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RICHARD OLNEY.

Richard Olney's name in American history stands for solidity and courage. He handed the Venezuelan situation as secretary of state when war with England seemed imminent. He was an able lawyer and a statesman. He was one of the old school of lawyers whose deep studies in the law prepared them in statecraft. Would that we had more Olneys in our national life today.

By JAMES WITHYCOMBE, Governor of Oregon

At this time, when the mobilization of all the resources of our country is the paramount national problem, it is the patriotic duty of all of us to co-operate in every possible way. It seems to me Oregon's great opportunity lies in the organized encouragement and development of agricultural production. With this in view, I suggest that the Portland Chamber of Commerce take the lead in organizing the commercial bodies of the state in an Oregon League of Agricultural Preparedness, whose objects shall be the maximum production of staple crops chiefly useful in feeding the nation and protecting our citizenship from the hardships of increased living cost. Every community should be organized so that its vacant lots and unused fields so far as possible shall be placed under cultivation. An especially important work can be done with school children. Each one should become a volunteer patriotic farmer this summer. Organized purchase of seed would cut cost and should make possible free distribution to those who cannot afford this initial investment. I respectfully suggest this general plan for your consideration, believing it good economics and soundly patriotic.

The supreme court of the United States is progressive. It believes in the growth and expansion of the law to meet national needs. Therefore it sustained the Adamson eight-hour law, gave Congress the right to fix wages, and sustained the Oregon ten-hour law for men and the minimum wage law for women. After all is said and done the people make the laws. The supreme court interprets the will of the people, subject to certain restrictions placed upon them by the constitution. But the people even have the authority to amend that.

Military experts expect that Germany will strike a blow at the United States through Mexico. No doubt the United States is massing troops at the present time on the border to watch for the first overt act.

The boy scouts of the nation are to be assigned duties by the government. Every boy scout should be proud that he is a part of the nation's scheme of national defense.

The United States has some friends. We are proud to be allied with Cuba, Panama and Brazil.

Every day The Observer chronicles the names of La Grande boys who are answering their country's call. We are proud of them and we hope that their country will take good care of them and see that they are trained by men who know their business, so that they will return to us efficient, well disciplined men.

Get A Gold Medal

There is a contest on at this Bank whereby you can earn a Gold Medal that is worth twenty dollars. All you have to do is place one dollar on deposit now, and another next week and so on, for about eighteen more weeks, and at the end of this time you will have a "A BIRD" of a medal, with an American Eagle on it.

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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

Company M Now Has War Strength

Salem, April 12.—(Special)—Company M, Third Oregon Infantry, has completed its complement of troops and today is 150 strong.

The final "drive" for recruits in Salem to fill up the company was led by First Lieutenant Louis H. Compton and Sergeant May, of the machine gun company.

The drive was eminently successful. When Lieutenant Compton arrived here Friday he was scheduled to secure at least 30 recruits. He got them. By Sunday evening he had 14, and secured 16 today.

Thirteen of the recruits went to Vancouver this morning over the Oregon Electric and six at four o'clock this afternoon. The remainder will leave Salem Tuesday at 11:20 o'clock and it is expected there will be a good crowd out to see them leave.

Andrew Vincent and "Tico" Grosvenor, Willamette's crack athlete, both of whom served on the Mexican border, left this morning. The following is the list secured today:

Robert E. Perlich, Frank L. Prince, Archie B. Holt, Glenn C. Ackerman, Willis M. Bartlett, Claude W. Beck, Kenneth Aspinwall, William M. Smith, Lewis Goldberg, Theron C. Hoover, Rex W. Benson, Breymann, Boise; Carl A. Chapler, Chester Larsen, Sim Phillips, Jr., and "Tico" Grosvenor.

Baker Personals.

Baker, April 12.—(Special)—Mrs. C. K. White of North Powder was a recent visitor here.

Russell Jones and J. O. Jacobsen of North Powder transacted business here Tuesday.

Cato Johns of Hot Lake was here visiting his son Cato, Jr., before his departure to join the U. S. Army medical department.

Tie Sale.

Saturday is the last day of our special tie sale. We will sell any tie in our store for 50c. All these are the new Persian silks. The newest spring ties that can be bought. Every tie in the store goes for 50c Saturday. If you are a good judge of silks you will get more than double values, as there are \$1.00 and \$1.25 ties in the lot. See window display.—The Toggery.—Adv. 4-12, 13.

The Observer would like to extend to Bishop Paddock a cordial invitation to make his headquarters in La Grande. If he can't do that, we'd like him to visit us oftener.

The war may help America find her soul, says Bishop Paddock. It may do that, it may make us a cleaner, more moral, more spiritual nation, with more love for humanity and less for the dollar.

The Kaiser has determined to grant further electoral reforms in Germany. He will do this to nip in the bud the effect of the Russian revolution upon his own people. It will be a military measure, rather than a genuine reform.

REGISTRATION IS SLOW.

Reports from the different counties indicate that few voters who have moved into different precincts have taken the trouble to register for the June election.

Experience shows that over 10 per cent of voters change residence every six months.

Every voter interested in the Road Bonding Act or any other of the many measures to be voted upon at the special election June 4 should register at once if he has moved since his registration for the presidential election.

Agricultural Commission of American Bankers' Association Urges Organization of "Increase of Production Clubs.

Agricultural Commission of the American Bankers' Association; Office of F. N. Shepherd.

Lewiston, Idaho, March 31, 1917.—To the bankers of Utah, Idaho, Oregon, Nevada, Montana, Wyoming and Washington:

Gentlemen: War is upon us with a general food shortage so well known that repetition is useless. The time to speed up production is now. So far as 1917 is concerned, this can most effectively be done by seed selection and acreage increase.

As far as possible, let every community become self-sustaining and have a big surplus for export. An army lives on its stomach. It must be fed if it fights. Speed up production and you may do your country as great a service as tho you went to the front. Both are absolutely essential. All of the patriots will not be found on the firing line.

Organize "Increase Production Clubs" to augment the acreage and assist in bringing under cultivation every vacant town lot that is tillable and productive. Help secure the acreage and, if necessary, the seed. The use of thousands of lots can be had for the asking. In Lewiston, for instance, acres and acres of town lots are already plowed and ready for planting by school boys and girls under the direction of their club adviser. The city furnishes them water for irrigation at a nominal charge. The grown-ups are no less brought together as never before. The farmers are preparing for a stronger pull and thousands of acres of summer-fallow, which would normally lie idle, will this year be planted to beans and peas and corn.



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Sincerely yours, F. N. SHEPHERD, Member Agricultural Commission American Bankers' Association.

AT THE HOTELS

Savoy.

At the Savoy are: B. A. Thomas and wife, Carl Lorraine, (Colonial); Ralph Hollenbeck, Joseph; A. B. Balkan, Kosta Balkan, Billy Empey Van and wife, Frank McMahon, (Hippodrome Co.); Alice DeVin (Colonial); J. M. Oliver and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer, Vincent; B. M. Cantrell, E. H. Oswald, J. W. Cantrell, Bill Needham, O. E. Rayburn and wife, Summerville; Lyle Wilson, C. S. Williams, Imbler; C. Haddon, City; James Wise, Chas. T. Oswald, Summerville; C. F. Bulge, Seattle, Wn.; J. W. Hopkins, Seattle; Frank Lewis, Mrs. A. M. Weaver, Enterprise; S. F. Stubbs, M. E. Gordon, Walla Walla; C. H. Catching, Missoula, Mont.; L. R. Parker, John A. Nord, M. R. Smith, B. F. Anderson, Oscar Noyes, City; Frank Turner, Baker; Frank Rogers, Union Sommer.

At the Sommer are: M. O. Evans, Corvallis; J. A. Sytton, San Francisco; R. Weidener, Everett; A. C. Underwood, Seattle; S. E. Brackett, E. H. Stane, Portland; A. N. Griffith, Spokane; E. D. Frohman, Portland, Ed J. Newbarger, Chicago; F. H. Tobin, Spokane; Fred S. Townsend, Seattle. Foley.

At the Foley are: Fred Monroe, Portland; E. B. Taylor, Omaha; K. Z. Simmons, K. J. Simmons, Chicago; John M. Casey and wife, D. M. Kelly, Baker; E. Carson, J. P. Johnson, Joseph; A. E. Bergreen, H. T. McQuade, Dan Quintan, J. R. Rhoades and A. R. Cody, Portland; R. E. Teel, Walla Walla; A. Michene, Idaho Falls; Emil Johnson, Baker; G. M. Estes, Imbler; Wm. Compton.

Will Preach at Cove.

Rev. W. J. Tapscott, of Dalles, Ore., will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist church at Cove April 15 and 22 in the absence of the pastor—Rev. E. O. Otto, who will be in Baker for about 10 days for treatment.

LEGAL NOTICE

Summons. In the circuit court of the state of Oregon for Union county, William E. Burnap and Hattie J. Burnap, plaintiffs, vs. Juanita Frakes, Merle Frakes and James H. Frakes, defendants.

To James H. Frakes the above named defendant: You are hereby notified to appear in the above en-

titled court and answer the complaint therein filed against you in the above entitled suit within six weeks from the first publication of this summons, and you are hereby notified that plaintiffs, for want of such answer, will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint, to wit: a decree that plaintiffs and defendants, Juanita Frakes and Merle Frakes are the owners in fee and in possession as tenants in common of the following land in Union county, Oregon to wit: East half of northwest quarter and north half of northeast quarter of section twenty-four, township four south of range thirty-seven, east of Willamette Meridian; that of said lands, plaintiffs are the owners in fee of an undivided five-sixths and defendants, Juanita Frakes and Merle Frakes, jointly, in equal shares of an undivided one-sixth subject to an unassigned right of courtesy of defendant, James H. Frakes in said undivided one-sixth interest; that the said lands be sold for the purpose of partitioning the same and the proceeds applied first to the costs and expenses of this suit and the balance divided between the plaintiffs and defendants as their several interests are decreed in this suit.

This summons is published by order of the circuit court of the state of Oregon for Union county of date the 12th day of April, 1917, to be published in the La Grande Evening Observer once each week for six consecutive weeks and the date of the first publication of this summons is the 12th day of April, 1917.

J. D. SLATER, Attorney for Plaintiffs. D.—Apr 12, 19, 26 May 3, 10, 17, 24.

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