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"My Country 'Tis of Thee, Sweet Land of Liberty."

SUGAR DISTRIBUTION.

While the matter of securing sugar for canning purposes has been given out in a more or less vague way, it has been understood that there will be no close limit set on the amount that may be bought through local dealers. The whole proposition is covered in a circular of information sent out by the government.

Distribution of sugar to meet this summer's canning demands will be under a modified certificate system, in order to make sure that home canners may obtain sufficient sugar to preserve perishable fruits and at the same time to place a check upon those who would endeavor to obtain unreasonable quantities for household consumption. The check on consumption will be exercised through the retailers—considered a much more satisfactory method than the card system adopted in other countries—chiefly to guard against temporary shortages that may occur if more vessels are diverted from the Cuban trade, and at the same time to assure a supply adequate to meet the extensive demand hoped for from home canners.

Retail dealers in all States will be provided by their Federal Food Administration with certificates which must be signed by the consumers before they obtain the amount of sugar needed for home canning. Each certificate has blank spaces for the name of the dealer, the signature and address of the consumer, and the amount needed for canning and preserving purposes only. The certificate must be returned within one week after it is signed to the Federal Food Administrator for the State in which the purchase is made.

In order to build up reserve stocks to take care of the canning demand, jobbers are now permitted to hold sugar sufficient to meet their needs for 60 instead of 30 days. Where necessity demands Federal food administrators will have authority to allow the sale of more than 1,000 pounds—the present limit—to retailers. The prescribed limits of retail sales for other than canning purposes will still be maintained—not over 5 pounds to people living in cities; not more than 10 pounds to those living in the country.

Commercial canners in every State will be allowed to increase immediate purchases and gradually to accumulate sufficient sugar to meet full requirements of their 1918 canning operations. The new regulation which permits canners to carry a season's supply does not, however, extend the latitude to manufacturers of less essential foodstuffs.

EARLY BUYING WEEK.

The U. S. Fuel Administration announces the first week in June as "Early Buying" week, when extensive efforts will be made to have all coal consumers, not already having done so, place their orders for the year's supply. While the record of coal orders is quite satisfactory to the Fuel Administration, it is particularly desirous that coal ordering reach 100 per cent with the close of the "Early Buying" week.

State and county and local fuel administrators in the various communities of the country will arrange for the community demonstrations, programs of which will be announced in advance.

The Fuel Administration is concerned in getting out of the way as much of the delivery of coal for domestic consumption as will be possible before the cold season begins, so that the hardships experienced last winter may be avoided as far as possible. The steady increase of production witnessed during the past few weeks is attributed in no small degree to the activity of the Fuel Administration in urging the early ordering of coal and the patriotic response of the people in co-operating. With the 1st of July delivery of additional locomotives and coal cars under the recent orders of the Railway Administration will begin, so that it may be expected that the late summer months will witness a marked increase in the transportation of coal. In addition, more than 100 vessels are now on their way from the Great Lakes to the Atlantic Ocean for use in transporting coal to New England and Atlantic ports.

While the Fuel Administration is not in position to assure the people a full supply of coal during the coming season, there is reason to hope for considerable increase of production and better facilities for distribution, than in the preceding year.

A STRONG ENDORSEMENT

W. Lair Thompson Favors Bruce Dennis As National Committeeman To the Republicans of Oregon:

For some weeks the newspapers of Oregon have carried advertisements urging the re-election of Ralph E. Williams to the important office of National Committeeman. From business associates, Mr. Williams has secured endorsements pointing to the fact that the State of Oregon was carried for Mr. Hughes in 1916, and asserting that much credit for this should be accorded Mr. Williams for bringing the so-called Progressives and Stand-pat Republicans together, isn't it about time to review the

GARDNER'S FORMER AID SUCCEEDS HIM



WILLFRED W. LUFKIN

Meet Representative Lufkin of Massachusetts. He was for 15 years secretary and political adviser to the late Augustus F. Gardner, whom he succeeds. Gardner, long the chief preparedness advocate of the House, gave up his seat when America entered the war and became a major in the army. He died recently from illness in camp.

record of the party under the Williams' leadership, to ascertain whether he has done something for the party, or to it?

In 1910 Oswald West was elected governor of Oregon, carrying the then home county of National Committeeman Williams by a large majority—a county that is normally Republican and in which Mr. Williams insisted no campaigning should be done by the Republicans as he would deliver it—and he did.

During the Williams' leadership, Oregon has elected none but Democrats to the United States Senate, and the state voted for Wilson for President in 1912.

Those Democrats who have always been active in Republican politics—who have maintained an entirely too close relationship with certain men who register as Republicans—are now showing their apprehension lest Williams be defeated. I, for one, am ready for a new deal.

Those who assert that Mr. Williams brought the party together in 1916 have forgotten the record. I charge that Mr. Williams was instrumental in disrupting the party in 1912—that his utter flouting of all Roosevelt claims at Chicago contributed to the unfortunate result of the convention, and was at the time denounced by Oregon Republicans attending the convention.

Today the Republican party, the great war party of the United States, is looking for a national leader. As one who was not for Roosevelt in 1912, I am firmly convinced that all signs point to Mr. Roosevelt for President in 1920. Do you want to approach that campaign with Williams, well known as one of the manipulators of the Anti-Roosevelt steamroller in 1912, again at the throttle? If we should be successful with Mr. Roosevelt in 1920, do you want our chief spokesman to be a man who must be persona non grata to Mr. Roosevelt?

As one who has been at times criticized for the stand-pat character of my Republicanism, I am for a rejuvenation of the Republican party by electing a National Committeeman who is known to be a friend of Theodore Roosevelt, who has never been suspected of alignment with those in the twilight zone between the Republican and Democratic parties, and whose record of Republican leadership is not a succession of Democratic victories.

I am for Bruce Dennis for National Committeeman and solicit your active support for Dennis if you want to see a Republican success.

Very Truly,
W. LAIR THOMPSON.

Y. M. C. A. NEWS

The Ladies' Class at The Y. M. C. A. Gym said "My how clean everything smells" and after the name of Volley Ball, they said they had played without soiling their hands.

The swimming pool has just had the last coat of enamel paint and as soon as it is thoroughly hard, swimming will be in order. An aquatic meet is one of the events of the near future. Last evening the Finance Committee held a meeting and put into the hands of the secretary a list of delinquent memberships, when this list is "cleaned up" then the Y. will be in good shape, many of our readers can help in this by calling and finding out how their membership stands. La Grande can well be proud of this institution, and if all will help on this delinquent membership business between this and June 1st, the association will be in fine shape.

More entries are wanted for the Inter-City Race, which comes off Saturday afternoon, call and get the dope.

Tonight is the regular monthly meeting of the board of directors, which meets the third Wednesday of each month.

Classes were in full swing last evening under the direction of Ted Thye and A. W. Nelson as physical directors.

WALLOWA VOTES FOR SEWER SYSTEM

WALLOWA FARM IS SOLD—SMITH MOUNTAIN SCHOOL CLOSED—FIFTY-THREE STATES IN SERVICE FLAG—JUNIOR CLASS PLAY.

WALLOWA, May 14. (Special)—Monday afternoon the local Red Cross shipped 600 cotton pads to headquarters in La Grande. There were 250 irrigation pads, 250, "8x12" cotton pads and 100, "12x34" cotton pads. The ladies have been handicapped on this order from the time they received it, being unable to get material with which to work, but by working almost double time they had the order ready for shipment five days before the time expired.

G. S. Templeton is suffering from a stroke of paralysis which attacked him Monday.

The twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Flannery died Saturday, May 11, and were Sunday afternoon.

Miss Effie Finley closed a successful term of school in Dist. No. 1, last Tuesday.

Mrs. Willard Lewis of Lostine visited her sister, Mrs. Jasper Bogue last week.

Mrs. A. B. Hall returned from Portland Sunday where she has been a couple of weeks with her husband who has been receiving medical treatment. Mr. Hall's health is much improved.

Miss Lois Mitchell, who is taking nurses' training in a hospital in Spokane came in on Saturday's train to spend her vacation of three weeks, with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mitchell.

Last week W. G. Wylie sold his farm about seven miles east of town to T. A. Williams of Milton. C. C. McKeown will have charge of the farm.

The ladies of the Christian church served a chicken supper Saturday to a large crowd. The ladies of the church bought a Liberty Bond and the proceeds of the supper were applied to it.

Roy Conklin went to Enterprise last Saturday to meet with the executive committee of the Tri-County Teachers association.

Miss Mabel Bell closed a successful term of school on Smith Mountain last Friday.

Attorney Green of La Grande, city attorney for Wallowa, was in town last week on business.

Lawrence Goebel, a senior in high school went to Baker last week to take the civil service examination.

Last Wednesday a community service flag was dedicated at the Christian church after a patriotic program was rendered. The flag contains 53 stars which represent boys who have lived in our community at some time. Two of these stars are gold and stand for Alfred Hagen and Horace Owens who died in France. The blue stars are for the following boys: Eugene Alford, Bruce Braice, Lawrence Brown, John Clenoweth, Wm Cobb, Glen Cramer, Wm Clay, N. T. Combs, Virgil Coverstone, Ralph Couch, Hugh Daugherty, Clarence French, Heber Greer, Ray Hendricks, Kenneth Hall, Ross Hood, Floyd Hylton, Myron Hayes, Chas. Hayes, Ray Johnson, Lester Jackson, Roy Kruse, Henry Murphy, James Merrill, Scott McClaran, Wm B. McKenzie, Donald Medaniel, Roy McNeas, Ashford McGinns, Harold Longwell, Lee Orr, Mike O'Brien, Orell Poole, Harry Purcell, Charles Richards, George Richards, Stanley Shell, Harold Soden, Arthur Southwick, Fred Southwick, Frank Southwick, Lawrence Southwick, Ralph Southwick, John Schant, J. C. Thompson, Chas. Thompson, Stewart Tulley, John Womack, Osborne Womack, Glenn West, Alva L. Young.

Roscoe Neil, city engineer for Wallowa, came in from La Grande last Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Emma G. McKinney, Supreme Chief of the State of Oregon for the Pythian Sisters was in town last Friday visiting the Wallowa lodge.

Mr. Howe of Eugene is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Jasper Bogue.

The Junior Class of the High School presented the play "Mr. Tompkin's Hired Man" at the gym last Friday evening to a full house. The proceeds or about fifty dollars, will be used for the school.

Mr. Hector McDonald entertained the Wallowa Card Club and a few invited guests last Thursday afternoon at her beautiful country home west of town.

The two measures which were voted upon Friday in the city election carried. One measure was an amendment to the city charter and the other was to bond the city for a sewer system. About one hundred and twenty five votes were cast.

Do You Enjoy Life?
 A man in good physical condition is almost certain to enjoy life, while the bilious and dyspeptic are discontented, do not enjoy their meals and feel miserable a good share of the time. This ill feeling is best always necessary. A few of Chamberlain's Tablets to tone up the stomach, improve the digestion and regulate the bowels in all that is needed. Try it.

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1000 PICKERS ARE NEEDED

Hood River Growers Prepare for Opening of Strawberry Season

HOOD RIVER, Ore., May 15.—A. W. Stone, executive manager of the Apple Growers' association, will go to Portland tomorrow for a conference with Federal employment bureau officials, who will furnish the strawberry pickers for the coming strawberry harvest.

Mr. Stone says that the outlook for sufficient laborers appears good at the present. The Hood River valley will need approximately 1000 girls and women for the work. Pickers will be nearly two weeks earlier than last year and the picking season will begin about May 25.

WRITE HIS NAME ON THE BALLOT AND VOTE FOR Roscoe Neal

Fr County Surveyor Present Acting Incumbent Paid adv.



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Grants Pass, Oregon. Republican Candidate for Public Service Commissioner

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FRIDAY, MAY 17 Vote 18 X CHARLES L. McMAPPY

READ THE FOLLOWING ESTIMATE OF HIS WORTH BY HIRAM W. JOHNSON, U. S. SENATOR FROM CALIFORNIA, AS PUBLISHED IN PORTLAND OREGONIAN, MAY 14, 1918.

McNARY IS LAUDED

SENATOR CREDIT TO STATE, SAYS CALIFORNIA MEMBER

ABILITY AND VISION

In Amendment to Food Control Bill Oregon Man Has Rendered Service to Country, Hiram Johnson Declares.

Washington, D. C., May 18.—(Special).—Senator Hiram W. Johnson of California, today gave out the following statement concerning the amendment to the food control bill recently introduced in the Senate by Senator Charles L. McNary.

"It is my firm conviction that Senator McNary has rendered the people of this country signal service in calling to the attention of Congress the shortcomings of the present food control bill and pointing a clear way for correction of the evils it contains.

"For two or three years the producers and consumers have seen prices steadily advance until we find great hardship falling upon the masses of the people who are unable to earn wages commensurate with the cost of right living. It is my belief that this bill, if passed by Congress, will do great service in lowering the cost of the plain necessities of life by effectually removing the heartless profiteer whose gluttony surpasses human understanding. I believe Senator McNary is doing a commendable work and should have the support of all patriotic citizens who place the interests of the many above the avarice of the few.

"In this bill, as in his career as Senator, Mr. McNary has shown his ability, his vision and his statesmanship. We are grateful to the State of Oregon for having given us such a Senator. He reflects credit upon his State and does honor to the Nation." Paid adv. John P. Rusk of La Grande.

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