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AWAKEN, BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE.

Deep thought and sincere meditation should be indulged in by every true American citizen. This is the time of all times when the great American Republic stands in the balance. Too long have we felt that our government was impersonal; too long have we believed that "everything would come out all right just because we are in America." Now comes the realization that Republics may fall, that no government is stronger than its citizens. Our time worn belief that Washington, D.C. is but a small fraction of the United States government. The government lies wholly with the people—that means you. If you don't back up the fighters who have gone to this war your home and your family are in danger.

To bring us closer home let us quote from the New York World:

"Belgium, Servia, Roumania and Russia! Read of the annexations effected or projected at their expense! Read of the barbarity shown to their helpless populations! Read of how economic agreements are forced on them which turn them over to the exploitation of the capitalists of Germany! Then realize, you who are still asleep or who are dead of soul or confused of intellect, the nature of the struggle in which this country is engaged. With letters of fire it is written on the heavens what the war is about. Civilization is in danger. Democracy is in peril of extinction. Not more certainly was Rome engaged in a death-grapple when Hannibal was at her gates than is freedom today. The issue far transcends nationality or territorial claims or economic arrangements. Everything is at stake.

"There is need to suspend minor disputes—to devote ourselves with singleness of purpose to the task of overcoming the greatest menace that has ever threatened mankind. On this country and on Japan are laid a heavy responsibility. Our resources and those of Japan constitute the last reserves of imperilled freedom. Our resolution must become hard—our willingness to endure great sacrifice unflinchingly must be made manifest. We have the power and it is time to judge as they deserve to be judged all who would weaken our determination by emphasizing minor divisions among our people or among the Allies."

Read this extract again and again from the World. Ponder over its true meaning. Whether working in the O-W shops or tilling a Sandridge farm you are a part of this government, which has been assailed, and which the Junker element of Prussia wants to see wiped out because it is diametrically opposed to the ruling class of Germany.

When you have read this repeatedly and digested its every word let your feelings rest heavily upon the disloyal citizen and the man

who wantonly curses a Red Cross solicitor or who refuses to abide by the food regulations promulgated by our government.

A COMPLAINT REGISTERED

The Observer is in receipt of a protest against the dumping of rubbish along the highways. This is the cleaning-up season and it is claimed—in fact, there is evidence to show for it—that many are disregarding of the way they dispose of accumulated trash, just so they get rid of it in some way. As a consequence almost any old corner along the road or even in the fields is used as a convenient place to dispose of the garbage. This is not a universal practice by any means, but it seems there are always a few who are remiss in the common, everyday practice of the golden rule. This promiscuous dumping of rubbish is always done surreptitiously, which is an act that carries its own condemnation. The property owner who thus imposes his filth on others may flatter himself with the idea that he has "cleaned up," but he hasn't. He has merely shuffled off his old junk on to someone else.

That a German general in publishing lessons of this war to be learned for the next one is a big reason why this one has to be fought to a finish.—New York World.

"Man is made out of clay," runs the motto of the Hopkinsville (Ky.) News, a negro paper, "and, like a meerschaum pipe, is more valuable when highly colored."—Macon Telegraph.

In spite of the secrecy of farm-laborers, this department predicts that the crop of hook agents selling complete histories of the war will be as numerous this year as ever.—Emporia Gazette.

A lot of people have been nervous because Japan was only about four thousand miles away, and now they are surprised that Japan shows some anxiety when German is approaching her front-door.—Chicago Herald.

UNCALLED FOR LETTERS

List of letters remaining uncalled for in this office for the week ending March 22:

Gentlemen—Z. F. Ames, John Adams, B. J. Barn, J. B. Corbett, D. J. Crige, Millie Davis, J. M. Fuller, Jim Gooch, L. M. Hilyard, K. C. Jones, Oscar Lind, Ted Larsen, G. W. Lamm, R. Morris, Chas. Myers, Roy Peaster, V. A. Webb, John Wood, Wale Raymond, D. W. Yonkum.

Ladies—Miss Pearl Asher, Mrs. W. G. Angel, Mrs. May Carsley, Mrs. Gerald Cheatham, Mrs. S. C. Grimm, Mrs. Ethel Grandy, Mrs. L. C. Gates, Miss Margaret Lindsay, Mrs. J. D. Larson, Miss Polley Murphy, Mrs. Ester Minker.

These letters will be sent to the Dead Letter office on April 5 if not called for. In calling for the above, please say "Advertised," giving date of list. E. E. BRAGG, P. M.

Today there is not enough food in the world to feed all the people and have any left to waste. Waste food and you are wasting lives.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

B. W. Shores is in no way connected with the Taxi formerly known as Shores' Taxi, now known as La Grande Taxi Co.

Calls will receive prompt attention at Savoy Hotel.—M. 713.

Please make arrangements for cars for any special occasion with the understanding.

POHRMAN BROS.
 5-25-61

FRIENDLY CHAT

About Men, Events and Things in General that Affect the Welfare of Oregon and Oregonians.

By Bruce Dennis.

Don't let this cry for high-priced ship labor mislead good men who have jobs in the interior country, for Portland today has a large number of idle men. This may sound strange, but it is positively true. Unless a man is capable of going right into shipbuilding—unless he is a good carpenter or a good blacksmith—and can soon be taught so he can be useful in the building of boats he had better stay out of Portland or any of the coast cities. We have seen many, many young men come from the interior country, attracted by the tremendous wages paid in the shipbuilding industry only to find they could not be used. They walk the streets of Portland and possibly find a job at some ordinary work at ordinary wages. Be very careful. It is not exactly what it seems, and reminds one very much of the influx of people into a mining camp, each expecting to strike a vein of high-grade ore. Only a few strike it. So, if you are well situated in the country, don't be too anxious to make a change. You can be as great a patriot as building ships. It is not a test of your loyalty to stay away from the centers of population today, and it may be a test of your pocketbook before you find what you want.

At the shippards there is a crowd of men every morning waiting to get employment. A certain foreman appears and looks the men over, learning from their registration what they are best suited to do. A few are chosen and the many wait their way back to the city to await in suspense the next day's opening of the gate. These are undisputed facts and by thinking this article over seriously the boy in the smaller city or in the country may be spared the expense of a trip to the city and a great deal of dead time before landing any kind of a position.

Just at present there is a firm opinion crystallizing in the minds of many people in Oregon that the better way to handle everything during the war period is to adopt the McComber plan, which provides that the government shall enlist every male citizen who is over eighteen years of age and under sixty. Should this be done everyone between these ages would be under draft and subject to government orders. If the government saw fit to place a man in a different line of employment than that which he was following it would immediately be done. Wages would be made uniform, probably not the same amount paid the boys in the trenches, but at least there would be a wage scale sufficient upon which to live, and that is all any one should expect when the nation is in peril. By enlisting such an army of men the industrial trial life of the nation would be eased for as well as the military side. And there would be no jealousy because one was paid a higher wage than another. Just when official Washington will begin to look with favor upon such a law no one can tell, but surely it is in the minds of many sound-thinking men and women at the present time.

CHURCH SERVICES ENCOURAGE

The services in the Christian church yesterday were considered the most helpful and encouraging of the season.

At the morning hour, after a discourse on the "Spiritual Palm Tree" nine persons responded to the invitation of the pastor to enter the sacred service of the church. At 7:30 the corresponding secretary for Oregon missions, Mrs. C. F. Swander, gave a most interesting and stirring illustrated lecture on the progress of missions. The pictures were clear and suggestive.

Joseph Supplies Belgian Relief

(Arthur S. Rudd.)

JOSEPH, March 23.—(Special.)—Breezy cool days, with beautiful, warm spring nights is the rather strange program of weather which Joseph is enjoying at present. But best of all are the moonlit nights.

Mr. William Morelock returned the last of the week from a business trip to Ontario.

Mrs. S. Morgan returned home last week from a visit to her old home in Oakesdale from Washington, where one of her sons is in business.

The remaining work on pictures for the Jo-Hi Anna, was done Friday by T. O. Jave, of Enterprise. The pictures as a whole are much better this year than last, when pictures had to be re-taken so often.

From the time since the snow left work has been done on our city streets, rendering them very fine indeed, making joy-riding quite a joy, in fact.

John Desler, who has been employed as a mechanic in one of our Enterprise garages for the last few months, has enlisted and on Sunday left for his training camp. John was in Joseph a few days before his departure visiting with his parents.

James Blankley of Enterprise was up on Saturday on business.

Both talks which Mrs. Jennie M. Kemp delivered on Food Conservation last Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning were heard by a large crowd. Mrs. Kemp is quite well known here, having made several trips to Joseph in the interests of prohibition in years past. Both talks were interesting and instructive and well enjoyed by all who heard them.

The basket social and dance which the Red Cross ladies staged in Roup Hall last Saturday night was a big success both from the financial point of view, as nearly \$250 was cleared, and also because such a fine time was enjoyed.

The Joseph streets are now just right for joy riding. It is said that City Marshal Patton has just purchased a new stop watch.

Miss Emma Shanafelt and Miss Beatrice Lanphere were Enterprise visitors the last of the week.

Dwite French of Enterprise spent Saturday in our city.

His many friends will be glad to know that H. T. Boone, who was formerly connected with the First National Bank of Joseph, has been appointed as bank examiner. Since leaving Joseph Mr. Boone and family have lived in Baker.

Last Friday noon the girls of Miss Strachan's domestic science class at the high school served a fine luncheon to the school faculty.

Miss Bethel Hammaek and Mr. Guy Davis were united in marriage by Rev. Trueblood at Wallowa last Wednesday night. Both young people have been attending Wallowa High School this winter, but Mr. Davis has gone to school for three years in Joseph and is well known here, being one of the debate team who went from Joseph last year to Eugene, when he and his colleague won State championship.

With a quota of a third of a ton, or about 650 pounds, Joseph went "over the top" by sending about 1,200 pounds of garments to the Belgian Relief headquarters in the recent drive. J. Ross Leslie, ably assisted by his willing assistant, directed the collection.

Intensive practice is now going on in preparation for the High School operetta, "The Nautical Knot," each afternoon and evening. Mrs. Parker, the director, says that it will be ready for production soon.

The Service flag, which was presented to the High School recently by the girls of "My America League," now contains twenty stars, one for each Joseph High School boy who has enlisted.

The fishing season opens soon and many Joseph fishermen are oil-



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ing up their rods, looking over their tackle supply and getting ready generally for the big fish.

Mrs. E. A. Shanafelt spent Saturday morning in Enterprise.

Next Sunday the M. E. Sunday School will unveil their service flag.

MARRIED

United in marriage at the Christian church parsonage Saturday evening, March 23, 1918, Claude M. Elby and Miss Vera M. Ingerson, Rev. H. L. Ford officiating.

At the Christian church parsonage at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 24, 1918, Cullen W. Friesvold and Nellie P. Smith, were united in marriage by Rev. H. L. Ford. The young folks are to move to a farm out in the valley.

The Pneumonia Season
 The cold, damp weather of March seems to be the most favorable for the pneumonia germ. Now is the time to be careful. Pneumonia often results from a cold. The quicker a cold is gotten rid of the less the danger. As soon as the first indications of a cold appears take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. As to the value of this preparation, ask anyone who has used it.—Adv.

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(Cincinnati, in the State of Ohio, on the thirty-first day of December, 1917, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law.)

CAPITAL	\$2,000,000.00
Amount of capital stock paid up	1,711,475.20
Total premium income	1,190,000.00
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	875,250.00
Income from other sources received during the year	123,275.00
Total income	\$2,800,000.00
DISBURSEMENTS	
Paid for losses, endowments, annuities and surrenders	1,150,000.00
Expenses paid to policyholders during the year	1,150,000.00
Expenses paid on capital stock during the year	200,000.00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	250,000.00
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	100,000.00
Amount of all other expenditures	1,250,000.00
Total expenditures	\$1,950,000.00
ASSETS	
Market value of real estate owned	2,000,000.00
Market value of stocks and bonds owned	1,000,000.00
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	500,000.00
Premium notes and policy loans	1,000,000.00
Cash in banks and on hand	2,000,000.00
Not invested and deferred premiums	1,000,000.00
Other assets (if any)	1,000,000.00
Total assets	\$121,399,447.51
Less special deposits in any other life insurance company	1,000,000.00
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$120,399,447.51
LIABILITIES	
Net reserve	119,399,447.51
Total policy claims unpaid	100,000.00
All other liabilities	100,000.00
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock of \$2,000,000.00	\$119,399,447.51
Total liabilities in force December 31, 1917	\$121,399,447.51
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Total insurance written during the year	2,000,000.00
Gross premiums received during the year	1,190,000.00
Premiums returned during the year	200,000.00
Losses and claims paid during the year	1,150,000.00
Expenses and claims incurred during the year	1,150,000.00
Total amount of insurance outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1917	1,200,000.00

THE UNION CENTRAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.
 JOHN D. SAUNDERS, Vice President.
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 WILLIAM F. STILES, STATE MANAGER.
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