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### PROBE WILL BE THOROUGH

All will commend the judgment of President Wilson in selecting Judge Charles Evan Hughes as an assistant to the attorney-general in the official probe in the aircraft production. At the same time Judge Hughes is to be equally commended in taking on the job, which he is no doubt actuated to do as a matter of patriotic citizenship. With such a man behind the probe there will be no uneasiness throughout the country that the investigation will not be rapid and thorough and that nothing will be covered up or whitewashed, no matter from what source the dereliction may come. Judge Hughes already has record in such affairs and his work was without spectacular appendages and for no other purpose than that of seeing equal and exact justice prevail.

When the insolence of "big business," as fostered and practiced by the insurance companies of New York and elsewhere, descended to the level of brigandage, it was Judge Hughes of New York, who stripped the masks from the robbers and made them scatter to the woods. That was a feat accomplished when it was not only a man's job, but in reality a job for several men, as the insurance transactions which preceded the final exposure were handled with the adroitness that is the necessary accomplishment of the polished crook. Moreover, a high quality of courage was required to set at defiance the well-entrenched syndicate of swindlers composing the insurance ring.

Judge Hughes is probably better qualified in the way of experience to handle the big probe than any other man in the United States, and the chief executive is right in advising the quick-triggered critics to hold off and let a man do the job who knows how to do it.

### LITTLE INTEREST TAKEN.

Unless there is a pronounced speeding up during the later hours of the day a small vote will be cast in the primary nominating election. The main reason for this apparent lack of interest is without doubt the overshadowing issue that is at stake between Prussian autocracy and world-wide freedom. The voter who has relatives or friends—and those who have neither are mighty scarce—who are involved directly in the conflict, or who are liable at any time to go across, has but small interest in political candidates. By common consent partisanship has been largely subordinated and there is no expectancy of creating the usual interest on that score. The list of candidates, with very few exceptions, includes men who are prominent in the political affairs of the state and there is not so very much to create

a distinction between one and another. This may be the cause, but of course there are other reasons. It is a busy season, for one thing and those not directly in contact with the situation little realize to what extent the working power of this community has been depleted by the departure of about six hundred young men for the service. This lack of help is noticeable in many localities and the bulk of the work falls upon those who are still at home. There are scores and scores of people who are just now more interested in the matter of food production than they are in politics.

At the same time the primary election will not go entirely by default and if by any chance a nominee should get a place on the ticket, which he is not entitled, there will be another election in November.

### GRANGE RESOLUTIONS

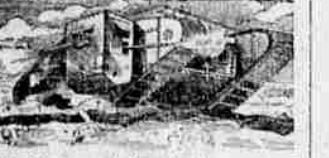
Whereas, the Grange is a non-sectarian and non-partisan order, and the State Grange at its last session at Astoria endorsed the non-partisan league, which is a political organization, and

Whereas, the whole people of Oregon under our laws are privileged largely through Grange effort to enact any law or set of laws whereby their will is made manifest by the use of the ballot, and therefore the State Grange of Oregon is fully able to act in representation of the farmers of the State, and we believe it should do so without any affiliation with any political league, which, while its efforts at present might be well actuated, but which nevertheless might fall into the hands of selfish persons seeking their own political ends.

Resolved: That in the judgment of the members of the Union County Pomona Grange, that no candidate for office violating the Corrupt Practice Act by the expenditure of large sums of money to advance his candidacy, is worthy of public trust or confidence, and it is the duty of the proper officers of the law to collect the evidence of such violation and see that the provisions of such act are strictly enforced.

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**TOWNSHIP MAPS.**  
 Showing vacant land, present land owners, streams, railroads, etc. R. R. Neal, County Surveyor, office in City Hall, over Fire Department.—Adv. 4-22-18t pd.



To drive a tank, handle the guns, and sweep over the enemy trenches, takes strong nerves, good rich blood, a good stomach, liver and kidneys. When the time comes, the man with red blood in his veins "is up and at it." He has iron nerves for hardships—an interest in his work grips him. That's the way you feel when you have taken a blood and nerve tonic, made up of Blood root, Golden Seal root, Stone root, Cherry bark, and rolled into a sugar-coated tablet and sold in sixty cent vials by almost all druggists for past fifty years as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This tonic, in liquid or tablet form, is just what you need this spring to give you vim, vigor and vitality. At the fall end of a hard winter, no wonder you feel "run-down," blue, out of sorts. Try this "Medical Discovery" of Dr. Pierce's. Don't wait! To-day is the day to begin! A little "pep," and you laugh and live.

The best means to oil the machinery of the body, put tone into the liver, kidneys and circulatory system, is to first practice a good house-cleaning. I know of nothing better as a laxative than a vegetable pill made up of May-apple, leaves of aloe and jalap. This is commonly sold by all druggists as Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, and should be taken at least once a week to clear the twenty-five feet of intestine. You will thus clean the system—expel the poisons and keep well. Now is the time to clean house. Give yourself a spring house cleaning.

## IMBLER HIGH SCHOOL WILL GIVE A PLAY

**WORK ON ELEVATOR PROGRESSING—WAR WORKERS BUSY—DEATH OF AN INFANT SON—MRS. CASSELL IS CALLED TO PORTLAND.**

IMBLER, May 12. (Special)—Mrs. Frank Martin and daughter, Estella arrived home Thursday from a several month's visit with relatives in Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Norval took in the dance in La Grande Friday evening.

A large force of men are now employed on the elevator and work is progressing very satisfactorily.

Dave McKinze has been hauling in lumber from his mill north of Summerville.

The Red Cross has been working for the past three days on account of the rush in the La Grande chapter.

George Ferguson came over from Union Friday to take charge of the Imbler drug store.

Joe Keown visited his mother, Mrs. J. H. Walker over Sunday.

Miss Marjorie Crook came over Saturday from Lostine to visit friends in Imbler.

Miss Elva Conklin, who has just closed a very successful term of school in Flora, returned home Sunday evening. She was accompanied by Miss Evelyn Hasbrook of Hood River. They will visit in Imbler for a few days then will go to Hood River for a visit.

Mrs. Frank Cassell was called to Portland Saturday by the serious illness of her grandmother.

Miss Benson, one of the Imbler school teachers, was taken to La Grande Tuesday when it was thought she would have to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Imbler High School will give a play Friday evening in the Amusement Hall.

Mrs. Pries and mother Mrs. Metcalf of La Grande visited Sunday at the home of Walter Stringman.

Jacob Pepper of Elgin has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wiggins.

Chas. Benschelder and family took in the Red Cross concert at Elgin Monday night.

Mrs. Robes and Mrs. Smith of Summerville visited with friends in Imbler Tuesday.

Archie Keown has moved out to the May farm.

The Red Cross society expect to have an auction sale Friday evening.

Mrs. Ray Wilson is just recovering from a severe attack of Liberty measles.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Bell died at their home in this city Saturday morning, and was laid away Sunday in the Summerville cemetery.

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## WHY RUSSIA FAILED ALLIES

**PICTURES OF GREAT TRAGEDY ENACTED IN LAND OF THE LITTLE FATHER.**

Everyone Should See The Real War Pictures Now Showing in La Grande.

Few of us, even those of us who are addicted to dep reading, have been able to fully appreciate the great tragedy that was enacted in Russia, and which ended, as far as the allies were concerned, in the signature at Brest-Litovsk of a separate and ignoble peace agreement between Russian socialists and German militarists. Fortunately there was one man—and an American at that—who, with marvelous courage, braved the terrors of the campaign on the Eastern front, to secure in animated pictures, a history of the events which preceded the catastrophe at Brest-Litovsk, and these five reels of pictures explain more to the people of America than all the news reports which survived the scrutiny of the censors at Petrograd and London, and reached America.

When we learn that Donald Thompson, for it was the well-known photographer of Leslie's weekly — was wounded on no less than four occasions while making exposures of his films, we are not surprised, because we realize that he must have been extremely fortunate in escaping the death that came to so many of those who passed only a few yards in front of his camera.

So many of the so-called war pictures that have been presented to the public have been composed of scenes of ruined towns and villages, base hospitals, firing of heavy artillery many miles behind the front lines, and sometimes the explosion of a shell, repeated until the photographer decided he had enough duplications of the explosion to give a fair representation of a bombardment. And other scenes, in which soldiers were shown going "over the top" were too often staged on the training field and were not made to

the accompaniment of bursting shells or in the face of a murderous machine gun fire.

The pictures now showing at the Star, under the title of "The German Curse in Russia," not only display the epoch-making scenes in Petrograd after Lenin and Trotsky displaced Kerensky and the red flag was run up above the Duma, but they show extensive battles in various sectors on the front. In one reel, a long section of trench is caught by the camera, and the men in the foreground are reproduced life-size. One is able to study the terrors of modern warfare from a comfortable chair, to see the soldiers in the trench duck as they hear the drone of the coming shell, watch the explosion only a few yards in front of the lines and also see the sagging form of a badly injured man as he drops on to his knees before rolling back into the trench. One also witnesses the sudden rush for gas masks, which are only just adjusted before a dense cloud of chlorine gas sweeps low over the trench, but fortunately without finding any of the men without their masks.

The great tragedy of the picture is that which depicts a company of Russians, big men with faces like docile children, going over the top to a German trench less than 60 yards away, and to see these fine men fall like wheat before hail is a sight that brings home to the spectator the hatefulness of war.

And after the handful of men who survived the merciless hail of shrapnel and machine gun fire, had reached and cleared the Germans from their trench, the camera picks up a private soldier, who is crawling from the wire entanglements with a desperately wounded officer on his back. Though his labor of love was in vain, for the officer falls dead from his shoulders, it is a touching tribute to the humanity that still persists even when man's vilest passions are roused. "Greater love hath no man."

These pictures, together with an official Red Cross film, will be shown at the Stag Theater tonight, and should be seen by everybody who is in any way interested in this great war—and who is not?

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