

NEWS FROM TILLAMOOK BOYS.

Thomas Withycombe Contributes \$20.50 to the Company Mess Fund.

Sergeant Irvie E. Keldson returned from a 4 day pass on Monday morning bringing a check for \$20.50 which he received on the way to camp from Thomas Withycombe, a brother of the governor, whom he met on the train from Tillamook. This was deposited with the Company Mess Fund.

Another new program of work has been put into force and as a result, the 10th Company and all the other Companies of this Coast Defense are working somewhat harder than heretofore. A greater variety of work has been provided, the drill periods being divided into sections for artillery work and sections for infantry. On Wednesday the company takes a hike. That of last Wednesday extended over 14 miles of roads. It was a delightful day, however, and the boys felt any ill effects from the effort; most everybody felt better on the return than before starting.

Bayonet exercises, signal practice and target practice for rifles will be included in the work. Several members of the company have already become proficient in two aim semaphores signaling; we are now also learning the International Morse code of wiggling the flags. These systems form the basis for most of the signal work done in the service.

Private Chester Mills left here a few days ago for the Presidio at San Francisco, where he is now taking a course in the school for Baker's Cooks. Chester has written that he is being sent from the school to every day to fill vacancies in mess companies, there being a constant demand for cooks and bakers.

A large problem in the company was settled a few days ago when Mess Sergeant Myers found and acquired a 3 oven French Range for the use of the company. This range is adapted for all kinds of cooking and baking and plenty large for the food cooked here. On Saturday morning, it was used for the first time and cooks Grimmins and Reed demonstrated their ability to bake cakes. Before noon, Sergeant Myers had several angel food cakes in the ovens and it was a settled fact the range was a success.

The company is indebted to the Guard girls for several boxes of cakes and also for a number of cakes received recently. The cakes are delicious and the pillows filled with felt want. The Honor Guard City also donated pillows to the members of the company.

A library tent has been erected in front of the kindness of John Mar, it contains a liberal supply of magazines. During rainy weather "off duty" periods, the library is well patronized.

The company has also received a quantity of Tillamook cheese which is much appreciated.

A government boat leaves Astoria at 8:15 a. m., which arrives at Columbia at 9:35. Leaving Columbia the boat daily except Sundays and Sundays at 5:50 p. m. and 8:30 p. m. On Sundays morning boat leaves here directly to its arrival and does not return.

Watchman Sandbagged. Watkins was sandbagged and of a purse containing over \$12 in her valuables at the Schiffmann Wednesday night. About 12 when he and the watchman Jensen mill were eating lunch in the boiler room they heard a noise down in the furnace and on investigating found men there. When asked what they were doing on the premises they were L. W. W.'s. When orway they threatened that they would back next day and bring with them and that the mill be shut down, they then went on the railroad track and sat an hour or so later the watchman the shingle mill hearing an sound at the Schiffmann mill over to investigate and found a knocked out. He called Schiffmann and Dennis and they brought the victim consciousness. Sheriff Camp-deputies went to work on the next evening picked up a at Coal Creek camp but he his innocence. Later reports from three men answering the son went over the Seaside Saturday.

Union Government in Counties Wanted. A service to progress and betterment was rendered by the state convention of county organizers when it adopted a resolution approving the short ballot commission government for County commissioners are qualified to pass upon this They are in constant contact with the shortcoming of the system. They know how costly it is to the taxpayers, and inevitably to divided responsibility, disputed authority and delay.

Increasing demand for the short ballot commission government is a movement. The reform was advocated by President Wilson and Taft and Roosevelt. It was recommended this year by 10 of their messages to their constituents, and two years ago by 14. It is advocated by Governor of Washington, Governor of Oregon and Governor of Idaho. Spokane.

and hundreds of other towns and cities have adopted it and could not be induced to return to the old, rejected system. It has been continuously tested in our national government since the foundation of the republic. We elect a president, lay upon him the responsibility of choosing his cabinet, and hold his administration undivided and undodgable responsibility. We do not confuse the voters with elections of cabinet members, postmaster, United States marshals and district attorneys.

Why Germany Wants Peace.

The big German business organizations all over the world have disintegrated, and the words "Made in Germany" on manufactured goods are not going to be a very good selling argument for years to come, so thoroughly has Germany made herself hated by enemies and neutrals alike. We may well believe that German financial and political leaders are beginning to realize that, whatever the issue of the war, financial and economic ruin stares them in the face. There probably has never been a time since the war began when Germany has a whole has been so anxious for peace. The recent utterances of Von Kuehlmann, the new German foreign secretary, are in strange contrast to his predecessor's clatter of the mailed fist. We hear that "a policy based on might alone and not on right is doomed to failure from the beginning." Could there be a more accurate description of Germany's policy up to date? If the German leaders have begun to see the light there may be some hope that real peace negotiations will result from the pope's initiative. While the German foreign secretary thus publicly at humble pie, the statesmen of the entente allies consulted as to their answer to the pope's message. And while they consulted, fighting flared up violently on every front.—Henry Farrand Griffin, in Leslie's.

He Was Game.

They had been married three months and were having their first quarrel, which shows that they were a remarkable couple. "Evidently," she said icily, "you regret that you have married me. The step is not irrevocable, however. If you care to be released from your bonds." "Naw," he interrupted impatiently. "I'm on no 90-day recruit. I'm enlisted for the term of war." She couldn't think of any retort, so she maintained a scornful silence.

THROWING THE DART.

Venice and Cork, For Different Reasons, Observe This Old Custom.

In widely differing communities—Venice and Cork—there obtains a curious ceremony, that of throwing the dart.

In the first case this is an ancient custom signifying the marriage of the Adriatic. Every year since 1177, on Ascension day, Venice has been made the bride of the sea, and the throwing of the dart is a picturesque feature of a picturesque ceremony.

Equally interesting are the circumstances attaching to the similar function on the first Thursday of September in Cork harbor, Ireland. By virtue of a clause in the city charter the mayor of Cork is constituted admiral of the port. Every three years he must evidence his jurisdiction by throwing a dart into the sea.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the mayor, the town council, all the civic officers and the band of the Cork civil artillery embark on a vessel and proceed to a point between Poor head and Cork head, which is held to be the maritime boundary of the borough. The mayor dons his official robes and, attended by the mace and sword bearer, the city treasurer and the town clerk, likewise wearing their official robes, goes to the prow of the vessel and launches into the sea a dart made of mahogany tipped and winged with bronze, in this way asserting his authority as lord high admiral of the port.—Argonaut.

VENOMOUS SEA SNAKES.

Gaudy Colored Serpents of the Indian and Pacific Oceans.

Innumerable sea snakes, most of which are highly venomous, infest the waters of the Indian ocean and the western Pacific.

Nearly all of them differ from the land serpents by the laterally flattened and oarlike shape of the tail and also by the scales of the under surface of the body. When cast ashore accidentally the majority are quite helpless and soon die, for they are unadapted for getting about on land. Three species, however, differ from the majority of the sea snakes. One of the most common kind is a three foot snake that lives in the waters from the Bay of Bengal to Oceania. This species easily crawls on land and sometimes makes journeys of a considerable distance inland.

Most of the sea snakes have brilliant colorings. They feed on fish and other marine creatures and are extraordinarily active. In length they vary from about two feet to as much as ten or twelve feet. Sea snakes also differ from land snakes in the shortness of the tongue. In their natural element they thrust only the extreme tip of this organ through two small notches in the closed mouth. They have comparatively small nostrils, placed on top of the snout and furnished with a valve that opens to admit air and that closes to exclude water when the reptile is beneath the surface.

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Notice of Sheriff's Sale of Real Property.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a writ of execution issued out of the Circuit Court for Tillamook County, Oregon, on the 26th day of Sept., 1917, and to me directed, upon a judgment duly rendered, entered of a record and docketed in and by said court on the 3rd day of March, 1916, in a certain action then in said court pending, wherein D. L. Shrode, George Williams and Charles Kunze were plaintiffs, and C. M. Martin and Mary J. Martin were defendants, said judgment being in favor of plaintiffs and against the defendants, and by which execution I am commanded to satisfy out of the property of said defendants the following judgment:

Three Hundred Eighty-one and 52/100 dollars (\$381.52) with interest thereon at the rate of six per cent per annum from October 16th, 1915, and the sum of \$10.00 costs and disbursements of said action, and I have duly levied upon the following described real property of said defendants, situated in Tillamook County, Oregon, to wit:

Lots 1, 2 and 3, and the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter, and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter, all of Section 5, Township 2 south, Range 10 West W. M.

Therefore, I will on Saturday the 27th day of October, 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. on said date, at the front door of the Court House in Tillamook City, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all right, title and interest which the within named defendants had in or to said real property on or since the 3rd day of March, 1916, the date of rendering and docketing the above judgment. Also all right, title and interest of all persons claiming under said defendants since said date. Said sale will be made subject to redemption; as provided by law.

Dated this 26th day of September, 1917. W. L. Campbell, Sheriff of Tillamook County Oregon

Notice to Creditors.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, For the County of Tillamook.—In the matter of the estate of Charles A. Seamon, late of the county of Tillamook, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has, in the above entitled proceeding, filed his Final Account as Administrator for the Estate which was of Charles A. Seamon, late of the County of Tillamook, Deceased, and that the Court has appointed Saturday, the Third Day of November, 1917, at Ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the hearing of Objections to such Final Account and the settlement thereof.

S. M. Batterson, Administrator Johnson & Handley, Robert H. McGrath, Attorneys for the Administrator.

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