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MILITARY PREPAREDNESS.

Moving of heavy gun carriages and heavy loads of munitions and army supplies, necessitate better roads than at present are available in Oregon.

Our state is exposed to attack; the railroad facilities are not as well adapted to carrying heavy guns as are improved highways; and it is up to Oregon to get its through trunk roads in shape to facilitate the movement of supplies.

Should the railroad centers become too congested, owing to war burdens; or should they fall into the hands of an enemy; the through roads would be the only means of communication left to get supplies from place to place in the interior. Farmers would of necessity depend upon the through roads for marketing their crops. Every resident of Oregon will see the necessities of the situation once this is called to his attention, and will see the bearing this has on the road question to be voted upon June 4.

HOME PREPAREDNESS NUMBER THREE—A MILLION WOMEN TO THE FIELDS.

BY CARL VROOMAN

Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Member National Emergency Food Garden Commission (Written for the United Press)

Washington, April 9.—Can we enlist a million American women to do men's work this summer on the farm?

I ask this question because it is possible that this summer the United States may be in as great need of farm laborers as of soldiers and munition makers. But whether the actual opportunity comes this year or not, preparedness of the individual for war or for peace demands that American farm women be ready for every possible emergency.

It is well within the bounds of probability that the available farm labor of the United States will be materially reduced by the calling of many men to other and more hazardous duties than sowing and reaping.

It is physically possible for the farm women of America to aid our economic preparedness in the event that a war summons an immense army to the colors. To handle modern farm implements is not necessarily beyond a woman's strength. With a good team and a riding cultivator equipped with a sun umbrella, plowing corn is a deal more pleasant than washing. The spring seat of a binder compares favorably with the comfort of a piano stool. Few household duties are more fun than riding a hay-rake. Even plowing with a sulky plow is not too heavy a strain for some American women.

Every farm girl and woman should proceed at once to master the elements of practical scientific farming. Those who can should attend short courses in agricultural schools and every one should ask questions, observe, and read bulletins.

The department of agriculture has issued a concise, simple, practical primer of scientific agriculture for the middle west—Farmers' Bulletin No. 704—which can be obtained through Congressmen or directly from the agriculture department. Similar bulletins for other regions are now under preparation.

Every farm girl and woman, moreover should, by all means, take a hand in actual farm operations so as to handle tractors, horses, and farm implements readily and skillfully. Those who do so will not have to prepare AFTER the fighting has begun, to do their "bit" for their country in time of danger. They will know how to plant, cultivate, and harvest the crops essential to our national welfare when saving them depends upon the services of women in the field.

Let the million women step forward.

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 enter. It isn't necessary to be a hero to enter this contest, but it is necessary to have the "backbone" of a hero, and "stick-to-it-iveness," for it takes nerve to quit spending—and save.

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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

Call For Convention Issued To Members

The Cattle & Horse Raisers' association has issued the following call for convention, enclosed with which is a handsome invitation to the members from the citizens of La Grande: Baker, Ore., April 3, 1917. To the Members and All Stockmen: Call is hereby made for the 4th Annual Meeting of the Cattle & Horse Raisers' Association of Oregon, to be held in La Grande, Oregon, on April 24-25, 1917, opening at 10 o'clock a. m., on Tuesday, April 24.

All railroads operating in Oregon, Washington and Idaho have published for this convention 1-3 fare for the round trip on the certificate plan, dates of sale from April 20 to 25th inclusive with return limits of April 24 to 27th inclusive. Purchase your ticket to La Grande at regular rates and take a Certified Receipt, and upon presentation of said receipt a return ticket will be sold at 1-3 the regular fare.

Many subjects of interest to livestock growers will be considered. Among the speakers who will be present are W. B. Webster, of Kansas City, Missouri; T. W. Tomlinson, of Denver, Colorado; Gov. James Withycombe, of Salem, Oregon; Geo. C. McMullen, of Kansas City, Missouri; Prof. E. L. Potter, of Corvallis, Oregon; Ephraim Barnes, of the U. S. National Forest Service; A. D. Dunn, of Wapato, Washington; Dr. W. H. Lytle, of Salem, Oregon and J. F. Blanchard of Prineville, Oregon.

The La Grande Commercial Club, and the stockmen of Union County are in charge of the arrangements for this convention and the entertainment of the members, delegates and visitors. Special entertainment has been provided for the ladies, and everyone is assured a good time.

One feature of the entertainment will be a free exhibition of pure bred livestock which promises to be both interesting and instructive.

Reservations for rooms can be made by writing the La Grande Commercial Club. Ample accommodations have been made for all who come. Suitable for this position.

WM. POLLMAN, President.

Attest: S. O. CORRELL, Secretary. Our Executive committee urges all stockmen to attend this convention, and the citizens of La Grande enclose you an invitation.

The term of office of all county brand inspectors expires June 1, 1917. Please have the cattle and horse growers of your county recommend to our association an experienced stockman

Bread that will keep fresh two weeks after it has been wrapped in paper and sterilized has been invented by a Paris baker.

Thumbnail Sketches Of The Men Who Run The U. S. Navy

Washington, April 13.—(United Press)—The man who puts the teeth in the Navy's dreadnaughts is Admiral Ralph Earle. Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance.

His task is the task of building and installing the giant guns for the fleet. He it is who must keep abreast of the ceaseless struggle of the nations for the "Out-ranging gun."

Striving for the fraction of ordinance power which may mean success or failure to a fleet, Admiral Earle is installing in the Navy the biggest guns now known to naval warfare. Rumor has it that he is even now planning to reach into the future with bigger ones.

The ordinance bureau, under Earle has taken rapid strides in naval development. The Navy Department briefly reports, "he has discharged his duties in a most satisfactory manner." "Most satisfactory," indeed, they must be, that he is retained in charge of this vital bureau during this period of national preparation.

IMBLER NEWS ITEMS.

Bert Fields Leaves for Boise—Cream Shipments from Imbler Increase—Albert Keefer Is Recovering—Misses Childers and Newbill Become Nurses in New York Hospital.

Imbler, April 11.—(Special)—Bert Fields, who recently sold his orchard tract and home to George Marshall, left Sunday evening for Boise, Idaho, to begin canvassing as agent for publications of the Seventh Day Adventists. Mr. Field will make Boise his headquarters and intends sending for his furniture and family as soon as he finds a suitable house.

That the Grande Ronde valley is rapidly becoming a dairy region is given additional proof by the rapid increase in cream shipments from this point. At present the local O.W. agent is shipping a daily average of seventy-five gallons, the shipments on some days being more than a hundred gallons.

Albert Keefer is slowly recovering from his recent illness. John Keown has purchased and tak-

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