

UNEXCELLED FOUNTAIN SERVICE

- SPECIALS**  
 Fresh Strawberry Sundae  
 Oriental Sundae  
 Carmel Cream Sundae  
 Butter Scotch Sundae  
 Marshmallow Delight  
 Grape High Ball  
 Loganberry Rickey  
 "The Taste Lingers"

Levy-Vogel Drug Co.

OIL STOVES

We have some especially good bargains this week in oil stoves

HARRIS FURNITURE CO.

Phone Red 3171

Across the Track

H. B. Harris, Prop.

CANADIAN TROOPS HAIL AMERICA'S ENTRY INTO THE GREAT WAR

BY F. W. GETTY.  
 (United Press Staff Correspondent.)  
 Witley, England, June 10.—(By Mail)—The one spot in all England where the news of America's entry into the war was received with the greatest enthusiasm was the Canadian camp at Witley and Bramshot.

Canadians here regard their American neighbors "more like friends than brothers" and look forward to having United States troops shoulder to shoulder with them soon.

If there was one man in camp happier than any other it was the Canadian bandmaster. "The Maple Leaf Forever" was about the only reliable marching tune his military musicians had on tap.

American airs such as "Dixie" and "Marching Through Georgia,"—an example of Canadian neutrality—now ring through the Surrey hills as the Canadians march, and the officers rise from their paces at the table when the band, which plays outside their mess at meal-times, strikes up the "Star-Spangled Banner."

Witley Camp is unique in one respect. It is perhaps the only camp in the world where the cook is not the "power behind the throne."

The newly-found Canadian efficiency has extended to the kitchen, and officers and men live on war rations that are outlined by the authorities months in advance, with every detail of the cooking prescribed.

"Disciplinary action will be taken if this diet sheet is deviated from" is the ominous warning posted in the camp kitchens over the weekly diet sheet. Not only are the menus drawn up for the culinary department, but exactly how much they shall serve each man, and how they shall cook the dishes is outlined in prominent black type.

"The health of the men depends on the cooking and cleanliness of their food" Major-General G. B. Hughes, C. M. G., D. S. O., commander of the Canadian division quartered here, said when he issued the orders, and the camp physicians say that the average health has improved noticeably since the new regulations went into effect.

Another result of the efficiency measure is that the Canadians here today are better fed than the civilian population of London. The percent-

age of wheat in the flour that makes the Londoners bread has been appreciably decreased, but the overseas forces still eat white bread. Potatoes, now worth their weight in gold throughout the country, are supplied the Canadians without restraint.

It's a good thing for the Canadians that they had this health-producing diet system, because the winter they have passed through has been the most severe England has seen in fifty-four years, and the hills of Surrey, the highest spot in the South of England, have been exposed to merciless blasts.

The day on which Canadian Premier, Sir Robert Borden visited Witley and Bramshot was typical of the season. The brigades on review would march from bright blinding sunshine into a veritable blizzard of sleet, the head of the column often hidden in the driving snow while the rear-guard shaded their eyes from the sun.

Youth is apparent everywhere throughout the camps. The Canadians are a younger, fresher lot of soldiers than any in England today. Already tried under fire in the Spring offensive they have proved themselves equal to the finest in the Allied armies, and in a short time fifty thousand more of them will be going over to do "their bit."

Stop Manure Waste.

Washington, D. C., July 7.—(Special)—Farmers are urged in a statement issued today by Assistant Secretary Carl Vrooman to make every effort to save the vast amount of valuable manure now allowed to go to waste in this country. Assistant Secretary Vrooman estimates that one-half the manure produced in the United States is not used as a fertilizer, there being an annual loss of material worth twelve hundred million dollars—once and a half the value of the country's 1916 wheat crop.

The Webb-Kenyon act is now in full effect.

An anti-German movement has been started in Mexico.

Let us print your farm sale bills.

fect from fires.  
 General Manager J. P. O'Brien, of the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company, who has just returned from a trip of inspection over the lines, has made arrangements for additional protection and is hopeful that the losses for 1917 will be less than for previous years. He says:

"While we have had fire patrol service for years, and our section crews and trainmen are always on the alert, we are adding to our protective measures. On all trains operating through territory where the danger is greatest, particularly through wheat sections, a watchman is stationed on the rear car. His duty is to keep careful lookout and if smoke or blaze appears the train is stopped, and the blaze extinguished.

"Our right of way is kept as clear of inflammable material as possible. Adjoining this, we work in cooperation with the owner of the land. It is essential that a safeguard for grain-fields be provided. The cutting of a swath, the plowing of a furrow, and the burning of the stubble are things that should be looked after. Here is where the farmer can assist. In order to garner his crop he has to cut a way for the harvesting machine, and to protect the remainder he should run a furrow. Reapers and horses to draw plows are not a part of railroad equipment, and so we expect assistance from the man whose property we

are trying to maintain free from danger.

"The menace is present everywhere. The harvested crop is stored in warehouses along the line; loaded cars await moving; stations are congested with varied assortments of freight, much of which is inflammable, and yet the railroad companies are reducing fire losses each year by constant watchfulness of employees.

"As a rule, we find that those whose property adjoins the tracks are willing to join with us in our efforts to prevent loss by fire. They recognize that the railroad owns nothing but the right of way and that when they go outside of this to prevent loss they are trying to help the man whose holdings are endangered. The fires which originate along the railroad tracks are not always caused by sparks from locomotives, but no matter what the origin, we are willing to help extinguish the flames.

"There should be a better understanding between the farmers and the railroads. Our interests are interdependent. We can accomplish much for our mutual welfare if we work in harmony. We are interested in crop conservation. A field of grain burned over is a lost product. The farmer loses, and the railroad loses. Neither one of us is in business for the purpose of piling up a deficit, and if we get together there is possibility that we can each profit to some extent."



NEA CONVENTION

Portland—July 7 to 14

The Keynote of the meeting: Preparedness-Nationalism-Patriotism

LOW ROUND-TRIP FARES via UNION PACIFIC SYSTEM

Wm McMurray, General Passenger Agent, PORTLAND



ROUND-TRIP FARE TO PORTLAND for National Education Association \$11.60  
 Tickets on Sale July 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13; return limit July 13.  
 Apply to J. H. KEENEY, Agent La Grande, Oregon

LEGAL NOTICES

County Treasurer's Call for Road Warrants.

Notice, the undersigned county treasurer has funds on hand with which to pay warrants drawn on the road fund from number 929 to number 1950 both numbers inclusive.

Interest ceases on the above warrants on the date of this call.  
 Dated at La Grande this 11th day of June, 1917.

JOHN FRAWLEY,

Treasurer of Union County, Oregon. Adv. June 9-16-23-30, July 7.

Minimizing Fire Loss Along Railroads Lines

Farmers Asked to Co-operate With Carriers to Prevent Property Destruction.

Portland, July 7.—(Special)—The season is approaching when greater danger from fires is present. In addition to other risks, the ripening fields of grain which border the lines of the railroads are a source of especial hazard. The precautions taken by the owners of the crops have proved valuable, but constant and continued vigilance is necessary to pro-

Going to Camp at Chautauqua?

Phone Main 10 and have us take your outfit to the Park.  
 Two Auto Trucks and Teams.

PROMPT SERVICE

We have dry wood and Rock Springs Coal.

The J. D. Lynch Co.

One Block East of Depot

Phone Main 10

WOOD

CHAIN WOOD and CORD WOOD

Prepare for the coming fuel shortage by ordering early.

This advice is based on facts and is for your own good.

GRANDE RONDE LUMBER CO.

Bargain In Pasture Land

240 acres of pasture land east of Alicel, one-half of the tract is extra good soil, watered. Owner a non-resident and has put a price that certainly should be picked up quickly by some farmer in the valley who needs a good piece of grazing land.

The price is \$5.00 per acre. The land is situated in Section 14 Twp. 26 South Range 40.

Geo. H. Currey

Next to Observer Office Phone Black 2001

HE WHO MOVES REAL ESTATE

1708 1-2 Sixth St. La Grande, Oregon

Next to Observer Office