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DR. DONEY AND THE SOLDIER

From far-off France comes the cry of the Oregon soldier boys. They are not complaining as to the hardships they endure, the dangers they have faced or the separation from their loved ones. They do complain, however, that one Carl Doney, a resident of Oregon, who after visiting the battlefields (battlefields far behind the lines) comes home to Oregon and starts his anti-tobacco propaganda. The official paper of the American Expeditionary Forces, the Stars and Stripes, contains several caustic articles from officers and privates concerning this "holier than thou" egotist and Doney deserves all the unfavorable comment which has been heaped upon him. The Mist is well aware that the church he represents is opposed to the use of tobacco, but the Mist does not believe a broad minded man could have taken the stand which Doney took. Oregon boys "over there" have been fighting for democracy against autocracy. Doney visits them, at government expense, and comes home with the recommendation that they should be reformed. Doney's idea of a good soldier is one who is willing to sacrifice his life at liberty's altar, but should the supreme sacrifice be made, the dead soldier dies an ignominious death if—he has any tobacco on his person. Until Dr. Doney made the trip to France, he was considered a learned and broad minded man. The stand he took when he returned to safety, proves that he is the opposite of what people thought he was.

PREPARE FOR THE SOLDIER

In a few months hundreds of thousands of our brave soldiers and sailors will be returned from foreign lands and mustered out of army and navy service. When entering their country's service, many of these men left positions of trust, of business and industrial activity, and naturally they will seek positions similar to the ones they left. What to do and how to provide for them, is the problem which now confronts the nation. Gifts of logged-off lands, irrigation, drainage and other lands are suggested as one of the solutions. To a few, this proposition might appeal, but the man who was working in a factory, the man who was a skilled mechanic in a shop, the man who handled large contracts, etc., it will not appeal. They will wish to re-enter their old lines. In order that they may find employment in such lines it is necessary for the commercial and industrial enterprises of the country to be on a solid basis. The worst thing our boys could find when arriving home, would be a stagnant condition of business and prosperity a minus article. It therefore becomes the necessary duty of every citizen of the country at this time more than ever before to bring about a state of confidence in business and financial matters. Capital and labor must work together to accomplish this. The nation owes a debt to the returning soldier, a debt the nation must pay and every class must work together to see that it is paid.

IT'S PATTERN TOUCHES THE HEART

The mist hangs low and quiet
On a rugged line of hills.
There's a whispering wind across the flat;
You'd be feeling kinder of lonesome,
If it wasn't for one thing.
The patter of the raindrops,
On your old tin hat.
And you can't help a figu' ring.
Sitting here alone,
About this war and hero stuff and that,
And you sorter wonder if they haven't
Things a little twisted up.
While the rain keeps up its patter
On your old tin hat.

When you step off with your outfit,
To do your little "bit,"
You are doing just what you're supposed to do,
And you don't take time to figure,
What you gain or what you lose,
Its the spirit of the game that brings you there.
But back at home she's waiting,
Writing cheerful little notes,
And every night she offers up a prayer,
And just keeps on a'hoping,
That her soldier boy is safe,
The mother of the boy that's "over there."

And fellows, she's the hero,
Of this big and ugly war,
And her prayer is in the wind across the flat,
And don't you reckon, maybe its her tears
And not the rain,
That keeps up the patter on your old tin hat.

This poem was written by Lieut. J. Hunter Wickersham of Denver, Colorado, who a few weeks ago fell mortally wounded while leading his men in a gallant charge. He is a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wickersham of Deer Island.

A LITTLE BUSINESS NOW AND THEN

Western states need the whole-some effect of injecting business methods into their public administration.

Here is a little object lesson showing what can be accomplished by merely applying private methods in public affairs.

In the fall of 1914 the state of Connecticut had a net indebtedness drawing interest amounting to \$10,-\$60,000.

Mark Holcomb, a hard-headed lawyer, who could not have been elected in some states, was made governor.

He put over a business system that brought all departments under a state board of finance, and he kept his thumb on that board.

The joint committee of the legislature on appropriations held its sessions with the state finance board and the governor had the veto.

Net result: in three years the debt has disappeared, except some bonds not yet due, but there is a sinking fund on hand to meet them.

How was it done? Just plain good common sense business management that any city, state or the nation can get by insisting on it.—Ex.

GIVE LABOR JUSTICE

A striking cartoon published in the Literary Digest showed High Cost of Living and High Price of Labor on a platform. Each was inviting the other to come down first. High Cost of Living should be the first to descend. It is always the first to ascend. Labor always gets a late start on the climbing and is entitled to stay on the platform last. It is not fair to make labor the last to climb and the first to come down. The fact that thousands of returning soldiers will increase the supply of labor is no excuse for a reduction in wages unless a reduction in living expenses is first made.

Books are popular Christmas presents and while you are looking for real good books, don't forget the book of Thrift or War Savings Stamps.

Give the new Commercial Club a boost. A live club will do much towards making a live and bigger town.

A HEALTHY SIGN

There seems to be some residents of this community who slightly resent the activity of the new comers at a school meeting, or other similar public meetings. The Mist takes the opposite view of the matter. It is glad to see the newcomer out at these meetings and hear his expressions as to the needs of the community. It shows he is interested in the community in which he has acquired a residence and is ready to do his part in its upbuilding. He is a much more desirable citizen than the resident who has been living here for years and takes no interest in the community.

There is no reason why Liberty bonds should be quoted at less than face value, unless it be that the man with money is taking advantage of the fact that so many are needlessly placing their bonds on the market. In a few years time, these bonds will be worth more than face value. Uncle Sam has promised to pay dollar for dollar and he will do it. If not absolutely necessary to dispose of the bond, hold on to it and help cheat the capitalists who are anxious to accumulate the gilt edge securities at below cost.

CALL FOR SCHOOL WARRANTS

Notice is hereby given that there is money on hand to pay all School District No. 2 warrants endorsed up to and including October 29th, 1918. Interest ceases after December 13th, 1918.

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon, this 10th day of December, 1918.
MRS. F. A. GEORGE,
School Clerk.

NOTICE

I have money on hand to pay Road Warrants, indorsement including the following dates:

- Road District No. 1, September 9, 1918.
- Road District No. 2, August 16th, 1918.
- Road District No. 3, November 13, 1918.
- Road District No. 6, September 12, 1918.
- Road District No. 7, June 26th, 1918.
- Road District No. 8, September 7, 1918.
- Road District No. 9, November 12, 1918.
- Road District No. 12, August 20, 1918.
- All outstanding warrants in Road Districts Nos. 4 and 14.

Interest stops December 13, 1918.
BESSIE HATTAN,
Treasurer.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

In the Matter of the Estate of Jessie Nilsen, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as administrator of the estate of Jessie Nilsen, deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County, and that Saturday, the 4th day of January, 1919, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at the Court room of said Court, in the City of St. Helens, Columbia County, Oregon, has been appointed as the time and place for the hearing of objections thereto and the settlement thereof. Dated and first published, December 6, 1918.

BIRGER NILSEN,
Administrator of the Estate of Jessie Nilsen, Deceased.
J. W. Day, Attorney. 51-3

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

In the Matter of the Estate of Andreas Anderson, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as administrator of the estate of Andreas Anderson, deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court, of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County, and that Saturday, the 11th day of January, 1919, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at the Court room of said Court, at St. Helens, Columbia County, Oregon, has been appointed by said Court as the time and place of hearing of objections thereto and the settlement thereof. Dated and first published December 13, 1918.

P. B. HOLBROOK,
Administrator estate of Andreas Anderson, Deceased.
J. W. Day, Attorney. 52-4

COURT PROCEEDINGS

Matter of county aid to H. M. Amanda Helmer.

On this day it is ordered by the court that the county aid heretofore allowed H. M. Amanda Helmer in the amount of \$9.00 per month be increased to the amount of \$12.00 per month, and that the clerk be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to issue a General Fund warrant in the amount of \$12.00 in favor of H. M. Amanda Helmer on the first day of each and every month until the further order of the court.

Matter of application of Hilda Karasti for a widow's pension.

On this day, there is presented to the court an order of the Judge of the Juvenile Court of the County of Columbia, State of Oregon, allowing widow's pension in the amount of \$25.00 per month in favor of Hilda Karasti, in accordance with Chapter 90, General Laws of 1915 and laws subsequent thereto, and the court being advised in the matter, it is ordered that the clerk be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to issue a General Fund warrant in the amount of \$25.00 per month in favor of Hilda Karasti and a like warrant be issued on the first day of each and every month thereafter until the further order of the court.

Matter of application of Mrs. Percy Davis for a widow's pension.

On this day there is presented to the court an order of the Judge of the Juvenile Court of this county, allowing widow's pension in the sum of \$17.50 per month, and the court being advised in the matter it is ordered by the court that said petition be and the same is hereby denied.

Matter of application of Mrs. James B. Owens for a widow's pension.

On this day there is presented to the court an order of the Judge of the Juvenile Court of this County, allowing widow's pension in the sum of \$25.00 per month, and the court being advised in the matter it is ordered by the court that said petition be and the same is hereby denied.

Matter of County aid to Hilda Johnson.

On this day it is ordered by the court that a General Fund Warrant in the amount of \$25.00 be drawn in favor of Mrs. Hilda Johnson as County aid and that a like warrant be drawn on the first of each and every month hereafter until the further order of the Court.

Matter of petition for establishment of Wallace Road.

On this day the report of the Board of Road Viewers on the establishment of the Wallace Road was read in open Court for the first time.

Matter of scalp bounty claims.

On this day the Clerk presents to the Court his statement of scalp bounties issued during the month of November, 1918, as authorized by law, being as follows:

November 14, 1918, Warrant No. 9668 for \$19.00 in favor of J. R. Holmes.

November 20, 1918, Warrant No. 9669 for \$2.70 in favor of C. Evans.

November 26, 1918, Warrant No. 9671 for \$2.00 in favor of Bob Reed, and the Court being advised in the matter it is ordered that said report be and the same is hereby accepted.

Matter of remission of tax to F. W. Martin.

On this day comes on for consideration of the Court, the written statement of the Tax Collector setting forth the fact that \$1.64 had been collected twice on the same tax and that said amount should be remitted to F. W. Martin, and the Court being advised in the matter, it is ordered by the Court that the Clerk be authorized and instructed to issue a General Fund Warrant in the amount of \$1.64 payable to F. W. Martin on account of such double collection.

Matter of petition of petition for establishment of Wallace Road.

On this day the report of the Board of Road Viewers on the establishment of the Wallace Road was read in open Court for the second time.

Matter of claims against the County.

On this day claims against the County, as filed with the Clerk of the Court, were examined and allowed in the various amounts as carried out on the face of said claims being as follows:

General Fund
C. O. Howe, maps furnished, \$3.95; Western Timber Co., road damage, \$639.46; L. J. VanOrshoven, services, \$27.50; Independent Auto Co., care of Ford, \$31.51; H. E. Abry, supplies for truck, \$17.59; T. J. Flippin, road viewer, etc., \$7.50; Alice Quick, registration work, \$7.50; W. A. Brown, hall rent, \$5.00; O. A. Erickson, hall rent, \$5.00; Warren, \$7.00; A. J. Burns, stove for election booth, \$3.25; A. H. George, work on election booth, \$7; Gertrude Phillips, clerk sheriff's office, \$72.00; Dora Shaffer, clerk sheriff's office, \$21.00; Jess Cravena, work for sheriff, \$7.00; E. C. Stanwood, postage, \$20.00; H. E. LaBare, expenses deputy sheriff, \$4.93; Independent Auto Co., sheriff's car, \$74.69; John Dethman, work for sheriff, \$5.00; T. S. White, work for sheriff, \$5.00; P. W. Harrison, work for sheriff, \$4.68; Bushong & Co., supplies to sheriff, \$0.56; Rainier Review, publishing officers, etc., \$63.10; St. Helens Mist, supplies to officers, \$99.37; Clatskanie Chief, publishing, \$6.60; St. Helens Mist, printing treasurer's notice, \$0.75; St. Helens Mist, publishing, \$82.50; Anna Quick, clerk hire clerk's office, \$72.00; Lenora Paulson, clerk hire and election work, \$46.50; J. W. Hunt, stamps, etc., \$20.00; Buleah E. Smith, clerk hire assessor, \$63; C. W. Blakesley, supplies paid for, \$2.51; Dora Shaffer, work for treasurer, \$36.00; Fred Morgus, supplies to janitor, \$4.00; R. Constantin, repairs and supplies, \$7.55; St. Helens Lumber Co., wood for courthouse, \$47.50; St. Helens Light & Power Co., October lights, \$21.70; St. Helens Steam Laundry, supplies, \$0.95; Helen Larsen, stenographer district attorney, \$60.00; L. D. Weeks, juror circuit court, \$6.00; Earl Barber,



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Christmas Gifts that Count

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Here are a Few Suggestions

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Safety Razors
Pocket Knives
Rifles
Shotguns
Fishing Rods

Flashlights
Camping Outfits
FOR THE WOMEN—
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