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NEW LIMBS FOR OLD

A recent cablegram from Paris says that French soldiers who have lost either arms or legs gather daily at American Red Cross headquarters seeking assistance in obtaining artificial limbs. The artificial limbs given by the Red Cross are declared to be the most practical that can be obtained.

These mutilated French soldiers, the cablegram states, typify the true spirit of France's sacrifice. They never complain, but are profuse in their thanks for assistance. After the return home of a soldier who had lost both legs and had been supplied with artificial limbs, his mother wrote to the American Red Cross as follows:

"Thank you with all my heart for what you have done for my poor mutilated soldier. Your generous and charitable help has brought back to active life an unfortunate who, without your help, would have remained in the darkest of misery. From my soul of a mother and a French woman I beg to tell the American mothers whose sons will soon be fighting along side of our sons, that if it is their fate to be sent some day to our hospitals, we shall receive them with devoted and tender care."

THE KAISER'S PEACE TERMS

The Kaiser wants peace, it seems, and his terms are rumored to include the following proposals:

To leave the disposition of Alsace-Lorraine to the plebiscite of the inhabitants; England to pay Germany for her lost African colonies and the money to be used for the rehabilitation of Belgium, Serbia, Roumania and northern France; Russian provinces bordering on the Baltic and Black seas to become independent under a German plan; Poland to be called an independent state under Austrian suzerainty; disarmament; freedom of the seas; commerce to be left to a peace conference; Turkey to remain intact; Roumania, Serbia and Montenegro to retain their original boundaries.

The best way to get peace will be to get the representatives of the nations together behind locked doors and to put all the cards on the table. What warring nations ever got peace by long distance rag-chewing?

PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITY

Many young men have been refused admission to the army and navy because of physical defects. But they shouldn't worry.

At the outbreak of the Civil war, James J. Hill and a friend raised a cavalry company, but it was not accepted. Then he tried to enlist in the First Minnesota (which regiment won undying fame at Gettysburg), but a physical defect that had barred his way to the medical profession in boyhood, closed the door to the patriotic aspiration of the young man, then just past his majority. Lacking the sight of one eye, he could not pass the medical inspection. But he did not loaf or lag; he went to work and became the world's greatest railroad man.

There is plenty of work, plenty of opportunity for these patriotic young men.

The Salvation Army is doing a good work in looking after the poor. Let us not forget our own needy people in the midst of our Christmas cheer. Let us keep some of our charity at home.

The drays are going over the top, too.

The Woman That 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

Society

What promises to be by far the largest social event of the holiday season is the Five Hundred party to be given by the ladies of the Thursday Bridge Club for the benefit of the Red Cross, at the Masonic hall, Friday afternoon, December 28, at 2:00 o'clock. The ladies are carrying out the idea of a chain of parties.

The idea is this: the ladies attending the first party are to pledge themselves to give a party of three tables each and each lady attending the party of three tables is to give a party of two tables. Each lady will be asked to give twenty-five cents at each party. In the cities where this chain of parties have been given they have been a great success and have netted the ladies a nice sum for the Red Cross, besides providing very enjoyable entertainment. There will be no written invitations; the ladies want you all to come and if you should be overlooked and would enjoy being with the ladies even though you do not play cards they will be glad to have you, or if you should hear of some friend or neighbor who has not been asked to come please phone Mrs. M. B. Donohue, Mrs. H. C. Grady or Mrs. W. H. Bohnenkamp who will be very glad to see that they are invited. Let's all turn out and help to make this a big success as all the other Red Cross benefits have been.

Mrs. Dave Fitzgerald entertained the P. A. Club at her home on Sixth street last Tuesday evening. Mrs. Leo Bellinger received that prize, Mrs. Clyde Zimmermann, second, and Mrs. Walter Pohman, consolation prize. A delicious luncheon, quite within the bounds of Hooverism, was served by the hostess.

Miss Imogene Russell, who is teaching in St. Paul's at Walla Walla, has returned for the holidays. With her also returned the following La Grande girls who are attending the ladies' seminary: Rose Kline, Georgia Wade, Elma Wade and Ethel Wade.

Miss Catherine Schell, a prominent society woman of Meadville, Penn., is here on an extended visit to her friend, Mrs. J. T. Ridenour, of 1594 Sixth street.

Lyle Kiddle, a student of the O. A. C., passed through La Grande yesterday on his way to Jefferson, Iowa, where he will join his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kiddle, who are spending a month or two with their families and other relatives.

Miss Eva Safford was a week-end guest of her friend, Miss Margaret Baker, at her brother-in-law's farm, Mr. Grover Good.

Miss Woods and Miss Osborne, of Wallowa, are in the city registered at the Sommer.

Mr. and Mrs. David Bay, Mrs. Frank Bay and daughter left for Portland on the morning train.

Miss Berna Smith of Enterprise is at the Foley.

Mrs. Ada E. Vest and daughter, of Enterprise, are registered at the Sommer for the week end.

Miss Marjorie Beebe went to Enterprise on the morning train to visit her mother, Mrs. A. H. Beebe, there.

A very enjoyable dance was given at the high school Friday night. Clark, Myers and Galloway furnished the music. About forty couples were in attendance.

Mr. Lewis A. Reekon of Portland is here to spend Christmas with Mac Wood and family.

Those coming in the special car from Corvallis this morning to spend the holidays with their parents here were: Joe Reynolds, Earl Reynolds, Earl Reynolds, Minna Ash, Charlotte Jones, Gilbert Hunter, Lucile Pierce and Euna Bacon.

Miss Bessie Allison of the U. of O. also returned, and Helen Pierce of the Reed college. Miss Helen McDonald also arrived, and Bertha Fisher of North Powder passed through.

Mrs. J. P. Graham, wife of Major Graham who is now in France in command of the La Grande hospital unit, is here to spend the holidays with Mrs. J. J. Carr.

Chapter I, P. E. O., met Friday afternoon with Mrs. Brownston. The chapter made their usual annual appropriation to the Salvation Army Christmas dinner. The report of the literature committee showed unusual activity in sending reading matter to the army and navy. Hereafter the chapter will devote one entire day regularly, working in the Red Cross

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FOUND—A watch and chain. Owner can call and prove property at the Observer office and pay for this advertisement. 12-22-st.

LOST—An auto casing between La Grande and Geo. Well's ranch. Return to Bohnenkamp. 12-22-34pd.

Wear a Red Cross button and a smile.

surgical department. The afternoon closed with the beautiful infirmary service in which Mrs. Dora R. Schilke came into the sisterhood. Very light refreshments were served.

Miss Eula Watkins, who has been attending school here, left for Alice for Christmas.

C. A. Bingham and wife left for Imbler this morning after doing some shopping here.

Mrs. J. H. Minnaugh and son left for their home in Wallowa this morning. They have been visiting Mrs. Minnaugh's mother, Mrs. E. R. Mason.

Wm. S. Westenshow passed through from Weiser on his way to Imbler for holiday vacation.

Miss Marjorie Taylor, who has been attending school here, returned home to Alice for the holidays.

Mrs. Ann Weatherbee, daughter of Mr. Joe Jones, is here from Portland to spend remainder of the winter.

Miss Lizzie Wells of Alice returned home after a few days' stay in the city.

Mrs. Ed. M. Cross went to Pendleton to spend the day yesterday visiting her granddaughter, Miss Madeline Gibson, who is attending the Sacred Heart academy.

The Maccabees held a social Thursday afternoon and initiated a class of candidates.

A shower was given Friday evening at 7:30 p. m., in honor of Miss Edith Lewis by Mrs. Harry Goss and Mrs. Wilma Grosse, at the home of Mrs. Goss. Many friends and relatives, young and old, were present. Miss Lewis, a holiday bride, was the recipient of numerous beautiful and useful gifts. Pleasing vocal solos were rendered by Miss Mary Grosse and Mrs. Beulah Rudolph.

MARKET NEWS

December 20, 1917.

The approaching holiday festivities are showing a quiet condition with fair demand and very light offerings at the Portland Union Stock Yards. Shipments for the day have been extremely light in every department. There was no good stuff in the yards. However, everything that was offered went at steady prices. Conditions are strong in the cattle department and very satisfactory in the sheep department, but some tendencies of weakening are shown in the hog department. The bulk of the hogs crossed the scales today at at ten to fifteen cent decline from prices being paid at the opening of the week.



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