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WORK THAT COUNTS.

The County War Board's meeting yesterday got results. It is composed of representative citizens from every section of Union county—men who are heart and soul with their country, and the way they went to the heart of matters indicated beyond a doubt that the day of battling the air and thinking we have discharged our patriotic duty by merely waving the flag is over in Union county.

We are going into the war business. By the act of the board yesterday, wheat was banished from Union county homes. Not merely by word of mouth but reports will be rendered telling who have wheat stored in their homes, and the government will take charge of such cases. After settling what must be done relative to wheat, the Board took up the question of needed funds in the state to take care of war emergencies and petitions were started for placing the initiative measure on the ballot this fall to amend the constitution so that another mill tax may be added by the state.

But one of the most concrete things the Board did was to ask the county court by resolution and petition to appropriate \$250 a month for the purpose of taking care of the expense of collecting the war funds subscribed in the different drives and to attend to detail work which men who are very busy cannot well do.

The county court will acquiesce in this matter, for the Board in its resolution pledged the honor of every citizen attending to stand by the court even if the appropriation asked for caused the county expense to exceed the legal limit as now prescribed by law.

Thus, the afternoon's meeting bore results even larger than they appear at the present moment. Everyone present realized we must get down to the business of war—that this is not a spasmodic burst to be over in a short time, hence the cool, calm deliberation of Union county men and women with the usual excellent results which follow such deliberation.

SHOWING THEIR METTLE.

American troops have pulled off a good one in the Montdidier region by capturing an important point south of Amiens. They not only captured the place, but are holding it. And news of equal importance is that the capture was made with but slight losses. The feat is heralded with delight by the allied armies, who look upon it not so much from the size of the engagement as the spirit that is back of it.

We at home know that when the American soldiers are put to the test they will be found true blue and solid gold. They have just had an opportunity to show it and they have

not failed. The Germans may think they have something the best of it through generations of training and fierce ancestry, but they are not the equal in any of the essential points of a soldier of the boys who know how to fight and what they are fighting for. There is likely to be less sneering reference to the Americans from German sources from now on. The American soldier is the real thing.

Say, Teddy, wait until the last day of school to whip Teacher Woodrow. In the meantime let us all petition the President to turn the Mexican situation over to T. R., and he will clean it up in double quick time. Teddy to command the armies on the Mexican border would be as good a stroke of homemade diplomacy by the President as the selection of Charles E. Hughes to investigate the airplane situation.

It is about time for Oswald and Charley to issue some sort of senatorial manifesto.

Our old friend, Jim Linn, of Salem, has quit politics and taken unto himself a bride. Here's to you, may happiness forever be yours.

That was a fine lunch of boys who met La Grande people last evening. They are real fellows and will make a great showing with the Expeditionary forces.

Good luck, boys, may you come back to us hale and hearty.

The cold weather has set the grain back in the Grande Ronde valley to really an alarming extent. Of course, we still have lots of wheat, that is something this valley always has, but the bumper crop is not nearly so cheerful looking as it was a short time ago. Another excellent reason for abolishing wheat from the tables of Union county.

All honor to the Honor Guard girls and other ladies of La Grande for the fine reception accorded the boys last evening.

Mr. Perley, of the O. W., is thoroughly serious when he advises everyone to buy their coal now. He has just returned from Chicago, where he attended a meeting of the fuel administrators of the nation and he knows what he is talking about.

GEN. WOOD WILL STAY.

Pershing's Request Has Approval Of The Administration.

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 29.—It is flatly stated by a war department official that General Wood will be relegated to the command of the western department on Pershing's recommendation. The administration has merely accomplished Pershing's request.

SUPPOSED TO BE INSANE

The police department picked up today an old man named Wm. J. Pansey, who is supposed to be insane. His case will probably be submitted for official examination on a charge as above indicated.

MEETING POSTPONED

The Directors' meeting of the Union-Wallowa Counties Fire Association, which was to have been held last evening, was postponed until Thursday evening of this week.

SHE WOULD PROTECT INDIANS FROM DRUG



Mrs. Bonnin, a Sioux Indian, is in Washington trying to get legislation which will prevent the sale of peyote, a drug much the same in its effects as opium, to the Indians. She's a writer, public speaker, violinist and pianist. Her husband is a U. S. army lieutenant.

GREAT LEAVE-TAKING.

Swarms Of People At Train To Bid The Boys Good Bye.

It seemed like nearly the whole populace was out this morning when the boys were taking the train to go to the military camp. The number who came to say good bye was not by any means limited to the relatives and friends of the boys, but it was apparent that all who could be present were on hand to bid the young men God-speed and good luck. The same train which carried away the Union county young men also had those from Baker county, who are headed for the same destination, Fort McDowell, Cal.

WILL FILE CHARGES.

Public Service Commissioner Makes Complaint Against Railroad

SALEM, May 29.—(By United Press.)—Public Service Commissioner Corey announced today that he will file charges against the O. W. R. & N. with the interstate commerce commission unless the railroad voluntarily adopts freight rates which will absorb branch line charges on chrome ore shipped over the Sumpter Valley Railroad, and apples shipped from points on the Hood River branch line and the Great Southern.

Corey has received a letter that the Sumpter Valley Railroad may not remain under federal control.

RED CROSS FUND GROWS

The Sisters of St. Francis Academy today turned over to the Red Cross the sum of \$80.00 as the proceeds of the entertainment given by the pupils yesterday. Mrs. Cahoon gave Mrs. Goodhue, secretary of the La Grande chapter, \$33.10 which was realized from the auction sale of a night gown.

Ancient Silver Coin.

A coin which is regarded as the most ancient in the world was recently discovered by an archaeologist during his explorations in North Syria. It is a coin of pure silver, bearing a perfect Aramian inscription of Panamu Bar Berub, king of Samuad, who reigned 800 years B. C. Up to the time this coin was unearthed the Lydians had always been regarded as the inventors of money, but this find showed that the Scythic Aramians, who lived two centuries before the Lydians, are the oldest known makers of money.

Africa a Large Block of Land.

Nearly one-fourth of the earth's surface is comprised within the continent of Africa, and it is as far around the coast of Africa as it is around the world. Every eighth person of the world's population lives in the dark continent. The blacks double their number every 40 years and white every 80 years. There are 843 languages and dialects spoken among the blacks of Africa, but only a few of them written.—Vancouver Daily Sun.

Daily Thought.

Degrees infinite of lustre there must always be, but the weakest among us has a gift, however seemingly trivial, which is peculiar to him and which, worthily used, will be a gift also to his race forever.—Ruskin.

SOME CORSET FACTS



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GERMAN SAILORS CAPTURED.

Crew Of Submarine Taken By An American Destroyer.

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 29.—(By United Press.)—The Navy Department has announced that seventeen German submarine sailors were captured by an American destroyer. The submarine had just sunk the British steamer Innisarra. The prisoners were landed at a British port.



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RESIST SUCCESSIVE ATTACKS.

PARIS, May 29.—(By United Press.)—American troops have broken up two successive German attacks on the newly-captured town of Catigny, a French official report says.

SCORED TWENTY VICTORIES

PARIS, May 27.—Captain de Ulho, it is announced, has won his 20th aerial victory. The Captain was a partner of the late Captain Galmener, the famous French Ace. Lieutenant Kiss, reputed to be the leading Austrian aviator, has been killed in an aerial battle, according to a dispatch from Bern.

ATTENTION MILITIA

All members of the 4th Separate BM. Ore. State Militia are ordered to report at Rex Hall and assemble with their respective Companies at 10:15 a. m., Thursday, May 30, to participate in the Memorial day parade.

H. E. Coolidge, Major Comdr. 5-29-11

ATTENTION CO. "B"

The drill ordered for tonight is hereby cancelled, but every member of Co. B. 4th Battalion, O. S. M., will report at the Armory tomorrow morning, Thursday, May 30th, at 10 o'clock. By order of Company Commander.

J. H. Peare.

WILL CLOSE TOMORROW

All business houses in La Grande will close tomorrow at 10 o'clock in the morning and remain closed for the balance of the day, on account of Decoration Day.

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