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DECIDE TODAY, YOUNG MAN.

Decide today, young man, right now, that it is up to you to do your part in order to be on the level with Uncle Sam on a straight 50-50 basis.

He's carried out his part of the contract ever since you were born. He's given you a decent, healthy country to live in, all the police and fire department protection that's needed for a rational American being, and a much more reasonable chance to make a respectable living than any other nation on earth.

Now for your part of the contract: Uncle Sam doesn't want much or anything unreasonable. All he asks is that just now—at this very moment—when it looks a bit as if there might come a tight pinch for him, you show how much there is of that thing called "gratitude" in your makeup—that thing at the bottom of all square deals.

The way you can show that is to make plain your willingness to "stand by" and to give a hand, if need be, in this possible pinch. And that you can do by volunteering to make one in Uncle Sam's machine for the defense of your rights as a free-born American—the United States Marine Corps, "Soldier and Sailor, too."

Have you a clear idea of how you'd go about it if you decided to play the game on the level—just the same way, it's to be hoped, as you pattern your whole life?

Like this; you'd decide while you're sitting there reading—right now—that you wanted to do your bit. Then you'd beat it, first shot, for the main works of that chance—the Marine Corps recruiting station in La Grande.

You'd find there's rather more to an unconditional showdown of your gratitude—a straight enlistment—than the mere willingness on your part.

You've got to pass a pretty stiff examination, because the crowd you're going to throw your lot in with is made up of decidedly fit, clean-living, sound young chaps, trained to the minute.

That training comes natural to them, not by any special effort, but just as a result of their daily life in clean, wholesome surroundings—all the time doing the right thing by Uncle Sam, who's long been attending to his part of the 50-50 arrangement.

You'll find, young man, there's more to this thing than merely being "on the level with Uncle Sam." Maybe after you've gone that far you'll suddenly discover that the Marine Corps was just exactly the "alley" which you needed right along in order to make a prosperous show of whatever talents you may possess.

Good luck to you!

A great many people are asking what the United States will do in the great world war which seems to be casting

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IT'S WORTH A TRIAL YOU CAN'T LOSE

This Resolution looks good to me. And to keep it will surely pay; "I will start for myself a savings fund. And bank the first dollar today."

La Grande National Bank

Will Entertain Glee Club Members.

The Epworth league will give a reception for the W. U. Glee club directly after the concert tomorrow night, March 28, in the basement of the M. E. church. Everyone is cordially invited to be present.

The Epworth league has assigned a "steering committee" of 18 which will see to it that visitors at the reception become acquainted.

Cove Plans Memorial Day.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Anderson, of Cove, have mailed pamphlets to Cove citizens and friends reminding them of the annual observance of Memorial day in Cove and asking for participation of all in this year's observance.

TRIAL JURY CALLED APRIL 10.

Judges J. W. Knowles has called the trial jury for April 10 at nine o'clock to consider the case of the State of Oregon vs. Perry, charged with adultery, and the case of Thomas vs. Newcomb, over an accounting of some Cove sheep.

W. C. Robb, manager of the Valley Creamery, has two brothers, Homer A., and Alvin A. Robb, in company L, Third Oregon regiment, Dallas, Oregon. Homer Robb is the Polk county surveyor.

its shadow upon us. The consensus of opinion among the best authorities seems to be that the United States will first arm its merchantmen and equip them with guns and gunners, second turn the navy and hundreds of submarine-chasers loose against the U-boats, and third throw its ports and financial resources open to the allies.

A great many seem to think that the part the United States will play in the war will be merely to furnish munitions and financial resources to the Allies and lend the use of our navy. But the preparations now going on at Washington do not seem to indicate that the government will stop at this.

Another troublesome question is whether it is expedient to form new and binding alliances with the Allies whereby we would be bound to accept the terms of peace at the conclusion of the war and perhaps entangle ourselves perpetually in the European system, which it has been our traditional policy to avoid.

These are matters for statesmen to consider. Let us hope that they will be guided in their solution of these problems by caution and discretion.

A CRITICAL HOUR.

President Wilson has called for vast additions to the navy, both in immediate men and ships as fast as they can be gotten into commission. This proves more than anything else the seriousness of the moment.

But the call is imperative for service. No man deserves that which made our forefathers sacrifice if he be not entirely willing today, in this great hour to give up some one great thing for the benefit of the nation.

Out of all this will grow a trained and stronger people. Out of this vast organization which becomes necessary toward our defence will come a people united in one sublime purpose; a nation who shall have thrown off the soft embraces and allurements of material success; a nation inspired by the woes of humanity to begin anew its mission of teaching freedom to the sons of men and giving glad hope to the generations yet unborn.

America, too, will have its proud place in history as sharing in the re-creation of the governmental structures of all the wide earth and in bringing liberty to countless hosts of men who have been ground down beneath the iron heel of selfish autocracy.

"No longer shall a nod from Kaiser, King or Czar. Plunge nations into cruel bloody war."

Eastern Oregon has again won recognition at the hands of Governor Withycombe in the appointment of T. J. Scroggin on the state commission to investigate the question of what state activities can, in the interests of efficiency and economy, be consolidated or eliminated to



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avoid duplication of work. It will report to the legislature of 1919. This is an important commission. Mr. Scroggin's appointment is a good one and he will bring to the service of the commission a ripe business experience that will be helpful.

To Renovate Mahogany.

Bolled linseed oil is the finest thing for genuine old mahogany, as it hardens and preserves the wood. Pour the oil on to a pad of soft flannel and well rub the wood. If there are any cracks in the wood the oil will fill these and harden. Wipe off the superfluous oil and polish with a dry, soft cloth.

Homemade Sweeping Compound.

Dr. Charles K. Francis, chemist at Oklahoma A. and M. college, submits the following formula, which may be used for making a sweeping compound: Melt two ounces of paraffin wax and two quarts of paraffin oil over boiling water.

Mulled Cider.

Beat three eggs until lemon colored and add sufficient sugar to tone down the acidity of the cider that is to be added. Boil one quart of cider for five minutes, then pour slowly upon the eggs, stirring briskly.

BEFORE AND AFTER CONVERSION.

(Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth.—Mat. 5-6.)

I used to think of land and cattle. And horses on the hill. I used to think of big pine trees And a modern lumber mill. But now I think of Jesus Christ, Who died to save my soul And give to me eternal life While endless ages roll. I used to think I'd like to be A something big and grand, But now I know with such a thought I'd build upon the sand. When the storms are raging high God's judgments on the lands, We ought to build upon the rock And not upon the sand.

—By H. F. E.

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SINGER WINS \$100,000 ON WALL-ST TIP; GOING BACK TO PARENTS

Betty Lee, singer of New York and Newport society, has created a sensation by cleaning up \$100,000 in Wall-st, and now says that instead of spending her fortune on the gay white way, she is going back to her home in Atlanta, Ga., to enjoy real life with her parents.

Three years ago Miss Lee came to New York with \$20, a guitar and costumes for use in singing southern folk songs. After a hard struggle she reached society and became popular as a singer at society entertainments.

She saved her money, bought stock on the advice of a banker and won her fortune.



BETTY LEE.