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### GRATIFYING RESULTS.

It is exceedingly gratifying to the people of this city, especially those who are sick, that the abominable muffler nuisance has been almost abated. The police force has worked hard to stop it, pursuing a course of personal solicitation rather than the quicker and more effective method of landing the violators before the police judge. We have felt all along that there has been no wilful disposition on the part of the average autoist to ignore the law, but he has permitted himself to be led into the practice by those who have no regard for law or anything else. There are still a few of those running automobiles in the city, and out of consideration for the men who have listened to the suggestion of the officers no exception should be made. Sufficient warning has been given. The law should now take its course. In the meantime the public certainly appreciates the progress that has been made.

### MANY WOMEN ATEND IMPROVEMENT CLUB BUSINESS SESSION

There was a good attendance at the Woman's Improvement club yesterday afternoon when that body met in the Council Chamber. The advisability of a thorough investigation of the Keno Power Co. proposition, wherein the entire matter was to be given a rigid scrutiny was voted upon. Should the plant come up to requirements the Woman's Improvement club will use its good efforts to push the purchase by the city.

Mrs. Holland, who visits here every year from Riverside, California, made an interesting talk. She told of the advantage of a Municipal Plant, there being one in Riverside. She advised against politicians and politics in public utilities. All such matters are handled in Riverside by a commission, known as "Utility Board." This board consists of five members selected by the Mayor and having the approval of the Council. All boards have the same secretary. This commission has absolute power and no member receives a salary. The Mayor can remove any commissioner and has only to give the member involved a cause for the removal. Mrs. Holland is herself a member of the Riverside Utility Board. She advised the Woman's Club to act as a go-between in the case of contentious factions, and try and bring all actions together. "It is question said Mrs. Holland, in California whether oranges or tourists are the most

profitable," and in this connection she made a hearty appeal for good roads.

The club adjourned until after the Elk's convention, it being decided to devote the entire energy of the women to the arduous work of seeing that that body is properly housed.

### W. H. HARVEY PASSES AWAY IN ASHLAND THIS MORNING.

W. H. Harvey, who has been a resident of Klamath Falls for the past three years, died early this morning in Ashland following an operation for appendicitis that was performed on him last Saturday.

Mr. Harvey, who was 43 years of age, had been in poor health for some time and went to Ashland to regain his strength. He rallied slightly after his operation but gradually failed until death took him early this morning. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. A. L. Harvey of Ashland, two daughters, Opal and Leda of this city; two sisters, Mrs. Addie Wilson of Medford, and Mrs. Nate Otterbein of this city; and a brother, John Harvey, of Santa Ana, California.

Mrs. Otterbein will leave this afternoon by automobile for Ashland. The body will be buried in Jacksonville Cemetery.

### Allied Commander Who Has Delivered Ultimatum To Bela Kun, Italy Hears



General Franchet d'Esperey

Although it has been believed that the Supreme Council under Premier Clemenceau's presidency would resort to a tight blockade of Hungary as the first step toward forcing out the Bela Kun Bolshevik government, reports from Italy state that General Franchet d'Esperey, commander in chief of the allied armies in the Near East, has delivered an ultimatum to Bela Kun. Acting under the full powers conferred upon him by the peace conference, General d'Esperey is said to have demanded the immediate resignation of the Soviet ministry in favor of a free government elected by popular vote.

## ROAD BUILDING IS HELD BACK

Work on Alaska's great Interior River Highway System halted by lack of funds from Congress

SEATTLE, Wash., July 24.—Pioneering government engineers are laying the 471 mile railroad from Seward, on the coast, north across the continental divide to connect with Alaska's great interior river highway system, made no attempt early this summer to close the 150 mile gap across Broad Pass between the ends of steel lying north and south of the terminals of the road.

Recent failure of Congress to appropriate \$10,000,000 requested to complete the road, made it impossible for the Alaska Engineering Commission, which is directing the work, to plan for laying any new line. Hope has not been abandoned, however, that the necessary money will be voted as on July 9, Representative Curry, California, introduced a measure providing for the appropriation of \$17,000,000 for the road.

### Snowslides Stop Travel.

Construction crews started this summer to connect the links between Nenana and Fairbanks, on the interior end of the road, and to build snowsheds and repairing trestles, bridges and roadbed on the line between Seward and Anchorage on the southern end. Last year the road was opened between Seward and Anchorage and trains were operated regularly until snowslides stopped travel. By next winter, it is hoped, snowsheds will permit trains to operate at all times.

Coal already is being moved over the coast end of the railroad from the Matanuska fields to Seward and Anchorage and nearby points and it is believed the Nanana-Fairbanks road will be completed this fall so coal can be handled from the Nenana fields into Fairbanks. The Matanuska road is moved over a thirty eight mile branch running into the coal fields from the Seward-Anchorage end of the line.

### Men Hard To Get

One of Alaska's big war sacrifices was the delay in the work on the government railroad. During the war men were hard to get as they were needed in France, ships were wanted to carry troops overseas instead of railroad supplies to Alaska and railroad materials were sent from the states to the battle fields instead of to the north.

But now that the war is over, Alaska hopes to see the work on the road pushed. The road would have been completed in 1921 if Congress had appropriated the \$10,000,000. Manager J. L. McPherson of the Alaska bureau of the Seattle chamber of commerce recently told the senate appropriations committee. McPherson, a railroad engineer himself is in Washington assisting in the fight for the funds.

### Engineers Work Hard.

Main line track has been laid on the road north from Seward 224 miles to Talkeetna. On the northern end the line has been built 34 miles south from Nenana and seven miles south from Fairbanks. All of the road is not being built by the government. On the Seward end the Commission, when it started work, took over the old Alaska Northern Railway, running north from Seward. On the interior end the Tanana Valley

railway, which ran out of Fairbanks was purchased. Government engineers have put both these lines in first class shape.

Some of the work on the interior end is being held up on it the road from the coast is finished so materials can be brought over it from the seaports of Seward and Anchorage. At present prohibitive costs make it impossible to transport a large amount of material to Fairbanks and Nenana as supplies must be sent thousands of miles around by St. Michaels and up the Yukon River or to Skagway and over the mountains and then down the Yukon. One big piece of work being delayed until the line reaches the interior is the construction of a bridge across the Tanana River at Nenana. Last winter a track was laid on the ice of the frozen river for work trains.

The time is getting shorter every day for you to do what should be done before the Elks get here on August 14, 15 and 16. What are you doing?

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WASHINGTON, July 24.—An army bombing plane, carrying a crew of five, left the ground today in the first leg of a flight 1000 miles from Washington. It will go thru 31 states on the Atlantic Pacific, the Gulf Coast and the Canadian border. Lieutenant Colonel R. S. Hartz is in command of the huge plane.

### FIRE DESTROYS WHEAT.

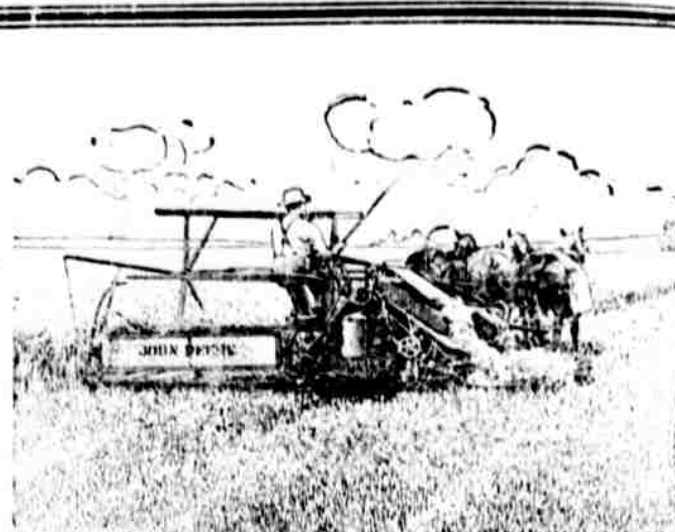
PORTLAND, Ore., July 24.—Scores of small fires were reported in the vicinity of Roseburg and Clatsop today. Fire destroyed over \$30,000 of standing wheat near Roseburg. It was fully covered by insurance.

ditions at this time are that there are no dangerous forest fires in the state at this time.

## RECOMMENDS RADIO BASE FOR OREGON

PORTLAND, Ore., July 24.—Assistant Secretary of the Navy House, who informed the Chamber of Commerce today that he had recommended to congress the establishment of a \$3,000,000 high power radio station at the mouth of the Columbia River to relieve trans-Pacific cable congestion.

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