

LUMBER PRICES WILL INCREASE NEXT 5 YEARS

CHICAGO, April 15.—Charles S. Keith of Kansas City, president of the Southern Pine Association, and widely known as a statistical authority on lumber, told the legislative commission investigating the high prices of building materials today that the present prices of lumber is lower than it will be at any time in five years. He said the increased cost of production, depletion of raw material in this country and the enormous increased demand from Europe to rebuild the vast areas devastated by war are certain to mean higher prices for lumber for at least five years.

Mr. Keith said that in April, 1917, the average cost of producing southern pine lumber was \$15.18 a thousand feet, while the cost in January, 1919, had increased to \$25.85. Last January the commodity was sold by the manufacturers at a loss, the *W. News* said, while the present profit was a trifle over \$2 a thousand feet. He presented a survey of the cost of production at 90 southern mills which he said should earn a profit of \$9 a thousand feet in order to bring a fair return on the actual capital invested.

"Although the lumber mills in the south are paying their workmen unusually high wages our experience has shown that the standard of living has not increased and labor is much less efficient than formerly," said Mr. Keith. "It seems to be a peculiar trait of human nature that the more money a man earns the less work he will do. That rule, I believe, applies to all classes of men, office employees, superintendents and laborers alike."

"That is rather an unfortunate deduction to draw," remarked Chairman John Dailey. "We have been under the impression that higher wages to labor brought a higher degree of efficiency. In fact one of the largest Chicago contractors said that had been his experience."

"I am drawing my conclusions from actual experience of the lumber mills based on figures taken from the books and therefore there is no theory in what I say," replied Mr. Keith.

SPOKANE CLAIMS THE YOUNGEST DOUGHBOY

SPOKANE, April 15.—William H. Walters of this city may be the youngest soldier in the United States. He enlisted at the age of 14, at Fort George Wright, near here, where he represented himself to be 20 years of age. He trained for the aviation service at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He was not 15 years old when he was sent to France, where he was transferred to the motorcycle corps, and has recently been attached to the salvage department.

SECRETARY OF WAR BAKER ARRIVES IN PARIS

PARIS, April 15.—Newton D. Baker, American secretary of war, and Hugh Wallace, the New American ambassador to France, arrived in Paris this morning from Brest. The other members of the party who sailed from America with the secretary and the ambassador reached here with them.

ALLOW EGYPTIANS TO PRESENT CLAIMS PEACE CONFERENCE

CAIRO, Monday, April 14.—The council of ministers today issued a proclamation urging the population to be calm and asking officials and strikers to resume their work. "Now that Egyptian have been allowed to proceed abroad and a ministry constituted which is determined to devote itself entirely to the service of the country."

The proclamation warns the strikers that disorders might lead to anarchy and urges them not to incur "this terrible responsibility." It declares the sultan's aim in forming the new cabinet was "to take the first step toward confiding the maintenance of order and tranquility to the hands of Egyptian authority."

MAIL ORDERS NOW OPEN FOR THE "BETTER OLE"

On account of the numerous inquiries at the Page concerning seats for the engagement of "The Better Ole," on April 22, arrangements have been made to receive mail orders now. To avoid delay when the box office opens on Saturday for the advance seat sale, patrons may send their orders, accompanied by remittance, by mail at once and seat allotments will be made prior to the opening of the box office. This comedy with music by Captain Bruce Fairbairner and Captain Arthur Eliot will afford the public of this city their first opportunity to see in human form the three humorous characters, Old Bill, Bert and Alf, who have become famous through Fairbairner's "Fragments From France" and by other means. However much amusement they have been able to afford, to really know them it is essential to see the play and hear Old Bill's familiar "Ulo!" and his witticisms on Alf, the "strike-a-light king," and Bert, the "Don Jonah."

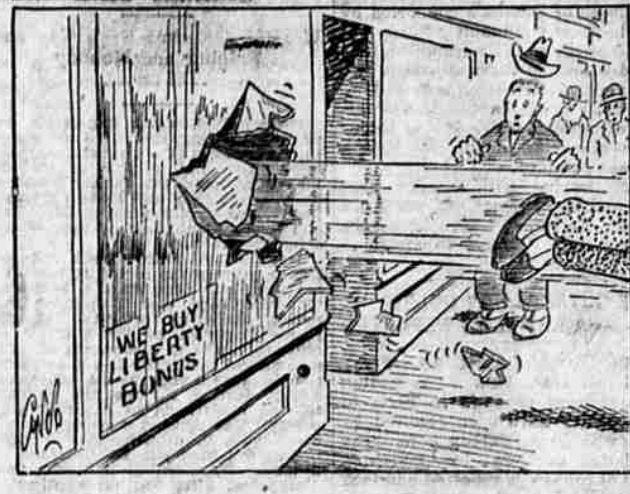
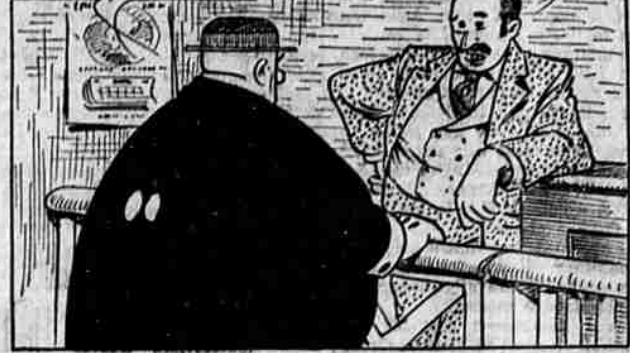
4 SAILORS INJURED IN EXPLOSION, SINKING

SAN DIEGO, Calif., April 15.—Four of the ten men who were injured in yesterday's explosion aboard the navy submarine chaser No. 297 that was moored alongside the municipal dock are reported today in a serious condition. They are John Barry, E. J. Gayder, Joseph Chadwick and W. W. Conover.

All of the injured men are at the navy hospital in Balboa Park. Six others are reported only slightly injured and practically sure of recovery. The hospital authorities do not speak hopefully of the four men who are injured most, saying only that all of them had survived up to a late hour this morning.

The Outbursts of Everett True

By CONDO



32 PORTLANDERS ENLIST IN NEW VOLUNTEER ARMY

PORTLAND, April 15.—Since the call came for 50,000 volunteers for service in the United States army in France, the Portland recruiting office has accepted 22 men for enlistment. Eight applicants out of a total of 40 were rejected. Nine of those taken were discharged men. As the call was issued only on March 30, the record here is considered satisfactory, calling officers said today. Portland was ahead of Seattle and San Francisco in the number of enlistments at last reports, they said.

With the reopening of eight branch recruiting stations in the Portland district, just announced, it is expected the rate of enlistments will double or triple. All men now entering for a three-year term are promised speedy passage to France and Germany. From Portland, all recruits are sent to Fort McDowell, San Francisco.

CIRCUIT JUDGE AT HOOD RIVER WINS BACK SALARY CASE

HOOD RIVER, Ore., April 15.—Circuit Judge Fred W. Wilson yesterday gave a decision favoring County Assessor Wickham in his suit against the county on a claim of back salary amounting to about \$1000. Since 1915, the county assessor, sheriff, clerk and judge have been paid salaries in accordance with a bill adopted by the electors in 1914. This bill reduced all salaries as allowed by a legislative bill passed in 1915. Mr. Wickham, claiming that the initiative bill was inoperative because counties had no right to adopt such legislation, demanded and won the full amount of the salary in accordance with the legislative bill. Back salaries of all county officials under this decision will reach \$5000.

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Camp No. 90, W. O. W.

ROGUE RIVER SCHOOL NOTES

Lucey Mae Carle was ill last week, and her absence makes a hole in our ranks in more ways than one. Our tuba, Miss Mary Reader, is on the sick list, and we miss her at rehearsals.

Supervisor Morris attended band rehearsal Thursday night. He seems much interested in the progress of our band.

A traveling salesman spent a pleasant half hour with the band Friday morning. He is a fine cornetist. Musicians are always welcome.

Supt. Ager visited the schools last week and made some educational tests in the different grades. He met the assembly and gave them an instructive and interesting lesson.

Delecie Burkhardt took a day off last week.

Community Parent Teachers' association will hold their meeting in assembly hall next Friday evening, April 18, 1919, and all friends are invited to a social and instructive evening.

The hall decorations for the soldiers' reception were made by Miss Alyce Owen and Bernice Galbraith. Their artistic work added much to the pleasure of the evening.

There are forty names on the honor roll and service flag of the Rogue River schools.

Mrs. McVein is to be congratulated for her artistic arrangement of the costumes of the girls, who served at the banquet, if the boys, who went over, had had a clear vision of the pretty picture presented by our girls on April 4th, they would not have wasted much affection on the French mademoiselles.

U.S. ARMY OFFICERS ARE KNIGHTED BY KING GEORGE

COLOGNE, Sunday, April 13.—(By Associated Press.) General Joseph T. Dickman, commander of the Third United States Army, was today made Knight Commander of the Order of the Bath by General Sir Herbert Plumer, commander of the British army of occupation on behalf of King George. Mrs. Dickman is now in Cologne and will visit England. In that country she will be known as Lady Dickman, an honor bestowed on but few American women.

The following general officers of the American army were made knight commanders of the Order of St. Michael and St. George:

Brigadier General George Bell, Jr., commanding the Thirty-third division; Major General William Lassiter, chief artillery officer of the Third Army; Brigadier General John L. Hines, commander of the Third Army corps and Brigadier General Charles H. Muir, commander of the 28th division.

The following were made commanders of the Order of the Bath:

Brigadier General Mallin Craig, chief of staff of the Third Army and Brigadier General Harry A. Smith in charge of civil affairs in the American occupied zone.

Colonel John Montgomery, assistant chief of staff for General Dickman; Colonel David H. Biddle, liaison officer of the Third Army with the British; Colonel William P. Woolen, chief engineer of the Third Army and Colonel Horace Stebbins, assistant chief of staff of the Third Army corps were made commanders of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

The Distinguished Order was conferred on Colonel S. P. Williams, assistant chief of staff of General Dickman.

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