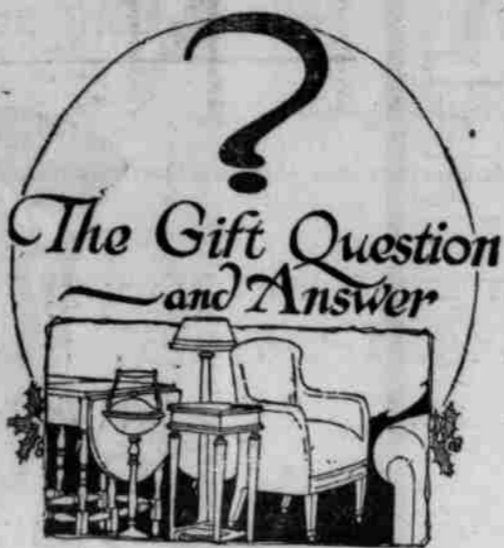


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### THOMAS CRANN DEAD.

Thomas Crann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crann, died at Portland Monday after a short illness of the Spanish flu. He was but 18 years of age. The body was brought to Aurora, and burial took place at the Aurora cemetery. He is survived by his parents, one brother and three sisters.

The young man worked at the North Bank Machine shops in Portland, where he was highly esteemed by his fellow workmen and employers. His friends at the shops sent most beautiful flowers and a delegation to attend the funeral here yesterday. The bereaved family have the deepest sympathy of the entire community in their sorrow.---Observer.

### Y. W. C. A. Notes

The annual meeting of the Young Woman's Christian association will be held Wednesday evening, December the eighteenth at eight o'clock. Reports will be read by the chairman of each committee, and the president will make her annual report. New officers will be installed which are as follows: President, Mrs. E. A. Elliott; 1st vice president, Mrs. John H. Abbott; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Alice H. Dodd; secretary, Mrs. Wm. E. Kirk; treasurer, Mrs. Hollis K. Page; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Frank Spears. An added feature of the annual meeting this year will be the opening of the 'mite' boxes, which a number of the members of the organization have had as a contribution for the support of Miss Clara Hard, a Y. W. C. A. secretary in Osaka, Japan. Miss Hard's salary is paid each year by the associations in the northwest field, including Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. Miss Lucile Elliott, head of the department of public speaking will read tomorrow afternoon at the vesper service at four thirty o'clock. Miss Elliott is a gifted reader, and a rare treat will be in store for those who attend. Miss Grace Elizabeth Smith will sing, and the girls of the junior members council will act as hostesses during the social hour which follows. All are cordially invited. Following the custom of previous years the girls living at the Y. W. C. A. will entertain with a Kiddies Christmas tree, on Friday night. Fifteen youngsters have been invited to partake of the festivities.

### Credit Due H. S. Gile For

To H. S. Gile is due the credit of preventing legislation that threatened to put the Loganberry business out of commission. He returned home yesterday from several weeks spent in Washington, D. C., conferring with the senate finance committee which has the making of the coming revenue bill. Through some oversight there was included in the bill a proposal to tax not only loganberry juice but contain-ers also to such an extent that instead of the one cent a gallon, the internal revenue tax would have been from 30 to 90 cents a gallon. It was necessary for Mr. Gile to interest the grape juice manufacturers and to secure their cooperation in appearing before the senate committee to convince them that the proposed tax would put out of business not only the grape juice and cider manufacturers but the loganberry interests of Oregon as well. He found Senator Smoot of Utah and Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania fair business men who were inclined to look at matters right after figures and data had been presented. Mr. Gile left Wash-

ington with the assurance that the finance committee would strike out the tax that threatened the life of the loganberry business. It was also only through the efforts of Mr. Gile that the grape juice manufacturers became aware of the danger that threatened their business and through his efforts that these great interests gave him some assistance, although the main fight against the proposed revenue had to be made by Mr. Gile.

### Judge Bingham Proposes New Rule In Naturalization

Judge George G. Bingham, one of the Oregon pioneers in requiring to be taken out naturalization papers the wife as well as the husband must stand an examination, must be posted and informed on American institutions, will in all probability find his naturalization ideas taken up by the next state legislature and a recommendation made for their adoption by congress. In a recent ruling Judge Bingham required that in granting final naturalization papers the wife of the applicant should also be examined, as by his acquiring citizenship, she also would become a voting citizen. This idea has been favorably commented on by Washington authorities and it is probable that the idea of Judge Bingham will be acted on and followed by the federal authorities.

For the past few years, the Oregon state library has been sending out literature to those who were to acquire citizenship, to aid them in every way to better understand what citizenship means. The library has a large collection of books published especially to help prospective citizens, and it was with the idea that the whole family should be educated to the citizenship standard that many books were ordered for the library and sent to those about to apply for final papers.

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trying to get the estate, replied Nov. 13, objecting and Dec. 13 the county court sustains the objection.

### GERMAN BULLETINS

Berlin, Dec. 14.--The Tageblatt says it understands that Foreign Secretary Solf has resigned.

Copenhagen, Dec. 14.--All measures must be taken to prevent Foch's armies from marching east of the Rhine," the Berliner Tageblatt declared, supporting the demand for quick summoning of the reichstag.

Berlin, via Amsterdam, Dec. 14.--The national assembly will be elected January 16 and will hold its first meeting within a fortnight of that date. The government is anxious to impress President Wilson with the orderly character of the new Germany.

Copenhagen, Dec. 14.--The allied commission, in extending the armistice to day, reserved the right to occupy the neutral zone on the right bank of the

Rhine, north of Cologne, if necessary. The commission also announced, on behalf of Herbert Hoover, that 2,500,000 tons of cargo space in German ports must be placed under allied control, to assure the shipment of food-stuffs to Germany.

### WOULD OCCUPY PETROGRAD.

London, Dec. 14.--Allied occupation of Petrograd, Kronstadt and Moscow, is asked by Rear Admiral Kemp, in a letter to the Times. He was senior British naval officer in northern Russian waters until November.

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