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MILITIA PAY BILL TO INSURE NATIONAL GAURD EFFICIENCY

"The federalization of the National Guard with pay, as proposed in the Hay bill, would make the National Guard a force of equal efficiency with the regular army, except in the more technical branches of the work, such as engineering, supply department, etc., and the cost would be infinitesimal as compared with maintaining a regular force of equal strength," was the expression of Major Carlo Abrams today in answer to a request for his views on what the militia pay bill means for the Oregon National Guard.

"During the Spanish war the volunteer troops were made up of National guardsmen. They were under a great handicap at that time of having the officers appointed by political pull, and practically no equipment and opportunity for training such as we have today, and yet the world has never produced soldiers who performed better than did the volunteer army in Cuba and the Philippines. I sailed for the Philippines with the first expedition, General Merritt in command, and General Merritt was prejudiced against the militia. He protested vigorously against the army given him because it was composed of 10,000 volunteer militia men and 5,000 regulars; he demanded at least 10,000 regulars for each 3,000 volunteers. After a few months service in the islands, he made the statement that if he again started on such an expedition he would demand more volunteers and fewer regulars; that the volunteers will go farther, stand more hardships and perform more difficult or seemingly impossible feats than any regular organization composed largely of men attracted to the service by the pay. That was the result of experience.

"Don't misunderstand me — I am throwing no slurs at the army. We have the highest respect for it, and are

anxious to make use of it and to learn from it, but I protest with all the manhood I possess against the slurs that have been handed to the National Guard.

"I want to say that army officers today, as a general rule, do not coincide with Senator Chamberlain's attitude except that, as a matter of selfishness, they are anxious for as great an increase in the army as possible for the sake of better opportunities for promotion.

"The people of this country will not stand for a great standing army, and should not. If our present over-enthusiasm for preparedness leads us to create a great standing army, the pendulum will, in a few years, swing the other way, and we will go back to our present helpless condition. But the country will stand for just as large a citizen soldiery as congress is willing to create and back, and this citizen soldiery should consist not only of National guardsmen, but every high school, college and university in the land that enjoys federal or state support should require military training as part of its course, until we would finally have twelve or fifteen million men who have been thoroughly trained in the art of soldiering and who are following peaceful vocations, but will, if called at any time, be prepared for instant duty, until they reach the age limit. Such an army would be invincible, and the great requisite would be maintaining supply depots for furnishing arms and equipment sufficient to mobilize and equip this force on short notice. I can conceive of no more perfect method of preserving perpetual peace than to adopt the principle: 'Every man a soldier.'

"Incidentally the efficiency of the manhood of the nation would be increased at least 20 per cent by this military training."

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Willamette Notes

The Websterian Literary Society was visited by their sister society, the Adelantes last evening. About 8:00 o'clock the halls were opened to the young ladies who came in a group. The Websterian program was then given. Adolph Spiess read an interesting article on the monopolistic coal trust, anthracite, giving a short sketch of its development and its present reach of power.

The Gary System of Education as it is operating in Gary, Ind., was discussed by John Gary. The system is what is known as the work-play-study method, and is receiving considerable consideration throughout the United States.

Leslie Sparks read a paper on "Cops, Hay, or Best." It was of descriptive nature and told of the new railroad which operates between Eugene and Marshfield, also of the beaches at the various bay cities.

Leroy Gurd read a humorous paper on "Who put the Jew in Jewett?" taking up the origin of Jew from the time of Adam and Eve down to the present.

Harry Bowers read the last chapter of the Bird of Mystery, the interesting serial which has been running for the past six weeks on the installment plan at the Web programs.

Following this the critics report was given by Miss Rosamond Gilbert, after which a social hour was spent dancing the Virginia Reel and Tucker Sherbert and cakes were served.

Prof. C. L. Sherman was the faculty member for chaperone.

The Y. W. C. A. program for this afternoon is short.

Mrs. Parks will give the young ladies a talk following which the Y. W. C. A. quartette will sing a few selections. Tonight is scheduled as the time for the big debate rally at Willamette chapel. Yell Leader Aclie Walker will have charge of the meeting which is being held for the purpose of arousing interest in the debate to be held in the chapel tomorrow evening between Pacific U. and Willamette U.

Old forensic letter men will give short, snappy, talks and songs and yells will be rendered.

This is the first time in several years that debate rally has been held, and Walker states that it is to be a life-awaker.

David Cook, Lloyd Lee, Gus Anderson and Raymond Atterbury, are the committee who have charge of the coming Websterian Re-union, which will be held on the evening of April 29. At this time all old members of the "Wells" will be back to the annual get-together gathering. A big banquet will be held

and a public program rendered. These reunions in the past have been events long remembered, and the committee in charge say that this year's reunion will surpass all others.

Samuel R. King, who is managing this year's junior play, "Sherwood," is planning to put on an advertising campaign that will bring the play before the people. It is a play of high literary value and has met with great success wherever staged. It deals with the days of early English life and has many romantic thrills, that take well with the audience. Manager King is offering the art students of Salem high school a prize of \$10 for the best art poster announcing the play. These posters will be placed in the windows of the business houses soon and the public's eye will be attracted by the works of art which will be on display.

Professor Wallace MacMurray is highly optimistic over the outcome and predicts that the play will be the best ever presented by Salem amateurs and will also draw the biggest house of any junior play ever presented by Willamette students.

Manager of May Day Festivities Roger Lyons, has made arrangements with T. G. Bligh to have the May Day activities photographed by a movie camera. This will allow the Willamette scenes to be shown throughout the United States. Almost a thousand feet of film will be exposed. These pictures will later be shown in Salem.

The May Dance under the direction of Miss Helen Westall will be grander and better than any of previous years. Miss Westall has had charge of the May Day dances for the past three years, but she stated that this year's dances would exceed all those of previous years. The four seasons are to be depicted. First summer will be portrayed by the high school May Day dancers, dressed in costumes of flowery goods. Following these will come fall, represented by a group of Willamette maidens, dressed in brown and with flowing hair.

Winter will be ushered in next by gaily clad maidens, dressed in white, scattering confetti as they come. The last group of dancers will be those representing spring. They will usher in Her Royal Majesty Queen Francis I, who will be borne in a chair drawn by white Shetland ponies.

The crowd that witnessed last year's coronation of Queen Lelia was estimated to be about 3,000, but this year's crowd will be larger than that for the many attractions to be presented will be well worth seeing. A fuller account of the May Day festivities will be given later.

Salem Floral Society Will Meet Next Monday

The meeting next Monday of the Salem Floral Society at the Commercial club will be devoted not only to a discussion of what the society expects to do this spring, but to an evening of entertainment. The principal business to come before the meeting is that of arranging for a clean up week in Salem. According to present plans, this clean-up week will begin next Tuesday, when all citizens interested in the appearance of the city will be urged to dispose of all trash and give their premises a general cleaning up.

The city will take no part in this clean-up campaign and for this reason all trash and garbage collected on all premises will have to either be burned or buried, as the city will do no collecting.

The program of the evening will include an address by Frank Davey, a reading by Perry Beigleman, Euphonium solo by Ivan Martin, piano solo by Harry Mills, reading by Paul Pierce and a vocal solo by John Dabnis.

These meetings of the Floral society are open to anyone interested in flowers and the beautifying of Salem. The annual dues of membership is only 25 cents.

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Silverton and Salem Pythians Visit Albany

Knights of Pythians to the number of 25, accompanied by a party from Silverton, went to Albany last night to take part in the special work of one of the largest lodges that has ever been initiated in Oregon. Representatives from the lodges at Salem, Silverton, Dallas, Independence, Lebanon, Brownville and Seio were present, bringing the attendance up to 350.

The Salem delegation was met at the depot by a brass band and representatives of the Albany lodge and escorted to the lodge rooms.

The class of 75 were personally obligated by Fred E. Whenton, supreme keeper of records and seals, and the ceremony was carried out with every position in the lodge filled by a grand lodge officer or past grand chancellor.

Among the officers participating were William L. Marks, of Albany, grand chancellor; H. G. Wortman, of Medford, grand vice-chancellor; Walter G. Gleason, of Portland, grand keeper of records and seal; Jesse Spencer, of Corvallis, grand master-at-arms; Past Grand Chancellors L. M. Carl and J. L. Hill, of Albany; D. E. Moran, of Eugene, and Frank S. Grant, of Portland; Grand Representative Leslie E. Crouch and W. J. H. Clark, of Portland, and J. B. E. Bourne, of Rainier.

Stocks Not Affected By Note to Germany

New York, April 20.—The New York Evening Sun's financial review today said:

In view of the uncertainties of the international situation, stocks gave a good account of themselves in the early market. Much activity is not expected pending receipt of Germany's reply.

The market was dull and professional bid prices recovered moderately and rallied, being fairly well maintained despite their irregularity. The market will be closed tomorrow. This fact and Saturday's half session, with Sunday's intermission were undoubtedly the reasons for the stability of the general list. Influences from short covering were a factor in the early improvement. There was no abatement in conservatism by influential interests and no disposition to encourage sharp advances.

Rates so time money were slightly former. In loans some institutions were marked down 10 and 15 points below current quotations in industrial collateral like Baldwin Locomotive (Crescent Steel, and Westinghouse). This was held responsible for the late heaviness in certain specialties including industrial Alcohol, which once went to eight below the foremen's high figure.

Expedition Will Not Move Until Scott Sees Funston

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tion locating Francisco Villa at Troya and later in La Boquilla, tending to discredit the report that he is dead, has been sent to Washington through government agents today. He was said to have been seen in those regions before the Parral incident. But for the latter clash it is believed the Americans would now be on his heels.

Six Found Guilty.
Deining N. M., April 20.—Six Villistas were found guilty of murder here today for participating in the raid on Columbus, N. M. They will be sentenced later.

Kill Each Other.
Washington, April 20.—One hundred and fifty Yaquis were killed and 23 soldiers killed or wounded in two battles between Mexican factions near Guaymas, according to state department advices today. A number of Americans are preparing to quit Mazatlan.

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Double testimonial, offered by the Baker Herald: "The success of two girls with their ranch near Huntington is not only an argument for the advocates of woman suffrage, but for the productivity of the soil of this vicinity."

The rule of hospitality is thus expressed by Editor Lloyd Riches of the Stanfield Standard: "Strangers have sought out Stanfield for their future home. They should be strangers only until they alight from the train. It is the duty of homesteaders and freedom in Lake county, it develops, there are

and make them feel at home."

"As Medford apparently has no chance of its own sugar factory this year," says the Medford Sun, "we again suggest that local growers support the Grants Pass factory."

The council of Falls City has asked the Polk county court to pay for losses of fixtures stolen from the engine and other machinery at the city's rock crusher while the plant was under lease to the county.

A word to the wise, spoken by the Joseph Herald: "If you are too lazy yourselves to clean your back yards, barnyards and alleys, give the Boy Scouts a show at it. They want such work anyway, and will do it right."

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