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BUSINESS WILL HUM.

American business will not be depressed by the war. All of the seven billion loan will be spent in this country. The farmers will get good prices for their products, labor will be well paid. While war is a terrible thing, it means high prices and the rapid circulation of money. In due course of time the government will check the food speculators and the people will be relieved of the excessive jumps in the price of food. There will be no food shortage in this country. Our excess of food production will be sold abroad at good prices. This is no time for slackening the wheels of industry. The building of ships will employ much labor on the Pacific Coast and will put new life in our lumber industry. The slogan of the American business man should be "full steam ahead."

GENERAL T. M. ANDERSON.

One by one our war heroes are passing away. It is with genuine regret that we read of the death of General Thomas M. Anderson. General Anderson was one who linked the Civil War with the Spanish-American war. He entered the Civil War with an Ohio regiment as a private. At the close of the war he had risen to a brigadier general of volunteers. He then entered the regular army as a colonel and by the time of the Spanish-American war was a brigadier general. He will always be remembered as commanding the American troops at the capture of Manila. He retired in 1900. He was a student as well as a military man, a gentleman and a philosopher. He died at the age of 81 years, leaving the heritage of an unsullied name to his family.

GEORGE W. HAZEN.

In the death of George W. Hazen Portland loses an able lawyer and an esteemed citizen. Mr. Hazen was prominent in all public movements in Portland and a leading factor in the Royal Arcanum fraternal order. Genial and modest he was also a lovable man who will be missed in the social life of Portland.

THE PASSING OF THE BIG POTATO.

The Northern Pacific in the interest of food conservation has stopped serving its famous big potatoes. Few passengers could eat the big potatoes without waste. It is needless to say that no passenger on the Northern Pacific will ever forget the delicious potatoes that this railroad served, and its patriotism in this step will be commended.

THE SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS MAN



uses the commercial bank extensively. Business could not exist without it. If you're not a client of ours there are many reasons why you should be. Our bank not only affords a safe place for your money, but pays interest as well. Let us explain our methods to you.

La Grande National Bank

YOUR GRADUATION OUTFIT

Have you selected your graduation gown yet? If not, you should see our splendid line of beautiful gowns for graduation.

Have you noticed our window display? If so you have seen but a fraction of the beautiful gowns we carry. Come in and let us show you the rest of them.

It's not every store that can show you such pretty things so reasonably priced.

Are you leaving your graduation suit until the last thing? You should not. You should see our line now while it is complete.

We have a beautiful display of blue serges; some with stripes and others plain. We also have some pretty black suits, and others that are very suitable for graduation.



THE CENSORSHIP BILL.

Senator Johnson, of California, has won his first big battle in the United States in defeating the censorship bill. While in the case of some newspapers this bill may have been needed at the same time the provisions of the bill defeated were too stringent and would have caused the American people uneasiness. Suppression of important news is not desired by the American people. The American press will welcome reasonable censorship, but even in war times the freedom of the press must not be abridged. And it must be free to criticize incompetent and blundering officials even in war times.

AMERICA'S PART IN THE BLOCKADE.

The United States will not sell foodstuffs to neutral nations in order that they in turn may sell them to Germany. Switzerland has already nullified its trade agreement with Germany because of the action of the United States in notifying neutral nations of its policy. This is another nail in Germany's coffin. Its only hope to get outside supplies now is a separate peace with Russia, Spain, Holland and the Scandinavian countries, will no doubt follow Switzerland's action.

PRESIDENT URGES JOINING THE RED CROSS.

(By Woodrow Wilson, President of the U. S.) "I do not believe that it will be necessary for the Red Cross to appeal to the American people for funds because the heart of this country is in this war. I would not have gone into the war if its heart had not been pre-

pared for it. In such a contest, then, we shall not fail to respond to the call to service.

"The American people do not yet realize the sacrifices and suffering that are before them.

"In comparison with the struggle into which we have entered, the Civil War seems insignificant in its expenditures of treasure and of blood.

"Therefore, we should see that the American Red Cross is equipped for the things that lie before it," he added, with deep significance. "It will be our instrument to do the works of alleviation and of mercy which will attend this struggle. I hope that most, if not all, of our philanthropic activities of this war may be exercised through the Red Cross or some other constituted and experienced organization.

"The Red Cross needs at this time, more than it ever needed before, the comprehending support of the American people and all the facilities which could be placed at its disposal to perform its duties adequately and efficiently. Of course, the scale upon which it shall act will be greater than the scale of any other duty that it has ever attempted to perform.

"It is recognition of that fact that the American Red Cross has just added to its organization a small body of men whom it has chosen to call its war council—not because they are to counsel war, but because they are to serve in this special war those purposes of counsel which have become so imperatively necessary. Their first duty will be to raise a great fund out of which to draw the resources for the performance of their duty."



AT THE HOTELS

Sommer. Week end guests at the Sommer: A. Sinsheimer; W. F. Tucker, Boise; A. D. Beckley, W. H. Banfield, H. W. Loveland, C. W. DeHoff and wife, W. J. Youngblott, A. H. Fletcher, H. A. Vincent, C. Barrell, Jr.; G. M. Fife, of Portland; R. L. Callunan; N. Christianson, Rev. Wing; J. Davis, N. Y.; W. J. Eberhardt, R. H. Allen, San Francisco; Paul Bast, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brown, Walla Walla; J. R. Huggins, St. Louis; Chas. Smith, Alicel; C. F. Johnson, C. W. Friswold, Alicel; L. B. Johnson; Mabel Lutz; Clyde Houtz, John F. Schneider; E. Cohn; J. M. Bently, Pendleton; E. C. Peterson, Spokane; John Wells, Starkey; Anthony Mohr, Baker.

Foley.

Geo. Gorden, W. B. Wise, Tom Saunders, Jas. Hart and family, J. W. Watson, O. Gunderson, S. Murry, John Bell, Seattle; B. F. Parker, C. E. Rude, Pendleton; J. A. Burleigh, Enterprise; Oliver Lattini and wife, Fred Ashley, J. C. Conley, Enterprise; G. Ball, St. Louis; C. A. Miller, Walla; Harold Christenson; Earl Fox, Umapine; C. E. Pur and family; P. J. Driscoll; A. C. Clawson, Elgin; E. Heryford; J. W. Dawkins, Spokane; C. E. Andess, E. I. Moss, Alicel; G. W. Temple, E. L. Atching; L. G. Temple; J. H. Tillman; E. J. Connally, G. F. Campbell, Hilo, Hawaii; Otto Ballhorn, Woodland, Wash.; W. G. Towse, Oakland; Daniel W. Lipunar, Carey Lipunar, Salt Lake City; Roy Johnson; R. C. Ingram, State Highway Commissioner; T. L. D. Daine, Walla.

Savoy.

Carl Young, Island City; Harley Owens, Walla Walla; C. N. Dale and wife, Enterprise; Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Gilky, Elgin; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Furgason, Miss Adams, Mrs. Beulah Hug, Elgin; Mrs. C. A. Heryford, Cove; Mrs. A. E. Mallory, Walla Walla; E. S. Foley, Portland; H. N. Clark and family, Portland; J. N. Young and wife, Telocaset; Mrs. A. B. Hamer, Mrs. P. Rokne, Baker; W. R. West, Elgin; W. L. Wade, City; C. Ellis, John Morrow, Vincent; Carl Lorraine, B. B. Tompson, Portland; Wm. E. Regan and wife, City; C. R. Halm and wife, Elgin; H. C. Reep and family; A. Murdock; J. A. Wiseman, Portland; Paul Becker, Elgin; H. J. Lyman, Enterprise; Jas. L. Woodell, Summerville; Mrs. L. J. Dungan, Walla; C. E. Nelson, Vincent; J. C. Edwards, Pendleton; E. S. Thomas, Elgin; L. B. Dougherty, Castle Rock.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Social and club news for this department should be given to the Observer by phone or otherwise, during the forenoon. Such news turned in after 12 o'clock, noon, will frequently have to be held for publication the following day.

The annual convention of Oregon chapters of P. E. O. Sisterhood will be held in Portland May 22, 23 and 24 in the social service temple of First Methodist church. Mrs. E. G. Drake, of Beatrice, Neb., supreme president, will be present and 18 Oregon chapters will be represented. Chapter F will be the hostess chapter. Mrs. Edna C. Brown of Chapter I will be a delegate from La Grande.

Chauncey W. Dall, of Enterprise, and Miss Ava Rockford, of Union, were united in marriage at the M. E. parsonage Saturday afternoon by Rev. Chas. A. Edwards.

Baker, May 14.—(Special)—Miss Myra Wiglesworth, teacher in the commercial department of the Union high school, and Miss Victoria Callihan, also a teacher in the Union schools, were the guests of Mrs. Ray Faulds on Elm street, Baker, Saturday.

Mrs. E. P. Mossman, of La Grande, who has been visiting in this city with her sister, Mrs. J. J. Ross, and Mrs. I. Vanduy, has been extensively entertained. The latter gave a large tea in her honor and her sister, Mrs. Ross, entertained frequently with teas, luncheons and motor trips on the highway. Many other prominent matrons showered her with social attentions during her visit here. Mrs. Mossman formerly made her home in this city and has a host of friends, who are eager to renew her acquaintance.—The Oregonian.

Personal Mention

W. H. Johnson, of Baker, was in the city yesterday.

C. E. Rude was among Saturday's arrivals in the city.

Mrs. C. A. Heryford was in the city yesterday from Cove.

Anthony Mohr, of Baker, was a Sunday guest in this city.

H. J. Lyman, of Enterprise, was among yesterday's arrivals.

Jas Woodell, of Summerville, was in the city for the week end.

Attorney J. A. Burleigh, of Enterprise, was in the city Saturday.

Mrs. C. L. Larcom, from Baker, is spending the day in La Grande.

C. N. Dale and wife, of Enterprise, were Saturday arrivals in the city.

C. Ellis and John Morrow, of Vincent, were in the city over Sunday.

Herbert Miles and Don Sheppard, well known young men, were in this city yesterday.

Steve Hutchinson and Miss Elsie Casper of Union motored over today from that city.

J. C. Edwards was a Pendleton visitor in the city yesterday. He is registered at the Savoy.

John Tourtellotte, prominent architect from Portland, was in the city last night en route to Enterprise.

C. J. Black is in Union today visiting at his ranch a few miles from that city. He will return this evening.

H. C. Ball was dismissed from the

hospital yesterday after spending two weeks there, his health is greatly improved.

Mrs. Cora Scott returned to her home yesterday after two weeks stay at the hospital. She is enjoying good health.

J. A. Whitby returned from Portland this morning where he has been visiting at the home of his son, J. R. Whitby, for the past few days.

General Manager C. H. Hamilton, of the Standard Oil company, was in the city several days last week. He left for Pendleton Saturday night. He has been making an inspection tour of the state and was inspecting the Standard oil plant in this city.

Roy Conklin, of Walla, J. C. Conley, of Enterprise, and A. C. Clawson, of Elgin, were in the city Sunday en route to their home from Baker where they were in attendance at the Tri-County Principals' association meeting.

Among the week-end guests of the city from Elgin were, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Gilkey, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Furgason, Miss Adams, Mrs. Beulah Hug, W. R. West, C. R. Halm and wife, Paul Becker and E. S. Thomas.

Supt. A. E. Ivanhoe returned home Saturday evening from Baker where she attended the executive meeting of the Tri-County association. She reports having a pleasant trip and a very busy afternoon planning for the next year's institute.

Ladies being presented to the Queen of Holland are obliged to lengthen their skirts out of deference to Wilhelmina's views on the matter.

Oro One, a designer of costumes, and who advocates economy in the matter of garb, and Miss E. M. Klings, were married in black wedding clothes in New York recently.