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FIRST FRUITS OF COOPERATION.

Secretary of Agriculture Houston is expected to approve in a short time the three-year road construction plan agreed upon by the State Highway Commission and District Forester Cecil. Under this plan the construction will be under the direction of the United States office of public roads. The counties will put up \$131,694, the state \$491,250, and the government \$491,250; a total of \$1,114,194. The projects authorized are: McMinnville-Tillamook, \$45,000; Coast highway in Curry County, \$110,000; Eugene-Florence, \$87,965; McKenzie Pass, \$15,229; Ochoco and Canyon Creek in Crook and Wheeler Counties, \$60,000; John Day Highway, \$45,000; Pilot Rock-Long Creek, \$50,000; Flora-Enterprise, \$30,000; Pendleton-La Grande, \$75,000; Medford-Klamath Falls, \$95,000; Mount Hood Loop, \$125,000; Crescent City, \$30,000; Lapine-Lakeview, \$30,000; Canyoaville Highway, Douglas County, \$80,000.

It will be noted that Wallowa County is to receive aid in the Flora-Enterprise road and Union and Umatilla Counties on the Pendleton-La Grande road if the projects are approved by the Secretary of Agriculture. Both of these roads are important and make forest reserves accessible to the traveling public.

SECRETARY M'ADOO THANKS THE PRESS.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo requests the publication of the following:

"The Liberty loan campaign was essentially one of education and without the generous and patriotic support of the press of the Nation the hope of those in charge that it would be a popular loan would not have been realized. The untiring efforts of the newspapers throughout the campaign were a constant inspiration to the various other groups of workers.

"At a time when news space was at a premium the Liberty Loan was featured at length. The foreign language press in 36 languages gave daily proof of the undoubted loyalty of people of foreign birth.

"I shall be most grateful to the press if this acknowledgment is given wide publicity."

THIS IS GOOD STUFF.

Dr. Preston W. Slossom of the history department of Columbia university has drawn up a series of "Don'ts On the War." Some of them are:

"Don't say 'My country right or wrong.' We aren't wrong.

"Don't call national necessity and international justice

Picked Up By The Stroller

I wonder if people go shopping for ice cream sodas and sich.

Some of the spectators at the fire Sunday morning didn't have on any too many clothes.

I wonder why President Wilson doesn't send for some of the fellows who know just what to do to win the war.

I have yet to meet a boy or girl whose patriotism wasn't 100 per cent pure. This speaks pretty well of our schools.

I notice that women usually refer to a very pretty woman in this way, 'She has very pretty eyes and hair BUT she doesn't know how to wear her clothes.'

The Stroller saw a sign the other day, "Shung-Hi-Low-Chop Suey and Noodles," which sounds more like a card game than it does a chop suey joint.

I strolled into the Observer office to get back the poem I had written on "Spring-Lost, Strayed or Stolen" and I heard Clarke Leiter say: "The best thing to do with poets is starve 'em. Whenever you start in feeding poets, they get fat and sassy and loaf on the job." I took my poem and went out. I wonder if he was getting personal.

Si Hopper said to me today: "I'm sorry that I didn't get to see Pershing before he went to France. I had several ideas I'd liked to give him. One was to send an American aviator over the lines of the opposition with hand-bills saying 'Free sauer kraut and weinerwurst buck of the American lines.' It will take brains to end this war, and I'm sittin' up nights working mine."

by any name as vague as 'national honor.'

"Don't say Wall street or 'British gold' or the 'North-cliffe press' made this war. You don't have to bribe a nation to make it resent the murder of its citizens.

"Don't call every pro-ally 'pro-British.' Great Britain is only one of a dozen or so of the allies.

"Don't say that both sides think they are fighting a defensive war. A man may honestly think that two and six are eleven, but it doesn't make them so.

"Don't call universal training 'Prussian militarism.' It is no more Prussian than it is Swiss, French, British, Argentine, Japanese or Australian.

"Don't say that we owe aid to France on account of Lafayette. We didn't help France in 1870 and we were right not to do so. We only owe aid to any nation when it is fighting (as at present) in a righteous quarrel.

"Don't say that 'it doesn't make any difference to the workingman what country governs him.' On the contrary, it makes more difference to him than any one else, because the rich man can spend his time in travel or buy his way into the privileged class if he finds political conditions oppressive.

"Don't break into lyric praise of universal training as a school of democracy. Some armies are less democratic than others, but all rest upon a basis of command and implicit obedience. The army may level the rich and poor, but it doesn't mean equality between officers and men."

MAKES STRANGE BED FELLOWS.

The same papers which damned Elihu Root when he was a candidate for the presidency are now lauding him up to the skies when he is trying to get Russia back into the war. Politics is a contemptible game at best.

EDITORIAL COMMENT. Manna in the Wilderness.

Manna in the wilderness has nothing on the subscriber who knows when his time is up and comes around and renews without any special invitation.—Weston Leader.

The open season for slackers began today. Uncle Sam is out with his gun and expects to secure a large bag, but of very poor birds.—Salem Capital Journal.

The Newspaper and War Taxes.

The government is depending upon the newspaper to sell its war bonds. Without the publicity campaign—never before equalled in this country—the "Liberty Bond" issue might have been a failure; yet Congress refused to appropriate a single dollar to pay for this advertising space.

The campaign for Red Cross funds is largely dependent upon the generosity of newspaper publishers in donating their space freely to the cause.

The army and navy recruiting campaign would fall flat but for the sentiment created in the newspaper educational campaign.

In fact, back of all the war preparations—the mobilizing of the resources and industries of a great nation, over taken in total unpreparedness by the catastrophe of entering a great war is the work of the newspapers given freely and unstintingly. The newspapers' advertising space represents its chief source of income and it is giving it away to the government in time of need without hope or promise of recompense.

There are no prospective war dividends dangling be-

JUST RECEIVED.

So great has been the demand for this shoe, that we were forced to order a second shipment, which has just arrived, and you who have been waiting are especially requested to call and see them.

A white nubuck sport boot—high top, with low heel. The most popular sport shoe in our stock, at the same price\$6.00



Also three new white canvas pumps, just in. You who were disappointed in not finding what you wanted, call and see the new ones

- Plain white pump, low heel..... \$3.00
- 1 strap white pump, cuban heel..... \$2.50
- 2 strap white pump, high heel..... \$3.00



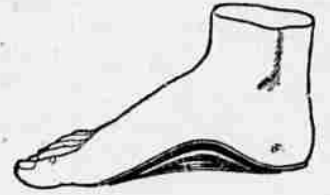
Scholls Foot Comfort Service Week June 18 to 25

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fore the publishers of the country: labor is becoming scarcer and higher, print paper, ink, and type metal are daily increasing in price and the cost of gathering the news of the war for the information of the public is mounting steadily as the struggle proceeds.

Yet the government, as constituted by the two houses of congress, never for a moment thinks of paying the newspapers for their labor or their space, as they do the munition worker, the shipbuilders and all others whose services or goods they require in the prosecution of the war. Instead of even appreciating the loyal support and generosity of the newspapers—already ridden to death and overtaxed by war prices—they purpose to levy a tax upon their advertising receipts and increase the rates of postage on their circulation.

Many publishers will be forced out of business and financial ruin will be the reward bestowed upon them by the government whose hands they are holding up while enemies assail the nation from without and insidious treachery and disloyalty menace it from within.

Why not place the burden of the war taxes upon those industries which are certain to make enormous profits from the manufacture and sale of the munitions and supplies of war.—The Salem Capital Journal.

For Economy's Sake

Buy Advertised Goods

When you buy sugar you pay less per pound when you buy it by the dollar's worth. You pay still less per pound when you buy it by the hundred-pound sack or by the barrel.

The same is true of the manufacturer and the merchant. The larger-quantities of anything that he can buy the less he has to pay for it. It costs less to handle it in large quantities than in small lots. It costs less per pound to ship in solid carload than it does to ship a carload in separate shipments of 100 pounds each. Just as it costs you less to buy a hundred pounds of sugar at one time than it would to buy a hundred pounds a quarter's worth at a time. Less n money. Less in time. Less waste—less in every way.

The manufacturer and merchant who advertise are enabled to buy and to sell in larger quantities. By doing a "quantity" business they cut expenses and save waste on every hand. They can sell better quality—pay the small advertising cost—and SELL FOR LESS than if they were doing business in a small way.

In these times of advancing prices carefully compiled statistics prove that the advertised brands of merchandise have advanced much less in proportion than those which are not advertised.

IN THE INTEREST OF ECONOMY BUY ADVERTISED MERCHANDISE FROM MERCHANTS WHO ADVERTISE

Support The Government!

At this critical period in our history our manufacturers are offering their mills, and our young men are offering their services to the United States Government.

Do your bit by subscribing to the Liberty Loan. This bank can furnish Bonds in denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500 or \$1000. You can pay for bonds in installments.

Come In and Talk It Over

La Grande National Bank