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CANVASS FOR FOOD ARMY IS ON THIS WEEK

HOUSEWIVES OF LA GRANDE
WILL BE ASKED TO
JOIN

SCHOOL STUDENTS TO
CIRCULATE CARDS

High School Assembly Listens to
Talks By Clarke Leiter, Superin-
tendent Hampton and Principal Mc-
Neill—People Asked to Save Food
and Eliminate Waste.

"Food Conservation" was the topic
at the High school assembly this
morning and the students listened to
talks by Clarke Leiter, City Superin-
tendent A. C. Hampton and Principal
McNeill.

"Talking on war on a 'Blue Mon-
day' morning, when we are all tired
and languid, reminds me of a British
soldier. After joining the army," said
Mr. Leiter, "he wrote home telling of
his experiences: 'They put me in
barracks, took away all my civilian
clothes and put me in khaki; they took
away my name and gave me a num-
ber—575; they took me to church
where I had never been before and
they made me listen to a sermon for
forty minutes. Then the parson said:
'Number 575, art thou weary, art thou
languid?' and I got seven
days in the guardhouse because I an-
swered that I certainly was.'"

"Years ago I used to regret that I
had not lived in the thrilling days of
Washington, Hamilton and La Fayette
or Lincoln, Lee and Grant. Many are
the same way. They like to think
what great patriots they would have
been at Valley Forge or Gettysburg.
In years hence they will have the op-
portunity of saying that they lived
through the great days of Wilson,
Pershing and Hoover. And then they
will be asked what they did to help
win the Great War. If they were too
young to go to the front, or if they
didn't buy a Liberty Bond, it will be
a great comfort and a consolation to
them to say and say proudly that
they enlisted in the Great Food Army,
the army that helped win the war by
saving food.

"After all—and I think your teach-
ers of history will agree with me—
wars are won by the people who stay
at home. Armies are frequently equal
in the number of men. The army that
has the resources, the clothes, the
ammunition, the food is usually the
one that wins. The people at home
make this possible, by working in
the factories and on the farms; by
saving food in their homes, by lend-
ing money to the government to buy
supplies for the men at the front. No
army would last very long without
the devotion and sacrifices of the
people at home.

"There is no one too old or too
young to help win this war.

"The Food administration says: 'We
must save wheat, meats, fats and
sugar for the soldiers at the front,
for food is going to decide the war.'"

"Our soldiers at the front and our
allies need 230,000,000 bushels of
wheat. If we live as we usually do
we will have a surplus of only 88,-
000,000 bushels. So we must save
132,000,000 bushels. To do this is not
an impossible task. If we reduce our
flour consumption one pound a week
per person, we will have succeeded.

"I take it for granted that we are
all patriotic; we like to wave the flag
and to march to patriotic music; we
are carried away with the glamor and
romance of war; we like to see pic-
tures of generals mounted on fiery
chargers and waving their swords at
the enemy. But the question is
whether we have any practical patri-
otism—any that we can practice
quietly at home—whether we will eat
one pound of wheat flour less a week
in order to help our country. There
will be no bands playing while we
make this sacrifice—if it is a sacri-
fice to eat corn bread or rye bread or
something else equally wholesome in-
stead of white bread. The whole ques-
tion is a choice between wordy,
mouthy patriotism and the quiet kind
that is marked by actual deeds. The
people are not asked to starve them-
selves; merely to eliminate waste, and
to reduce their consumption of the
foods that have great nutritive value
a small space. These are needed for
our armies."

Superintendent Hampton explained
the system that will be followed in
rolling the families of La Grande into
the great Food Army.

Pledge cards will be taken this week
their homes by the students in the

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4,000 Are Killed In Austrian Explosions

(United Press.)
Washington, D. C., Oct. 22.—Four
thousand were killed and 10,000 in-
jured in a series of explosions in the
Stefeld, Austria, arsenal, on June 15,
according to official Rome cables.

ENGLAND WILL FIGHT TO FINISH SAYS LLOYD GEORGE

(United Press.)
London, Oct. 22.—Premier Lloyd
George firmly stated the British de-
termination to fight to a knockout.
The Premier was extremely optimis-
tic, he declared that America's man-
power was the world's best fighting
material. He said the world peace
was impossible until the shrine of war
spirit at Potsdam is shattered, and its
priesthood dispersed.
He said America's participation at
the coming Paris conference is of in-
estimable advantage.
Lloyd George spoke at the inaugura-
tion of a nationwide economy cam-
paign. The coming Paris conference
is the most important international
meeting ever held. Decisions will be
made determining the ultimate issue
of the war.

GERMANS PLAN AIR OFFENSIVE AGAINST U. S.

PURPOSE IS TO FORESTALL
AMERICA'S ENTRANCE INTO
THE WAR.

(United Press.)
Paris, France, Oct. 22.—It is as-
serted that the Germans are planning
a great air offensive forestalling
American entrance into the war. Prison-
ers declared that the German July
production of airplanes totaled 2000.
Two and four-engine bi-planes, cap-
able of carrying 660 pounds of bombs,
have been developed.

KAISER HAS NOT ACCEPTED VON CAPPELLE'S RESIGNATION

Amsterdam, Oct. 22.—The Kaiser
has not accepted the resignation of
Admiral Von Cappelle, according to
the Berlin Volks Zeitung.

STANFIELD DOUBLES LOAN SUBSCRIPTION

BIG SHEEPMAN WIRES AMERI-
CAN NATIONAL BANK FOR
\$25,000 MORE OF BONDS

Pendleton, Ore., Oct. 22.—(Special.)
—R. N. Stanfield Saturday doubled
his first \$25,000 subscription to the
Liberty Loan, making a total of \$50,-
000 in bonds of this second issue for
the sheepman.

In his wire to the American Nation-
al bank, he said, "I feel it my duty,
and the duty of every farmer and
stockman receiving war prices for
produce to invest in this second
issue."

ALLIES ATTACK SUCCESSFULLY ON WIDE FRONT

(United Press.)
London, Oct. 22.—The British and
French co-operating struck a series
of local attacks over a wide front on
both sides of the Ypres Staden Rail-
way. General Haig reported that
progress is satisfactory. Artillery
activities and extensive local attacks
indicate that the allies are preparing
for another tremendous Flanders
drive.

A French statement declared that
the French gained all their objectives
over a 1000-yard front to the left of
the British line.

RUSSIAN FLEET ESCAPES FROM BEHIND ISLAND

SUCCESSFULLY ELUDES GER-
MAN VESSELS IN RIGA
GULF.

GERMANS THOUGHT
SQUADRON TRAPPED

Escape Considered as First Victory of
Revolutionists; Germany Fails in
Primary Objective.

(United Press.)
London, Oct. 22.—The small Rus-
sian fleet successfully eluded the
German vessels, and escaped from be-
hind Moon Island in Riga Gulf. The
Germans thought the Russian squad-
ron was trapped.

The Russian escape is considered as
the first complete victory of the Rus-
sian revolutionists. The escape is be-
lieved due either to the fact that the
Russians strategically out-guessed
the Germans or that the German sail-
ors, still mutinous, intentionally com-
mitted the errors giving the Rus-
sians a clear path.
The Germans failed in their primary
objective, destroying the inferior
Russian fleet.

Chin Bing Given Life Sentence

Chin Bing, found guilty of the murder
of William Eng, was sentenced to
life imprisonment by Judge J. W.
Knowles in the County Court this
morning. William Eng was murdered
last Spring in a tong war in La
Grande. Chin Bing was found in hid-
ing with several other Chinamen and
placed under arrest charged with mur-
der. His case was first tried last July
but the jury could not agree on a de-
cision and the case was postponed un-
til last week when it was tried again.

"SAVE FOOD—HELP WIN THE WAR," IS THE SLOGAN OF HERBERT HOOVER, WHO IS ORGANIZING UNCLE SAM'S FOOD ARMY.



Herbert Hoover

AMERICA'S BEST ARE TRAINING IN FRENCH CAMP

UNCLE SAM'S KEENEST YOUNG
OFFICERS GATHER FOR
INTENSIVE TRAINING.

CAMP SITUATED IN
OLD FRENCH SCHOOL

Location Used Because of Lack of
American Camps; Men Learn Spe-
cialties of Modern Warfare.

(United Press.)
American Headquarters, France
Oct. 22.—The keenest and most dar-
ing young officers from the American
training camps are gathered for in-
tensive training. Their camp is es-
tablished in the ancient French train-
ing school, owing to present lack of
American camps.

These men will be trained in spe-
cialties of modern warfare such as
bombing, entrenching, rifle firing and
grenading. Many will be fitted for
Captains commissions. Practically all
are lieutenants now.

Oregon Subscribes \$8,669,750 To Loan

(United Press.)
Portland, Ore., Oct. 22.—Oregon's
Liberty Loan subscription totals eight
million six hundred sixty-nine thou-
sand seven hundred fifty dollars, the
committee announced today. Today's
subscriptions were one million three
hundred seventy-six thousand nine
hundred fifty.

Will Hold Memorial Services for
Judge Eakin — Judge Knowles an-
nounced from the bench this morning
that memorial services in honor of the
late Judge Robert Eakin will be held at
the court house Wednesday evening,
October 24 at 8 p. m.

Official Statement Says 67 Were Lost

Washington, D. C., Oct. 22.—Sixty-
seven were lost when the American
transport Antilles was torpedoed, was
officially announced today. The names
of two United States sergeants whose
parents live in Germany are in the
list of victims. Many Spaniards were
among the victims.

Threats Of Poison Received By Judge

(United Press.)
San Francisco, Oct. 22.—Threats to
poison the banquet tomorrow night
honoring Congressman Julius Kahn
were received by prominent San Fran-
ciscans, it was learned this afternoon.
United States Judge Morrow received
an L. W. W. letter declaring that those
attending the banquet would be poi-
soned or dynamited.

Leave on Trip South—Mr. and Mrs.
A. B. Conley, Miss Effie Conley, Lela
Eyres and Frank Cenwell, driver, left
in their car for southern points in
California to spend the winter.

THOUSANDS OF SERBIANS DIE OF STARVATION

INSUFFICIENT RATIONS CAUSES
MUCH SUFFERING AMONG
THE INHABITANTS.

(United Press.)
Rome, Italy, Oct. 22.—Fifty thou-
sand Serbians are starving and thou-
sands dying, from insufficient rations
in the Monastir district alone, accord-
ing to the report of the American
Red Cross mission.
Thirty-five Monastir villages have
been destroyed. The suffering among
the inhabitants is fearful.

TRANSPORTATION IS PROBLEM OF ADMINISTRATION

FRED J. HOLMES SAYS LACK OF
CARS CAUSES FUEL
SHORTAGE.

ATTENDS MEETING
AT SALT LAKE CITY

Fuel Administrators of Western
States Provide for Handling of
Coal From Western Mines.

Lack of transportation facilities is
the main difficulty faced by the fuel
administration, according to Fred J.
Holmes, Fuel Administrator of Or-
egon, who returned yesterday from a
meeting of the fuel administrators of
six Western States held at Salt Lake
last week.

"Investigation shows that coal
mines of Washington, Montana and
Utah are 40 or 60 per cent
to lack of cars in
output," said Mr.
"The object of our
devise some means wher-
e difficulty could be removed.

The matter was taken up with
Government and a wire sent to U.
S. Fuel Administrator Harry A. Gar-
field, asking that coal be given prior-
ity over all other shipments except
Government and food supplies. A
wire received before Mr. Holmes left
stated that the request had been
granted.

In order to facilitate the transpor-
tation of the coal from the mines the
fuel administrators of the Western
States organized themselves into the
Western Division of Fuel Administra-
tion. This organization procured the
services of a traffic expert whose
duty will be the handling of traffic
from the mines of Idaho, Washing-
ton, Montana and Utah, to the West-
ern States.

Besides this general manager
whose headquarters will be at Salt
Lake, there will be a man stationed
at each mine whose duty it will be to
see that the cars are loaded and
started for their destination without
delay. He will also see that the out-
put is distributed proportionately to
the states as the orders are sent in.
In addition to this the organization
has provided for the procuring of
men to travel along the route to see
that shipments are not delayed at
any point. Men will also be station-
ed at each terminal to see that consign-
ments for points farther on are kept
moving and to see that local con-
signments are unloaded and the cars
turned back to the railway company
at once.

"By means of this organization we
should experience no difficulty in get-
ting orders through on time and in
getting coal in sufficient quantity,"
said Mr. Holmes. "I expect to ob-
tain further details from headquar-
ters in a few days."

The meeting at Salt Lake was at-
tended by David Whitcomb, fuel ad-
ministrator from Washington; Albert
E. Schwabacher, California; Frank R.
Gooding, Idaho; W. W. Armstrong,
Utah; E. H. Walker, Nevada, and
Fred J. Holmes, Oregon.

BRITISH RAID AIRDROMES; DOWN SIX GERMAN PLANES

(United Press.)
London, Oct. 22.—The British Naval
Bombing squadron raided the Vies-
senhan and Houffave airdromes and
downed six German airplanes, the ad-
miralty stated today.

RIVALRY CAUSE OF ENGLAND'S FAILURE IN AIR

(By United Press.)
London, Oct. 22.—The French suc-
cess in destroying the Zeppelins gave
a powerful impetus to the demand
that England immediately assume an
aerial offensive. The British are un-
able to understand why the French
can successfully down German airmen
while London's apparently perfect air
defenses have failed.
The rivalry between the army and
navy aerial squadron is declared to be
largely responsible.