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DRAFTING FROM FARMS.

Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Clarence E. Owsley, has this to say in the matter of taking men from the farms to fill draft quotas: which appears to be a question to be left entirely with the district boards, viz:

Many complaints come to the Department of Agriculture to the effect that farmers and farm laborers have not received proper consideration under the War Department's rules of deferred classification. The law and the rules of the War Department vest the powers of exemption and deferred classification solely and exclusively in the district boards, and there is no authority in any other official to interfere with this jurisdiction except in particular cases. There is only the right of appeal to the President, under terms prescribed by the War Department. Neither the Department of Agriculture nor any other department, nor any official has any power over the district boards. They are composed of the citizens of each state, and they are presumed to have the best information and to be most mindful of the needs of their states and sections. Citizens who feel that boards have acted unwisely, should address themselves to the boards or should cause appeals to be made from the boards to the President. The Department of Agriculture is powerless to affect decisions by the boards or to alter the rules of the War Department or to change the law of the Congress.

On March 12 last the Provost Marshal General of the War Department issued an order directing the local boards in furnishing their quotas for the Army, to defer until the last those actively and assiduously engaged in agriculture, even though they had been placed in Class 1. At the time that order was issued the War Department expected to call only 300,000 or 400,000 men before the harvest, but after the order was issued, the German offensive of March 21 began, with its perils to the allied cause, and the War Department found it necessary to call many more men than it contemplated on the 12th of March. Consequently, in many communities the local boards have been compelled to call the men in Class 1, even though they are engaged in agriculture. It should be remembered that men so called were placed by their district boards in Class 1 and therefore were not deferred but were always subject to call. It should be understood also that the emergency of the present war situation is such that the Nation can take no chance of delay in the mobilization of the necessary man power to reinforce the allies on the western front. The slightest delay might cause a frightful disaster.

PEACE FEELERS.

Baron von Buriak, Austro-Hungary foreign minister, is out with peace suggestions in which he says, "We are prepared to discuss everything except our own territory." The principal four points of President Wilson's Fourth of July address are accepted as being fair and honorable, and there is a covert endorsement of the American chief executive.

Then follows the inevitable declaration in behalf of the Central Powers that this is a war of defense, and of course infinite deductions are made which shows that Germany and Austria-Hungary cannot make concession not in harmony with this theory.

There is not likely to be any serious considerations of peace proposals which are based on this one proposition. It is a delusion which none of the central powers can or will admit. But all the evidence is to the direct showing that the war was started on any other reason than that of defense of the central powers.

Could they not see that no defense was necessary against nations that could scarcely muster up enough men and materials for their own defense against the invaders? A year's time was required to get anything like an effective fighting force to meet the Prussian army which was the nemesis of forty years' continuous preparation. It does but little good to expatiate on the principles of right conduct after the war is ended. The thing to be made plain is that the power that has been instrumental in plunging the world into a sea of blood must be stamped out. There is no peace short of that.

STRAY PLANTS

- A shout for the brave.
- A hope in every thought.
- A prayer with every shot.
- A hand-clasp for the true.
- A strong arm for the weary.
- A friendliness in every act.
- A merry greeting for the young.
- A generous patience with the old.
- A bright smile for the despondent.
- A tear—and a dollar—for the needy.
- Sweet drafts from the fountain of life.
- A part in the sum of human achievement.
- To leave the world better than we found it.
- To have made love stronger, and hope brighter.
- A tuneful voice in the grand chorus of salvation.—J. H. Markley in Ohio Farmer.

PENCIL POINTS

- The best diamonds are of the first water—but it's different with milk.
- A defective stomach keeps more people awake than a guilty conscience.
- How superior a boy feels when he hears some other boy being scolded.
- It takes a strong-minded woman to keep her calendar torn off up to date.
- The average man is apt to believe what the world doesn't say about him.
- The woman of the hour is the one who promises to be ready in a second.
- Happy is the individual who sees things as they should be instead of as they are.
- A St. Louis spinster was recently kissed in a dark hall, and she hasn't had a light there since.

JUST THOUGHTS

- A lie is often told without saying a word.
- The wise prophet lays up an explanation for a rainy day.
- Poverty is an effective grindstone for sharpening the wits.
- Love may be blind, but it never fails to hear papa's footstep on the stair.
- A young man seldom gives a thought to the harvest when he sows wild oats.
- Many a woman who makes a man a mighty poor wife makes him a rich husband.
- Doing Good.
- Few medicines have met with more favor or accomplished more good than Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. John F. Jantzen, Delemy, Saak, says of it, "I have used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy myself and in my family, and can recommend it as being an exceptionally fine preparation."

Midsummer Blouses Lovely and Practical



More man varies the monotony of his workaday clothes by indulging himself in many changes of ties, and women in the same way rely upon blouses to give the spice of variety to their daily costuming. The new blouses that have just made their appearance for midsummer wear promise to fulfill their mission in the most refreshing way, for they are made of light colors with white in many ways. Manufacturers of fabrics and designers of blouses have worked together for the good of womanhood this summer, the first producing striped and cross-bar as well as plain materials that are washable and the latter pleasing and versatile details of trimming.

Cluster necklines, contrasting collars and cuffs, frills of net or plain organdie, narrow lace inserts and edgings and some hand embroidery finish off the clever planning and cutting which see to it that the new blouses are started right. They are adorably refined and dainty and sometimes they are just as simple as they look—but not often. It is their business to look simple and beautifully finished. The blouse shown in the picture bears out these statements. It is of blue voile with white organdie collar and cuffs. There are two placements at the front, one of them a little simulated chemisette in white organdie set in an applied affair that looks like a vestee of the voile outlined with a corded edge and finished at each side with embroidered scallops. It fastens with white crochet buttons.

The simplest of these blouses are in striped or cross-bar organdie. Blue and white, light green and white, tan and white made up with collars and cuffs of white organdie finished with frills, or with these accessories in plain organdie of the same color as that in the blouse, make variety enough to suit everyone. The best things about these and all the rest of their kind is their perennial freshness and their durability. Valves, battises and organdies stand wear and rubbing better than heavier materials and look as good as new after long service, therefore their charm is permanent.

Julius Bottomley

Long Front Panel Featured.

The long front panel is featured in many frocks—that is, a panel in skirt and bodice, which may or may not be separated by a belt or girdle of fabric contrasting in color or material with that of the rest of the frock. For instance, a figured foulard frock will show a panel in both bodice and skirt of satin in the color of the ground or the figure in the foulard. A serge frock will have a panel of satin, a georgette frock will be paneled with tulle or lace.

OVER THE NORTHWEST

The Grande Ronde Valley, and in fact all of Eastern Oregon will produce a good harvest, although a "bumper crop" is not indicated, according to F. L. Meyer, cashier of the La Grande National Bank, who is a business visitor to Portland today. Mr. Meyer has just completed an automobile trip thru a large portion of the wheat-growing region east of the mountains. "The crop," he said, "will average about 75 per cent of normal."—Portland Evening Telegram.

The sugar department of the food administration is being swamped these days with calls for sugar certificates by manufacturers, restaurant and hotel and other eating house owners. Since July 1, when the sugar rationing rule went into effect, it is estimated by food administration officials that 600 manufacturers throughout the state have applied for sugar certificates.

Eating house proprietors apply to their county food administrators for certificates and only those of Multnomah county obtain their permits from the local food administration. Between 300 and 400 of these have applied for certificates at the sugar office of the food administration since the first of July.

Professor G. R. Hyslop and party who were out looking for fields in Umatilla county upon which certificates for seed grain could be issued, tested the fields of White Club barley of William Duff and Ralph Tachella and issued the required certificates.

Professor G. R. Hyslop, of the O. A. C. W. W. Harrah, and Henry Mills of the Farmers' Union Grain Agency are out today examining a number of fields of grain with view to certifying to them as seed wheat. The Umatilla fields of C. W. Howell, haat wheat; James T. Hill, white hybrid, and C. A. Moll, turkey red, were examined yesterday and found to be clean of weeds, or other deleterious matter and of good strain and have been certified to as good for seed.

At the request of Mr. Vaughan and City Engineer Geary Kimball, of Pendleton, an investigation of the city's sewer system has been made by State Bacteriologist Dackwith, with a view to recommendations relating to a septic tank for the city. For the purpose the city will have to expend possibly \$5,000, in addition to the \$20,000 in bonds which were voted three years ago

THEY NEVER WEAR OUT



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Saturdays
8 A. M. to 8:30 P. M.

In answer to urgent appeals coming from the farms of Benton county for help in caring for hay and harvesting the grain, a canvass of the business district of Corvallis has been made by County Agent Kable and R. M. Johnston of the commercial club to obtain a list of men available for farm help. Many of the business men have consented to leave their work in town for a week or two to help take care of the crops. There are also listed in the office of County Agent Kable the names of 100 or more women and girls who will pick fruit, cook, take the places of men in stores and offices, etc.

HOME ECONOMICS.

Cottage Cheese.
Cottage cheese is one of the most important meat substitutes. It contains a larger percentage of protein (the chief material for body building) than most meats and furnishes this material at a lower cost. In every pound of cottage cheese there is about one-fifth of a pound of protein, nearly all of which is digestible. Meats on the other hand, usually contain less protein and besides have a certain waste, such as bone and other inedible material. A pound of cottage cheese daily would supply all the protein required by the ordinary adult engaged in a sedentary occupation. In fact, many men of the hard laboring class find that milk and its products give a splendid and sufficient source of protein food.

Cottage cheese is very good with a bit of cream, salt and pepper or sugar if desired, but pleasant changes may be made by adding pimientos, olives or chopped nuts.

Cottage Cheese Nut Loaf.
1 cup chopped nuts (any kind)
1 cup cottage cheese.
1 cup bread crumbs.
2 tablespoons chopped onion.
1 tablespoon butter.
Juice of half lemon.
Salt to taste.
Pepper to taste.

Cook the onion until tender in the butter or other fat, and a little water. Combine the other ingredients and moisten with the onion mixture. Pour into a shallow baking dish and brown in the oven.—MAY MURPHY.

NOTICE.
The Coffee Club ladies will give a cooked food sale Saturday at J. G. Snodgrass grocery, for the benefit of the Red Cross. 7-17-18

DUE
Third payment on Liberty Loan bond subscriptions should be paid by July 16.—La Grande Nat'l Bank.—Adv. 7-15-18.

"See me," says Doug. Fairbanks. 7-17-18

Cause of Despondency.
Despondency is often caused by indigestion and constipation, and quickly disappears when Chamberlain's Tablets are taken. These tablets strengthen the digestion and move the bowels.—Adv.

Do you know that a well-equipped and properly-managed soda fountain is no longer a boy's job? The average fountain costs more than many of the finest homes in La Grande. It means something and should be taken care of and well managed and the very best kind of service given to all patrons. We believe the Silverthorn Fountain in La Grande is one of the very best in Oregon, always clean and the very latest and best kinds of drinks are served at their fountain by Mr. Al Cain, a true Southerner, coming from a country where cold drinks are so much sought for and necessary every day want. By It

Silverthorn's
FAMILY DRUG STORE
LA GRANDE, OREGON.

Kerr-Gifford & Co., Incorporated. Will the lady who lost her purse Office in New Foley Building, B. F. at the Arcade last night call for it at Owsley, agent.—Adv. 7-16-18, the box office. 7-16-18

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In every wardrobe there is a travel-stained or soiled garment, too good to be thrown away and not nice enough to wear. Our business is, at a slight cost to make just such a garment wearable again—AND WE DO IT.

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