

GOVERNMENT TO SEE WHY WHEAT PRICES GO HIGHER

United Press Service
 WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Just why the price of wheat and flour has advanced is to be determined by the government.

Federal officials, especially those connected with the Departments of Justice and Agriculture, are ready to probe the causes for increase in prices. They also intend to mete out punishment where it is shown that the price boosting is without warrant.

Notice was virtually served today that the government will prosecute any discovery of illegality in the advance in the cost of these necessities.

President Wilson has given his sanction to this action, it is announced.

United Press Service
 NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Despite the announcement that the government is going to investigate the causes leading up to the increase in the price of wheat and flour, representatives of the nation's biggest companies predict that the prices will go still higher.

The failure of the Australian crop this fall, and the fact that Europe had no crops makes it necessary for the United States to feed the entire world, according to George Seabright, the eastern representative of the Pillsbury Milling company.

He contends that if Europe continues to buy flour and wheat at the present rate of demand, the entire flour supply of America will be exhausted by March.

Auto Licenses to Be Issued by Counties

SALEM, Jan. 16.—The Marion county delegation has introduced a bill providing for the abolition of the present law giving the secretary of state authority to issue automobile licenses, and transferring it to the various county clerks in the state instead. The measure will provide that county clerks shall issue all licenses, collect all fees, and that the latter shall go into the county road fund. This delegation has also introduced a bill providing for the permanent registration of electors. It prescribes the card index system.

Announcement has been made by President Charles C. Moore of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, that the grounds and all exhibit palaces of the exposition will be open every day between February 20 and December 4, 1915. Individual exhibitors and representatives of foreign and state governments will be permitted to close their displays at their own discretion one day each week.

LOCALS TRIM A MERRILL TEAM

PUBLIC SCHOOL BASKET SHOOTERS TAKE THE FIRST ENGAGEMENT FROM OPPONENTS BY A DOZEN POINTS

In a hotly contested game of basketball at Merrill last night, the quintet representing the Central school of this city defeated a team from the Merrill public school, the score being 29 to 17. The lineups were:

Central school—Hilton, Molschenbacher, center; Chamberlain; guards, Harrison, Bradshaw, Lawrence.

Merrill school—Forwards, Ofield, Stukel, center; Irwin; guards, Robison, Anderson, Zlabek.

A preliminary game between the girls of the Merrill high and public school was won by the high school team.

Organization Mail Puzzles the Postoffice

With New Officers Elected, Clerks in Quandary Ask Directions

Just who should receive the mail matter addressed to the various lodges, patriotic societies, churches, civic organizations, etc., is a matter that keeps the postal employes here going most of the time. Now, however, it is worse than ever, for most of the organizations have elected new officers.

No advice has been given the post office regarding the changes in the persons to whom the mail should be sent. Therefore, Postmaster Dellsell has issued an appeal to the local organizations to file instructions as to whom mail should be delivered

to, no matter if the same officers were reelected.

Some of the organizations to which mail is sent are as follows:

Six churches, ladies' aid societies for nearly all denominations, Woman's Civic League, Library Club, Klamath Falls Business Men's Association, Klamath Pioneer's Association, Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Plumber's union, Medical Association, Bar Association, Teachers' Association, Ministerial Association, Sportmen's Association, County Central Committees of the republican, democratic, socialist and prohibition parties, all lodges, Klamath Literary Club, Ewauna Literary Club, High school organizations, Klamath Falls band, etc.

Defeat of the Turkish Troops Is Stirring Constantinople



A detachment of Turkish troops, latest force to take up arms.

United Press Service
 CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 16.—The Turkish people today learned for the first time of the defeat of the Moslem troops in the Caucasus mountains.

As a result, intense irritation is manifested. This is especially di-

rected against Enver Pasha, and the situation is believed serious.

United Press Service
 PETROGRAD, Jan. 16.—A sweeping Russian victory over the Turkish army of the Caucasus is announced.

The Tenth and Eleventh army corps, attempting to reform after

being routed by the Russians are declared defeated near Kara Urgan with enormous losses. One regiment was annihilated by bayonet charges. Eight transport ships, conveying Turkish troops from Anatolia in the Black Sea. The fate of the troops is unknown, but it is believed that many were drowned.

Uniform Accountancy Bill Also Gets Axe

(Herald Special Service)
 SALEM, Jan. 16.—The senate has started its promised program of retrenchment today by passing bills repealing the measures providing for the immigration commission, uniform accountancy system, and the taking of a census every ten years.

Before these are effective, however, they will have to be passed by the House.

The House adjourned this morning until Monday. The plan of Portland members to adjourn Friday was defeated.

Adjutant-general W. E. Finzer has tendered his resignation as commander of the Oregon National Guard. In his place, Governor Withycombe has appointed George A. White, of Portland. The latter has been a National Guard officer for several years.

HISTORIC OREGON STARTS ON TRIP

NEWLY PAINTED AND POLISHED THE GALLANT OLD VESSEL LEFT SEATTLE TO TAKE LEAF IN BIG NAVAL PARADE

United Press Service
 SEATTLE, Jan. 16.—Freshly painted and polished, the battleship Oregon left the Puget Sound Navy yard at noon today to lead the international maritime pageant through the Panama canal, taking President Wilson and cabinet from the Atlantic to the Pacific, March 10.

The Oregon will make brief stops at San Francisco and San Diego.

On a Bug Cruise
 Hal H. Olge and Carl Grubb, connected with the Klamath-Lake Forest Patrol association, left this morning for Newell Station, near the Lake county line, to begin a cruise there for signs of tree infestation by the western pine beetle. The association is waging a successful campaign of extermination against this pest.

Home Again
 Mrs. J. M. Evans will be in this evening from Kansas where she has been visiting relatives.

CHILOQUIN HAS RAILROAD WRECK

SNOW AND DISGUST ARE GIVEN AS THE REASONS FOR ENGINE LEAVING THE TRACKS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

"The squaw limited," as some style the train operating between here and Kirk, met with a mishap at Chiloquin yesterday. The engine jumped the track, and it was not until a late hour last night that it reached Klamath Falls.

Some say the snow was responsible for the mishap. Others say that the mogul became disgusted over the failure of the S. P. to extend the line on to Natron, but at any rate, it jumped, and it took much persuasion and cursing to get it back in its proper place.

Establish Office Here
 George C. Ulrich has returned from attending a conference of Oregon agents for the New York Mutual Insurance company, held in Portland. At this session Ulrich was named district manager for Klamath and Lake counties, and an office is to be established here. Mr. Ulrich will move his family here from Medford in a couple of months.

QUAKE VICTIMS IN SAD PLIGHT

ONLY THOSE CLOSE TO BIG CENTERS ARE RELIEVED — RAIN THREATENS DEATH TO MANY SURVIVORS

United Press Service
 ROME, Jan. 16.—Huddled in groups in the open country, without food, fuel, and clothing, thousands of peasants are facing death. So far, only the outer rim of the quake zone has been touched by relief workers.

It is admitted that there is slight hope that the death list will be reduced.

A heavy rainfall is feared. If this comes, it will mean thousands of more deaths among the shelterless people.

KID CLOTHING BADLY NEEDED

RELIEF WORK OF PHILANTHROPIC DEPARTMENT DEPLETES STOCK OF CLOTHES AND DONATIONS WILL BE WELCOMED

Have you any children's clothing to donate to a good cause?

If so, send them to the library at once. They will be distributed to needy people throughout the city as fast as these are located by the Philanthropic department of the Woman's Library Club.

This organization, which is steadily and quietly carrying on a most commendable effort, this week supplied clothing to four families in hard circumstances. All of these families had children, one having eight and another nine, so it is needless to say that the donated supply of clothing was nearly exhausted.

Donations were received this week from Mrs. A. D. Harpold, Mrs. Chas. Loomis and Mrs. Fred Schallack.

TROOPS HURRIED TO KEEP GERMAN FORCES IN CHECK

United Press Service
 PARIS, Jan. 16.—There is no doubt here but what Germany is planning another drive in an effort to take Paris.

Ten army corps are reported to have been sent to the battle front along the Aisne by the Germans. These troops are first line veterans who have been withdrawn from Flanders and along the Meuse.

To divert this threatened front, a part of the Paris garrison has been sent to the fight zone. Besides these, a new British force has been landed and is being rushed to this new crucial point for its baptism of fire.

Fighting is unchecked in the vicinity of Soissons.

The new guns of the French artillery have been rushed to the Aisne to hold the Teutons in check.

From Soissons to Rheims they are working effectively.

It is admitted, however, that the Germans have retaken the trenches at Notre Dame Lorette and near Carency, which were captured a week ago by the French forces.

United Press Service
 BERLIN, Jan. 16.—Additional successes are claimed by the war department.

It is claimed that the Germans, attacking in the vicinity of Arras, captured two first line trenches, and a number of French prisoners.

Artillery firing continues in the north.

There is a sentiment all through Germany for an offensive blockading of England by mines, submarines and other devices. These include raids upon British merchantmen.

The suggestion of Grand Admiral von Tirpitz was taken up in all quarters, especially by the officials.

It is agreed that England is at work on a plan to starve Germany, and is contended that the latter will be within her rights to make a similar aggressive movement.

MAGUIRE CO. IN THEIR NEW HOME

OPENED FOR BUSINESS THIS MORNING AND READY TO MEET THEIR CUSTOMERS AND MINISTER TO THEIR NEEDS

The J. F. Maguire company has about completed the removal of their stock into the new home prepared for it by the remodeling of the erstwhile Comstock hotel.

In addition to remodeling the first floor of the building, a handsome brick front has been added, and the firm now has one of the nicest and most convenient store rooms in the city.

May Hit Game and Fish Commission

SALEM, Jan. 16.—To abolish the State Game and Fish Commission, and make the master fish warden and game warden appointive by the governor will be the purpose of a bill to be introduced by Representative Schuebel.

"The measure will take the fish and game department out of politics, and cause a reduction in the number of the wardens," said Representative Schuebel. "By vesting the governor with the appointment of the two chief wardens they will be directly responsible to him. It will also limit the number of wardens which the master fish and game warden can appoint."

The palace of fine arts is the only one of the eleven exhibit palaces that is absolutely fire-proof and built of steel and concrete. It is semi-circular in form and 1100 feet long.

Arrest Is Made in Merrill Saloon Case

Fred H. Mills Flies to Aid of Client With a Writ

All is not settled as yet in the A. F. Clubine case at Merrill, wherein Clubine was arrested on a charge of keeping his saloon open after the polls closed election day, and was fined \$250.

Today Clubine was arrested by T. M. Durham, marshal of Merrill, as the fine has not been paid. This afternoon, his attorney, Fred H. Mills, after telephoning to Merrill, secured a writ of habeas corpus, and left for

Merrill to rescue his client from the Alifalfa City donjon.

Clubine was fined December 2. A couple of days later, his attorney filed a petition for a writ of review in the circuit court. This was granted by Judge Benson, then on the bench.

In the petition for a writ of review, Mills alleges that there are no legal provisions in the Merrill charter whereby his client could be fined for keeping open his place of business. He held that if there is such a provision, it is of no avail, because he charges that it was passed at an extremely irregular meeting of the city's fathers.