematic and organized campaigns against the injurious species.

The bounty system effects no permanent relief and is far more costly than the use of poisons and traps.

The United States Department of Agriculture has developed and perfected practical methods of extermination which have been successfully applied over wide territory.

The Bureau of Biological Survey of the department cooperates with the public in organizing and carrying out systematic campaigns against animal pests and invites correspondence on the subject.

Protection of their natural enemies is urged as an important aid in controlling rodent pests.

#### NATION WIDE STRIKE TELEGRAPHERS LOOMS

PORTLAND, April 4.—Sentiment in favor of a nation-wide strike of telegraphers is spreading over the country, according to a statement issued by local union officials last night. Ballotting was in progress among both union and non-union employees, they said. The balloting will close April 15. S. J. Koenekamp, international president of the union, has sent a message to the Portland local saying that if the vote favors a strike 400,000 men will be affected. President Wm. Burke of the Portland local said.

#### BRITISH THRIFT

The British War Savings Committee has become a permanent institution in England and the following declaration has been issued explaining the English attitude toward thrift:

"Quite as important, both as a source of revenue and as a social movement, is the restraint of luxury, and growth of economy and simplicity of life among the well-to-do. Other-wise goods and services will be wasted. War saving applies to all classes, and appeals to all incomes."



### NO CONFIRMATION OF YANKEE PERIL IN NORTH RUSSIA

WASHINGTON, April 4.—No advices have reached the war department from the Archangel section direct or from Europe reflecting the serious situation of the American and British forces in north Russia as pictured in reports published yesterday in London.

#### ARCHANGEL, Thursday, April 3.

(By Associated Press.) General Marushevsky, commander of the Russian anti-Bolshevik forces in northern Russia, startled Archangel today with an unusual proclamation intended to call the bluff of Bolshevik sympathizers in this territory. The General offered them a choice of safe conduct to the Bolshevik lines up to April 10 on written application, with the alternative of trial by military court if found within the military zone after April 10. The proclamation said in part:

"I consider it most important to expel out of the territory occupied by the army all persons whose presence is undesirable. I consider that all Bolsheviks and their agents and all adherents of soviet cause are such persons. Such persons still living in the zone entrusted to me will be expelled systematically, being sent to their beloved country of the peoples' commissaries, the soviet land, where all their ideals such as 'soviet comradeship and abundant food' and open theft, violence and other Bolshevik things become true."

#### YEAR INDUSTRIAL STRIFE SAN FRANCISCO ENDS

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—A year of industrial strife in the San Francisco bay district shipyards and contract shops was ended today when approximately 10,000 machinists, boilermakers and allied craftsmen who were out for two months or more as a result of a strike reported back to work. The men were given their old posts in the shipyards.

#### GERMAN BANK TURNS OVER MINE STOCK TO MINERS

BERLIN, April 3.—The S. Bleichroeder Banking company of this city, which owns nearly all the shares of the Oppeln mine at Oppeln, Silesia, has arranged to turn over its stock to members of the miners' union at par.

Order  
In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Jackson County.

In the Matter of the Extermination of Ground Squirrels.  
We the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, do hereby authorize the Publication of Notice to Exterminate ground squirrels in three issues of the Daily Mail Tribune and Ashland Tidings pursuant to the Statute in such case.

Dated April 2nd, 1919.  
G. A. GARDNER,  
County Judge.  
GEO. W. OWEN,  
County Commissioner.  
JAMES OWENS,  
County Commissioner.

Notice to Exterminate Ground Squirrels  
Every person, firm, co-partnership, company or corporation residing on, owning, leasing, occupying, possessing or having charge of or dominion over any land, building, wharf or dock infested with digger ground squirrels in Jackson County, Oregon,

is hereby notified to begin at once to effectively exterminate and destroy all such DIGGER GROUND SQUIRRELS.

The following poison for mixing and instructions for use thereof is the method most expedient and effective to be used for the extermination and destruction of such ground squirrels and is hereby recommended, to-wit, alkaloid strychnine used on either barley or wheat, barley preferred, mixed according to the following formula and manner, to-wit:

Barley, clean grain, 16 quarts.  
Strychnine (powdered alkaloid), 1 ounce.  
Bicarbonate of soda (baking soda), 1 ounce.

Thin starch paste, 1/2 pint.  
Heavy corn syrup, 1/2 pint.  
Glycerine, 1 tablespoonful.  
Saccharine, 1-10.

This material should be mixed as follows: Mix thoroughly 1 ounce of powdered strychnine (alkaloid) and 1 ounce of common baking soda. Sift this into 1/2 pint of thin hot paste

and stir to a smooth creamy mass. (The starch paste is made by dissolving 1 heaping tablespoonful of dry gloss starch in a little cold water, which is then added to 1/2 pint of boiling water. Boil and stir constantly until a clear thin paste is formed.) Add 1/2 pint heavy corn syrup and 1 tablespoonful of glycerine and stir thoroughly. Add 1-10 ounce of saccharine and stir thoroughly. Pour this mixture over 16 quarts of clean barley and mix well so that each grain is coated.

One quart of the poisoned grain mixed as aforesaid is sufficient for forty or fifty baits and this quantity scattered along squirrel trails or on clean hard places on the surface about the holes will not endanger stock. Strychnine in any form other than the powdered strychnine (alkaloid) is not effective in the above formula.

From the date hereof until May 1st is the most effective time to poison and destroy the digger squirrels, as they are just emerging from their

hibernation. They are hungry and food is scarce.

The County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, has secured a large amount of strychnine and the other ingredients necessary for the mixture, and a quantity thereof has been mixed and is now on sale to the farmers or persons interested at actual cost and may be had by applying to the undersigned at his office in the Liberty Building or at the following places:

- Ashland Fruit Association, Ashland.
- D. M. Lowe, Talent.
- Brown's Store, Talent.
- Phoenix Mercantile Co., Phoenix.
- Rogue River Fruit & Produce Association, Medford.
- Flek Store, Jacksonville.
- Fernall Store, Applegate.
- Paxson Drug Store, Central Point.
- Brown Bros., Eagle Point.
- Kafer & Son, Brownboro.
- Bowers Drug Co., Gold Hill.
- Don Wilson, Rogue River.
- Table Rock Store, Table Rock.

If any person herein designated shall, within thirty days from the first publication of this notice, fail to begin in good faith to exterminate, eradicate and destroy, according to the method aforesaid, or by any other effective means said ground squirrels herein designated, the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, will appoint a person or persons to proceed with the extermination and eradication of such ground squirrels, and the cost thereof incurred will be assessed to such land, building, wharf or dock, and unless paid of will become a lien against the same, for the extermination of said ground squirrels.

This notice is published pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided and for two consecutive weeks or three issues and all persons described therein, are required to take notice thereof.

Dated and first published this 5th day of April, 1919.  
CLAUDE C. DATE,  
County Agent for Jackson County, Oregon.

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