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REAL MEN WANTED.

The obvious purpose of the selective draft is to get the right man for the right place. The classification was not for the purpose of providing substitutes or for any other purpose than that of placing registrants where they rightfully belong, in order to get the best that can be had from all.

It is a distinct honor for a young man to be in the list of the draft calls, although the popular notion has been directly to the contrary. He is the ideal patriot. While those who have gone into the service by "voluntary induction" and a very large proportion of whom are either under or above the draft age, it is no indication that those who wait for their order are not equally patriotic and just as ready as the others to serve their country. This class of registrants is becoming nearly exhausted, although there are still others left in Union county and their position is: "I am ready to respond when called and will go at the time and to the place where I can be of the best service."

It is an honor for the young man of this understanding and inclination to know that he has been selected because of his mental, moral and physical fitness. They are in reality the young men who are depended upon to save the country. The government does not need the "boobs" and "sissies." They would do little good if they were compelled to go. Especially those who have been able in one way or another to outfigure the draft regulations. Lacking the red blood to volunteer or the moral and physical courage to face the draft, they would be a drag instead of a help. The government knows this and is acting accordingly. It would be to the hospital the most of the time anyway, for the spineless and the weak-kneed, and they are not wanted.

There is a future ahead for those who go. What a wonderful cause it is that enlists their sacrifices at this time. What an accomplishment it will be when small nations of the earth can hold up their heads in defiance of the ruthless power of might? When Armenians and Belgians and Rumanians and all other nations can maintain their national and political and religious entity without fear. When the privileges of government may lie with all the people and not be subjected to the autocratic rule of the self-appointed few. It is an object worth fighting for. Real men are needed for this business, and there is no place for the cowardly or the indifferent, and they will fill a much smaller niche in human affairs after the great work has been accomplished.

DOING YOUR BIT.

The soldiers in the big camps

WOMEN CHAUFFEURS FOR WAR DEPARTMENT



Four of the passenger automobiles of the depot quartermaster's office, war department, are being driven by women, and their chiefs are satisfied with their work. "I love the work," says Mrs. Laura Torbet, who is shown taking a bus from one department to another.

are continually doing things that will make a good many citizens revise their estimates of what constitutes doing one's bit. It is altogether too easy and simple to say in a casual way that soldiers drill and fight, while civilians plant war gardens and buy Liberty bonds, each being thereby relieved of further responsibility, says the Spokesman Review.

The civilians have no right to get out of it as easily as that. For the soldiers know nothing of "bits"—they do all that is in them regardless of allotments or quotas. Not only do they drill and fight, but they buy Liberty bonds too, and when they can they plant and cultivate war gardens.

There is a garden at Camp Dix in New Jersey that covers almost 400 acres, and it is all worked by men from the camp. There is a whole quarter section planted to potatoes and 30 acres each of corn, onions, beans, peas and beets. Camp Dix is making very little demand just now on the quartermaster's department for fresh vegetables and is demanding few freight cars to haul potatoes and beans.

Other camps have their gardens too, and some of them have orchards, and they all have plants where food and clothing are kept from being wasted. It would be easy for the army to say: "Go do the fighting, let the civilians do the gardening and the conservation." But the army does not proceed on that principle. It does everything that it asks the people at home to do, and goes a bit farther. So the people at home should be careful about picking out limited "bits" of service to perform. The only adequate "bit" is the limit of individual strength and endurance.

HIS DEATH DEPLORED

Neighbors Severely Feel The Loss Of Mr. Weaver.

Referring to the death of Joan C. Weaver, the man who was found dead from a gunshot wound at the Jarbo Meadows near the Looking Glass, a letter has been received by the Observer, which says:

"Mr. Weaver left the Sam Sims ranch, where he has made his home the past two years, on the evening of July 3rd, and he was not seen thereafter until he was found dead three days later. Mr. Weaver was a good man who made friends wherever he went. He was always doing kind deeds for others and it was in doing so that he lost his life.

"The neighbors had planned on going to Jarbo Creek to have dinner on the Fourth and Mr. Weaver had taken his bed and had gone over the night before to catch fish for the crock next day. It was while he was standing on a log fishing that he was shot by an unknown party. The supposition is that he was taken for a bear as he had on a black coat. No clue has yet been found of the man who fired the fatal shot.

"When he did not return at the appointed time a searching party was organized and it was two days and two nights before the body was found.

"Mr. Weaver has been a member of the Odd Fellows for thirty years or more. He leaves several children and among them is a son who is serving in the United States army. He was a devoted father and made a host of friends, who are grieved to know of his death."

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OVER THE NORTHWEST

Capt. Joe Keller, state parole officer of the penitentiary at Salem, reports that paroled men, of their own initiative, have either joined the army or navy as enlisted men. Most of these men have been restored to citizenship by Governor Withycombe.

For making additional remarks, Mrs. Anna Eklie, a music teacher in Portland, was fined \$100 by Federal Judge Wolverton. She is a German by birth, has been in the United States for 26 years, and gained American citizenship by marrying an American. She was heard to utter these sentiments: "Germany will win the war." "The Kaiser is a good, pure man." "The stories of cruelties by German soldiers are all lies." "The newspapers lie when they tell stories of cruelties and say that German troops cut off the hands of Belgian children." "There has been as many lies done committed under President Wilson as under the Kaiser." "Whatever cruelties were done by the Germans were unintentional and had the Kaiser heard of them he would have stopped them."

W. B. Ayte, federal food administrator for Oregon, has just announced a change in regard to the purchase of flour to the "trade." It reads: "The rules and regulations governing the sale of wheat flour by mills and wholesalers provide, in rules 24, 27 and 28, that retailers should not purchase more than 50 per cent of their last year's requirements," says the official announcement. "This necessitated a great amount of supervision in the issuance of certificates, etc., and I am pleased to announce that these rules have been repealed and retail dealers are, therefore, permitted to purchase their reasonable requirements, not exceeding a 50 days' supply, without receiving certificates from this office. All other rules and regulations governing the handling of wheat flour are in full force and effect."

Plans for the celebration to be held in Salem at the time of the opening of the bridge across the Willamette are progressing in a satisfactory manner, according to Frank Wrightman, chairman of the executive committee. As yet, it is not possible to name the exact day, he said, but it will be probably during the last week in this month. The bridge contractors are running a week or two ahead of their schedule which required the completion of the bridge and acceptance by August 1.

Oregon has been furnished with 20 per cent more rifles for its home guards unit than any other state, according to a letter received from the ordnance department by the adjutant general's office. Other states have been given rifles on the strength of April 1 and June 1 of last year. Oregon has rifles for 70 per cent of that strength. This fact is cited by the war department as reason for its refusal to provide more arms for military units in Oregon.

Instead of sending all future commitments from Multnomah county to the eastern Oregon hospital for the insane a number of patients will be transferred from the Oregon state hospital to the eastern Oregon hospital, as a means of relieving the crowded condition at the Salem institution. This change in the plans of the state board has been made at the request of Dr. W. D. McNary, superintendent of the eastern Oregon hospital, who said that he thought less dissatisfaction would result if the change were made. The number of persons committed to the asylum has greatly increased in the last year, and Dr. Steiner attributes it to war conditions.

The Southern Pacific today filed with the public service commission an application for authority to close the station at Midland, on the Klammath Falls branch. The company says it is short of men and the agent there is needed at a more important place during the period of the war.

The Baker Commercial Club has appealed for assistance from the

Government, through Representative Sinnott to revive the Sumpter-Valley irrigation project, completion of which would water about 80,000 acres east of Baker. The Thief Valley Company, reclaiming 77,000 acres near Baker and adjacent to North Powder, which owing to the war had to cease work and which has an extension of time from the State Land Board, holds some prior rights to the waters of the Powder River and tributaries, but it is believed that the two projects can be combined.

Miss Ella Nelson was the first Baker girl employed at the local mills to suffer injury, she losing the second finger and portion of thumb of her right hand yesterday by a saw at the box factory of the Baker White Pine Lumber Company.

A recent dispatch from Hood River announces that the Right Reverend Robert L. Paddock, Bishop of Eastern Oregon, is serving as the first American chaplain on the Italian front. Bishop Paddock has been detailed with a group of 2000 American ambulance drivers recently ordered to the Italian front. He left Oregon a month ago.

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TRUTH IS ADMITTED

Iniquity of German Controlled Press Laid Bare.

(The Oregonian.)
 Conviction of German iniquity has at last come to some of the German newspapers in the United States which could not be shaken in their fidelity to the cause of the Fatherland, even after the United States declared war. No impression was produced by the rape of Belgium, for they believed that country to be in league with England and to have permitted French airmen to spy out the land. No attention was paid to the diplomatic correspondence which preceded the war, for it came from tainted enemy sources, and no attention was paid to the suspension of Austro-German correspondence. The charge that hated England deprived Germany of her place in the sun and of freedom of the seas, blocking her colonial expansion, was readily credited. Sale of munitions by the Germans to the Boers was consistent

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with neutrality, but it was unneutral for Americans to sell them to the allies.

But when all that has been said in defense of the allies and in proof of Germany's guilt is corroborated by the German who was the Kaiser's friend in youth and who was his diplomatic representative in all negotiations with Great Britain throughout the critical years from 1912 to 1914; the scales fall from the eyes of Von Bernstorff's dupes in America. The publication of the memorandum of Prince von Lichnowsky accomplished what was impossible to a multitude of evidence. Then it was proved beyond dispute that treaties had been negotiated making most generous concessions to Germany and only awaited ratification at Berlin when war was declared; that the only obstacle to smoothing over the Serbian difficulty was the Kaiser's determination to fight; and the man who conducted all these negotiations on Germany's behalf testified that the world justly attributed to Germany "the sole guilt for the world war."

This final recognition of the truth is made by "An Open Confession" by the Milwaukee Germania Herald. It confesses that it took in good faith and repeated the whole structure of lies which had been built up in Germany's defense, and it says:

"Now, we and with us the rest of the world, which then credulously believed, are convinced of the opposite. We know now that the British statesmen and with them the statesmen of the allies did not only have no warlike measures against Germany in mind but to the last minute endeavored to their utmost to avoid war. The blame for the bloodshed lies with the German government."

The Herald tells the story of the Lichnowsky memorandum, the genuineness of which, it says, "is doubted by no one." It repeats his summing up of the indictment against Germany, and it says:

"Who carries the blame — that the German people were goaded into a furious hate and thereby into a war animus? Only those in the service of the junker (landed and industrial), who are the ruling military caste in Germany, in control of the govern-

ment. The pan-Germans in their megalomania are the ones who brought about this calamity upon the German people."

When we consider that the love of Germans in America for the Fatherland was so strong that for years they believed the cause of their native land, to be just in defiance of accumulated proof to the contrary, we can conceive how they must have been overwhelmed by evidence of guilt which they could not dispute. When such a confession is extorted from distant and non-combatant adherents of Germany, what must be the feeling of those people in Germany who have been combatants, either directly or through their relatives, and who have endured much suffering, when the truth gradually reaches them? It has already begun to leak out, and it must inevitably reach the whole people. What a punishment awaits the Kaiser and his fellow-conspirators at their hands, if it is to be proportioned to the magnitude of the crime!

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