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FOR PERMANENT PEACE.

A number of people of this vicinity are included in the list of invited guests at the three days' session of the "Win the War for Permanent Peace" to be held in Philadelphia May 16, 17 and 18.

KEEP THE HOME WIRES RUNNING

What's the use of having a nice lot of Electric Equipment, and part of it out of order—out of commission?
Electric Service is available at the snap of the switch.

NASH ELECTRIC CO.

What is America in this war for except to smite the Prussian idea so thoroughly that it will never again have the opportunity or the means wherewith to enforce its brutal authority over the world?

What are the brave American boys now standing the brunt of the German horde in France there for but to slay the Philistines hip and thigh?

Why are others called to go in a steady stream and to go in such numbers as may be required, but to blot Prussianism off the face of the earth?

There can be no other kind of peace but permanent peace, and no permanent peace until the German military spirit is put out of business.

Of course, it will be a hard job. The German organization has been in course of perfection for two generations, while its inception goes back into the centuries.

But that will not make any difference in the great business in which America is assuming her part—the business of smashing the reptile's head and smashing it so hard that even its tail can't wriggle.

Oregonians and the people of Union county in particular need no further urging to maintain their solid stand for a permanent peace by a permanent victory over the Hun.

HOLDING 'EM.

When Field Marshal Haig reports a thing, it can be put down as a straight. Friday, when the artillerying made the green fields a "seething hell" there was no report from the British Field Marshal.

Saturday, Haig's report said: "The enemy is being held everywhere." That one report means more at this critical time than hundreds of lines describing movements around the various places, the names of which no one tries to accurately pronounce.

But in the detailed reports there is comfort in knowing that the enemy was too exhausted to make further advance.

That drive through that looked so imminently possible will not be accomplished because Haig says "We are holding them." That is enough to know that this third spasm of von Hindenburg to break through it is on the eve of a collapse, just as the previous attempts turned out.

There is nothing in the news, outside of the losses unavoidable in the gallant defense, that should cause any worry or misgiving.

It is more fun to watch your money grow than watch it go. Buy War Savings Stamps.

CHANGE IN LINEUP

Mrs. Harley Smith, Collector; Mrs. Morrison News Hustler.
By a change in arrangement, Mrs. Harley Smith, who has been on the news gathering force of the Observer, now has charge of the subscription collections and is succeeded in the news department by Mrs. Edna S. Morrison, a well known La Grande resident of former years.

MANY WERE DISAPPOINTED.

L. J. Simpson Decided Not To Talk On Sunday Night.

A big crowd of people attended the Star Theater last evening with a double object in view, to see Bill Hart on the screen and to listen to the oratory of L. J. Simpson.

Mr. Simpson, who returned to La Grande last evening from Enterprise and other centers on the branch line, decided that inasmuch as the day was the Sabbath and any speech from him might tempt some who might otherwise attend church, to abandon their usual Sunday evening habit, he would refrain from again addressing residents of La Grande until after the primaries.

He expressed himself last evening as extremely appreciative of the kindness that has been extended to him while in this section and is full of confidence in the ultimate result which, he and many of his friends believe, will find him the republican nominee.

U. S. N. R. OFFICERS ARRIVE

Among the arrivals in the city on Saturday night were Lt. Dr. G. E. Briscoe and Ensign H. M. Delanty, both of the U. S. Naval Reserve, who will open a recruiting office for that branch of the service in the Foley Building.

Lt. Dr. Briscoe was formerly of Ashland, and it did not take him long to become acquainted with residents here who know many of his Ashland friends.

Ensign Delanty, in civilian life, was one of the best known stevedores on the Pacific coast, and among the old friends he met shortly after his arrival here were L. J. Simpson, the gubernatorial candidate, and Hugh G. Ball, of the Observer staff, both of whom Ensign Delanty knew on Coos Bay.

ELKS' INITIATION.

About Twenty New Members Taken Into The Local Lodge.

About twenty "Baby Elks" were wandering around rather aimlessly Friday morning, having strayed from the main herd, into which they were inducted with appropriate ceremonies at the regular meeting of La Grande Lodge No. 423 held Thursday evening.

The ritual work ended with a banquet and speeches in which "Louie" Simpson, gubernatorial candidate, gave an interesting talk along fraternal lines.

The meeting was one of the most interesting held by the local lodge in a long time.

MRS. ROBT. COTNER ARRIVES.

Mrs. Robt. Cotner and child have arrived from Portland to join Mr. Cotner, who is foreman of the Observer mechanical department. Mrs. Cotner was a well-known La Grande reared young lady and her many friends will be pleased to know of her return to this city.

FOR BILIOUS TROUBLES.

To promote a healthy action of the liver and correct the disorders caused by biliousness, Chamberlain's Tablets are excellent. Try them and see how quickly they give you a relish for your food and banish that dull and stupid feeling.

TOWNSHIP MAPS.

Showing vacant land, present land owners, streams, railroads, etc. R. R. Neal, County Surveyor, office in City Hall, over Fire Department—Adv. 4-23-18t pd.

ADDITIONAL UNIFORMS COME.

Twenty additional uniforms for the La Grande Home Guard have reached authorities here, and will be issued to the men tonight. This will permit practically every officer and man in the battalion to appear in uniform at tomorrow night's review and muster. All members of the guard who haven't received uniforms are ordered to report at the barracks this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

IN TOKEN OF ESTEEM.

Resolutions Adopted By La Grande Ministerial Association.

Whereas the Reverend H. L. Ford has resigned his pastorate and is about to leave our city:

Resolved, that we his fellow members of the Ministerial Association, put on record our esteem for him as a Christian brother and worker, and our regard for his personal piety and character.

We sincerely regret the severance of the ties of fellowship which have bound us together, and our hearts will follow him in his new venture, which he undertakes at his country's call while that work is of a secular nature, yet under the peculiar circumstances of the present necessity, we feel that "laborare est orare," and both the worker and the work are thereby hallowed.

We pray that the sowing he has faithfully and patiently done here, for the Master and man, may produce abundantly, and that at the gathering in of the sheaves, he may see of the travail of his soul and be satisfied.

We commend him and his family to God's gracious keeping. May the Lord bless them and keep them in all their ways.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Observer for publication and one also be given to Rev. Ford.

G. H. FEESE.
W. B. SMITH.
C. H. PHIPPS.
U. H. GIBBS.

JUNIOR RED CROSS NOTES.

Juniors are requested to send at once to the Elks' building the following:

Jokey books, gun wipers, checker boards, puzzles.

Be sure that gun wipers are in bundles of 100 each, strung on a strong thread.

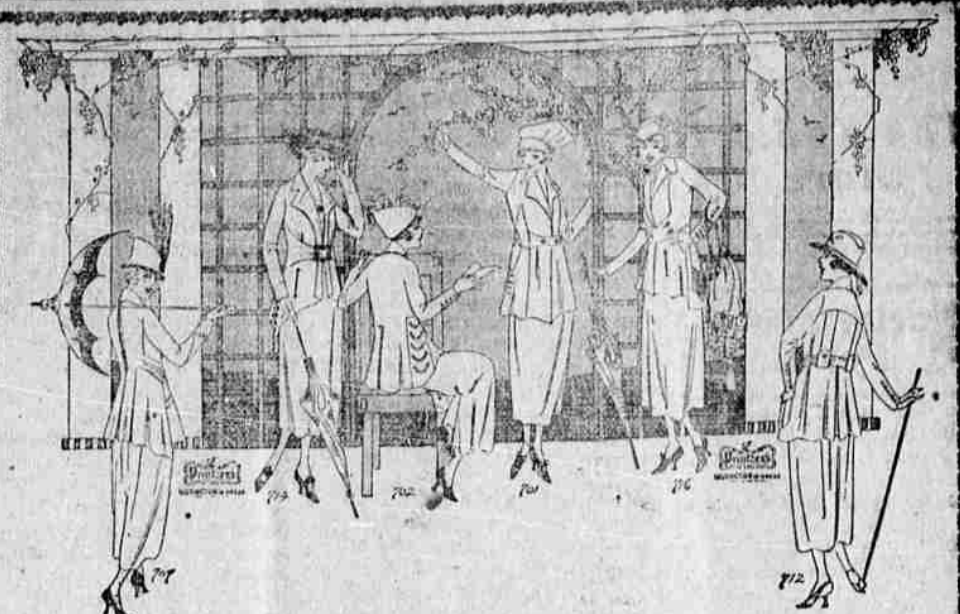
Shipments from the Juniors are coming into headquarters from every branch. These will be sent to the division in a few days.

RED TAPE CUT OUT.

Oregon Fuel Consumers Need Not Make Written Application.

Through the intercession of Fred J. Holmes, state fuel administrator, the people of Oregon who are consumers of fuel are not required to make written application for their supplies as was previously announced. This cuts out a lot of unnecessary red tape.

Mr. Holmes took the stand with the National Fuel Administration that Oregonians are being urged



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COATS FROM \$12.50 TO \$60.00
SUITS FROM \$25.00 TO \$65.00

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to put in their fuel supplies early and that he had considered enforcement of the application blank order was an unnecessary inconvenience to the public and a useless expense to the fuel dealers.

The National Fuel Administration accepted Mr. Holmes' view of the situation and Oregon is exempt from the order requiring written applications.

Mr. Holmes has received advice from Washington, however, that conditions point to another fuel shortage this winter unless consumers lay in their supplies now. This refers to those who may depend on rail shipments, as the congested condition of transportation may compel slow movements when the critical need for fuel is felt.

FOR CORONER.

The undersigned announces that he is a candidate for the Republican nomination for the office of county coroner at the primary election to be held May 17, 1918. My pledge

is "I will perform the duties of the office according to law."

J. C. HENRY.

FOR CORONER.

Farmers when in La Grande should see the Portable grain bin at Child's Auto Livery. Leave name and solicitor will call later in the season.

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You Half-Sole Your Shoes



Why not Your Tires?



GATES Quality TUBES

The Tube with the Test Sample Attached
Gates "Quality" Tubes are sold at a price lower than any other tube on the market in the same class. Yet your discounts are higher. It is a matter of service to you. Anticipate your needs and order at once. Come In and Investigate.

Gates Half Sole Station

1105 Foley Hotel Building.

Mr. Grain Farmer:

Are you prepared to handle your grain in bulk? Do not wait until Spring and Summer when you are hurried with work and worried with labor shortage, but build your granaries now.

You can buy the lumber and roofing paper for a first-class 1000 bushel portable granary for \$34.58 and it will last for years. Sacks for the same amount of grain will cost you \$125.00 and this would be a dead loss against this year's crop.

A granary of this size can be moved anywhere and can be filled directly from the thresher, doing away with high priced labor handling and sewing sacks.

The boys in the trenches need the sacks for sand bags for the protection of their very lives and perhaps your boy is among them.

Spent your money in your own valley by buying lumber manufactured at home. When you buy sacks part of the money goes to India.

BUILD YOUR GRANARIES NOW

Be prepared by building them before the farming season opens up. Be sure to get good lumber, well seasoned, as low grade lumber will give you trouble in a few seasons. Don't use green lumber.

Save money—keep what you spend at home—prevent loss and damage from exposure to weather—leave the sacks for our boys in the trenches; help win the war by building granaries now.

Portable granaries of this type are universally used in other sections. One trip with a good team will haul the material for one granary. For particulars as well as prices on Union County lumber for all farm purposes, see

The George Palmer Lumber Co.

LA GRANDE, OREGON

RUNNIN' RISKS!

Despite the prevalence of robbery, a few continue to keep money about their homes. In thus doing they are not only risking the loss of the money, but also their lives.

How much safer and better it would be if these people would bring their money to this bank.

You're not running this risk—are you?

Never despise a small beginning.

Remember, "The Lofly Oak From a Small Acorn Grows."

Member Federal Reserve System

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LA GRANDE, OREGON

WAR BREAD

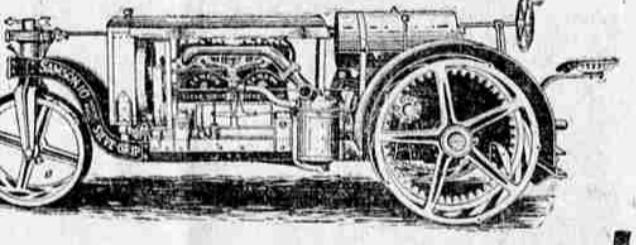
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