

TWO MORE WEEKS FOR RED CROSS CAMPAIGN

DIVISION HEADQUARTERS EXTENDS TIME OWING TO THE HEALTH AND WEATHER CONDITIONS.

AUXILIARIES MAKE RECORDS

Kingman Colony and Dead Ox Flat Regions Report 100 per cent of Last Year's Roll—Nyssa Going Strong—Nearing Goal.

Oregon State Headquarters for the Red Cross has extended the Christmas membership campaign for two additional weeks. This was done thru the realization of the handicap experienced by country districts in their work. January 7 has been named as the final returns shall be tabulated. On that date the managers of the campaign in Ontario Chapter believe they will have reached the quota set for them which was 1900.

The managers of the campaign were delighted this week by the manifestation of 100 per cent Red Cross spirit on the part of the auxiliaries whose reports were received.

Kingman Colony equaled its last year's membership with 57 strong; Nyssa and Owyhee reported 280 members, and their drive there is not completed. Workers there will continue in the field until the final day. The health of the communities and the extreme cold weather has held them back thus far but the progress shown thus far indicates that they will equal any section in proportion to population and permit their solicitors to obtain results that measure with their real Red Cross Spirit.

From District 55, on Dead Ox Flat came the excellent report of 21 members. These were enrolled by the committee headed by C. G. Darnall, chairman assisted by Ira Boak, and John Underwood.

Thru the efforts of Chairman John H. Howard assisted by Mrs. W. L. Channer, Mrs. A. McDonald and Frank Carrier, 33 members were enrolled in school district No. 23, on Dead Ox Flat.

"It is returns like these," said Mrs. W. J. Pinney, chairman of the campaign, "that are bringing the drive nearer the allotment of the Chapter—1900 membership."

If You Have Not Joined. The Red Cross headquarters is still open at the Emison & Adam office where those who have not already done so may join and get buttons. Likewise at any of the following business houses your dollar will be received and receipted for and your button given you: Boyer Bros.; Rader Bros.; Alexanders; The Toggery and E. A. Frasier's.

SIGNAL MEN OF O. S. L. ORGANIZE BROTHERHOOD BY.

The signal men of the Oregon Short Line Ry. organized a lodge of the Brotherhood of Railway Signal Men of America at Pocatello last Sunday afternoon. The name of the new organization is Liberty Lodge No. 111.

Jos. Scholes, local signal man for this district attended the meeting at Pocatello and it was his suggestion for the name, "Liberty Lodge" which was adopted by a vote of the members. Mr. Scholes was honored by the gathering by being placed on the board of trustees. Mr. Scholes is the oldest signal man in service of the O. S. L., having been located here for 11 years and for two years previous to his arrival here was in the signal service.

On account of his long service Mr. Scholes received a most delightful reward the day before Christmas when a serious of checks for back time, under the new schedule of wages, the total amount of the check was \$413.00.

HOWARD SELLS PRESSARY TO BEAMGUARD & ORCUTT

After an absence from the Ontario Pressary for several months W. C. Beamguard is back at the old stand caring for the trade. He reentered the establishment on New Year's day under the terms of a deal made by him and Elmer Orcutt, by which they purchased the business from Aubrey Howard who has been here since last spring.

"I'M THRU-ENZA" GERM MAKES DEBUT

With the cessation of hostilities the Red Cross is called upon to combat a new epidemic, originating this time within its own ranks. The affliction is known as "I'm thru-enza", says the Red Cross Bulletin.

The initial symptom is a sense of lassitude, a feeling of "What's the use? It's all over. Why should I work? Steps are being taken to isolate the germ, also those who are carrying it.

The epidemic is not widespread; nevertheless an effort is being made to stem its advance. "Cold feet" is a marked symptom.

Another indication of the presence of the germ is forgetfulness (that the boys are still over there.)

The victim as a rule, cannot concentrate the mind (on knitting.)

The sight becomes impaired (can't see to sew.)

The ears become affected (can't hear the appeals of hundreds of thousands of refugees who must be clothed, fed and housed.)

Hearts doesn't heat as it used to and in advanced stage that organ apparently turns to stone.

A vaccine consisting of equal parts of tincture of I-won't-quilt and Red Cross spirits a dash of patriotism and a peck of pep is effective.

M'COLLOCH AND WOOD DISSOLVE PARTNERSHIP

J. W. McCulloch to Give Attention to Special Legal Work—W. W. Wood to Follow General Practice.

One of the New Year changes in Ontario was that in the firm of McCulloch & Wood, attorneys, formal notice of which is contained in another column in this issue.

According to the announcement the firm dissolved its partnership on December 31st and started the New Year under the new arrangement.

This change recalls a number of arrangements of legal firms of which Mr. McCulloch has been a part during the past 18 years in Ontario, he having made his home here since 1901.

For the first three years he practiced law alone, and in 1904 was elected District Attorney, which office he held until 1913, serving eight and a half years, the longest of any incumbent in that office.

During part of that time he had various partners, the firm being successively, McCulloch & Duncan, the junior member being Robert M. Duncan, now a captain in the U. S. Army at Camp Lewis, later it was McCulloch & Sollis, the junior partner being A. N. Sollis, now of Los Angeles; when Mr. Sollis left, W. W. Wood, came from Canyon City and R. W. Eckhardt joined the firm known then as McCulloch, Wood & Eckhardt, later Mr. Eckhardt left and the firm remained McCulloch & Wood until Tuesday of this week.

Both Mr. McCulloch and Mr. Wood have always taken an active interest in the public affairs since coming to Ontario, the in the holding of public offices Mr. Wood has taken no part; while Mr. McCulloch besides being District Attorney, served also as City Attorney and is now Chairman of the Board of Education.

Mr. Wood, prior to coming to Ontario in July 1913 was deputy district attorney for Grant County, the district attorney then having Malheur, Marney and Grant counties just as does the District Judge. Mr. Wood practiced law at Canyon City from 1895 to 1913, as a member of the firm of Weed and Cattouch.

HIGH PRICED QUILT SOLD BY RED CROSS AUXILIARY

From Pioneer Auxiliary, on Dead Ox Flat came \$28 to the treasury of the Chapter, recently. The money was that which the auxiliary received on the raffle of a beautiful quilt. This is perhaps the highest priced quilt sold in the valley this season.

Little Marie Nassmussen was ill for several days the first of the week.

TOOK THE FLU ON HIS WAY HOME TO JORDAN VALLEY

Thos. T. Kohout, Manager of the Blackaby Mercantile Company's Store at Jordan Valley is ill at Cord.

On Monday Mr. Kohout, accompanied by A. N. Bickell, project engineer for the Jordan Valley Irrigation project, left Ontario bound for Jordan Valley. They took the new road, via Riverside and Cord. When they reached the last named point Mr. Kohout took ill with the "flu" and there the journey stopped.

On Tuesday Dr. H. H. Whitney accompanied by a nurse left Ontario to care for Mr. Kohout.

LODGE ACTIVITIES TO RESUME FERVOR AGAIN

Lodges Getting Back to Pre-War Basis—Royal Arch Masons to Banquet—Lodges Elect Officers.

After a quiet year, due to the war all of the Ontario Lodges are beginning to get back to pre-war basis. This idea has been prominent in the recent meetings. The Knights of Pythias took the lead in this work and are making an effort to increase their membership systematically.

Zodiac Chapter Feud. The latest addition to the rejuvenated organizations is Zodiac Chapter R. A. M. which is to perform ceremonial work on the evening of January 10th, following which it will hold a "feed" and smoker. A big attendance is expected at this session, the first held for some time. The committee in charge of the festivities expects a big time and is making its plans accordingly.

Acacia Lodge Elects. At the regular session of Acacia Lodge No. 118, A. F. & A. M. officers for 1919 were elected as follows: C. P. Trow, W. M.; Jos. Scholes, S. W.; Ralph Dunbar, J. W.; E. A. Fraser, Treasurer; J. C. McCreight, Secretary; Emory Hill, S. D.; Harry Clement, J. D.; John Rasmussen, S. S.; and Madlon Jones, J. F.; R. S. Rutherford, Tyler.

Following the election the newly elected officers were installed in their various stations by Judge C. H. Brown, one of the early Masters of Acacia Lodge.

Hill Heads Oddfellows. At the election of officers for the Oddfellows lodge the following were named: Emory Hill, N. G.; Fred Graud, V. G.; C. McConagill, Recording Secretary; C. W. Platt, financial secretary; and J. F. Doty, treasurer.

Eastern Star Officers. Mrs. Don W. Platt is the newly elected Worthy Matron of Star Chapter, O. E. S. and the following are associated with her: Emory Hill, W. P.; Mrs. Jos. Scholes, A. M.; Mrs. H. L. Peterson, Conductress; Mrs. Harry Clement, Associate Conductress; Mrs. W. F. Homan, Secretary; and W. W. Lutton, treasurer.

Test Leads Knights. Armor Lodge Knights of Pythias will be led by the following officers during 1919: O. H. Test, C. C.; Art Magill, V. G.; A. H. McGregor, P.; Orin Boyer, M. A.; C. F. Cox, K. of R. & S.; H. L. Holcomb, M. of P.; Dr. R. O. Payne, M. of E.; Art Wellington, I. G.; E. I. Ingram, O. G.

NO WONDER THEY SMILE WOULD NOT YOU SMILE, TOO?

Have you wondered why the employees of the First National have been so happy of late? Have you noticed the briskness of their step and the general, soul-satisfied smiles that have flitted over their countenances? As an advertiser says: "There's a Reason," and we are here to state that we would smile too, under similar conditions, would not you? If you do not think so consider this:

As a Christmas gift to the employees the directors of the First National gave each employee a month's pay as a Christmas gift. So far as reported the sum total of the distribution makes the biggest Christmas present given in Ontario.

DITCH CONTRACTOR IS DEFENDANT IN BIG SUIT

Maney Bros. & Wells, Together With Bonding Company Asked to Complete Contract Alleged to Be Unfinished.

Alleging that Maney Brothers & Wells abandoned their contract for the construction of the Nyssa-Arcadia Drainage system, the directors of the district this week brot suit thru their attorneys, McCulloch & Wood.

The action was filed on Tuesday and seeks damages in the amount of \$36,000. The bonding company is made a party to the suit which is one of the largest damage actions brot in this county for some time.

RECONSTRUCTION TO BE CONVENTION SUBJECT

Meeting Called for Portland January 9, 10 and 11—States Needs to be Thoroughly Presented—Want no Unemployed Men There

Transformation of labor and industry from a war to a peace basis is to be worked into a definite program at a Reconstruction Convention called by Governor James Withycombe at Portland, January 9, 10 and 11th. The details for staging the great state-wide convolve are in the hand of Mayor Geo. L. Baker of Portland. Letters of invitation have been sent to the leaders of every branch of activity in the state. City and county officials, members of the legislature and Federal officials from Washington, D. C., who are in touch with problems to be considered will be among those attending. Industrial organizations, both large and small will be represented and labor, both organized and unorganized will have delegates in attendance to take an active part in the discussion of Oregon's most vital problem.

Thru the three day's meeting, definite plans will be worked out to handle the reconstruction problems, which are now facing every state in the Union. It will be the purpose at this convention to work out plans which will eliminate all chance of unemployment, provide employment for the returning soldiers and sailors of Oregon, and also bring about the greatest development of industry thruout the state in history. This development will include such industries as agriculture, shipping, mining, shipbuilding, lumbering, fishing, road building, stock raising, etc. The recognized leaders in each of these lines will attend the convention and participate in the discussion, and definite programs for each endeavor will be outlined before the convention is adjourned.

The reconstruction problem is one which affects the entire state and it is the purpose of the convention to bring together men interested not only in various lines of endeavor but representing all sections of the state, so that a satisfactory state-wide program can be placed into effect. In sending out the call for delegates, Mayor Baker has adopted the slogan—"It can be done."

HOSPITAL NOTES

The sisters wish to thank all those who so kindly gave donations to St. Joseph's Home at Christmas time. The last in the list, Mrs. A. E. Kust of Nyssa, returned home Sunday. Joe Patrick left Saturday for his home in Huntington, after having fully undergone an operation.

Dave Emswiler had his fourth removal Sunday. John Hutchinson of Payette is seriously ill after the performance of an operation.

E. S. Duffy, who injured his hip in a fall on the ice, is improving avely. Ladd Allen of Juntura is as well as can be expected after an operation performed Sunday.

Chief Bender who entered the hospital on the 19th to receive treatment for his left arm which he injured badly in a hay baler, is reported as making satisfactory progress toward recovery.

PIECE OF HUN AIRPLANE ARRIVES IN ONTARIO

Mrs. H. J. Tharp of this city received today a message from her son, William Tharp who is a member of the 149th Machine Gun Battalion, now on the river Rhine, which was written on a piece of a Hun plane that had been shot down that day, October 27th. The piece is made of some sort of linen glazed with a shiny substance that makes it very tough.

NEW YEAR OPENS WITH WAVE OF ZERO WEATHER

1919 breezed into Ontario and the Snake River Valley, generally on the crest of a cold wave. According to the various thermometers in the Valley Jack Frost forced the mercury down the tube to the zero mark. Some of the registers went below that point to figures varying from 6 to 1 below. The cold wave is still here, tho it has moderated somewhat today.

800 HOURS RED CROSS WORK MERIT DIPLOMA

Service Certificate to Be Awarded Women Who Have Been Faithful in War Service.

Every woman who has, during the past 18 months, given 800 or more hours of time to Red Cross work of any kind will be awarded a certificate of service and be enrolled in a special list. The date of awarding these certificates has not been set, and can not be until the list is compiled.

To get the list accurate Mrs. E. M. Greig, Secretary of Ontario Chapter, requests that every woman entitled to one, file her name with the Secretary.

In computing their time the women may include time spent soliciting members, or funds, preparing for Red Cross events, as well as in knitting, making refugee garments or surgical dressings. In fact any time given to the Red Cross may be counted. It is important that the list be made up as soon as possible.

ALLIES DEBATE ON RUSSIA

Entente Officials Said to Suggest That America Intervene.

Paris.—The advice of General Franchet d'Esperey, commander in chief of the allied armies in the Near East, summoned to Paris to confer with the government over the situation along the Black Sea coast and in the Balkans, is expected vitally to affect the policy of the entente toward Russia. With allied forces now in Odessa, Sebastopol and Novorossisk, attention is being attracted to the activities in the Black Sea region.

The American delegates to the peace conference have given much consideration to the question of the policy to be pursued toward Russia, but it is understood, have reached no decision. The general tendency among the French and English newspapers and officials favoring intervention is to suggest that the Americans undertake the task, as their forces are fresh. This view, however, appears to find no favor with the American delegates.

Clemenceau Given Vote of Confidence

Paris.—Premier Clemenceau was given a vote of confidence, 380 to 134, in the chamber of deputies after a stormy debate, in which the war aims of France were outlined by Stephen Pichon, foreign minister, and the premier had indicated his adherence to the old system of alliance called the "balance of power." It was indicated by the premier that the formation of a league of nations might be carried out concordantly with the drafting of the treaty of peace.

Binn Feiners Blew up Cork Monument

Cork.—Binn Feiners on Saturday night, after the announcement of the election results, blew up the monument erected by public subscription to the cork soldiers who had fought in the South African war.

NYSSA MEN COMING TO DISCUSS OWYHEE

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMERCIAL CLUB AND CITIZENS INTERESTED IN DEVELOPMENT OF REGION IS CALLED

TO MEET TUESDAY, JANUARY 7

Directors of Owyhee District Soon To Be Elected and Time is Now Considered Ripe for Action—Nyssa Ready to Act.

At the Commercial club rooms next Tuesday evening, a meeting will be held to consider plans for the presentation of the feasibility and practicability of constructing the Owyhee Irrigation project.

Of course the meeting will especially consider plans for presenting the district's advantages to the officials at Washington, who have under consideration the government's plans for reclaiming great areas of land for the use of returned soldiers.

The meeting has been called by the Commercial club officials seconded by business men of Nyssa, and the directors of the Owyhee District, J. Boydell, secretary of the district, in discussing the proposed meeting, said:

"The people of the district appreciate the interest taken by the Ontario Commercial club in this matter, in which not only Nyssa people, but many Ontarians are also interested.

"We believe that now is the time to get action in this matter and we will be glad to attend the meeting and unite in an effort to further the project.

SERGEANT CLIFFORD PHIPPS MARRIES CALIFORNIA GIRL

In a letter to his mother received this week, Sergeant Clifford Phipps, of the 62nd U. S. Infantry tells of his marriage to a California girl, October 18. The letter was written from Camp Lee, Virginia, recently.

Young Phipps, who left Ontario just before the war was declared enlisted in the regular army during the Mexican trouble so has seen considerable army life.

His letter to his mother, Mrs. Fred Brinnon, as befits a bride groom dwelt largely on the accomplishments of the bride, whom he met while stationed at Camp Kearney in California.

Young Phipps attended the Ontario schools where he had his first military training and since joining the army has enjoyed the advantages which that start gave him.

NEW TIME AND A NEW TIME TABLE IN EFFECT

Ontario took to the new Pacific Time without any trouble. Business is going ahead just as in the present schedule of time had always been in effect. Practically all of the business houses are closing at five p. m. so that the forces experience no change whatever.

MAIN LINE.

WEST BOUND 8:00 a.m. 17 Daily Passenger Depart 2:37 a. m. 85 Daily Passenger Depart 8:25 a. m. 19 Daily Passenger Depart 9:05 p. m. 5 Daily Mail Depart 9:20

EAST BOUND

18 Daily Passenger Depart 1:24 a. m. 84 Daily Passenger Depart 7:30 a. m. 4 Daily Passenger Depart 9:19 a. m. 6 Daily Passenger Depart 9:25 p. m.

OREGON KANTERN BRANCH

WEST BOUND

371 Daily Ex. Sun. Mixed Dep. 9:00 a. m.

EAST BOUND

372 Daily Ex. Sun. Mixed Ar. 1:00 p. m.

BROGAN BRANCH

373 Daily Ex. Sun. Mixed Dep. 12:25 p. m.

192 Sunday Dep. 10:30 a. m.

374 Daily Ex. Sun. Mixed Ar. 4:50 p. m.

194 Sunday Ar. 4:50 p. m.

J. A. Henkins and Co. who has recently secured contract for two miles of drainage work on the Statler and Wood's ranches shipped his first equipment of the Saturday. The life was secured from the Concrete Pipe and Tile Company, here in Ontario.