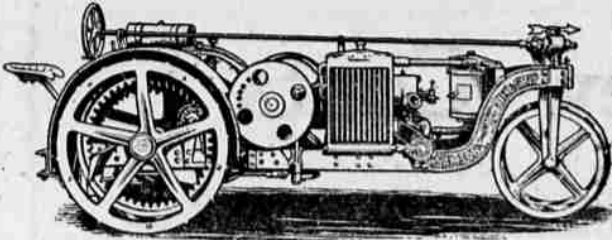


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## RED CROSS CHAPTER CALLS FOR AID

LA GRANDE, Oct. 31.—To the editor: La Grande Chapter of the American Red Cross must again beg a little of your valuable space to state their case to the public.

Notwithstanding the fact that it has previously set forth that criticisms throughout the country are doing immeasurable injury to the Red Cross, we are informed that they continue. These criticisms, innuendoes, and expressed doubts fostered by the enemy amount to antipatriotic propaganda throughout the United States. Repeating a criticism does almost as much harm as originating it. Both advance the interests of our enemies, and will increase the sufferings of our own sons and brothers. There is no doubt that this is done without any thought of doing harm, but the injury results just the same, and the rescue work is slowed up.

We have been informed that the local Chapter is being criticized for contributing \$1000 to aid in the equipment of the Oregon base Hospital.

The Base Hospital is a Red Cross Hospital. The personnel is made up of Oregon physicians and surgeons, two of whom are from our own county, Oregon nurses, and one hundred and fifty-two other Oregon men. Portland Red Cross gave \$20,000 toward its equipment. Pendleton gave \$8000 worth of material alone and made it up into hospital equipment. The balance of the money was to have been raised by the other Red Cross Chapters in Oregon. It should be to their lasting disgrace that many of them failed to "make good." Therefore Oregon fell down. The B. P. O. E., however, of the United States, came to the aid of the Hospital, and is contributing the balance of the money needed. Should La Grande be proud or sorry that its Red Cross Chapter did not permit it to go in the column of those who failed? We believe that La Grande is proud of the fact that it did its duty, and that any criticism is due to misunderstanding alone.

It is not within the power of a Red Cross Chapter to use the money that comes to it for any other purposes than those dictated by the Government to its representatives, viz: For the equipment of base hospitals, and the manufacture of surgical dressings and necessities for the Army and Navy under the direction of Red Cross headquarters. It is not allowed to contribute to individuals, or any particular units in the Army or Navy, except through its civilian relief committee in cases of distress.

The books of the Red Cross are open for the inspection of anyone interested. Information on any point not understood will be gladly imparted by any member of this committee. Any member of the Red Cross, or any other citizen is entitled to, and may receive, full knowledge of all things concerning the Red Cross. It is an open book.

The work consists first in furnishing the actual necessities for the rescue of the brave boys who are sure to fall—some of them with terrible wounds. Do we want them to be bound up with newspapers, or straw and strings? We know that it is not the case, and that it will not occur if the women of America realize soon enough that it will occur just as sure as the sun continues to rise, if they do not go to work. Let us not store up cause for bitter regrets.

In all humility this committee begs the people in the jurisdiction of this Chapter to give their aid in any way they can.

In addition to those faithful ladies who have worked continually and without ostentation from the beginning of the need, the sewing section needs an unlimited number of women to help. Let us heed the appeal of Major Murphy made in yesterday's Observer, and appended hereto, to make surgical dressings. Come to the sewing rooms in the Elks building. We have money to buy materials, but must have workers. Please do not criticize us adversely, but give us your help.

We try to make our work and our objects as clear as possible when we have the opportunity. Give us the opportunity. Come to us for the explanation of anything that appears to you wrong, and help us to improve our methods. We shall be deeply grateful for your assistance.

Very respectfully,  
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.  
La Grande Chapter American Red Cross.

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#### Urgent Call.

An all day meeting is called for Friday in the work rooms. Hundreds of garments and supplies must be furnished for shipping on Saturday. Come at nine o'clock a. m. if possible. A picnic luncheon will be served. Bring a friend. Automobiles will call for ladies living a distance from the hall. All wishing to avail themselves of this privilege telephone Black 1071. In several Eastern Chapters ladies worked all day and all night to get supplies ready for three battleships. Surely women of La Grande will not fail their Chapter in its need. To care for the wounded is the immediate task that is before us. Will you come? Echoes from Annual Meeting.

Interesting items as given below are culled from the reports of the military relief committee: Number of gauze surgical dressings made, 14; number of muslin surgical dressings made, 1560; number of packages covered, 640; number knitters in La Grande, 364; number knitters in auxiliaries, 264; number garments knitted in La Grande, 401; number garments outside of La Grande, 200; number garments shipped full sets, 91; garments shipped extra garments, 238. The ages of knitters range from six to eighty-five years. Classes in knitting have been taught by Mrs. M. Anthony, Mrs. J. Foley and Mrs. C. P. Newlin, the youngest.

The telling items as given below are culled from the reports of the military relief committee, consist of articles shipped: Number of gauze surgical dressing, 14,184; number of muslin surgical dressings, 1560; number packages covered, 628; number hospital garments, 77; number hospital supplies, 2831; number knitted garments, 592; number ladies knitting in Chapter, 628; number boxes shipped, 12. Ages of knitters range from six to eighty-five years.

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