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MOVING ALONG.

Upwards of 10,000 of the enemy have been captured on the west front, chiefly where there are Americans, and on the Italian border—all within the past week. These are not taken in comparison with the whole number of the forces engaged, but they are significant. The offensive movement along the small sectors have been attended with success and small as they may seem they are quite in contrast with the expected big German drive, which was supposed to be due along the western front at any minute. The enemy is kept busy combatting the continuous onslaughts without undertaking a concerted movement on a large scale.

While there are no grounds to become unduly optimistic, the events of the past week, if kept up any length of time will have an effect. It is entirely within the possibilities that the fifth big drive will not come off. Not much larger force of Americans and Australians, to say nothing of the hardened stubbornness of the English and French, will be needed to put the eternal quietus on any drive which the German forces may attempt. But regardless of the military plans that may be laid out ahead on either side the fact cannot be lost that it makes a difference when the individual combatants are "thrice armed" with the consciousness of being in the sight as against those who are fighting like automations and just because they are compelled to get into the fray.

The successes of the past week show this to be a fact, and as a consequence whenever offensives against the enemy are undertaken, whether on a small or on a large scale they are carried through with unvarying success.

"MARSE HENRY'S" MESSAGE.

The following paragraphs were written by Col. Henry Watterson more than a year ago. They are taken from the editorials of the Louisville Courier-Journal and won the Pulitzer prize for the best editorials of the year.

"From the beginning the issue was not less clear than of the countries first engaged. Each may have had its own views on the subject, but there was no doubt as to the issue. At least France—to whom we owe all that we have of sovereignty and freedom—and Belgium, the little David of nations—fought to resist invasion—wanton, cruel invasion; to avert slavery—savagery, pitiless slavery. Yet, whatever the animating purpose—whatever the selfish interests of England and Russia and Italy—the Kaiser scheme of world conquest justified it.

"In us it sanctifies it. Why should any American split hairs over the European rights and wrongs involved when he sees before him grim and ghastly the maddened figure of Absolutism with hand uplifted to strike Columbia where these three years she has stood pleading for justice, peace and mercy. God of the free heart's hope and home forbid!

"War, horrible as war is—'hell,' as a great warrior said it was—is not without its compensations. No man has more than one time to die. In bringing the realization of death nearer to us war throws a new light upon life. The soldier in a picked man. Whether he be a soldier in arms or a soldier of the cross, his courage, his loyalty, his love and faith challenge the confidence of men and the adoration of women. If he falls, he has paid his mortal debt with honor. If he survives, though crippled, he is not disabled. His crutch tells its own story and carries its mute appeal, and there is an eloquence, though silent, restless, in the empty sleeve."

"First of all, on bended knee we should pray God to forgive us. Then erect as men, Christian men, soldierly men, to the flag and the fray—wherever they lead us—over the ocean—through France, to Flanders—across the low countries to Koln, Bonn and Koblenz—tumbling the fortress of Ehrenbreitstein into the Rhine as we pass and damming the mouth of the Moselle with the debris of the ruins we make of it—then on, on to Berlin, the Black Horse Cavalry sweeping the Wilhelmstrasse like lava down the mountain side, the junker and the sabre rattling flying before us, the tunes being "Dixie" and "Yankee Doodle," the cry being "Hail, the French Republic—Hail the Republic of Russia—welcome the Commonwealth of the Vaterland—no peace with the Kaiser—no parley with Autocracy, Absolutism, and the divine right of kings—to hell with the Hapsburg and the Hohenzollern!"

That message from Miss Haley, the librarian, is one to be heeded. The librarian says that the library is a public institution supported by tax from the people. If the public want something in the way of books which the library does not happen to have, an effort will be made to secure what is wanted.

The verdict of many outside people is that the Fourth of July parade would have been a credit to any metropolitan city of the country. And this verdict is practically unanimous. Upwards of 3,000 automobiles all bunched together takes up some space. And as much as has been done toward the war funds the value of the machines still maintain a lead. This does not indicate that the great duty has been neglected, but it shows the country is not yet broke, regardless of the heavy demands incident to the carrying on of the war.

McWilliams, Baldwin and Stendal, singers who sing at Star today.—Adv. 7-6-18.

THE SUNSHINE CLUB.
 Visitors For Cove Are To Meet At Y.M.C.A. At 9 O'clock.

W. D. Morehouse calls attention to the fact that the members of the Sunshine Club, who are to go to Cove in the morning, are to meet promptly at 9 o'clock at Y. M. C. A. building, as the start for Cove will be made at 9:30 sharp, and it will require some little time to form the line of cars, and get in motion.

ELGIN BOYS REACH FRANCE
 Mr. and Mrs. Albert Klostra have received two letters from their son W. H., who announces that he arrived safely in France and that they should expect him to be in the States again in the near future. Mr. Klostra is a member of the Elgin Boys' Club, which is now in France, and he is serving in the front lines.

Doug Fairbanks at the Star today.—Adv. 7-6-18

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SUMMERVILLE PEOPLE ENJOYED CELEBRATION

SUMMERVILLE, Ore., July 5.—(Special)—Nearly all our people were at La Grande yesterday and pronounced the program to have been one of the best ever prepared for Independence Day.
 C. M. Hale, our postmaster had to stay in the office and celebrated all by his lonesome.
 Miss Ethel Hansen, of Nyssa, Ore., but late of Salem, where she has been studying music the past year, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fine before returning home.

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No. 3655.
REPORT ON THE CONDITION OF THE
La Grande National Bank
 At La Grande, in the State of Oregon, at the Close of Business June 29, 1918.

Resources.		
Loans and discounts	\$952,502.42	
Notes and bills rediscounted (other than bank acceptances sold)	877,205.00	
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	72,000.00	
U. S. bonds and certificates of indebtedness pledged to secure U. S. deposits (par value)	10,000.00	
U. S. bonds and certificates of indebtedness pledged to secure postal savings deposits (par value)	5,000.00	87,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds, 3 1/2 per cent and 4 per cent, unpledged	42,250.00	
Payments actually made on Liberty 4 1/2 per cent bonds (Third Liberty Loan)	725.00	42,975.00
Securities, other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged	18,778.30	18,778.30
Total bonds, securities, etc., other than U. S. Stocks of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)		7,200.00
Value of banking house	49,464.30	
Equity in banking house	49,464.30	
Furniture and fixtures	8,117.50	
Real estate owned other than banking house	4,399.40	
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	59,437.71	
Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks	109,506.40	
Net amounts due from banks, bankers and trust companies other than included in Items 13, 14 and 15	1,049.77	
Checks on other banks in the same city and town as reporting bank	1,402.62	
Total of Items 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18	130,958.79	
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items	16,000.45	
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	5,600.00	
War Savings Certificates and Thrift Stamps actually owned	516.98	
Total	\$1,277,745.94	
Liabilities.		
Capital Stock paid in	\$200,000.00	
Surplus fund	40,000.00	
Undivided profits	\$39,827.10	
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	23,267.01	16,560.09
Circulating notes outstanding		71,495.00
Net amounts due to National Banks		3,286.91
Net amounts due to banks, bankers and trust companies (other than included in Items 31 or 32)		9,324.21
Total of Items 32 and 33	12,611.12	497,605.62
Individual deposits subject to checks		144,346.37
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed)		6,208.82
Certified checks		1,512.72
Other demand deposits (School savings accounts)		
Total of demand (other than bank deposits), subject to reserve, items 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, and 41	649,673.53	
Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed)		272,406.30
Postal savings deposits		5,000.00
Total of time deposits, subject to reserve, items 42, 43, 44, 45	277,406.20	
Other United States deposits, including deposits of U. S. disbursing officers	10,000.00	10,000.00
Total	\$1,277,745.94	

State of Oregon, County of Union, ss:
 I, F. L. MEYERS, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 Subscribed to and sworn before me this 5th day of July, 1918.
 F. L. MEYERS, Cashier.
 H. A. ZURBRICK, Notary Public for Oregon.

Correct—Attest: FRED J. HOLMES,
 J. G. SNODGRASS,
 H. S. BROWNTON, Directors.

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Ask for a free copy of the Eveready night-signaling code at the stores labeled with the sign.

Patriotic Committee Defied
 There is No Room For "Slackers" On this Fourth
 For the benefit of the public and, in particular, to every red-blooded American man and woman in Union county, Local No. 417 Retail Clerks' Protective Association most emphatically denounce the firm of FRENCH & SCRANTON for disregarding the wishes of the Committee in charge of our Glorious Fourth, in not closing their place of business before, during and after the parade. It is the wish of this Local to impress on the buying public that this is the firm that practices the desecration of Sunday, that is UNFAIR TO LABOR and to THEIR BUSINESS ASSOCIATES. Patronize Union Stores, ONLY—stores open at 8:00 A. M., close Saturday at 8:30 P. M.
 LOCAL 417, R. C. INTERNATIONAL P. A.
 —Adv.