

CONDITION OF THE MILITIA

Was Never Better Says Adjutant General W. E. Finzer In Report

ENCAMPMENT COST MUCH LESS THAN LAST YEAR AND BENEFITS WERE MORE FAR REACHING—HE INSPECTS QUARTERS OF COMPANY M.

(From Thursday's Daily).

While in Salem yesterday, Adjutant General Finzer took advantage of the opportunity to make an inspection of the armory and property of Company M. A recent improvement in the quarters of Company M was made by the addition of a large number of new lockers, one of which is assigned to each man, in which he keeps his uniforms and equipment. At present, the new Krag rifles are also kept there, owing to the fact that the old Springfield racks are too large. General Finzer stated that no company in the state was better equipped than Company M. "But," said he, "the county or city should by all means build an armory and donate it to the local militia organization. The intention of both the state and United States laws was that the county should do this, as was done in Multnomah county, and the result is that the Portland companies have a room exactly suited to their needs, and as good as an outdoor store."

The general also inspected the rifle range near West Salem, accompanied by Quartermaster Sergeant Romeo Shelton. As the rifle practice season closed October 31, the range is not in use at present, but the general is preparing for next year's practice. He intends inspecting all company quarters in the state, but will do so on occasion offers, and took advantage of the opportunity yesterday, as he attended a meeting of the State Military Board.

He said the board was determined to improve the efficiency of the militia and were getting along nicely with their plans. All officers and non-commissioned officers will be required to take a course of study during the winter, and pass upon it next summer. Said he: "The men need not expect to skip drills whenever they please, and yet not suffer the penalty. The delinquency court is doing good work in Portland, and a session will likely be held in Salem before very long."

While in the city yesterday Adjutant General Finzer attended a meeting of the military board and filed his report regarding the encampment and other affairs of his department. He says that the financial affairs of the state military are in good condition and that the condition of the organization in general, as to equipment, discipline, etc., was never better.

He reports that this year's encampment cost considerable less than did the one for the preceding year, when the number of men was a little larger than this year. Last year's encampment cost the state \$29,726.36, while that just closed had a total expense, including the unpaid bills and the transportation, which is paid by the War Department at Washington, of \$18,875.96. This expense on account of the several organizations as shown below:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Third Infantry (\$19,514.23), Separate Battalion (2,712.79), Artillery (1,772.95), Cavalry (1,436.23), Transportation (paid by the United States) (2,110.32), Bills not presented (415.07). Total cost of the encampment, to come out of the military fund of the state, \$18,765.53, a decrease over last year of \$2,841.83.

General Finzer stated that he had checked up the Indian War Veterans' claims against the state, finding a total of \$112,839.23 in claims, on which the state has paid an even \$100,000, and he had in hand suspended claims aggregating \$350.

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HAS OUTGROWN OLD QUARTERS

Recorder Judah Arranging To Accommodate Increase of Council

NEWLY ELECTED ALDERMEN FROM OUTSIDE WARDS WILL PROBABLY BE SWORN IN NEXT TUESDAY EVENING—PERSONNEL OF THE NEW COUNCIL.

(From Thursday's Daily).

The first meeting of the Greater Salem council will probably be held on next Tuesday evening. While the matter has not been definitely decided upon, it is more than likely that the six aldermen from the new wards will be sworn in at this meeting, and that the four retiring members from the old wards will retain their seats until the first meeting in January, when the newly elected aldermen from those wards and the new mayor will be sworn in. Should this course be adopted, the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the proceedings of the body to which they have been elected, as there will no doubt be several adjourned meetings held before the close of the year, and would also permit the old council with its original membership to close up the business for the year.

When the new mayor and aldermen are sworn in the personnel of Greater Salem's council will be as follows: Mayor, E. W. Waters; recorder, N. J. Judah; aldermen, W. C. Hubbard, E. P. Walker, Russell, Catlin, Thomas Sims, Robert E. Downing, R. A. Crossan, A. Gesner, J. Frank Hughes, J. W. Young, George B. Jacobs, E. C. Churchill, Frank Smith, John Bayne and Lee Atcheson.

In view of the increase in membership of the city council, Recorder N. J. Judah will today engage the services of a carpenter and have an addition built to the large table used by the aldermen during the meetings of the council. The table, which is crescent shaped, was built to accommodate eight aldermen, and occupied a position immediately in front of the mayor's desk in the council chamber. During last spring, however, the council decided to hold its meetings in the police court room, on the ground floor of the city hall building, so the table was moved to that room, but now the membership of that body has outgrown both the table and the room, so another complete change will be required.

The table will be moved back into the council chamber, on the second floor, where it will occupy its original position, and in this room the future meetings of the Greater Salem council will be held. The table will be extended by cutting it in two and adding a five or six-foot piece in the center, thus allowing the table to retain its original shape, which is most convenient and brings the members within usual distance of the mayor's desk.

MINISTERS VISIT MAYOR APPEAR IN INTEREST OF FALLEN WOMEN WHO PAY REGULAR FINES.

SPokane, Wa., Dec. 9.—The ministers of this city are up in arms over the resolutions made recently relative to the social evil and the fact that the city profits to the extent of something like \$2000 per month from fines collected regularly from crib women, and they have appointed a committee to visit the mayor and ascertain if something cannot be done to relieve the city of the stain of living off blood money.

It has been the custom for several years to impose monthly fines of \$10 each on the inmates of the cribs and convey the money into the general fund of the city. Some two or three months ago the amount of the fine was increased to \$15 per month, and something over 100 women are regularly paying the fine.

BLAMES UNITED STATES SENATOR MORGAN SAYS THE AMERICANS BROKE FAITH WITH CUBA.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Senator Teller concluded his speech in opposition to the Cuban reciprocity bill today, and Senator Morgan also was heard in opposition to that measure. The Alabama Senator devoted the greater share of his attention to the Panama Canal question. He charged that the United States had broken faith in failing to obey the Spooner law and warned Cuba that the same course might be followed by us toward that country in case the pending bill should become a law.

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EXPORT MARKET VERY QUIET WITH NO DEMAND AT PRESENT PRICES.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) The local wheat market is very quiet, as the greater portion of the wheat crop of 1933 is already disposed of, or at least, passed from the growers' hands. Most of the farmers were fortunate enough to be able to sell for 75 cents per bushel net, and those who refused to sell at this figure, have since been loth to let go at a much lower price, and are still holding. However, probably not more than one-fourth of the entire crop is still held by growers.

With valley wheat quoted in Portland at 78 cents, the export price at this point cannot exceed 68 cents per bushel, but a premium over this price has been paid the entire year, the market never going below 70 cents, where it stands at present. It is probably well worth that price for shipping purposes, and the splendid Oriental trade opening up for Oregon flour is making it possible for Oregon mills to grind nearly all of the wheat raised in Oregon. Some local buyers, and interior mills, are offering a premium of 2 1/2 to 5 cents over the market price for wheat, as they have not enough to supply their trade, but this liberality does not cost them much, as very little wheat is left in the country, which is not stored in warehouses.

The Commission of Portland, Oregon, makes the following comment on the condition of the Portland market: "The local market is very inactive and the same is true of interior markets. The export value of wheat is so low that many holders prefer to take chances on a rise in prices after the turn of the year, rather than market at present quotations. The foreign demand for our cargoes is slow and it is quite difficult for our exporters to effect sales forward. Our shippers really have no pressing need of wheat, stocks in store here being large, and will cover the wants of exporters for some time to come. The situation here may be summed up as follows: Buyers will trade only on the real export values and holders won't sell except at an advance. If sellers would show a disposition to accept market values, probably shippers would pay some attention to free tonnage and rid the port of disengaged ships. Sellers are asking from 3 to 5 cents per bushel more than the exporters would pay, and a deadlock exists that will not probably be broken before the beginning of the new year. The money market is very close at present, and it is hard to finance very large stocks, as country banks are calling in loans they have on hand, and probably this may make some of the holders release their grain in warehouses. Quotations for Club range from 73 to 74 cents per bushel; Bluestem, 77 to 79 cents; Valley, 78 cents."

DAMAGE NOT ESTIMATED MONMOUTH NORMAL SCHOOL WILL CLOSE UNTIL BUILDING HAS BEEN REPAIRED.

(From Thursday's Daily.) About 1 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, December 5, the Oregon State Normal School building caught fire and had the fire not been detected immediately the entire building might have been destroyed. A bucket brigade was formed and soon the fire was under control. A few people were injured, but not seriously, during the fire. School in the normal department will be compelled to close until repairs can be made. The damage has not been estimated, but is considerable. The cause of the fire was a defective fuse.

Rev. Brown, pastor of the Campbellville church, has been on the sick list, but is recovering.

A Ministerial Association has recently been organized between the pastors of the Independences and the month churches. Dr. Thompson, of the Presbyterian church, of Independence, was elected president, and S. A. Stewart, of the Evangelical of Monmouth, secretary.

SHOT WHILE DUCK HUNTING. FOREST GROVE, Or., Dec. 9.—Word reached here last night that the 17-year-old son of Edward Haek, living three miles southeast of this place, had been accidentally shot by a companion while duck hunting. Dr. D. W. Ward was called to attend him and the extent of the injury will not be known until he returns.

CROSSED TO THE BEYOND

Mrs. Almira E. Franklin Joins Throng on Other Shore

DECEASED CROSSED PLAINS IN 1864 AND LOCATED IN MARION COUNTY THE FOLLOWING SUMMER—OF FIVE CHILDREN FOUR SURVIVE HER.

(From Thursday's Daily).

Mrs. Almira E. Franklin died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Carrie Hicks, at Silverton, Oregon, Monday, December 7, 1903, aged 71 years, 1 month and 9 days.

Almira E. Crank, the subject of this sketch, was born in Essex county, New York, on the 28th day of October, 1832. She moved to Iowa with her sister in 1849, where she was united in marriage to John H. Simeral on December 9, 1852. To this union six children were born, four of whom survive her, W. L. Simeral, of Mackay; A. F. Simeral and Mrs. Carrie Hicks, of Silverton, and C. J. Simeral, of this city. The family resided in Iowa until 1864, when they crossed the plains to Boise City, Idaho, where they remained during the winter, and came to the Willamette valley in the summer of 1865, settling in Marion county, where they have since resided, with the exception of a year and a half's residence in Clackamas county. She embraced religion quite young, and united with the Methodist Episcopal church, of which she was a member until a few years ago, when she transferred her membership to the Abiqua class of the United Brethren church. She could not attend this church the last few years, and asked for a letter and de-voiced it with the Christian church at Silverton, on December 21, 1891, the husband and father preceded her to that shore from whence no traveler returns.

On November 24, 1897, she was again united in marriage to Mr. Josiah Franklin, who died February 15, 1898. Mrs. Franklin had resided with her children since her second affliction, and passed to her reward, as above stated, on Monday afternoon. She was in her usual good health and a little spry than usual, at a hearty dinner and sat down in a rocking chair by the stove and when noticed by her daughter a few minutes later she was asleep, but in that long last sleep, to not awaken until the sounding of the trumpet.

Remains were laid to rest yesterday by the side of those of her first husband, in the Warren cemetery, in the Waldo Hills.

MAY PULL STRAWS

ELECTION OF COUNCILMEN AT FREEWATER RESULTS IN TIE AND MIX-UP.

FREEWATER, Or., Dec. 9.—The city election held today, which was to elect four councilmen, other officers holding over, resulted in a number of the votes, and the candidates and people do not know where they are at. The fight was between the temperance and saloon elements. This town is just across the railroad track from Milton, and was established so that saloons could be conducted.

The result, with the total vote for each candidate, follows: F. E. Critten-ten, law and order, 33; J. D. Young-law and order, 32; W. F. Webster, citizens', 32; James Holman, citizens', 31; J. R. A. Siemets, law and order, 31; M. B. Rice, citizens', 30; James Lower, citizens', 30.

Colfax, Or., Dec. 9.—H. Van Schoick is elected mayor, receiving 256 votes, against W. J. Davenport, with 216. W. J. Cairns was elected councilman at large; S. D. Lommasson, councilman of the First ward; Simon Dreifus, councilman of the Second ward; Elmer Bellinger, councilman of the Third ward; Howard Bramwell, clerk; Thos. Nell, attorney; H. G. Depledge, treasurer.

No politics entered into the city campaign. Van Schoick, who is a Republican, will appoint J. B. Mickey, a Democrat, city marshal. The result of the election is a great surprise. The Davenport people offered two to one on the streets yesterday, and the Van Schoick people refused to take the money. The election has no political bearing.

Temperance for Milton. Milton, Or., Dec. 9.—The city election here today was between the temperance and saloon elements, the former electing every candidate. There have been no saloons here for the past twenty years, and the saloon people hoped to win and immediately establish themselves. S. A. Miller, as mayor, was elected to office for the seventh term.

The election resulted as follows: Mayor, S. A. Miller, majority over E. L. Wright, 79; recorder E. B. Tollet, majority 24; marshal, C. S. Archer, majority 45; councilmen, long term, W. A. Banister, 25; James Edwards, 15; J. L. Frazier, 25; short term, F. M. Kent, 27; F. B. Stein, 40. The total vote was 150.

TO CAN OOLACHANS. VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 9.—A Toronto company, capitalized at \$5,000,000, has been formed to can oolachans, fish of the smelt family, and exploit their fisheries in British Columbia. E. L. Macys, W. T. McMahon, F. M. Hollis and others are heads of the concern. A large cannery is to be put up here.

MAY COME TO SALEM NEXT

1904 Convention of Idaho-Oregon Y. M. C. A. Will Be Invited Here

LOCAL SECRETARY JOHN FECHTER SAYS THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WOULD ENTER-TAIN SUCH AN INVITATION AND GIVE IT CONSIDERATION.

(From Thursday's Daily).

The Oregon-Idaho convention of Young Men's Christian Associations, which was held at Forest Grove December 4 to 6, is reported by the delegates as being the best convention ever held in this state. The attendance far exceeded the expectations of the committee in charge and was larger than at any previous convention. Salem had probably the largest representation, as nearly thirty delegates attended from the University and city associations. The honor of having the presiding officer also fell to Salem, as Mr. F. A. Wiggins, president of the city association was elected president of the convention.

John Fechter, secretary of the local Y. M. C. A., who attended the convention as a delegate, in discussing the subject, said: "The delegates in attendance, numbering about 150 men, were entertained in a royal manner by the people of Forest Grove. The meetings were held in Marsh hall, which is the main college building, and considered among the finest in the state. The college campus is one of the most beautiful in the state.

The convention opened on Friday evening and was called to order by the president, Mr. C. L. Fay, of Portland. The morning sessions opened at 9 o'clock, and from that time until late in the evening, the sessions were almost continuous.

The singing was one of the features of the convention, and was led by Fred B. Willis, general secretary of the Omaha, Nebraska, association.

The platform meetings were addressed by some of the leading association men of the country, and the subjects of the addresses were practical and up to date. Among the speakers from abroad were E. T. Colton, of Chicago, international college secretary, N. Wilbur Helm, of Princeton, who is on his way to Japan to take charge of the association work in the southern half of the empire, F. E. Willis, of Omaha, Nebraska, and R. S. Allen, of Seattle.

The reports of the various associations showed great progress during the past year. In all twelve colleges, five city and one railroad association were represented and reported a membership of over 3,000. The reports also showed a large increase in men in Bible classes and religious meetings in the college associations as well as in the city associations.

"Sunday was the big day of the convention. The first meeting was held at 9 o'clock in the morning, and was known as the quiet hour. H. W. Stone, of Portland, was leader, and nearly every delegate took some part in the meeting.

The church services were addressed by the speakers of the convention. In the afternoon three meetings were held simultaneously, for women in the Methodist church, led by Miss McElroy, general secretary Y. W. C. A., of Portland; for boys between 12 and 16 addressed by Mr. Stone; for men in the university chapel, addressed by E. T. Colton.

The auditorium was crowded with men who listened for over an hour to Mr. Colton as he addressed them with great earnestness and plainness of speech. At the conclusion of his address about fifteen men made their first public confession of Christ, and accepted Him as their Lord and Master.

The closing meeting of the convention was a big mass meeting, and the auditorium was crowded to the doors. After a spirited song service led by Mr. Willis, and a vocal solo by Mrs. Wiggins, of Salem, Mr. E. T. Colton delivered an address on 'The Supreme Purpose.' Following this address all the speakers of the convention were called upon for short talks, and the delegates were given an opportunity to express in a few words the impression the convention had made upon them individually. In conclusion, all the delegates formed a circle along the walls of the auditorium, and with hands clasped sang the association hymn, 'Best Be the Tie That Binds.' President Wiggins then pronounced the convention adjourned.

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