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WAR NEWS OF ONE YEAR AGO TODAY

The Pan-American Union of 29 republics protested the pressure of European warships in South American waters. Ambassador Bernstorff for Germany protested to the U. S. that Great Britain was buying "mushroom" bullets in the U. S.

Willamette River Will Not Be Cleared Above Corvallis This Year

Washington, Dec. 7.—Snagging operations on the Willamette river from Corvallis to Eugene, Ore., were found several years ago to be impracticable at a reasonable cost, and for that reason nothing will be done in that direction unless congress specifically provides for it.

This is the substance of a letter received by Senator Chamberlain from Colonel H. Taylor, acting chief of engineers of the army, in connection with a request from the Oregon City Transportation company, which desires to extend its service up-river to Eugene. Funds are authorized to be used for aid to navigation at high water between Corvallis and Harrisburg, but nothing for the section between Harrisburg and Eugene. Originally the project covered snagging to Eugene but this was discontinued in 1904.

Colonel Taylor summarizes the project, upon which money may be used as including the removal of obstructions and construction of controlling works to secure 12 feet of low water from Portland to Oswego, seven miles; dredging, snagging, dam and revetment work to secure a channel of two and a half to three and a half feet at low water from Oswego to Corvallis, 112 miles, and snagging in aid of high water navigation from Corvallis to Harrisburg, 33 miles.

In view of the positive feeling that no new projects or extensions are likely to be authorized by the next congress, there is little prospect for extending the scope of work on the Willamette.

MARION COUNTY'S SCHOOLS SHOW GOOD REPORT FOR MONTH

One Girl Has Not Been Absent or Tardy In Five Years at Victor Point

Marion county schools are showing a marked improvement regardless of the fact that they were in good shape to begin with according to the report issued today by County School Superintendent W. M. Smith for the month of November. Eighty-five out of the 137 districts have above 95 per cent in attendance for the month and five of these schools, Independence, Oak Glen, Summit, Elkhorn and Cedar Creek, have perfect attendance for the month which means that every pupil was at school every morning on time.

In all branches of the course of study good records are being made and the Victor Point school boasts of one pupil, Miss Lola Jones, who has been neither absent nor tardy for the past five years. Miss Alice Jaquet of the same school has not missed a word in spelling for the past three years.

Mr. Smith's report follows:

The following schools have averaged above 95 per cent in attendance:

Donald 97.5; Case 97.1; Middle Grove 96.5; Silverton 97.5; Rosedale 96.7; Sublimity 97; Risley 98.1; Macleay 96; Evergreen 96.5; Annville 96.3; Jefferson 97; Hubbard 96.8; Parisia Gap 98.1; Hall 97; Brush Creek 97; Marion 96.9; Gates 98.3; Pringle 96.3; Aurora 96.6; Salem 97.2; Battle Creek 97.4; Looney 98.4; Ilhee 98.8; Evans Valley 96.5; Belle Passi 99; Silver Cliff 96.5; Weston 96.5; Central Howell 95.1; Union Hill 95; Independence 100 (Myrtle Taylor, teacher); West Woodburn 96; St. Paul 96.9; Croston 98; Pratum 96.1; North Howell 96.2; McAlpin 95.3; Grassy Pond 95.6; Butteville 95.8; Pleasant View 98.1; Dist. 58; St. Louis 96.3; Bethany 97; Johnston 98; Prospect 96; Liberty 98.2; Mechanics 97.7; McLaughlin 97; Gervais 95; Stayton 96.5; Turner 99; Oak Glen 100 (Minnie Schaller, teacher); Parkersville 95.1; Centerville 98.8; Summit 100 (Marie Moritz, teacher); Keizer 96.3; Oakdale 96.4; Mt. Angel 97.1; Davis 99; Sunnyside 96.5; Howell 95.8; Oak Bidge 96; Woodburn 96.8; Union 97.3; Abiqua 96.2; Hull 96.5; Fair View (Dist. No. 110) 96.3; Victor Point, 97.7; Fruitland 96; Elk-horn 100; Marion Holmer, teacher; Noble 96; Niagara 95; Auburn 97.1; Hall's Camp 100; Verna Garner, teacher; Minto 98.6; Clear Lake 95.4; Detroit 95; Crawford 96.4; Bethel 96; North Santiam 95.6; Salem Heights 96.9; Mill City 96.5; Cloverdale 95.5; Cedar Camp 100; P. H. Hadley, teacher; Woodcock 99; Talbot 95.

St. Paul now has one of the most modern school buildings in the state. Sanitary toilets and septic tank were installed this year. The board contemplates moving the old school house to the rear of the new, and fitting it up as a gymnasium.

The new school house at Waconda is a beauty. The two rooms are arranged so as to be thrown into one assembly hall. The plan is strictly modern and furnishing is excellent. Gas lighting has recently been installed.

Huward is justly proud of her new school building which is nearing completion.

Work will probably begin soon on the new Woodburn high school.

The Lomas school (Dist. No. 67) is constructing a play shed, the plans calling for a 40 by 40 foot building. A large part of the cost of the same was met by the proceeds of a box social which was a very successful as well as enjoyable affair.

County Superintendent Smith and his supervisors are now checking up the points on standardization attained by the several districts of the county. The points are as follows: Flag, proper lighting, equipment, heating and ventilating, attractive rooms, pictures (framed), grounds, sanitation, teachers' qualifications, library, attendance and length of term.

St. Paul and the Case school have met all requirements and are entitled to pennants of standardization. A number of schools are short one or two points, but will be able to meet these soon.

A box social was held at Marion recently. About \$50.00 was raised, with which a gymnasium will be erected.

The teachers' examination will be held at the First Christian church, Salem, Oregon, beginning on Wednesday, December 15, 1915, at 9 o'clock a. m. Marion county now has eight standard high schools, as follows: Salem, Woodburn, Silverton, Stayton, Jefferson, Turner, Scotts Mills and Aurora. To meet the requirements, most of these schools had to purchase from \$300 to \$600 worth of apparatus and reference library books, including a standard encyclopedia and at least one dictionary for each twenty pupils. Non-resident pupils attend these standard schools free of charge. The enrollment of non resident pupils at present is as follows:

Salem 130; Woodburn 38; Silverton 35; Stayton 17; Jefferson 14; Turner 14; Scotts Mills 8; Aurora 7.

The board of directors at Union Hill has purchased some new blackboards and will soon make some other improvements. Miss Ida L. Denny is the teacher.

The patrons of Triumph school are thinking of building a new up-to-date school building in a year or so. Miss Elizabeth Trimberger is the teacher.

The boys and girls in Center View school, district No. 86, are very enthusiastic over making their school standard. The teacher, Mrs. H. H. Papp, is getting splendid results in picture study.

Miss Lola Jones, in the Victor Point school, district No. 113, has been neither absent nor tardy during the past five years. Miss Alice Jaquet of the same school has missed no word in spelling during the past three years. Miss Ava J. Darby is the teacher.

A parent-teacher association has been organized in McAlpin school, district No. 54. Miss Mable Van Vleet, teacher.

Misses Mable Albee and Marie Smith, of the Shaw school have some

good plans for school improvement under consideration.

The parents of Rocky Point school and the teacher, Miss Maybelle Wagner, serve the school lunches each day.

On December first, a parent-teacher association was organized in Oak Grove school. Miss Bertha Doerfler, teacher.

PUT CREAM IN NOSE AND STOP CATARRH

Tells How To Open Clogged Nostrils and End Head-Colds.

You feel fine in a few moments. Your cold in head or catarrh will be gone. Your clogged nostrils will open. The air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more dullness, headache; no yawning, snuffling, mucous discharges or dryness; no struggling for breath at night.

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OBITUARY

William F. Bent was born at Amherst, Nova Scotia, June 10, 1870, and died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. F. G. Hale, 840 South Liberty street, Salem, Ore., November 29, 1915, after an illness of several years.

In June, 1890, he married Miss Jessie Shannon, who, with an only daughter and two grandchildren, survive him. About eight years after their marriage they removed to Boston, Mass., where they lived till 1910, when they came to Oregon.

He was converted about 10 years ago and affiliated with the Saints of God, living a faithful Christian and dying in the full assurance of faith.

Besides his wife and daughter, he leaves an aged mother, three brothers, Charles L., Walter D. and Frank B. Bent, and two sisters, Mrs. Nellie Johnson, and Mrs. Herbert Newcombe.

The mother, two brothers and one sister still live in Amherst, Nova Scotia, the other sister living in Syracuse, N. Y.

Resure of President's Message to Congress

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sugar duties were discontinued and the national defense program enacted, the 1917 treasury deficit would aggregate \$297,000,000.

The first year's cost of the preparedness program, he said, would be \$93,800,000. By retaining the present "war tax" and sugar duties he estimated additional revenues of \$112,000,000 annually must be provided to cover the national defense expense.

Disapproving of a bond issue, the president said:

"I, for one, do not believe the people approve postponing payment of their bills."

"We should be following an almost universal example of modern governments were we to draw the greater part or even the whole of the revenues we need from income taxes."

Income and Other Taxes.

Lowering of present limits of income taxes and increase, step by step, of surtaxes on larger incomes, was suggested.

New internal taxes mentioned by the president "which can justly be resorted to without hampering the industries of the country or putting any too great charge upon individuals expenditure" were:

Gasoline and naphtha, one cent per gallon, yielding \$10,000,000.

Horsepower of automobile and internal explosion engines, 50 cents per horsepower, yielding \$15,000,000.

Stamp tax on bank checks, yielding \$18,000,000.

Pig iron, 25 cents a ton, yielding \$10,000,000.

Fabricated iron and steel, 50 cents a ton, yielding \$10,000,000.

Returning to necessity for laws to deal with foreign plots and conspiracies, the president declared:

Hyphenated Citizens.

"I am sorry to say the gravest threats against our national peace have been uttered within our own borders. There are citizens of the United States, I blush to admit, born under foreign flags, but welcomed under our naturalization laws to the full and free opportunity of America, who have poured the poison of disloyalty into the very arteries of our national life, who have sought to bring the authority and good name of our government into contempt to destroy our industries wherever they thought it effective for their vindictive purposes to strike at them and to debase our politics to the uses of foreign intrigue. Their number is not great as compared with the whole num-

ber of those sturdy hosts by which our nation has been enriched in recent generations out of virile foreign stocks, but it is great enough to have brought deep disgrace upon us and to have made it necessary that we should promptly make use of processes of law by which we may be purged of their corrupt distempers. America never witnessed anything like this before. It never dreamed it possible that men, sworn into its own citizenship, men drawn out of great free stocks such as supplied some of the best and strongest elements of that little but now heroic nation that in a high day of old staked its very life to free itself from every entanglement that had darkened the fortunes of the older nations and set up a new standard here—that men of such origins and such free choices of allegiance would ever turn in malignant reaction against the government and people who had welcomed and nurtured them and seek to make this proud country once more a hotbed of European passion. But the ugly and incredible thing has actually come about and we are without adequate federal laws to deal with it. I urge you to enact such laws at the earliest possible moment and feel that in doing so I am urging you to do nothing less than save the honors and self respect of the nation. Such creatures of passion, disloyalty and anarchy must be crushed out."

Some Business Plans.

Another grave question was for steps to mobilize United States economic measures in times of national emergency. The president indicated he plans to use prominent men in manufacturing and transportation to consult with army and navy officials to aid in solution of particular problems of national defense.

Conservation of national resources by the enactment of conservation bills is urged. We should put into early operation some provision for rural credits but did not specify any particular plan.

The transportation problem is an exceedingly serious and pressing one. The regulation of the railroads by a federal commission has had admirable results, he continued. "The question is whether there is anything we can do in regulation for bettering the conditions under which the railroads are operated and for making them more useful servants of the country."

Tariff of Less Concern To Sheepmen Now

Pendleton, Ore., Dec. 6.—With election of officers for the ensuing year and a banquet at the Hotel Pendleton, the Oregon Woolgrowers' association concluded its convention Saturday. A number of resolutions were adopted at the close of the session.

It was resolved that since the LaFollette seaman's law is working an injury to American shipping, it be condemned and that congress be asked to repeal the law.

The association went on record as favoring the non-partisan national tariff commission and such tariff regulation as is consistent with the attitude of the sheepmen in former years, and instructed the delegates to the National Woolgrowers' convention to petition congress to enact a suitable pure-fabric law.

The ragman, not a low tariff, is the enemy of the wool growers, declared Charles Copley, of Portland, who addressed the convention. He asserted that the truthful branding of fabrics would in a short time at least double the wool production of the northwest.

"What wool men need," he said, "is not tariff protection, but protection against old rags, the rag man, chief competitor of the wool grower. The world's supply of fleece wool is only 27 per cent of that which is sold for all-wool products, and the wool grower should begin to look into the matter of getting protection against counterfeits which are put on the market as all wool. You have had tariff enough; tariff has not helped you, nor has it given you protection against old rags."

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Wm. Barrett, of Heppner, president; E. T. Johnson, of Wallawa, vice-president; J. N. Burgess, of Pilot Rock, C. C. Berkeley, of Hay Creek, A. N. Ingalls, of Keating, D. O. Justis, of Heppner, and J. E. Dobbins, of Joseph, executive committee.

Christmas greens along Portland's streets should be accompanied by the red glow of the Christmas spirit.



Scenes from "My Madonna," a five act photodrama with a strong heart interest and a story of unusual power, with Mme. Petrova in the stellar role, at Ye Liberty today and tomorrow.

FRUITLAND NOTES

(Capital Journal Special Service.)

Miss Susan Bennett is home again after a several months' stay in Falls City.

Misses Rose and Priscilla Otterbein and Luella Zigler attended the revival meetings of the Hornschoh brothers in Salem last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. DeVries, of Pratum, attended the Y. P. A. Sunday evening.

Miss Stella Standifer went Saturday to visit friends in Salem.

A successful affair was the pie social held Saturday evening at the school house. A large attendance was present who seemed to enjoy the program as follows:

Music Grace Baker

JAP WAR IN PORTLAND

Portland, Ore., Dec. 7.—One Japanese is dead today, another is seriously wounded, and six are under arrest as the result of a shooting affair in Arion hall, a Japanese theatre.

The dead man is Hiosaku Kobinata. H. Hymiski was wounded. A. Nakano, aged 27, was arrested and charged with the shooting. Later five other Japanese were held for investigation.

The two men were shot while trying to prevent the murderer from making his way to the stage. The shooting caused a panic in the hall.

If there is anything in a name, Crown Point is the place for crowning next year's Rose Festival queen.



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