

WILSON ASKS BIG SUM FOR WAR RELIEF

Hundred Million Asked of Congress

WOULD AID HUNGRY

Western Russia, Poland and Austria Would Get Aid Thru Appropriation—Wilson Received by Pope. Is Made Citizen of Rome—King and Queen Participate in Ceremony

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4.—Congress has been asked by President Wilson today in a message thru the State Department to appropriate one hundred million dollars for the relief of famine sufferers in Europe. It is understood that the money is wanted chiefly to send food into the sections of Western Russia, Poland and Austria Hungary.

ROME, Jan. 4.—President Wilson has been received at the Vatican today by Pope Benedict who was robed in white. Two gilded chairs had been placed in the throne room for his reception.

ROME, Jan. 4.—President Wilson became a citizen of Rome today. The king and queen participated in the ceremony. Mr. Wilson made a speech and was later a guest of honor at an official dinner at the Quirinal.

ROME, Jan. 4.—The President leaves tonight for Paris stopping at Genoa, Milan and Turin.

SHEEP AT THE LAVA BEDS DOING FINE.

Pat Welch and Dan Sullivan, foremen for Maurice Keane, are in town today from the Lavo Bed district. They report that the sheep in that district are doing fine this winter.

MATRIMONY TO BE CONTROLLED BY BOLSHIEVIKI

LONDON, Jan. 4.—The Petrograd Town Council, according to a Copenhagen dispatch has decided that all unmarried women between the ages of eighteen and forty-five shall be provided with husbands selected by the Council.

Children from poor homes shall not be allowed to remain with their parents but be educated under the control of the Soviet government.

RAILROADS TO RAISE PASSENGER FARE

SALEM, Jan. 4.—The Sampter V. L. Railroad Company has filed with the Public Service Commission a new passenger tariff increasing the rate from four to five cents per mile.

Warm Praise for United States From Japan

TOKIO. (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—Viscount Uchida, Japan's Foreign Minister, recently declared that the United States of America after affording the world every proof of their absolute impartiality and fairness, completely startled him by the astonishing feats of arms and of civil efficiency which American troops and organizers have displayed.

The Viscount was speaking at a banquet held here to celebrate the capitulation of Germany. The function was arranged by the Allied Societies of Tokio and was one of the most impressive ever held here. Near-

BRIDGE ALONG NEW DAM IS DISCUSSED

The possibility of a bridge across the proposed dam at the head of Link River, to be built soon by the California Oregon Power Company at the expense of the city or county is being discussed to some extent by the business men here.

The demand for a bridge at this point, is declared to be great and the fact that the dam is about to be built and at a slightly greater expense could be so constructed that its top could be used as a bridge, causes some to believe that a cooperative move may be launched before the plans of the company are too far developed.

OREGON LEADS STATES IN RED CROSS DRIVE

PORTLAND, Jan. 4.—A total of 225,000 members of the Red Cross for Oregon enlisted in the recent roll-call drive, is the latest announcement to be made from the campaign headquarters of State Manager H. E. Witham. Official memberships for Portland number 91,300.

By present totals, based upon percentages of population, Oregon leads every state of the Western group in annual memberships to the Red Cross. Oregon's percentage is 38. Washington has 23 per cent and Idaho has 21 per cent. Owing to wholly unsatisfactory returns California has extended its drive to January 15.

RELIEF CORPS ELECTION ON MONDAY NIGHT

By special dispensation from the Department of Oregon, F. B. Sprague, No. 26, W. R. C. will hold its annual election of officers Monday evening, Jan. 6th in the I. O. O. F. Hall, meeting to convene at 7:30 o'clock.

Owing to the ban on public gatherings the corps has not held a meeting since the first part of October, consequently this meeting is a very important one and every member of the order is expected to be present to help select officers for the coming year also to vote on changing meeting hour from afternoon to evening.

NEW REPAIR SHOP OPEN TO PUBLIC

R. N. Turpin, a former resident of the Medford section has rented the Chas. DeLap building at the corner of Sixth and Willow Streets and has equipped to do a general repair business. Mr. Turpin was in the employ of Charles Otay during the summer months in the County and became impressed with the business opportunities here at that time.

HERE FROM ORINDALE

C. J. Hunt is in town on business today from Orindale.

EVERYTHING IN READINESS FOR SCHOOL MONDAY

Teachers Coming From Outside Homes

FLU FORCED VACATION

Most of the Teachers Have Already Returned, and Those Not Here Have Been Notified by Letter and Wire to Be Ready for Duty on Monday Morning

Everything is now in readiness for the big opening of the schools throughout the city and county on Monday, following the enforced vacation of more than two months from the Spanish influenza.

All the teachers who have been away during the time the schools have been closed have been notified by letter and wire to be here to resume their duties.

County School Superintendent Edw. Wells who has been in Portland for the last few days on matters of official business, is expected to return tomorrow night.

Miss Esther Dickenson, of Woodburn, Miss Audrey Lewis of Marcellin and Miss Olliana Olson of Toledo, teachers of the Bonanza school have all returned.

Miss Wilhemina Prantz has returned from Portland to resume charge of the school at Lorella.

Miss Olive Whipple of Canby has returned. Miss Nellie DeLamater from Oakland will resume charge of the Shasta View School.

Miss Mabel Thomas of Mayten, California and Mrs. Emalle Sams of Medford are expected in today or tomorrow.

SOLDIERS REMOVED FROM BEACHED BOAT

FIRE ISLAND, Jan. 4.—The removal of two hundred wounded the last of the Transport "Northern Pacific" soldier passenger list was begun today under clearing skies and in an even sea. It is expected that the operations will be completed at noon today. There is a light snow storm now falling.

FIRE ISLAND, Jan. 4.—(Later) The soldiers taken off the boat were twenty seriously wounded stretcher cases which were taken down the stairway and swung over the transport side.

Twenty-five hundred men were removed without loss of life. Three hundred of these were already badly wounded.

HERE FROM ASHLAND

FOUR COUNTY OFFICERS TO LEAVE DESKS

Today is the last day in office for several of the county officers who turn over their responsibilities to their successors on Monday.

County Commissioner, Asa Fordyce will take the place in the County Court previously held by Frank McCormack. G. K. Van Riper, will become County Treasurer replacing George Haydon and C. T. Darley becomes County Surveyor succeeding J. C. Cleghorn.

Circuit Court Clerk, Allen Sloar, will turn over his office to County Clerk C. R. DeLap under whose supervision this work will be done in the future in accordance with a bill passed at the last legislature.

NEW CITY TREASURER HAS ASSUMED DUTIES

The city finances have now been turned over to the new City Treasurer, Miss Ida Momyer, who was elected to this office at the city election, November 5th.

SIEMANS RETURNS FROM BAY CITY.

President J. W. Siemens of the First State and Savings Bank returned last evening from San Francisco, where he has been for the past few days on matters of business.

He expects to leave next Tuesday again for Portland, where he will attend the annual meeting of the Irrigation Congress.

MILLS SEWER COST THOUGHT PROHIBITIVE

Fifty seven thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars is the approximate cost of sewer for Mills Addition according to County Surveyor J. C. Cleghorn, who was asked by the city council recently to figure on this improvement which is so badly needed by the residents of that section.

This would be divided about as follows: City of Klamath Falls, \$27,819 and resident property holders \$19,931.

It is believed however, that in view of the bonded indebtedness of the city, the cost of the improvement will make it prohibitive for the present.

SALEM GUARDS ARE FREED FROM CHARGE

SALEM, Jan. 3.—Judge Kelly of the Circuit Court here has held that the Marion County Grand Jury's presentments against two penitentiary guards for conspiring with convicts to secure release for remuneration, did not state the facts which constituted a crime. This ends the investigation, according to officials.

OREGON MAKES PROUD RECORD IN BIG WAR

PORTLAND, Jan. 4.—The people of Oregon in the 18 months the United States was in the war contributed outright or subscribed to Government revenue-producing securities sum amounting \$125,981,091. Based on an estimated population of 800,000 in the state, the per capita of every man, woman and child was \$157.47.

Subscriptions to the four issues of Liberty Loan Bonds aggregated \$103,546,600. A total of \$18,000,000 was invested in war savings stamps and with a generosity that marked the state's response to every other call for aid, \$2,232,253 was given to the Red Cross. The latter item does not include the proceeds from the recent membership drive, which yielded approximately an additional \$400,000 for the deserving organization.

The grand total of the contributions and investments by Oregon citizens was distributed among the following organizations:

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| Liberty loan | \$103,546,000 |
| War savings stamps | 18,000,000 |
| Red Cross | 2,232,253 |
| United War Work | 1,168,135 |
| Y. M. C. A. | 435,758 |
| Armenian Relief | 160,000 |
| Y. W. C. A. and Postdek | |
| Commission | 110,000 |
| Knights of Columbus | 97,000 |
| Jewish relief | 80,000 |
| Salvation Army | 57,500 |
| Boy Scouts | 30,000 |
| War Camp Community Service | 24,930 |
| War Library | 19,965 |
| Smilage books | 18,000 |
| Total | \$125,981,091 |

Oregon's combined quotas in the above drives aggregated \$101,502,085, while the total subscriptions were \$125,981,091, giving the state oversubscriptions of \$24,479,009.

ARMENIANS ARE MASSACRED BY TURKISH ARMY

Terms of Armistice Are Not Observed

OUTRAGES COMMITTED

Believed Turks Trying to Exterminate Race in Final Blow—Bolsheviks Spreading Terror Thru Lithuania and Rumania as They Advance—Have Reached Vilna

LONDON, Jan. 4.—It is authoritatively announced that the evidence received that the Turkish army in withdrawing from the invaded territories in the Caucasus have committed fearful outrages on the Armenians, despite the terms of the armistice. It is believed that they intend to deal a final blow at the Armenians to consummate the Turkish policy of exterminating the race.

WARSAW, Jan. 4.—Bolshevik forces are now in the outskirts of Vilna, capital of Lithuania and have accepted towns on the railway between Minsk and Brest Litovsk. They are declared to be burning, robbing and murdering peasants as they advance.

HUN AIR SERVICE DONE

LONDON, (By Mail)—For the Allies to take 2,000 airplanes from Germany, in accordance with the terms of the armistice, means inflicting crippling Germany in the air beyond hope of early recovery, while immensely adding to aerial strength of the Allies, says an aviation expert. This is emphasized, he says, by the fact that in five months of the heaviest air fighting of the war, Germany lost in aerial combat with the British alone something like 2,700 machines. To this total must be added the destruction wrought by the French and American air services.

The expert asserts that for several months before the armistice, Germany's capacity for producing airplanes was unequal to the task of replacing her immense losses. This, he adds, was strikingly illustrated by the almost complete failure of her air arm during the final and most critical phase of the war.

JAPS WITHDRAWN FROM EAST SIBERIA

LONDON, Jan. 4.—A dispatch received here today says that 24,000 Japanese troops are to be withdrawn from Siberia. The message says that public opinion deplores the withdrawal and says the Allied observers including the Americans speak bitterly of interventions as being relatively a failure, owing to difficulties among the Allies and mutual jealousies.

RETRENCHMENT IN EXPENSES OF CITY BEGUN

Retrenchment in the expenses of the city government for the coming year under the administration of E. R. Struble, is indicated in his dismissal last evening of O. B. Dewes who has for a long period been connected with the repairs and upkeep of the city streets. Street Commissioner J. S. Rabourn will have this work to look after in the future, it is reported. The salary paid to Mr. Dewes has been eighty five dollars per month. Today is his last day on the pay roll of the city.

NEW LEGISLATOR LEAVES FOR SALEM

Dr. George Merryman will leave tomorrow for Salem where he will attend the next session of the State Legislature as representative from this district.

Dr. Merryman has had a great deal of experience in legislative work, having served this district at two previous times, and in both the upper and lower house. He is well acquainted with the needs of this district and will no doubt be able to forward measures which will result beneficially to the Klamath Country.

CIRCUIT JUDGE IS BACK WITH BETTER HEALTH

Greatly improved in health, Circuit Judge D. V. Kuskendall has returned with his family from a several weeks visit at Eugene. The many friends of Judge Kuskendall will be glad to learn that he has largely recovered from the breakdown in health which he suffered some months ago and while he is not completely well, he expects to be able to resume his duties here immediately.

Definite announcement of the opening of the Circuit Court term here which was delayed on account of the influenza ban, will not be made until he has had time to confer with the Attorneys.

HOOVER SAYS MANY STATES THRU AUSTRIA

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Arzival at Tross of the first steamer carrying food supplies for the Serbians and the success of a special mission to Warsaw to organize food relief in Poland and another to Vienna to investigate food conditions there have been announced in a cablegram received at the Food Administration from Herbert C. Hoover at Paris. A commission also has left for Belgrade to take charge of the situation there.

Conditions in Vienna and also in Roumania were said to be desperate. Mr. Hoover said representatives of the Viennese municipalities now at Bern, Switzerland, stated that food supplies for the 2,000,000 people in the Austrian capital would not last more than 10 days.

As to Roumania, the cablegram said, the Americans and Allied Ministers there had telegraphed that they were convinced that the food supplies would not last more than 30 days. Mr. Hoover says:

"The American and Allied Ministers in Roumania have telegraphed to their respective governments, that, after investigating, they are convinced that the food supply of Roumania will not last for more than another 30 days and that immediate steps for relief must be taken if the country is not to be submerged by Bolshevism. Methods of relief are under consideration, but present extreme difficulties. Roumania is entirely without funds to pay for food."

THREE DIVISIONS COMING HOME SOON

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4.—Three combat divisions, the thirteenth, thirty-seventh and ninety-first have been designated by General Pershing for early return from France, according to an announcement today by General March.

The thirteenth includes the National Guard troops from Tennessee, North Carolina, and South Carolina; the thirty-seventh includes Ohio and West Virginia Guardsmen, and the ninety-first includes Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, Montana, Wyoming, and Alaska troops. These are to be returned as soon as the shipping is available.

SPRING STREET IS SLATED FOR CINDERS SOON

Estimate Is Considered To Be Satisfactory

10-INCH DRESS LIKELY

Residents Along Spring Street Apparently Anxious to Have Work Begun as Soon as Possible, at a Cost Which Will Approximate Eighty Cents Front Foot

The early improvement of Spring Street between a point near the Espee passenger depot and Sixth with cinder dressing is a strong probability, according to County Surveyor J. C. Cleghorn, whose estimates of this work have been apparently satisfactory to the property owners. The cost of a ten inch dressing of the cinders with the necessary grading up and trench cutting will not exceed eighty cents per front foot, according to Mr. Cleghorn. The ten inches of cinders would pack to a thickness of about seven inches.

It is expected that the formal arrangements by the city to go ahead with the new improvement, will be made as rapidly as possible.

WOOD CUTTER SUFFERS PAINFUL EYE INJURY.

To have his eye seriously injured, from a flying splinter while chopping wood in the Merrill district was the unfortunate experience of J. E. Jones who is in town today receiving medical attention. It is reported that physicians fear the eventual loss of the sight of his eye.

"TANK CATS" ORGANIZATION IS PERFECTED

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 4.—The "Tank Cats" an organization of Chicago Tank Corps men, was formally launched at a meeting held recently at Camp Greene near this city. The movement to organize members of the Tank Corps into a permanent body is expected to spread over the whole country, as almost every large city is represented in its personnel. Qualification for membership is based on service in the Tank Corps during time of war.

The purpose of the organization is to promote and maintain public interest in the Tanks as an arm of the service and to form a bond between its members by means of social and fraternal activities.

Similar meetings have been called of representing the cities of New York, Philadelphia, Boston, San Francisco and others. When all these separate chapters have been perfected it is planned to call a general meeting of delegates from each for the purpose of forming a national organization.

YANKEE CASUALTIES IN ARCHANGEL LIGHT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4.—An official report received from the American military Attaché with Ambassador Francis in Russia has announced by General March today, shows a total of deaths from all causes in the Archangel region up to November 25th to be 869 killed in action, seven died from wounds, three drowned, two deaths from accident and 61 from disease.

It is declared that the troops are adequately fed and clothed for winter campaigning.