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MONEY \$100 to \$10,000 to loan on approved security. Room 409 Hubbard building. 12-21

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WANTED—30 volt or more generator for a small lighting plant. Address 2253 care Journal. 12-21

LOST—A boy's sweater either at Woolworth's store or on Liberty St. Return to Journal office. 12-21

6,000,000 FEET good saw timber for sale J. T. Cannon, 2373 Laurel Ave. 12-22

FOR SALE—20 shares Equitable Savings and Loan stock. See W. C. Dyer, 542 State St. Phone 224. 12-26

FOR SALE—Or trade, 20 acres near the fair grounds. J. S. Savage, Rt. 9, Salem. 12-24

LOST—Piece of knitting, needles and red yarn on Kearney St. or Com'l going north. Phone 95. 12-21

LOST—In Woolworth 10c store a purse containing about \$10. Finder please 5F3. Reward. 12-23

LOST—French bull puppy, brindles with white breast. Reward for return to 392 South Twelfth street. 12-24

FOR SALE—Almost new Beckworth player piano, \$375, 1533 Wilbur St. Yew Park. 12-26

FOR SALE—First class baled cheat hay and some mixed hay. Hubbard Farm, Garden road. 12-23

WANTED—Young horse about 1500 lbs. black or bay. C. Muller, Rt. 1, box 44, Independence. 12-22

YOUNG man with light team wants work on farm. Good milkster. State wages. Write Brooks, Or, Box 25P. 12-22

A HIGH grade new piano from the state fair exhibition for sale. A great bargain. Inquire of A. H. Lea, secretary state fair board. Phone 489. 12-27

EXPERIENCED stenographer wanted in law office. Give reference and phone number. Address S. E. care Journal. 12-23

CALENDAR for 1918. Large figures for practical use. Call or phone Hamer H. Smith, the insurance man, McCormack building. Phone 96. 12-27

WANTED—100 calves from 4 weeks to 12 months old; also pay highest market price for beef cattle. Phone 80P. 1-19

LOANS—\$4000 to loan on good farm security; other money in sums from \$100 up on good realty security. Ivan G. Martin, Masonic Temple. 12-20

NOW VACANT one nice, heated room with board. "The Taylor's" 151D State St. 12-27

NICE FURNISHED HOUSEKEEPING Apartments 491 N. Cottage. Phone 2503. 12-27

GET YOUR TRESPASS NOTICES—New supply of cloth ones at Capital Journal. 12-27

TEN CENTS A DOUBLE ROLL AND upward for choice wall paper at Bureau's Furniture store, 179 Commercial St. 12-27

TEAMSTERS LISTEN—Call Silverton phone Black 174 for wood, pole wood, hard wood, old fir and 2d growth, in cords, you can do well by calling me. 12-27

FOR SALE OR TRADE—24 acres finest of Polk county land, good five room house, fine barn, chicken house, good water, 8 acres in prairie, 15 minutes ride from Dallas, Or. 1/2 mile from school, on good road. Price \$5500 cash, or would take half in trade in good Salem residence property, or would rent for \$600 cash rent. Call or write P. E. Davis, Dallas, Or. 12-22

HURLEY SAYS SHIPPING BOARD LETS CONTRACTS FOR 8,000,000 TONS

Head of Shipping Board Reports Great Progress Being Made Now

Washington, Dec. 21.—Declaring this country now has more than eight million tons of shipping under construction or contract, Chairman Hurley of the shipping board today took the stand at the opening of the senate shipping investigation. It was the beginning of the seventh recent big investigation in the capital.

Hurley read a long statement to the committee outlining the government program. It showed: 1427 ships of 8,573,108 dead weight tons under construction and contract.

74 new ship yards in the United States since January 1, 1917.

148,270 workmen on merchant ships December 8, an increase of 45.2 per cent in nine weeks.

Two and three shifts being instituted where there was formerly only a single turn.

Welcoming the investigation, Hurley's formal statement to the committee pleaded for time.

He did not refer to past rows in the shipping board and emergency fleet corporation, although the provokers expected to question him about them.

When Hurley took the helm on July 27, 1917, following the Denmark-Gothic row, there were under contract 840,000 tons of wooden ships, 207,000 tons composite ships and 587,000 tons of steel ships.

Since then additional contracts amounting to 3,378,290 tons steel shipping and 504,000 tons wooden, have been placed.

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THOMPSON EXPLAINS THAT WE WAS MISLED

Farmers Withdraw Names From Petition of Opposing Appointment of Agent

The following letter is self explanatory: Macleay, Or., Dec. 19, 1917.

Mr. F. R. Brown, Salem, Ore.

Dear Sir: The publicity given the subject of county agent since the filing of the petition against that office is productive of much good, or will be, if we are able to counteract the influence of this petition upon the county court. I feel chagrined that I was ever induced to sign that petition. I was told by the man circulating the petition that it would cost the county \$5,000 per annum to maintain the office of county agricultural agent. This information rather took my breath and as I have always been in favor of economy in public affairs, I signed the petition regardless of the fact that I believed the right man in this position would accomplish much good. That \$5000 proposition sort of "stuck in my crop."

Thanks to the agitation of the matter, I now understand that the county is only to set aside \$1700 for this work, and from your letter I note that your salary is to be only \$2200 which I do not consider excessive.

If there is any man in which my name can be removed from that petition I would gladly have it done, and you can count on me to do what little I can to assist the government at this and all times.

Yours truly, G. H. THOMPSON.

BAG MANY DIVERS.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels today confirmed Lloyd-George's announcement that more German U-boats are being bagged by allies. While not disclosing figures or the extent of American participation in the sinking of captured Danes, Daniels confidently predicted that the submarine will fail in its purpose.

While cautioning that ship losses from submarine attacks will continue to rise and fall, he added: "You may be sure that we are getting more and more submarine."

Santiam River Flooded

Large Area of Country

(Capital Journal Special Service)

Stayton, Dec. 21.—Stayton along with other towns in the valley, has had less than a high water. The water in the Santiam has been extremely high. It broke through its bank on the high county side above the big bridge and all of that part of the country was flooded. It has been impossible to cross the stream of water for the past three days and as a consequence mail here has been delayed. While the great part of the mail for this place comes by way of West Stayton, this has been undependable as well, no mail whatever came in that way on Wednesday evening and but little came in the morning. The Wednesday morning papers came in on Thursday morning but this is the latest mail so far. So far no great damage has been reported. W. A. Biggs of this place, had a fine bunch of sheep on the high county side of the river, but was able to save all but one. He took them to safety in a boat. The water washed the north approach to the covered bridge away so that it is impossible for a rig or machine to get across. It has indeed worked a hardship on the merchants here to have so much high water as a great deal of their country trade has been cut off.

Geo. Roemer, son and daughter of Sublimity were trading in town Thursday.

W. J. Jones of Colville, Wash., is a guest at the J. M. English home. Mrs. Jones will spend the winter at the home of her parents, Jacob Siegmund and wife at Lone Pine farm on Fern Ridge. Her husband, Dr. W. J. Jones, is a first lieutenant stationed at Allentown, Pa.

Dr. H. A. Boonekamp went down to Salem Tuesday and was stranded there until Thursday owing to the high water.

Mrs. Mattie Bruce of Nevada is visiting relatives here.

Miss Roxie Stratton is here from Spokane, Wash., to spend the holidays with home folks.

Mrs. Josephine Korinek of Portland is a guest at the Dr. G. F. Korinek home.

L. A. Thomas is home from Portland. He was held up at Woodburn on account of the high water.

Charles Gladek is home from Portland where he is taking a course in electricity.

Mrs. Wes. Gentry and daughter, Mrs. Geo. Brewer of Astoria were Stayton visitors Thursday.

Jack Spindler is home from a business visit to Portland.

Richard, Winnie, Elbert and Tom Tate, sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tate who live northeast of here, have all enlisted in the aviation corps. They are now stationed at Vancouver. They have many friends in this vicinity whose best wishes go with them.

The Willamette reached its highest stage yesterday afternoon, registering 24.7 feet above low water. Throughout last night and today it has been steadily falling. At 9 o'clock this morning the water stood at 21 feet, and by 2 o'clock it had fallen to 19.9 feet. The rate of fall is between 3 and 4 inches an hour and it is expected the water will have subsided to normal within a day or two. No serious damage has been reported along the river. The Spaulding company lost few legs and had their booms in shape to withstand many more feet of water than was reached.

We Are Going Over the Top

Its a bigger and better Christmas than we expected. Let us make it the biggest ever and stir the proper spirit to meet the future demands.

We'll Do Our Bit

Tomorrow's Offensive Will Bring Results

We have enlisted more clerks for this final drive, and all departments will make SPECIAL OFFERINGS to carry them to success. We cite just a few below:

Toyland Specials

Track Trains

The famous "HAFNER TRAINS." These "OVERLAND FLYERS" consisting of heavy iron locomotive with powerful spring; tender, cars and truck; all complete-- \$1.75, tomorrow... \$1.39 \$2.25, tomorrow... \$1.69 \$2.50, tomorrow... \$1.98

Dolls

MADAM HENDREN CHARACTER DOLLS. This unique line of dressed Dolls have been splendid sellers at \$1.25. Tomorrow's big drive... 89c

Noah's Arks

A strongly built ark, with large wood animals. Just the thing for tots. Tomorrow's drive... 29c

Iron Toy Dump Carts

A strong iron toy Dump Cart with iron man driver. Tomorrow's drive... 19c

First Floor Specials

Rhino Ivory

This is one of the best Christmas specials in Salem. The line is complete with every imaginable article made in ivory--combs, trays, mirrors, brushes, jewel boxes, picture frames, etc., etc. All Specially Priced

Slipper Special

MEN'S LEATHER SLIPPERS, entire line, in black and tan. Cannot be duplicated today less than \$3.50; entire line, Tomorrow's drive \$1.50

LADIES' FELT JULIETTES

in brown and grey, ribbon trimmed, black with fur trimming, leather soles and heels. Tomorrow's drive... \$1.15

Hand Bags

All newest styles and shapes, of genuine pure seal, morocco and crepe seal. Every Hand Bag Specially Priced

SCHOOL BOARD BUYS RIFLES FOR CADETS

One Hundred Rounds of Ammunition Also Included In Order

The purchase of 100 rifles and 100 rounds of ammunition for each gun was authorized at the special meeting of the school board held last evening for the purpose of considering what action was to be taken in the matter of supplying the high school cadet corps with arms.

The board was not particularly in favor of purchasing the ammunition with the rifles, but the offer made by the concern having the guns was such that the rifles and ammunition practically had to be taken together as the rifles by themselves would have cost nearly as much as if the ammunition had not been included. The arm is of the well known Winchester manufacture, being a 6-shot, 45-70 caliber gun, and corresponding closely in weight and mechanical action to the regulation army gun.

Members of the board took the sample rifle that had been received down along the river bank this morning and tried it out. Its mechanical action and shooting qualities were perfect and the board then sent the telegram ordering the guns. They will be shipped from Seattle.

The high school cadet corps numbers 70 members at present. It is expected that when the rifles are received the corps will be recruited to 100 members and that applications will have to be refused for membership in the corps for next semester. The guns will not be allowed to be taken out except when under the supervision of instructors trained in military science. This rule will be made strict.

Permission of the adjutant general has been secured for the cadet corps to use the armory for drill exercise. This means that in the future when the weather is bad the boys will drill on the floor of the armory. They have received several soakings in the past. When the boys have received their arms and more uniforms are provided, they will be ready to take part in public occasions as a military body.

The wood mix up over which the board has been having some trouble again came up last night. It was finally decided that the board would ap-

AMERICA'S POSITION ON PEACE UNCHANGED UNOFFICIAL STATEMENT

There Can Be No Peace Negotiations With Hohenzollers in Power

By Carl D. Groat

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

Washington, Dec. 21.—America's position toward peace is unchanged, the state department officially stated today. It remains as outlined by President Wilson in his message to congress. There can be no peace negotiations while Hohenzollernism, with its roots, exists.

The state department answer was given in the latest reported German peace feelers, extended in an effort to get a peace movement started by Christmas. The department added that it had not received any of these feelers, either formally or informally, and was not advised of Russian Minister Trotsky's statement that he had given the allies two months in which to join Russia's "general peace" movement.

It was pointed out that Germany's latest endeavor toward peace was a mere attempt to give her much and her enemies little or nothing. She is striving to gain advantage in western Russia, which would be more than offset the loss of Alsace-Lorraine, disposition of which she might be willing to leave to Alsatians.

Austria-Hungary Pledged.

Paris, Dec. 21.—Austria-Hungary is pledged to support Germany in retention of Alsace-Lorraine, according to a dispatch printed today in the Matin, purporting to reveal the text of the agreement between the two biggest Central Powers.

The Matin also asserted Germany had determined not to evacuate Belgium and France unless her colonies were restored.

One Meatless Day.

London, Dec. 21.—England will have one absolutely meatless day each week after January 1, Lord Rhondda, food controller, announced today. On that one day no dealers will be allowed to sell meat.

Italy Will Stand Firm.

Rome, Dec. 21.—Italy will never support a separate Italian peace or take any action not loyal to the allies, declared Deputy Giolitti in the chamber of deputies today.

Refuse to Comment.

London, Dec. 21.—The foreign office today refused to comment on a report printed by the Berlin Voelische Zeitung that the contents papers had accredited legations to Ukraine, which is seeking independence from the Russian Bolshevik rule.

Big Bonus Offered for Spruce Production

Portland, Or., Dec. 21.—To further speed up production of spruce for airplane construction, the government has raised the price of spruce stumps and rived spruce and offers a big bonus for early deliveries. Colonel Disque of the airplane production board announced today.

Stumpage price is raised from \$5 to \$7.50 per thousand feet and rived spruce from \$80 to \$90 per thousand. All woodmen, farmers, etc., will be paid a bonus of \$40 per thousand feet of rived spruce available on or before January 31 and \$30 per thousand for that accepted up to February 28.

Assurance is also brought from Washington by former Governor Oswald West that the government will offer planning mills of the Pacific coast opportunity to turn out spruce parts for airplanes.

General Scott Returns Full of Enthusiasm

Washington, Dec. 31.—Imbued with enthusiasm, General Scott, former chief of staff, returned here today from Europe with the impression that "Black Jack" Pershing is making good all around in France.

The allied generals believe in him and in his system. They feel that he is taking hold well and building on broad foundations. General Haig and others so expressed themselves to the observer. Pershing, despite an enormous amount of work, is standing the strain well. The men he is training will be just as good as any "over there."

With hearty co-operation of the allies, Pershing has a complete knowledge of the allied experience with training men.

As a result he is building up a wonderful system of training which the experts say will be the best military school system of any.

Marion County Jurors For Janary Term