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PEACE BY XMAS NOT POSSIBLE SAYS KERENSKY

DEMORALIZATION OF RUSSIAN
ARMY MAKES HONORABLE
PEACE IMPOSSIBLE NOW.

RUSSIA PASSING THROUGH PAINFUL PERIOD

Workmen's and Soldiers' Council
Charge Kerensky With Plot to Sur-
render Petrograd to Germans.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 24.—Kerensky told the preliminary parliament that the demoralization of the Russian army prevents honorable peace by Christmas. The Premier declared, "If unscrupulous fanatics assisted by com-
munist traitors, hadn't destroyed the fruits of democracy's military efforts we would have had honorable peace by Christmas."

General Alexieff, former commander, declared that Russia is passing through a painful period because the nation's spirit is overwhelmed by the idea that Russia cannot continue the war. Local workmen and soldiers' council adopted a resolution declaring that Kerensky had conspired to surrender Petrograd to the Germans and to lay the blame on the Bolshevik radicals.

MESSANGER, NOT AGENT GUILTY OF OFFENSE

The Observer wishes to correct the statement made in its issue of October 19 in which it is stated that an O. W. R. & N. agent was fined for delivering whisky in an egg case to George Fisk. It was an express messenger and not an agent that was found guilty of the offense.

J. Jacobson is in La Grande today on business.

Many Buy U. S. Liberty Bonds

The following residents of La Grande and Union county have sub-
scribed to U. S. Liberty Bonds through
the La Grande National Bank, a total
of \$196,800.00.

Flora M. Koch	50.00	Mrs. F. N. Waber for Wm. M.	50.00
Lloyd Chandler	50.00	Geo. Earl Stoddard, Jr.	100.00
Myron Chandler	50.00	John Murray	50.00
J. M. Ohl	50.00	Henry Claude Gray	50.00
Geo. Wm. Rynearson	100.00	Eli L. McIntosh	50.00
Ed E. Kiddle	2,200.00	John Ehringer	50.00
Adelbert Palmer	200.00	Louis Pfeil	50.00
Jas. Quinland	50.00	Gilbert Ballantyne	50.00
Jas. B. Quinland	50.00	Bert Coolwell	50.00
Mrs. Belle Quinland	50.00	Benj. D. Matott	50.00
Mrs. Bettie Kohr	50.00	John A. Matott	50.00
Anna Alexander	150.00	Alfred John Reher	50.00
Jos. Palmer	3,000.00	Golda Bell Pehrman	50.00
W. H. Briggs	100.00	Harry M. Hansen	100.00
J. H. Friswold	100.00	Henry J. Rehner	50.00
J. P. DeLong	500.00	A. C. Haynes	50.00
Ida Elizabeth Howard	200.00	Wm. Coalwell	50.00
Arle C. Hampton	1,000.00	Morris A. Blanchette	50.00
P. H. Spillman	100.00	J. W. Briggs	50.00
Gordon Powers	100.00	Charles Frederick Robertson	100.00
Jos. Elmo Terry	100.00	George W. Perry	50.00
Wm. Meroney	100.00	Horace J. Nelson	50.00
Walter M. Pierce	1,000.00	Chas. B. Walker	50.00
Upton H. Gibbs	50.00	Louis Tanasse	50.00
Leal H. Russell	50.00	David Geddes	50.00
C. C. Welch	1,000.00	Alex K. Johnson	50.00
Chas. A. Payle	500.00	Zack Wiseman	50.00
W. G. Sawyer	100.00	Omer Wiseman	50.00
Leal H. Russell	50.00	Tarvel Emil Hansen	50.00
Everett & Marion Reynolds	50.00	Harry Giltner	50.00
Anna Alexander	100.00	Ben Kramer	50.00
Wm. Alexander	250.00	Wm. W. Gray	250.00
Arthur Ash	100.00	Upton H. Gibbs	50.00
Olaf Annes	100.00	E. E. Bragg	1,000.00
L. L. McKenna	100.00	Joe C. Kelley	100.00
Alexander C. McLellan	50.00	Geo. P. Christie	50.00
Sawyer-Holmes Merc. Co.	500.00	Elmer P. Anderson	50.00
Mrs. G. W. Sawyer	100.00	Peter G. Johnston	1,000.00
Matilda J. Russell Mitchell	2,500.00	Carrie Steinamp	100.00
Annetta Johnson	50.00	Charles A. Myers	5,000.00
Cecil G. Bolton	100.00	W. M. Pearce	50.00
Ruley Day	50.00	J. H. Pearce	100.00
Angus Shaw	5,000.00	Robt. Alexander McKenzie	100.00
Grande Ronde Lumber Co.	10,000.00	Mary A. McKenzie	2,000.00
Ora D. Anderson	100.00	Alice Spencer	50.00
Edna C. Brownson	200.00	Arthur Theisen	50.00
Jay Van Baren	50.00	Jack Coolidge	50.00
S. N. Koger	50.00	Lorna Coolidge	50.00
Jean McKenna	100.00	H. E. Coolidge	400.00
U. Lottes	100.00	Jim K. Kokubu	50.00
L. H. Russell	50.00	Fred Pehrman	50.00
DeLille Green	50.00	Otis Nelson	50.00
Jas. D. McKenna	100.00	Chas. Nelson	100.00
Henry Nurre	500.00	E. Zundel	100.00
Mrs. F. N. Waber for	50.00	C. G. Bolton	50.00
Bruce W.	50.00	Pauline Goodman	50.00
		Frederick L. Meyers	400.00
		Paul F. Meyers	50.00
		H. A. Zurbrick	100.00

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FRENCH TANKS GIVEN CREDIT FOR VICTORY

SUCCESSES RIVAL VERDUN IN
IMPORTANCE; MANY
PRISONERS.

PERSHING WITNESSES GREAT AISNE BATTLE

Artillery Active; Germans Gain Foot
Hold on Fortified Position; Driven
Back.

(United Press.)

FRENCH HEADQUARTERS, Oct. 24.—Pershing witnessed the great French Aisne victory. Today he penetrated deep into the conquered scene. French tanks were largely responsible for victory, which rivals Verdun in importance. The tanks are given credit for the capture of the Guillaumont farm.

It is officially estimated that eight thousand Germans were made prisoners from eight separate divisions. Three full regimental staffs are among the prisoners.

The artillery was most active east and west of Cerny last night.

After severe fighting the Germans succeeded in gaining a foot-hold on the fortified works. Later this position was regained.

TRAIN STRIKES OLD ENGINEER; LEG SEVERED

Jack Oliver of La Grande, formerly engineer on the O. W. R. & N., but now in the employ of the Grande Ronde Lumber company as conductor of a logging train, was struck by an engine near Vincent yesterday and his leg was severed close to the hip. It is thought that he was standing on the running board and slipped off under the train.

He is now in a very serious condition at the Grande Ronde Hospital and his recovery is doubtful. Besides having his leg cut off his left arm was broken in two places. Mr. Oliver is well known as one of the old time engineers.

He was brought to La Grande on the 6:30 train last night and rushed to the hospital.

LETTERS LEAD TO ARREST OF CONSPIRATORS

PLOT TO KILL PRESIDENT UN-
EARTHED THROUGH PLOT-
TERS MAIL.

DETECTIVES REFUSE TO GIVE OUT NAMES OF MEN

Prisoners Are Scattered Throughout
State; No Two Are Confined in
the Same Jail.

(United Press.)

MEMPHIS, Oct. 24.—Secret service agents still refuse to announce the names of the men involved in the plot to kill President Wilson. The plot was unearthed through letters between the alleged conspirators.

The eight plotters are scattered throughout the state, no two being kept in the same jail.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—Irresponsible throughout the country are continually plotting against the president's life, is officially stated. Secret service heads said that several Tennessee cases are being closely investigated.

AH SAM IS FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER

JURY RETURNS VERDICT SHORT-
LY AFTER MID-
NIGHT.

This Makes Five Chinese Convicted of
Murder in the William Eng Case—
Held Here.

The jury in the case of State vs. Ah Sam, charged with complicity in the murder of William Eng in front of the La Grande postoffice last March, returned a verdict of guilty of second degree murder, shortly after midnight last night. Four other Chinese have heretofore been convicted in the same case. The state offered testimony in the trials going to show that two Chinese, Chin Ping and Chin Borkey, shot and killed Eng as he was about to enter the postoffice. Witnesses said that three of more Chinese were stationed across the street at the time or the shooting were produced by the state. Later in the afternoon, five Chinese, including Chin Ping and Chin Borkey, were found in an apparently newly made trap door, covered over with

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Second Honor Guard Dance Friday Night

The second of the series of dances being given by the girls of the Honor Guard will be held at the Eagles' Hall Friday night, October 26. The party is announced as a Halloween dance and all who hold invitations are cordially invited to attend.

Decorations and programs appropriate to the season will be used and Lindsay's Original Jazz orchestra will furnish the music. The girls expect a large crowd as the dances are becoming important features of the social calendar.

Elks' Carnival Opens Tonight; Join The Crowd

Join the crowd and take in the "Days of '49" at the Elks' Club tonight. If you can't go tonight go tomorrow night or the next night or the next night. But be sure you don't miss it as this is your chance to see the most realistic and wild and woolly representation of the frontier days ever produced, so say the Elks, and judging from their past performances (which this one will eclipse by far, they say) they must be right.

However there will be one feature lacking. There will be no road agents or bandits to take your money from you. This little accommodation has been arranged by courtesy of the management who figure that bad men will not be necessary and they want everyone to come with their pocket-books open.

It will be one grand rip-roaring time from start to finish with a thrill every other minute.

The money raised on the entertainment will be used to give a Christmas to the poor and the more made the better the Christmas.

NO ABATEMENT IN DRIVE FOR LIBERTY LOAN

COMMITTEE STILL HARD AT
WORK. LARGE SUBSCRIP-
TIONS STILL COMING IN

MANY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF INSTALLMENT PLAN

\$1.00 a Week Plan Proves Popular;
County Still Behind in Sale of
Bonds; Campaign Ends Saturday.

Liberty Loan driving continues in this county with practically no abatement from the tenacity of last week's campaign. The central committee was out in the country last evening and landed \$22,500 more which does not include the smaller subscriptions which are coming into the banks from the rank and file of the population. Yesterday's donations were largely in \$5000 lots. It was nearly 8 o'clock last evening before the hungry and tired committeemen drove into town. But the results of the day had been flattering.

Widespread Subscriptions Continue.

As the hour for closing the national subscription to the Liberty Loan draws near, the general public is taking a greater interest in these affairs. No sane person can deny that it is possible for every working man, office girl or farm hand to obtain a bond under the dollar a week plan. Large numbers are flocking to this accommodation, showing that the populace is in accord with the general scheme of things. While the bonds of these denominations do not mount high rapidly, they are most desirable in that every little bit added to what Uncle Sam already has makes just a "little bit more," and, further, reflects the interest of the citizens in their government. The public is again advised that there will be no solicitation for the smaller bonds—all effort is being centered on the larger amounts so far as solicitation is concerned. Upon the patriotism and loyalty of each individual falls the responsibility for subscribing the smaller amounts.

County is Lagging.

In Union county the work will be continued up until Saturday night. The county is not up to a point of security in its quota. Day before yesterday it was fifth in the state among counties of similar size; last evening it had dropped to 30th.

No totals are available today as to what the entire county has done. Advances from the Portland headquarters to the local committee today were to the effect that certain specified localities of the county have done nothing, or practically so. One prosperous community had sent in \$300 from its bank up to yesterday afternoon and the diminutive denomination of total subscriptions from that locality brought forth stern rebuke from the Portland committee, sweetened later with the most urgent appeal that that particular vicinity make a whirlwind finish.

There is some doubt about the county doing its full share, and there is a great deal yet to be done.

O. M. PLUMMER URGES STUDENTS TO SAVE FOOD

ADDRESSES PUPILS AT HIGH
SCHOOL ON CONSERVATION
OF SUPPLIES

"How many will join the President's Food Army?" asked O. M. Plummer at the High school where he addressed the High School and grade students of Central School at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon.

Every hand was raised. From the stage it looked like a forest of hands.

"How many have returned the pledge cards signed?" asked City Superintendent Hampton.

Almost every hand was raised. Three rooms of Principal Prince's schools have already reported 100 per cent of cards signed.

Mr. Plummer is here in the interests

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