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THE SOLDIERS' FIRST CAPTIVES.

The first captives of war gathered
in by the American soldiers have not
been big bristling Huns with fierce
upturned moustaches. They are
much more delicious bits of human-
ity, none other than the blushing
French brides already captured by
adventurous soldier suitors.

The home folks have been fearing
the fortunes of war, with prenomi-
nations of an unmarked grave in far
France. Some surprise, when back
come both the son and daughter,
perhaps a grandchild. The home
folks will still have misgivings. They
have heard wild tales of the French
girls.

Probably they judge them by the
kind of tourists pursue at the Moulin
Rouge. American cities have
plenty of that type. France produces
no disproportionate number of them.
The tolling and suffering women
over there have been too busy
running the farms, operating trains
and trucks, while their men were at
war, to think of philandering. Their
superb patriotism thus shown proves
they have loyal and faithful natures.

Martial happiness is founded on
congeniality of temperament. The
soldier boy will usually find that best
in the old home neighborhood, where
the young folks know each other's
temper and characters.

The girls that come out to sell
milk and candy and wait on our soldier
boys will be bewitching bits of
French femininity. They will have the
gracious and winsome charm and
pliancy of their race. But the boys
will do well not to forget the girls
they left behind them. Back in the
old town somewhere is dreaming of
them. Marriage made on the basis
of old acquaintance has the best promise
of stability.

Those 200,000 defective gas masks
may not serve in the trenches, but
they will do fairly well to use when
mother gets to cooking turnip, cab-
bage, and onions in the kitchen.

Having bought at a church food
sale for 50 cent a cake that took
50 cents worth of material and 75
cents worth of labor, many people
feel proud of their generosity.

It is not necessary for the news-
papers to run puzzle departments
now, as the draft questionnaires and
income tax returns supply the principal
needs in this line.

The same people who are longing
now for the good old summer time
will be wishing next July for some
of that nice stimulating February
weather.

There are some people who are
patriotically willing to take hold and
work for the war if they get twice
as much pay as they ever had before.

If Lincoln and Washington wanted
their birthdays properly celebrated,
they should have arranged to be born
during the baseball season.

The German strikers are confident-
ly and graciously assured by Kaiser
Bill that they won't suffer any more
after they are dead.

The red tapers complain that ord-
ers for war supplies are put
through now without having all the
office boys sign it.

The men who like to lie abed late
Sunday mornings are convinced that
the churches should shut to save
fuel.

The food speculators still refused
to go over and fight for Kaiser Bill
where they belong.

First Authentic Showing
Spring Apparel
SUITS, COATS
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—NOW READY—
BELLOWS

LENOIR RAGSDALE
TELLS OF FRANCE

A Very Interesting Letter Received by Home Folks In Roseburg.

GLIMPSE FRENCH PEOPLE

Railway Trains Novel and Crude—Methods of French Barber Fall Short of Similar Operations of American "Artists."

The following letter received by Mrs. J. A. Buchanan from her son, Lenoir Ragdale, who is with the United States expeditionary forces in France, will be eagerly read by Roseburg friends of the young soldier:

Somewhere in France.
January 13, 1918.
My dear mother: This is Sunday according to the calendar, but had I not happened to notice it is Sunday, I would not have known it, for, at present, one day is the same as another here.

Not being able to tell you just when we left the U. S. or how (except to state we did not swim) or when or where we arrived, or where we are now, I must confine my remarks to personal, and private matters.

There are so many wonderful, and interesting things to be seen here and, so many post cards, I would love to send, if I only could, but I'll have to take chances on getting them when we start home.

We think some of the trains in the U. S. A. travel like the "slow train through Arkansas," but you should travel here. We came here in a milk-train, consisting of 1st, 2nd and 3rd class passage, and side door Pullmans with straw on the floor.

Up to the time of arriving at this place, after disembarking we had very little opportunity to sleep, or rest, as nearly all our moves were in the dark, and during very cold weather, and, so far as I am able to observe there are no provisions made for heating the coaches, at least the trains used for the transportation of troops.

Aside from colds, we are all doing fine, and getting acclimated. There are no closed sewers, so, as for sanitary conditions, well, there are none here. The street cars are about like the old fashioned horse car, except they are run by trolleys, and women. The fare is 10 centime or about two cents. We have not received any pay since October, so have had very little opportunity to test the buying qualities of French money. A franc is the base price, plus, or minus so many centimes, 50 centimes equalling a little less than ten cents.

The houses are made of stone or brick, carved or plain, are quaint, and some are very beautiful. There is a magnificent cathedral here, the stone work and carvings in stone forming the trimmings, are simply marvelous, and beautiful in proportion.

Yesterday we received our first mail from the U. S. and I was blessed with 20 letters and 8 postals. The first postmark I notice is December 4, and the last December 21.

On the boat over I shared a state room with four other first sergeants and we ate with the second lieutenants. The U. S. has many novel and clever ways of deceiving the enemy, of which I will tell you—when I see you.

To look through the leaded windows of the cafes, and there see people of all nations, dressed in the style and flashy colors of their country, all winning, dining and flirting gives one a very intelligent insight into the Bohemian life, and customs, at least in this section. It matters not whether you can understand each other, so long as you can smile, or have your shekels handy—you are a comrade.

We can see Belgian refugees every day, some working, others being taken care of by the French in buildings provided especially for them.

I received a fruit cake by mail yesterday, and it is delicious. Cakes and dainties are out of sight here. Candy is worth its weight in gold, and is when you have to buy it.

own face in COLD water, then they bring out a spray pump or atomizer, and spray you with a tonic, followed by a rub with camphor, or fire, I don't know which. Then they powder you, and after leaving part of your face, and 2 1/2 iron boys, the operation is called successfully finished, and your burning face tests to the fact, for you certainly feel finished.

With best wishes to all inquiring friends and wishing you all a happy New Year.
As ever your devoted son.

ROY GRIGGS WILL BE A CANDIDATE

It was definitely announced in this city today that Roy Griggs, of Comstock, would again be a candidate at the coming primary election in May to represent the people of this county in the lower house at Salem, where he so effectively carried out the wishes of the residents of this section during the last term of the Oregon legislature. Mr. Griggs will enter upon his candidacy with no personal or selfish ambitions to serve and with his former experience in the legislative halls of the state will be better equipped than ever to handle all problems coming before him.

While no definite announcement has been made it is generally understood that C. A. Brand, of the Overland orchards, will also be a candidate, thus placing the two "war horses" who represented the county at the last session of the legislature in the harness for re-nomination.

Both of these gentlemen are conscientious workers and there will be no mistake in returning them to the legislature.

"DOING YOUR BIT."

Now what have you done to help in the war?
And how have you stood the test?
Have you done so much that you can't do more?

Have you done your level best?
Are you satisfied? Do you think to quit?
Giving aid at your country's call?
Do you pride yourself on doing your "bit"?

When others are doing their all?
Maybe you've purchased a liberty bond,
With money you well can spare;
You have signed a check—been quick to respond—
And pleased to have done your "share."

To have done your "share"—oh, the shame of it!
To have done your share with a scrawl;
Complacent because you've given your bit,
While others are giving their all!

War calls for the best from every one—
Not merely from those who fight;
Our part in the work has only begun
As we battle for God and Right.
Go to it in earnest and show your grit.

Americans, great and small;
Drop your impertinent "doing my bit";
The least you can do is your all.

Our boys at the front are giving their lives,
As Christ gave his life for men;
With God-given courage each soldier strives
That the world may be whole again.

In that fury of strife, in hell's own pit,
They fight as their comrades fall;
Are you satisfied to be giving your "bit"?
When heroes are giving their all?

Think as you lie in your warm, cosy bed
Of them lying there in the mud;
Think of the wounded, the blinded, the dead,
The horrors, the filth and the blood;

Think of those men who will never submit,
Who are in it beyond recall;
Then never again say, "doing my bit";
Be true to yourself—do your all!

By N. A. Jennings, member American Defense Society.

WHEN WAR WILL END.
Absolute knowledge I have none;
But my aunt's washerwoman's sister's son
Heard a policeman on his beat
Say to a laborer in the street,
That he had a letter just last week,
Written in the finest Greek,
From a Chinese coolie in Timbuctoo.

EXPERIENCED SHIP-BUILDERS ARE WANTED

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 15.—Secretary of Labor Wilson has sent the following telegram to all state directors of the public service reserve for the purpose of clearing up some slight misunderstandings which have cropped out during the progress of the national "enrollment week" drive which now is on, for the registration of skilled workmen throughout the United States:

"The immediate labor needs of the shipyards are comparatively filled and the man who leaves his present position to seek employment in a shipyard is likely to find no work. The coming weeks and months, however, will necessitate the increase of the present number of shipyard workers by several hundred thousand men who have had experience in trades used in ship building. The department of labor with the aid of the shipping board council of national defense, and the state councils of defense, now is enrolling in its United States public service, men of these trades who are willing to go to the ship yard when they are advised of a place. The ship yard volunteers in the public service reserve will be placed through the United States employment service of the department of labor which will have full details as to when and where the men are needed, the wages and housing and other conditions.

"Membership in the reserve brings official recognition of the performance of, or the readiness to perform, a most necessary and patriotic service. It also protects both employers and workers for it minimizes the drain on industry for the supplying of the shipyards and puts the wage earner where he can utilize to the fullest extent his ability and brain power. We appeal to all qualified men to enroll during the coming week in the reserve and to stick to their present jobs until they are called."

NOTICE TO DEBTORS.
All persons knowing themselves indebted to Simon Caro are urged to call and settle their accounts at once, otherwise they will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.

GLENDALE ITEMS.
J. L. Scott has resumed the position he held last year on the Pacific highway, and active work will commence at once.

Just the feeling engendered by the submarine attack on our transport that caused the loss of so many of our brave soldier boys, it quite hard to understand. "It seems to have put a new phase on the awful devices and terrible cruelties practiced by our foes, yet we glory in our unselfish fight for God and the right. Our cause is just and we will win.

A couple of lawless people from upper Cow creek were brought in by the game warden and had a hearing in Justice A. G. Clarke's court on Saturday. Dr. Cameron pleaded guilty and promptly paid his fine of \$25. The woman in the case decided to stand trial, her plea will be heard on Wednesday in the justice court. It seems that after all venison, out of season, is really "dear" meat.

Early gardening is in progress in and out of town, spring weather prevails.

Mrs. J. B. Howell spent Saturday at Wolf Creek looking after her piano pupils, and visiting friends. She reports prosperity in our nearby town. The Ladies Aid of Olivet church will entertain on February 22, by giving a colonial tea. All ladies who have any interest in aid work are cordially invited to be the guests of the society from two until five p. m.

The Toggery, A. H. Henson, is in receipt of new and up to date goods at reasonable rates.

Mrs. P. R. Zwright is a patient at our local sanitarium, and who has been critically ill, is now much improved, and will soon be able to return to her home.

Mrs. M. Ferbrache, of Portland, and Mrs. Frank Marshall, of Yoncalla, the mother and sister of Mrs. P. R. Zwright are guests at the Zwright home in this city.

Mrs. E. Eden, who owns valuable property in this city has rented her store building to the C. & O. Power & Light Company, who have their offices there.

Isaac Moore of the "sweet 16th" will visit his parental home on a short furlough soon. He is a popular boy, and we all will be glad to see him.

Chas. Hobbs, of the Azalea-Glendale stage line is making regular trips. He has many passengers and also loads the car with freight until it looks like an emigrant wagon of the days of "old '49". Just the same all the "school ma'ams" ride with him, and he is the right man in the right place. He drives a Ford, you see. MOLLIE.

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FOR SALE—1 cream separator, only used a short time; also some Lady Washington and Bayou beans, suitable for seed. Write or call at 427 S. Pine street. it

FOR SALE OR TRADE—17-acre farm in Tehama county, Calif., near Corning. Address C. C. Weaver, Route 1, Roseburg, Oregon. m2p

OLD PAPERS—"Housecleaning" is on at The News office, and we have a lot of old papers for sale at 10 cents the bundle. They will not last long, so get a supply early.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—General mase. store at Melrose, Ore., 8 miles from Roseburg; corner roads; doing good business. Owner will explain reason for selling same. Address R. Stubbs, Melrose, Ore. f14

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—Fine 20 acre fruit tract in the Winston fruit district, about 17 acres now bearing orchard. Good improvements, tools, feed and several tons of hay go with the place. What have you to offer in exchange for this. This is first class property and will bear close investigation. Address owner, B. J. Sanford, Roseburg, Ore. f15p

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WANTED—To buy sheep and goats. Fred Fisher. Phone 25F4. it

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WANTED—Wood cutters. All winters' work. Phone 14F14. D. it

FOR RENT—6 room modern house in good location. JPhone 15F12 evenings. it

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