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WHAT THE RED CROSS IS DOING.

Union and Wallowa Counties gave liberally to the Red Cross. The people will be interested in knowing what their dollars are doing. Here are some of the things the American Red Cross has already done:

Appropriated \$12,339,681.87 for the work in Europe; of which \$10,692,601 is to be spent in France.

Sent Red Cross commissions to Russia, France, Italy, Serbia and Roumania.

Established infirmaries and rest stations for American troops in France.

Established field canteens at cost of \$700,000 for American and French soldiers, in France, where baths, food games and other comforts may be had.

Given comfort kits to the soldiers.

Appropriated \$100,000 for medical research in France.

Took over American ambulance hospital at Neuilly and Dr. J. A. Blake's ambulance hospital at Paris.

Co-operated with American surgical dressings committee.

Established warehouses in France at cost of \$500,000.

Appropriated \$1,500,000 for purchase of foodstuffs to be sent to France.

Appropriated \$1,000,000 for purchase of hospital supplies for France.

Established shower baths, laundries and disinfecting rooms at military centers.

Organized Red Cross transportation service.

Sent 12 base hospitals in advance of our fighting forces.

Appropriated \$1,000,000 for the relief of sick and wounded French soldiers and their families.

Assisted in caring for French refugees.

For relief work outside of France appropriated \$1,647,080.87.

This is a big work. It is being well done. Most of those doing the Red Cross work in France are giving their own time and paying their own expenses. The Red Cross workers are deserving of public gratitude and support. Every American should be a member of this noble band.

VERY FRIENDLY INDEED.

While we were at peace Germany was conspiring against us and to bribe some of our Congressmen. Ex-German Ambassador Bernstorff cabled the Berlin office:

"I request authority to pay out up to \$50,000 in order, as on former occasions, to influence Congress through the organization you know of, which can perhaps prevent war."

"I am beginning in the meantime to act accordingly."

Is Your Money Supporting 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.

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GERMANY'S DIPLOMATIC INTRIGUES AND BLUNDERS.

Zimmerman, the German Foreign Secretary, plotted to align Mexico and Japan in war against the United States.

She sought to influence the Congress of the United States against war by expending a sum of \$50,000.

She used the Swedish minister at Buenos Aires as a means of communicating Count Luxburg's insolent advice that all vessels be secretly sunk.

She used the Swedish diplomat Cronholm, at Mexico City, as her active messenger and, according to a letter in America's possession, also as a direct spy.

She plotted, through her ally, Austria, for destruction of munition plants in the United States.

She tried to stir up a revolution in the Philippines by promising the Filipinos white women in return for an uprising.

"In the above circumstances a public, official German declaration in favor of Ireland is highly desirable, in order to gain the support of Irish influence here."

This was a very friendly act; very friendly indeed!

It is on a par with the Zimmerman note to Mexico offering them Texas, Arizona and New Mexico to side with Japan and Germany against the United States.

It is on a par with the effort to cause a revolution in the Philippines and to bestow American women upon the Filipinos.

It is on a par with the Count Luxburg message transmitted to Berlin by Sweden advising Germany to sink Argentine ships but don't get caught at it.

It is on a par with bribing foreign newspapers in this country and American pacifists.

It is on a par with blowing up ammunition factories in this country and subsidizing the I. W. W.'s and fomenting the present strikes in our shipyards and industries.

It is on a par with sinking our ships and murdering our citizens.

A thorough investigation should be made and the names of the persons, newspapers and Congressman (if any) who were bribed by Germany should be published.

Secretary of State Lansing opposes an investigation. Congress, however, owes it to the Nation to show that its skirts are clean.

WILLIAM H. PACKWOOD.

The men who made Oregon's early history are passing. The busy life of William Henderson Packwood, of Baker, has just closed. He was a Mexican War veteran, crossed the plains in '49, and fought in the Indian wars in Oregon in 1851 and 1852. He was the last surviving member of the Oregon Territorial Legislature that adopted the state constitution. He had the pride and pleasure of seeing Oregon develop from a wilderness to a rich, productive, populous state.

The German embassy spent lots of money in this country and took home with them a choice collection of gold bricks.

Rippling Rhymes

By WALT MASON

Years Ahead.



When you are old and tired and gray, and sit beside the evening fire, what will you be inspired to say, when children cry, "A tale, grandsire!" They'll want to hear about the war that raged when you were young and hale; it is a topic you'll abhor, but you will have to spring a tale. "It was a time to rend the heart, when brave young fellows bled and died, but in the muck I took no part—I didn't care to risk my hide. I did not join the battle chants, but claimed exemption on the score that I supported seven aunts, and sickly grannies, five or four. "Defend the flag!" old men and fraus would stop me on the road and beg; but I stayed home and fed the cows—I didn't wish to lose a leg. My friends went forth with dauntless souls to battle on a foreign shore, where yet the mourning billow rolls, and hosts of them returned no more. And all those boys, some cloudless morn, I'll meet on Jordan's other side, and doubtless they will greet with scorn the man who feared to risk his hide."

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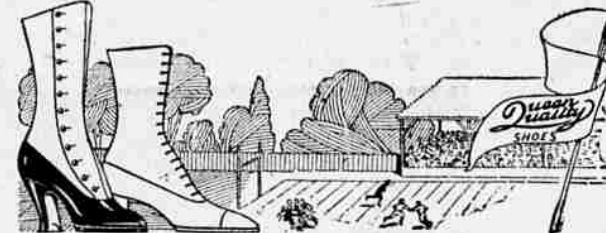
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