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NEEDED AT HOME.

THE report that President Wilson and the American delegation will soon sail for home is cheering. With our chief executive, secretary of state, secretary of war, and secretary of the navy in Europe, with congress adjourned and the Oregon delegation scattered to the four winds, matters of a domestic nature have become hopelessly entangled. Probably Southern Oregon is not as seriously affected as many other districts but there are matters here which seem to need attention.

A few months ago the Pacific and Eastern, a transportation system vital to many local interests and individuals was discontinued, because of the government policy toward non-paying feeders. The railroad administration like the post office administration, acted upon the assumption that when public service conflicts with public revenue, the former should be sacrificed to the latter.

This was followed by a strange ruling of the Interior Department. Representatives of the government came to Medford and informed local ranchers that they must pay a tax on every box of fruit shipped by motor truck from outside districts, because truck service was in competition with the railroads. With one railroad discontinued and the freight service on the other curtailed, it was difficult for local fruit associations to discover where the competition came in.

Now we are informed the Talent cannery has discontinued because the government commandeered half its product, prevented it from selling when a profit could be secured, and now refuses to take what it ordered. Meanwhile the domestic market has disappeared and the cannery is obliged to quit or operate at a loss. More governmental bungling.

Perhaps the government can explain this sort of thing, but as yet no satisfactory explanation has been forthcoming. Protests to Washington have not been answered and at last reports, members of the Oregon delegation had not been found.

It will be comforting to have a government once more at Washington, congress again in session, and some one to appeal to except hopelessly confused subordinates, pathetically enmeshed in irresponsibility and red tape.

Peace and the League of Nations are supremely important, more important no doubt, than the immediate welfare of any particular American district. But it is not conceivable that the American delegates will return until these vital problems have been settled. Therefore the hurried return of the George Washington is glad tidings.

There should be no trouble with the Victory loan. Sentiment and loyalty aside, a government bond for five years, with nearly five per cent interest, can't be overlooked by any good business man or woman, with any cash in the bank.

We don't clearly understand why there should be concern in Germany because of the strike in Frau Krupp's gun factory. We supposed the business had shut down several months ago.

The French Chamber of Deputies has adopted proportional representation. This is an electoral reform which all the democratic world will accept one of these days.

A New York millionaire has married an artist's model which reminds one that it often takes more than a million to make an artist's model into a model wife.

Paris denies certain French statesmen are opposing President Wilson. They may be standing back of him, but they don't seem to be standing for him.

Don't be surprised if certain Medford citizens sojourning in Texas drop in on us unexpectedly, thanks to the kindly services of that Dallas twister.

The Elks show has been given, with great success, but the whereabouts of Miss Mandy Lee remain an impenetrable and perplexing mystery.

Nearly half a year has passed since the signing of the armistice and a suspicion impends that we better march to Berlin and secure a better one.

How times change. A year ago Germany was driving the allied soldiers toward Paris now she is appealing to them to come to Berlin.

According to government reports, many American citizens are taking advantage of daylight saving to manufacture moonshine.

YIELD TO LEADERS' APPEAL

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reluctant to go to the front and risk their lives.

This incident was only the outcropping of what seems to be the general feeling among the American troops, officers as well as men. Because of this feeling, it is admitted more or less generally that the troops now here probably will be of little use after June 1.

In official circles in Archangel there is no disposition seriously to blame the troops for this condition. On their arrival in North Russia last September the Americans were keen for fighting the Bolsheviks, whom they had been told were German agents. They have fought bravely through the campaign and they are still doing so.

However, since the armistice with Germany was declared the soldiers have been subjected to constant Bolshevik propaganda which together with their desire to return home after the end of the war for which they were drafted and the hardships and

loneliness of the Arctic winter has caused them to lose their spirits.

Meanwhile they have had no official statement from the government to answer Bolshevik propaganda and no American in Archangel is in a position to tell them officially what they are fighting for.

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 falling 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 Dollars 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, etc. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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The Crater Lake Road Is A Project of the State

Jackson county people insist that they have a just claim to aid from the state highway commission.

Improvement of Prospect-to-Crater Lake road jointly by the state and federal government was approved two years ago, but no money has been spent, the bids have been called for.

In two years Jackson county people spent \$850,000 on roads. They have a paved highway from Ashland to Central Point, 17 miles. They graded 13 miles of mountain on the Pacific highway, one of the most difficult and costly stretches of mountain grading on the route. They have built macadam roads all over the county.

They now insist, and with much reason, that it is time for the state highway commission to further recognize Jackson's self help and past

activity in road building by granting liberal state aid. One demand is for the 50-mile stretch of road from Medford to Prospect to be improved. The route is up the Rogue river and is a part of the line between Ashland, Medford and Klamath Falls. It is also the connecting link between Medford and the Crater Lake road at Prospect. It traverses a section more or less settled, and at the same time renders more accessible one of the wonder spots of the world—Crater Lake.

The project is not local merely to Jackson county. It is, in its wider sense, a state project, or even a country wide project. All the world wants to see Crater Lake, and the more accessible it is made, the larger will be the part of the world that will get a chance to see it.—Portland Journal.

FLU EPIDEMIC IN OREGON BOON TO INSURANCE MEN

SALEM, April 10.—Epidemic influenza which raged throughout the state during the winter months caused an unprecedented boom in the sale of life insurance, according to Harvey Wells, state insurance commissioner, who reported today that the life insurance business done in the state during the first three months of this year is double that of the same three months of 1918.

"This increase is due mostly to the epidemic of influenza, which has drawn the thoughts of all serious minded persons toward life insurance," he said. "It is also due in a measure to the increased number of agents who were formerly in the service and who have now returned to their former occupation."

A total of \$44,000,000 in life insurance policies was written in this state during 1918, this being a \$2-

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000,000 increase over the preceding year. The entire amount of insurance carried by Oregon people is \$180,000,000 he reports.

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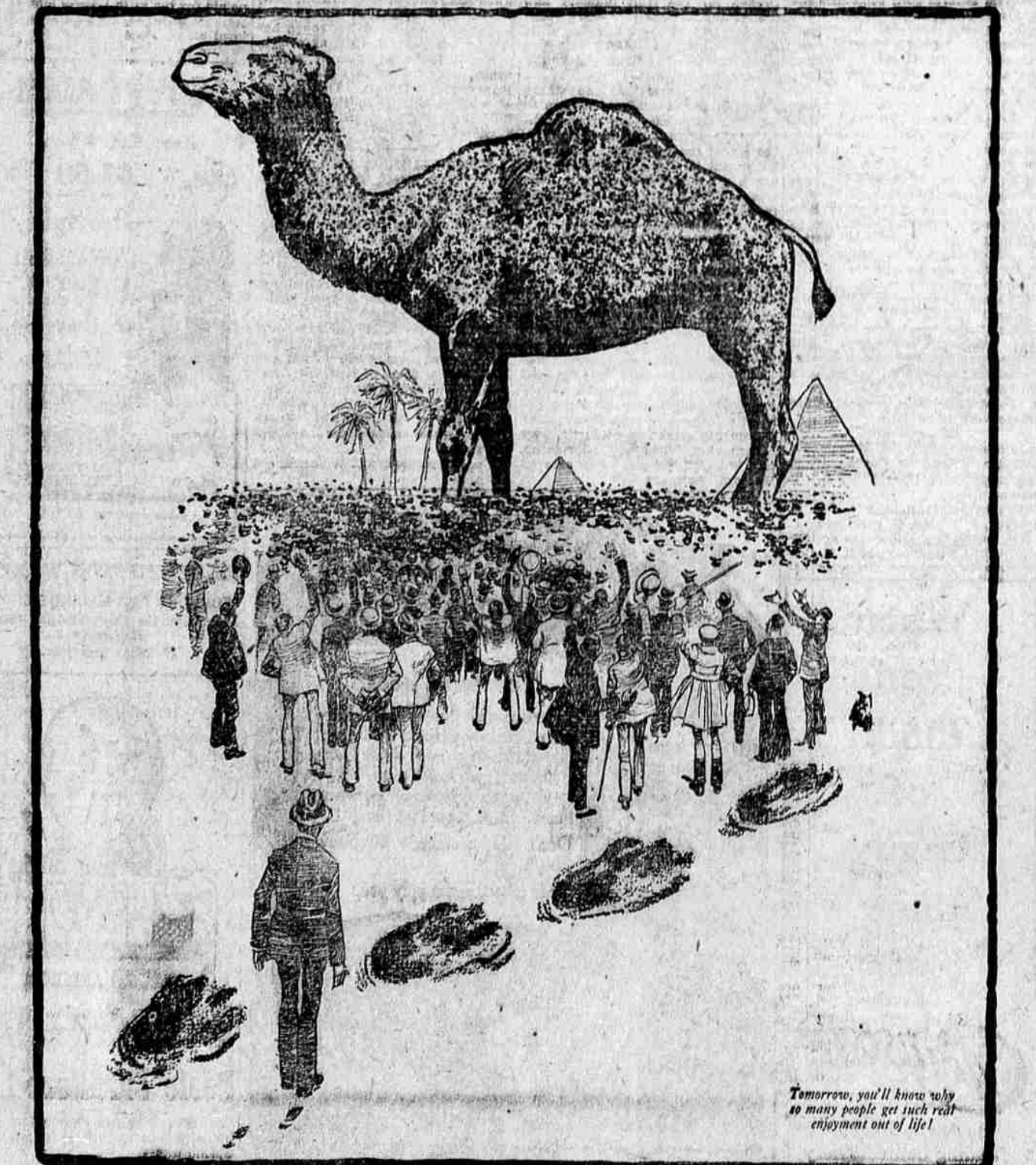
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KOREAN OUTRAGES PROTESTED BY YANKEE CONSUL

PEKING, April 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—More than 20 Korean demonstrations occurred in the vicinity of Seoul on March 27, according to the Korean Daily News, copies of which have arrived here. It is said the Japanese soldiers attacked the crowds with guns, swords and bayonets and that many Koreans were killed.

SEOUL, April 4.—Leo A. Bergholz of the American consulate here, has made inquiry of the Korean governor general relative to the appearance of Japanese civilians armed with heavy clubs, suggesting that such practice might be dangerous to the lives of foreigners. He declared that if the armed civilians were attached to the police force, they should be so designated and that if they were not, the practice should be abandoned and expressed the fear that if such action were not taken foreigners might adopt measures for self protection which might bring about an undesirable situation.

In his reply the governor general admitted that the Japanese were armed but said they had done so to protect themselves against the Koreans. He said the civilians were not attached to the police force, but gave assurance that he would do his best to prevent abuse of the practice.

GERMANS ASK REMOVAL OF RUSSIAN PRISONERS

LONDON, April 10.—The German armistice commission at Spa, a dispatch from Berlin today says, has addressed a note to the allies urgently requesting the removal to Russia of Russian prisoners of war still in Germany. The German standpoint is that the Russians are increasing the spread of disturbances in Germany.

Woman Cried With Pain

Thousands of women work today while suffering from kidney or bladder ailments that can be relieved. Mrs. L. Wavue, 2726 3rd St., Ocean Park, Cal., writes: "I had to sit down during my housework. My back ached so, also my hip pained me so I used to cry out, the pain was so great. Now I am thankful to say that Foley Kidney Pills rid me of all my pain." Backache, sore muscles, stiff or swollen joints, rheumatic pains and indications of kidney trouble. Foley Kidney Pills are safe and reliable. They bring quick results. For sale by Medford Pharmacy.

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