

### 400 TENTS ERECTED AT CAMP JACKSON, TO HOUSE TROOPS

A crew of 20 men are at work in conjunction with many army trucks preparing Camp Jackson for the Oregon national guard encampment to be held there commencing the 12th of this month.

The 129-acre campsite northeast of the city is rapidly becoming a city of tents; 400 of them, approximately 22 rows, are now in the process of erection for the use of the many companies which will soon arrive. The above number is exclusive of the 30 to be used for the kitchens and mess halls. It is exclusive of the two hospital tents, one of which will be an infirmary; it does not include the tents to be used by the officers or the many others which will be erected for various purposes, such as military exchanges and commissaries.

On the 10th will arrive 100 men from Portland, a vanguard of the 2800 to follow later; these men will put on the finishing touches of a complete preparation for the encampment. On the 12th six special trains will begin to arrive in the city bearing the entire brigade, with Brigadier General George A. White in command.

No regulars will be stationed at the camp except the officers assigned to be present as instructors of military maneuvers.

During the encampment many high dignitaries of the army will visit the camp on a tour of inspection and to watch the maneuvers which will take place on an expanse of 8000 acres.

The special trains which will bear the various companies back to their respective localities will commence to leave on the morning of June 26.

### MORE EQUIPMENT FOR CAMP JACKSON

More supplies and equipment are arriving daily to be used in preparing camp Jackson for the annual Oregon National Guard encampment to be held there from the 12th of this month till the 26th. At present 3200 army coats are being unloaded from freight cars on the railroad siding near Haymarket Square.

Brigadier General George A. White and Major J. Shur left last night for Salem after inspecting Camp Jackson where the Oregon National Guard encampment will be held in about 10 days. General White is expected back about the first of next week.

### FIRE VOLUNTEERS ELECT OFFICERS

A full quota of members were present last night at the monthly meeting of the volunteer fire department. A snappy drill was had. The Diamond Rooming House, now being dismantled, served the firemen in good stead as a building on which to try their skill and prowess.

After the drill, election of officers was in order with the following elected: Victor Danielson, captain; Harry Beal, lieutenant; Hugo Dalley, secretary; and A. J. Croso, treasurer. After the business session refreshments of ice cream and cake were served to the 24 members of the volunteer department and the members of the regular department.

Fire drill will be held the first Monday of every month hereafter.

### ATTACK LEGALITY HART'S ARREST

TACOMA, June 2.—That the legality of the information charging former Governor Louis F. Hart with soliciting a bribe from the liquidator and attorneys for the defunct Scandinavian American Bank of Tacoma, will be attacked in Pierce county superior courts Saturday, on the basis of the demurrer expected to be filed this week, became practically certain today while prosecuting Attorney J. W. Eelden announced that Attorney Maurice A. Langhorne, counsel for the defense, had expressed willingness to argue the demurrer any time after Wednesday. Langhorne announced that he probably would file the demurrer today.

It will demur to the information on the ground that it does not state sufficient cause of action to constitute a crime.

**Rail Chief Re-Elected**  
CLEVELAND, June 2.—William D. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen was re-elected for three years at the triennial convention today. Lee polled 531 votes against 408 for A. F. Whitney, of Oak Park, Ill. fifth vice president, his only opponent.

**Card of Thanks**  
We wish to express our thanks to our many neighbors and friends for their kindness and help during the illness and bereavement of our beloved daughter and sister, Mrs. Emma Murphy. Also for the beautiful flowers.

MRS. W. S. KING,  
MR. AND MRS. CLYDE SMITH,  
MR. AND MRS. DAVID KING,  
MR. AND MRS. GEO. LADRIE,  
MR. AND MRS. JOE SHELTON,  
MR. AND MRS. F. H. FERRIS,  
MR. AND MRS. E. E. MELVIN.

### ASHLAND AIDS IN DRIVE FOR AUTOS TO CRATER LAKE

Three thousand more boosters for Crater Lake and Medford! That is what the National Guard boys' trip to Crater Lake will mean. On June 20th six hundred cars will gather at Camp Jackson near this city and carry 3000 soldiers to the Crater Lake National Park, participating in what will become the greatest caravan that has ever entered a National Park.

The gigantic undertaking of assembling six hundred cars has been commenced by the Medford chamber of commerce under the supervision of Seely V. Hall and R. H. Boyd and already committees of public spirited men have been canvassing the city.

And Medford people are responding in their usual manner and the members of the committees are optimistic. Ashland has generously offered co-operation, realizing that the Crater Lake trip for the National Guard boys will mean much for all southern Oregon. Everything from Ford to Packards, Reo Speedwagons to Dodge business cars have been requested to make possible the trip for the visiting soldiers and, according to chamber of commerce authorities, the support of every Medford automobile owner will be necessary for the success of the undertaking.

Details of the Crater Lake trip have been carefully worked out by Mr. Hall and those in charge of the Medford chamber of commerce. The state traffic department, along with the National Guard, will have complete charge of the highway and see that every car is taken care of and arrives at the lake on scheduled time. Six service cars will be employed at various points on the road during the trip. Cars will only go to the snow line where a camp will be established and food will be furnished by a National Guard field kitchen.

Members of the National Guard companies who participate in the trip will see Crater Lake in its winter garb. Wide publicity will be given this caravan and both moving pictures and aerial pictures will be taken of the trip.

### BOMBS AND THREAT SENT THRU MAILS

PHILADELPHIA, June 2.—An attempt to recover money which he believed he had been defrauded of led Walter Graebner, postal employee to send bombs and about one hundred threatening letters to Emil L. Podolin, attorney, Graebner's counsel. A. L. Wanamaker, declared in court when his client was arraigned on charges of sending the bombs and letters through the mails.

Graebner confessed to sending the bombs and letters and was held in \$10,000 bond.

District Attorney Anderson said Graebner not only endangered the lives of his intended victims, but also 100 postal clerks who handled the bombs.

Postal inspectors testified the bombs were powerful enough to wreck the postoffice building, and would have blown a train off the track had they exploded in a mail car.

Graebner's story of being defrauded was denied today by A. F. Hawksworth, postoffice inspector.

### INCREASE NUMBER TRAFFIC OFFICERS AND SHIFT OFFEN

SALEM, Ore., June 2.—The number of state traffic officers patrolling the highways of Oregon was today increased from 14 to 24, or 25 including T. A. Rafferty, chief state traffic inspector. This is under an act of the 1925 legislative session centralizing control of all the officers in the chief inspector and authorizing the state department through him to appoint up to 25 officers.

The new officers appointed were: O. J. Banks, Yamhill; C. L. Hudson, Astoria; C. C. Williams, Coquille; A. H. Shortes, Eugene; Walter Lansing, Baker; Walter Foster, Redmond; W. E. McGilvray, Portland; E. H. Lister, Eugene; J. A. Robertson, Ontario; A. G. Dunn, LaGrande; and W. H. Ellenburg, Corvallis.

These men will operate in the same way as the fourteen officers have operated heretofore. No one man will be kept continuously in any one part of the state, but for more effective service each will be shifted from time to time.

Under the old law authority in the control of officers was divided between the secretary of state's office and the highway department, each department paying the salaries of and being responsible for seven men. Under the new act the highway department and the state department will each pay the salaries of 12 men, but full control of the 24 will be lodged in the chief traffic officer who is connected with the state department.

The traffic officers receive \$125 a month for the first year of service, \$150 for the second year, and thereafter \$175 a month.

All the officers gathered here today for their annual convention.

### CORN AND COTTON PRICES TOPPLE

NEW YORK, June 2.—(A. P.)—A sharp break in cotton prices, ranging from \$1.50 to \$2.50 a bale, today followed the issuance of the government crop report which placed the condition on May 25 at 75.6 per cent or normal, the best showing since 1918.

CHICAGO, June 2.—Corn prices came tumbling today, falling more than five cents a bushel in some cases. December delivery dropped suddenly to 93 cents, against 98 1/2 a bushel at the close yesterday. Rains that have been needed over a great extent of territory were the cause.

### MONTANA VILLAGE HIT BY QUAKE

GREAT FALLS, Mont., June 2.—White Sulphur Springs, a small town, 75 miles south of here, suffered a heavy earth shock Sunday morning, a dispatch to the Great Falls Leader said today. Buildings were shaken, dishes broken and people rushed into the streets, but no material damage was done. A heavy rumbling accompanied the shock. Other communities also reported having felt the tremors.

### GEN. FREIS DISCUSSES CHEMICAL WARFARE, ENDORSES AIRCRAFT

One of the most enjoyable meetings and luncheons ever held by the Kiwanians took place Monday, the occasion being a talk by Major General A. A. Freis, head of the chemical warfare department of the United States army. Gen. Freis graduated from the Central Postal School in 1892, went to West Point from here in 1894, married a Jackson county girl, is a sister of Mrs. Wm. Grieve of Prospect, and a nephew of Volney Dixon and is a great lover of southern Oregon. He made his first trip to Crater Lake 37 years ago and as an army engineer in 1916 visited the lake again with other engineers to make plans for the beginning of road work.

Gen. Freis is touring all the army posts where chemical warfare work is conducted, inspecting the same.

In part the general said: "Chemical warfare is just the opposite to the general impression of the same. The percentage of deaths from gases during the war was only two out of 100 affected. About 27 per cent of those killed during the war occurred from gas. Very few were permanently disabled by being gassed and death from gas is not horrible or painful as is generally supposed. The Germans started the use of gases in the war and used so much of them because they were commonly used in the avenues of commerce, were well understood by them and they had control of most of the chemical industries of the world.

"All warfare, except hand to hand combats, is chemical warfare. Powder and high explosives are chemicals of the same nature as war gases. Powder and high explosives are used to drive steel through flesh and destroy trenches, ships, forts, etc. The United States therefore figures chemical warfare as an essential part of its defense and is making a scientific study and application of the same.

"Carbon monoxide is an illuminating gas causes five to seven times as many deaths every year in this country as German poison gases caused among Americans in the entire war. It is prevalent in many ways and fire departments are equipped with masks to keep out carbon monoxide gas while fighting fires.

Regarding aircraft warfare the general said: "Aircraft is the most powerful single means this country has today for defense, and if we are properly equipped with aircraft no country could land on our shores or destroy our cities from the air. Aircraft can sink and put out of commission any battleship afloat. Airplanes launch smoke screens that enable submarines to hide behind and discharge torpedoes, and battleships to approach close to the enemy and their shores.

"Any captain or officer today who would get within 100 to 200 miles of shore without air protection during warfare and escaped destruction would immediately be court-martialed by this government.

"To Col. Mitchell this country owes a great deal, and whether in sympathy with him or not, he forced aircraft warfare and protection to the front and has made it an important factor.

Gen. Freis paid a high tribute to the splendid war record of Brig. Gen. Geo. A. White, and especially to his work in France, of which he was personally acquainted with. He said he was endeavoring to get General White in the chemical warfare service when the armistice was signed.

Attention was called to the Chamber of Commerce luncheon at 6:30 tonight at the Hotel Medford and to everyone doing everything possible to make the visit of the officers and

### REV. LEACH GIVES FAREWELL SERMON TO LOCAL FLOCK

At the First Baptist church Sunday night, Rev. F. R. Leach, who received a call to the First Baptist church of Bremerton, Wash., delivered his farewell address to a large number of Baptists and friends from both Medford and Ashland.

He said: "I regret very much to leave this church and this city, where I have been privileged to own a home, but am doing it with the belief that God's will under a new leader may be more fully carried out.

"My one ambition from the day of my call to the Medford Baptist church has been to do God's will in such a manner that all might grow in grace and knowledge in our Lord and savior, Jesus Christ." In his message he spoke of some of the incidents and works accomplished during these five years, the longest pastorate in the history of the church. Due to his efforts and evangelistic program, 308 members have been added to the church. He labored the first year that all might be bound together in unity of Christian fellowship. One of the greatest undertakings of this pastorate was the erecting of a house of worship. Being a man of action, eager to get things done, he did not shirk from labor, hardships and sleepless nights that the building might be erected. It is a surpassing achievement that his physical endurance stood the test.

With the new building well equipped the Sunday school has been able to do a bigger and better work and great advance has been made in the musical program of the church.

Rev. Leach has tried to build up the church and keep it true to the "old faith." He has not been an extremist but more conservative and has endeavored to preach the simple gospel in preference to some extreme view. He praised the members of the church, giving them much credit for their help, prayers, confidence, fellowship and backing in every undertaking of the church; also thanked them for their gracious response during these five years and asked that he might be remembered in their prayers. He said: "I shall always have your interests at heart and shall watch and pray for you."—Contributed.

### POTATO SHORTAGE FACES PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Ore., June 2.—Last season's potatoes are becoming scarce. In Portland approximately ten cars of Oregon grown and 25 to 30 cars of Yakima valley product are in storage. This is less than two weeks supply for this city. Oregon potatoes are out of growers' hands and are under command of speculators.

The potato market is very firm. Yakima potatoes are selling at \$3 to \$3.25 a hundred f. o. b., Portland to wholesalers.

In the past two weeks twenty cars of Minnesota and Wisconsin potatoes have been received in Portland by local dealers. Arrival of these eastern potatoes have kept the local market from advancing fifty cents to one dollar the past week.

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