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TERRITORY GAINED AND LOST.

Here are the estimates of the gains and losses of the central powers up to about May 1: Germany has gained territory as follows: Square miles, Belgium, 11,200; Poland, 50,000; France, 8,100; Serbia, 35,000; Montenegro, 5,000, and Roumania, 40,000. Up to April 1, the allies had recovered about 1,000 square miles in France. Germany's losses are: Square miles, Togo Land, 33,700; Kamerun, 191,000; Southwest Africa, 312,450; Kiao-chau, 200; South Seas, 96,168, and Southeast Africa, 384,180. Total gain, 149,500; total loss, 1,017,698. Turkey has lost about 177,500 square miles.

IMPORTANT PUBLIC BUSINESS.

(From the Congressional Record.)
 Mr. Husting (pending a roll call): "I wish to announce that the Senator from Kansas (Mr. Thompson) is necessarily detained on important public business."

(From the Topeka State Journal.)
 Here for Court—Senator Thompson is Topeka Visitor This Week—It is Certain He Will Seek to Retain His Toga.

WALT MASON'S LAMENT

Walt Mason's lament today is very typical of what is going on in this country today. The lazy men, the slackers, all of them lament that they can't do anything for their country. They would like to do something BUT. They may be too fat to fight but they can help the Red Cross, they can buy Liberty Bonds, they can enlist in the United States Food Army.

VICE PRESIDENT MARSHALL

Vice President Marshall's lecture will be under the auspices of the Chautauqua Association which is the proper organization to receive and welcome the second citizen by nature of his office in this land. The Chautauqua Association is one of our best and most enterprising institutions, non-partisan and deserving of support in every way.

When you purchase Liberty Loan Bonds you do your country good, you do the cause of liberty and justice over the whole world good, you do yourself good, you do harm to the enemies of liberty and justice and civilization, and harm to the enemies of your country.

The Woman Who Pays



by check instead of in currency escapes a lot of worry about money matters. She has an accurate record of where her money goes and a receipt for every penny she has paid out. Besides it's so much safer to have the cash in the bank than in the home. Our special department for women will be glad to give information.

La Grande National Bank

How Small Food Savings Will Reach Huge Total

Stories of bitter hunger among the women and children of the nations which are our allies have touched you deeply; but the little you could do seemed so very little as to be not worth while.

That little which you could do, when multiplied by millions, not only would be worth while, but it would be the solution of the food problem of the nations which are fighting with us to prevent the crushing out of freedom and democracy.

That's why you are asked to enroll as a member of the Food Administration. The little things which you can do in your own home will be done in twenty million other homes, and the gigantic whole will win the war.



EDITORIAL COMMENT.

SLACKER ACRES.

At this time when the food supply is a factor of such tremendous importance in the outcome of the war, no one can gaze over the land in Western Oregon that lies practically waste for lack of drainage without a feeling of keen regret. These flat areas, which now produce little more than grass, might have been doing their share of the splendid task of feeding the fighters who are warring against autoeracy if we could only have seen a little farther into the future a few years ago.—Eugene Register.

A GRAVE MENACE.

The reverses on the Italian front, including the capture of 60,000 Italians, is bad news. The Germans are able to turn on the Italians because of the Russian collapse. Italy will need all the help she can get to stand off both the Austrian and the German military machines.

GET THE LOCAL NEWS.

The Observer prints as much local news, as much northwest news, as much telegraphic news as any paper in the Pacific Northwest in a town of this size. Subscribe to the Observer and patronize our advertisers and get the local news. That is the way to build up the town and the newspaper.

THE BANKERS.

The bankers of the country have done nobly. They have dropped their business for three weeks and have done nothing else but sell Liberty Bonds. The public should be grateful to them for the work they have done so unselfishly and so well.

I Want Some More Liberty Bonds!



Mary Pickford serves as a model for the women of the world who are so ably disturbed—and little wonder that they are—by the news of the detaining hand preventing them from doing their part in the Liberty Loan campaign. President Wilson, Secretary of the Treasury, Thomas A. Edison and other prominent men in public life also are "all-star" photoplays.

Mother's Cook Book

Take care to cultivate an undergrowth of small pleasures, since few great ones are let on long leases.—Old Proverb.

Sunday Night Supper

The Sunday night supper should be the happy meal of the week, for young and old, a time when a few friends may gather for a quiet hour and enjoy each other's society. The meal should not be a burden to the house mother, for in many homes it is entirely given over to the young people or the men of the family to prepare and serve. They usually delight in preparing some simple dish, at the grate, chafing dish or electric grill. Sandwiches may be prepared beforehand and the meal may be served from a small table in the living room, everybody sitting cozily about the fire, unless there are some who prefer a table, to holding the plate and cup in the lap. For the drink cocoa is the most often used, as it is one that may be given to even the small people. Malted milk, tea or coffee are all acceptable drinks and rarely refused.

A simple salad of some kind, depending upon the family taste or the heartiness of the dinner which has been eaten at one or two o'clock, should be served.

A hot dish, some jelly preserves or fruit with a bit of cake makes a good supper. For a cool night the oyster stew is a great favorite, being served with a salad of shredded cabbage dressed with vinegar and seasonings. Tea should follow this main dish.

Frankforts cut in thin slices and sauted in a little butter make an appetizing dish which is a general favorite. Served with buttered toast and a hot drink this makes a good light supper.

Chicken Livers With Olive Sauce.

Brown two tablespoonsful of butter, and three tablespoonsful of flour, and when this is well mixed pour on gradually one cupful of highly seasoned brown stock. Season with salt and pepper, add twelve olives finely minced and cook three minutes. The ripe olives are the most appetizing, but the green are also good. Clean and separate the livers, dredge with flour well-seasoned and saute in butter, pour over the sauce and serve piping hot.

Curried livers are prepared as above, using the following sauce: Cook two tablespoonsful of butter with half a tablespoonful of chopped onion five minutes, add three tablespoonsful of flour, mixed with half a tablespoonful of curry powder, salt and paprika to taste. Strain the sauce over the livers.

Pigs in blankets make another good Sunday night luncheon dish. Roll plump oysters in thin slices of bacon and broil until well-cooked on the grill or in the chafing dish.

Nellie Maxwell

Patriotism defeats its own aim if over-anxiety induces a hoarding of money and a lessened volume of buying. Do your part toward keeping trade active and employment abundant—for that will be patriotic service.

The Message of the Statement

FROM PORTLAND, OREGON.

The comparative statements of circulation—postoffice reports—issued by the Portland newspapers for the six months ending April 1, 1917, and the statements issued for the six months ending October 1, 1917, are as follows:

WEEK-DAY ISSUES

April 1 Oct. 1	1917	1917	Gain.
Daily Oregonian	57,623	63,461	*5,838
Daily Journal	54,612	55,593	981
Daily Telegram	40,315	44,242	3,927
Daily News	17,578	19,832	2,254

SUNDAY ISSUES

April 1 Oct. 1	1917	1917	Gain.
Sun. Oregonian	78,461	84,486	*5,825
Sunday Journal	57,506	58,286	780

*Note the gain made by The Oregonian.

The showing made by The Oregonian is all the more gratifying when it is understood that The Oregonian does not issue the several daily "extras" or editions, as do the afternoon papers. The first of these is on the street about 10:30, and is not a complete newspaper, running about half the size of the regular issues, and hastily gotten together for quick headline reading. They are, however, counted as city circulation and are useful in figuring for total circulation.

This, too, is worth considering—The Oregonian sells for 75 cents a month, delivered in the homes, and 5 cents per copy, street sales, while the afternoon newspapers sell for much less.

The Oregonian has more circulation IN THE HOMES than any other Portland newspaper.

Uncle Sam has 90 regular carriers delivering mail into Portland homes. The Oregonian has 223 regular carriers. You can draw your own conclusions as to the home circulation of The Oregonian.

After all, the only true way to measure the value of a newspaper is not by the number of copies it sells, or gives away, every day, but by the number of homes of purchasing power that it enters, influences.

Actual Paid Circulation since Oct. 1st, more than

87,000 SUNDAY
65,000 DAILY

10-29-17

Work for all, at good wages, is assured by a steady demand for all of the products of labor. Buy what you need and buy at home.

Rippling Rhymes

By WALT MASON

TRAITORS.



WALT MASON

Disloyal talkers still abound, and, in my watchful waiting, while I am pestering around, I hear the traitors traiting. Oh, some of them are humble guys, and some have higher places, who push unpatriotic lies through never-resting faces. I hear them in the blacksmith shop, where smoke and soot blow o'er 'em; and then again I hear them yawp in senate or the forum. Some of the traitors mean no harm, but wish to draw attention, and so they're boosting peace's charm with zeal too coarse to mention. And some just let their jawbones play because that's their ambition; and some, perhaps, draw Prussian pay for dealing in sedition. No other warring nation thus would stand for all this treason, would let the traitors rant and cuss without a rhyme or reason. The traitors great and traitors small, obscure or bearing titles—they'd back 'em up against a wall and shoot them through the vitals. I hear them yawp, where'er I am, these pestilential gadders! How patiently our Uncle Sam endures his nest of adders!

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