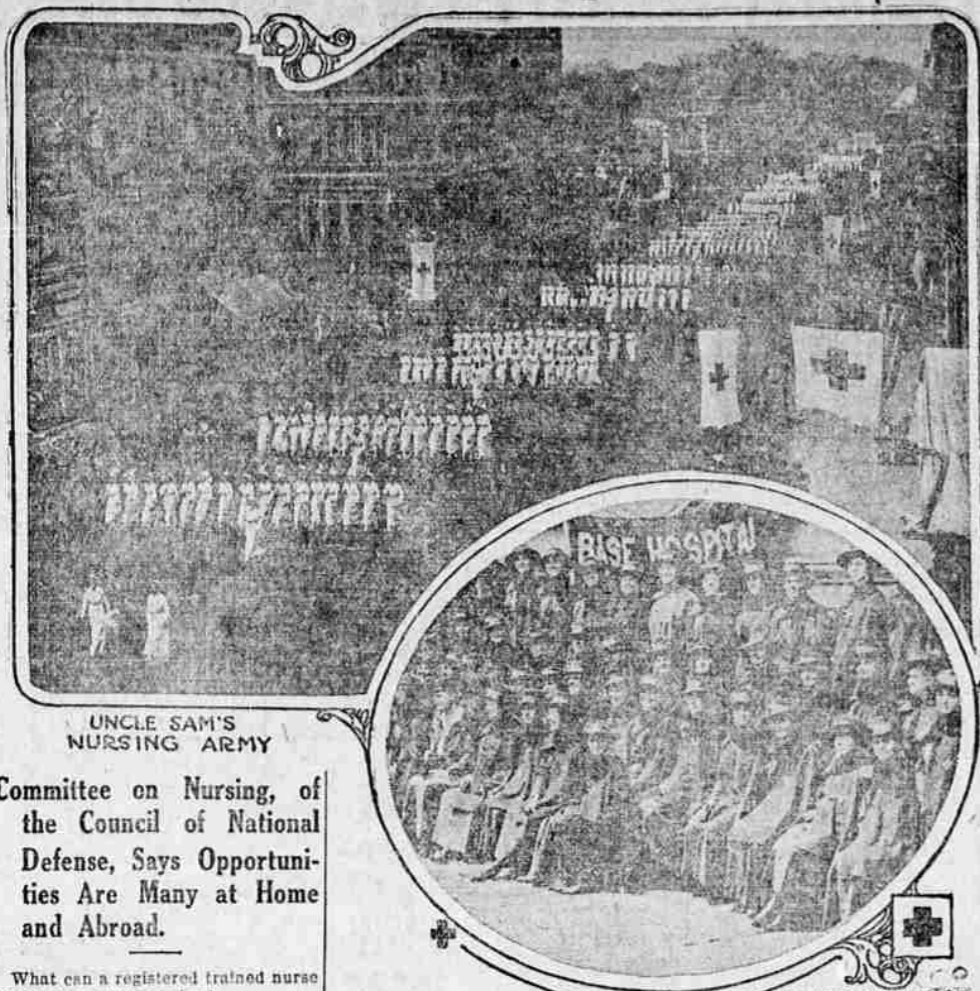


What a Nurse Can Do For Her Country



UNCLE SAM'S NURSING ARMY

Committee on Nursing, of the Council of National Defense, Says Opportunities Are Many at Home and Abroad.

What can a registered trained nurse do for her country today? Thousands of nurses are asking this question. Thousands of young women who instinctively turn to nursing as an opportunity for national service are also asking it.

The things a trained nurse can do, according to the Committee on Nursing of the Council of National Defense, are so many, so varied and so important, that nursing stands out prominently as the profession in which an adequately trained woman can find an outlet for her patriotic impulses.

The first picture that flashes into the mind is that of the war nurse on the other side. The chairman of the Red Cross War Council states that 20,000 nurses will in all probability be needed to care for the sick and wounded of the American army in France. Under efficient medical care and nursing over 80 per cent of these are returned to active duty. These do not include those who will be called upon to help nurse the soldiers of our allies as well as their stricken civilians. Our allies are sorely in need of public health nurses, trained in social service in this country.

Regardless, however, of this call from "over there," America needs an army of public health nurses to safeguard its own noncombatants and to aid in the disease prevention work in

our training camps. Tuberculosis, for instance, is a foe which will sap the strength of the army and undermine civilian life if it is not controlled. The tuberculosis nurse has the double duty of helping to care for the men rejected from the national army on account of consumption and of helping to detect the disease in its incipency among the families she visits.

The welfare of children is tremendously important. The public school nurse, a growing necessity before the war, is now indispensable if we are to live up to our responsibilities as a nation at war faced with the necessity of conserving our every resource. The welfare of our babies depends on enlightened mothers. Upon the pre-natal work of the visiting nurse depends largely the enlightenment of the mothers.

During the Civil War 48 per cent of the Union troops came from country districts. The proportion will probably not be so high during this war, but men from the country are flocking into the army and will continue to be called. Rural public health nurses are therefore finding work in their home field today, just as they are finding work in the army cantonments to

NURSING STAFF OF ONE OF OUR BASE HOSPITALS

which the Red Cross has called them. In the sanitary zones about the cantonments they are engaged in preventive work of the first importance to the nation. Emergencies, such as the frequent epidemic of pneumonia, call for heroic work by these nurses.

Nor must we neglect to mention the openings in the teaching field among our 8,000 hospitals and 1,500 schools of nursing, which have many attractive openings in their facilities for well educated nurses.

The demands are so many and the needs so pressing that the Committee on Nursing of the Council of National Defense urges young women graduates of colleges and high schools to enter hospital training schools and study for the nursing profession as a patriotic duty. It reminds them, however, that no short term courses or correspondence school methods will admit them to the Red Cross ranks as registered nurses. The only way is via the recognized hospital schools of nursing, where the course of study and practical work covers from two to three years. At its office in Washington, D. C., the committee will be glad to answer any mail inquiries on this opportunity for patriotic service.

Carl Tucker of John Day. Mrs. Meserve and Mrs. Tucker are sisters.—Blue Mountain Eagle, Canyon City.

NEW TODAY

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS
HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS, FURNISHED, with bath on the lower floor, at 2107 Third street. Black 3111. 1-8-1f.

FOR SALE OR RENT—Small house.
Will sell for \$500. Phone Black 2821. 1-8-3tpd.

FOR RENT—Modern Bungalow.
Phone Black 2831. 103 Greenwood. 1-8-3tpd.

FOR RENT—A six-room house.
Phone Red 1682 or call at 1706 Walnut St. 1-8-6tpd.

WOOD—Dry chain wood for sale.
\$4.00 per load, delivered promptly. Black 291. 1-3-2tp.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notice to Women of Woodcraft.
All members of the Women of Woodcraft are requested to be present at the regular meeting tonight, January 8, to help with the installation of the officers for the new year. 1-8-1f.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO REGISTRANTS

Under Jurisdiction of This Local Board Whose Order Numbers Are Between No. 1387 and No. 1463, Inclusive.

There has this day been mailed to you a questionnaire which you are required by law to execute and return within seven days from date hereof.

Failure to do so constitutes a misdemeanor punishable by not to exceed one year's imprisonment; and such failure may also deprive you of valuable rights and result in your immediate induction into military service and trial by court-martial.

Dated Jan. 8, 1918.

J. GARFIELD KING,
Member of Local Board

SPIRITUALIST CHURCH ENTERTAINMENT

The Spiritualist Church of La Grande will give an entertainment on January 8, at 8 p. m., in Harris Hall. The evening's entertainment will consist of an interesting program, refreshments, cards and dancing. Admission 25 cents. 1-301-8

Wireless Telegraph Class.
The telegraph class will start at the Y. M. C. A. building tonight. It is important that all desiring to enroll be present this evening. The keys will be set up and those who have already taken some instruction in this work will work at the keys. Mr. Divens, manager of the Western Union, will be the principal. 1-3-61c.

All persons who are interested in the radio and buzzer schools will please meet with G. A. McNeil and A. C. Hampton at the railroad club house tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. 1-8-1f.

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The total taxable property in Union county is \$28,957,682.17.	
The total amounts that will be raised in the county are:	
State tax	\$243,076.53
State School	111,111.20
Cities	64,510.23
Total	\$418,697.96
Fire patrol tax not included.	

LOCALS

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—And—
Advertising in Brief

January 10th is the last day to pay your water rent without penalty. 1-8-2f.

Now is the time to supply yourself with reading matter. For ten days we will sell all books of fiction,

including the copyrights at one-third off. Newlin Book and Stationery Co. 1-4-1f

FOR SALE—BOOKS
Set of Encyclopedia Britannica in sheepskin binding. Phone Black 211, or call 1701 X. 1-7-2tpd

Fill in your white ivory sets with the pieces which are lacking. Every article in the white ivory line at a reduced price, at the Silverthorn Family Drug Store. 1-4-1f.

MID-WINTER TERM JANUARY SECOND. Railroad or stage fare paid up to \$10.00, for all students enrolling between the above date and January 15, 1918, who enroll for four months or more, paying in ad-

vance. Terms: either Bookkeeping or Shorthand Course, six months for \$50.00; combined course, six months \$65.00. Write us about our monthly payment plan.

BAKER BUSINESS COLLEGE,
12-13 to 1-12 H. P. Kinion, Prop.

Money to Loan.
On improved real property in Union county. No delays. Current rates. La Grande Investment Co.—Adv. 1f.

6 1-2 per cent Money—
\$30,000 for long term at 6 1-2 per cent interest for loans on Grande Ronde valley farms. See W. B. Sargent at La Grande Investment Company at once. 11-22-1f.

Away From Home—
If you were away from home on the sea or in the trenches, wouldn't you like to get a copy of your home paper from your home town.

Annual Meeting
Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Cove State Bank will be held at their banking house at Cove, Oregon, on Thursday, January 10, 1918, at the hour of two o'clock p. m. At this meeting a Board of Directors will be elected to serve for the year 1918, and until their successors are elected and qualified, and such other business will be transacted as may properly come before said meeting.

HUGH McCALL, Cashier.
1-5-5f

A Penny a Day Means a Kit-a-Month for a Boy at the Front



Every man, woman and child in this city can help keep one of our boys at the front supplied with cigarets and tobacco by setting aside one cent a day for each working day.

Just think what this little sum will do! For 25 cents we will enter your name on our Tobacco Fund list and will send 45 cents worth of smoking tobacco and cigarets to our boys in France. In the kit will be a postal card stamped and addressed to you, and on the kit will be a request to the soldier asking him to write a message to you on the postal and mail it.

The Red Cross takes charge of these kits of smoking material and distributes them; the French government sends back the postal bearing a one-cent United States stamp and admits the tobacco free of duty.

Surely if as busy an organization as the Red Cross Society and as pre-occupied officials as those of the French government will do these things to see that our soldiers get a chance to smoke, it isn't asking much to ask you to set aside one cent a day for the purpose.

Send in your contributions of any amount—25 cents, \$1.00, \$5.00, or more. For every 25 cents that you give, a separate postal bearing your name goes to the front.

Here's 45 cents worth of tobacco which is sent for your quarter:

A package of Tuxedo tobacco and four books of cigaret papers. Three pouches of Bull Durham Tobacco and three books of papers.

Two packages of Lucky Strike cigarets, twenty cigarets in each package.

A return postal card addressed to the contributor on which the soldier will pen his appreciation and gratitude for the gift.

THE OBSERVER TOBACCO FUND

PHYSICAL CULTURE.

As Good For the Business Man as For the Soldier in Training.

If physical culture is needed for those who bear arms in defense of the country why should it not be applied also to the soldiers of the business and professional world, the men in the commercial trenches? If a certain number of our citizens are compelled to go through a rigid course of physical training, why should not all others be called upon to follow suit?

The soft, untraced clerk, the demoralized student, the overworked business man—they need awakening. Now, in many instances they are but little more than human objects, 25, 50 or 75 per cent man. With a little properly fitted exercises they could be fitted for the ranks of the 100 per cent men.

Six hours weekly, two hours for three days each week, would put the average middle class, sedentary worker in line. It would square his shoulders, stretch his backbone, put some energy and enthusiasm into his make-up. It would make a real man of him.

Every man who is not in training should begin now. If he cannot train with other men let him follow a system of home training. Hard marches, strong, stable nerves, high grade endurance—in short, a physique as "hard as nails"—should be the ambition of every sensible man.—Physical Culture.

BRIGHT BOYS AND GIRLS.

The Head and Physical Marks of Intelligence in Children.

In summing up his conclusions on the relationship of intelligence to the size and shape of the head Earl Pearson is quoted in the Journal of Heredity as making these statements about the intelligence of children:

"To sum up, then, while no characteristics in school children so far dealt with show very high correlation with intelligence, we may say that the intelligent boy is markedly conscientious, is moderately robust, athletic and popular; he tends rather to quiet than to glib temper. He is more self-conscious and quieter than the dull boy; he has a slightly bigger head and possibly lighter pigmentation than those of more mediocre intelligence. His hair has a larger percentage of curliness.

"The intelligent girl is also markedly conscientious, moderately robust, athletic and popular. She, too, tends to quiet rather than glib temper. She is less self-conscious than the dull girl and nobler than the girl of mediocre intelligence. It is the slow girl who is quiet and shy. The fastidious girl has a slightly bigger head than the dull girl, and her hair is more likely to be wavy and much less likely to be curly."

BUTTERFLIES ROB BEES.

Fresno, Cal.—Butterflies have become so greedy in Fresno county that honey bees have gone on strike, according to C. R. Snyder, bee inspector of this district. The butterflies have been robbing the bees of the nectar in flowers, and finally the honey makers became sort of discouraged, and recently the bees have virtually been doing no work at all. Inspector Snyder says there has been but little feed because of the lack of spring rains.

JUST A WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

(This poem was made up by a bunch of jolly good-hearted Marines.)

Just a week before Christmas, and in every tent,
Each private is busted or badly bent;
And sadly we think of twelve months ago,
The Christmas we spent when we had lots of dough,
The things that we did and the things that we had,
When quartered at home with mother and dad;
Of the dinner we ate at that last Xmas day,
With no borrowing thought of being without pay.

There were girls and joy rides, parties and dances,
Only last Christmas we all wore free lances;
Free from all trouble—in our minds not a care—
But none of that stuff for us any more;
We gave it all up when we went to the war,
We have given up riding around in machines,
And taken up walking when we joined the marines;
We have given up eating real food from a plate,
We have given up sleeping and getting up late;
We have given up calling our girls on the phone,
Whenever we meet one she leaves us alone;
But what's the use of telling it all, we're a bunch of marines who have answered the call;
So gather around the oil heater once more
And sing high the praises of the old Marine Corps.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Potter returned to their home in Portland after a week's visit with their daughter,

Mrs. Rhea Luper.

C. O. Braham left for Enterprise lately after spending several days in La Grande on business.

H. A. Blair, station agent at Union is in the city today.

Mrs. M. E. Holmes of Kamela is in the city shopping.

Mrs. N. A. Johns returned to her home in Elain after spending a few days here with friends.

Joel Simpson, representative of the Blake-McPail Paper Co., is calling on customers today.

L. Denham, attorney of Elsin, is in the city attending to court affairs.

E. J. Harmon, A. C. Flischen, Wash. representatives, are in the city calling on their local representative, B. C. Hamilton.

Mrs. G. M. Richey returned home after a six weeks visit at Kansas City and St. Joseph, Missouri.

G. S. Levy is in Union on business today.

Miss Margaret Newlin has gone to Portland to attend the opera season.

J. L. Miller of Portland, city ticket agent there formerly travelling passenger agent for the O.-W. R. R., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pike.

D. J. Valley, logging contractor of Enterprise, is here on business.

C. E. Allen, auditor for the O.-W. R. R. in the city.

Miss Mayme Geary, formerly of La Grande, is visiting friends here.

Mrs. Geo. Miserva has returned home after a months visit with relatives in Denver and Salt Lake.

Daniel Boyd, a prominent attorney of Enterprise, is transacting business here today.

Mrs. George Cochran and children have returned from a visit to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Streiff leave tomorrow night for a six weeks trip to St. Louis and other eastern points, returning through California.

Mr. and Mrs. George Meserve of La Grande are the guests of Mr. and Mrs.