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PREPARE FOR HARD WINTER.

From every angle the appearance of hard winter presents itself. Not necessarily a rigid winter, from a weather standpoint, but a hard winter to live through in comfort. It is, therefore, the bounden duty of every citizen to make just as thorough preparation as possible for the coming period of cold weather when men by the score will be called each month to the colors, leaving those behind to take care of themselves.

It is gratifying to know that the gardens of Eastern Oregon have been very good and considerable food stuff will be preserved for the winter months. But the canning habit is so excellent that we feel it is necessary at this time to say to every housewife, keep filling the cans with something. Perhaps the family has not cared for a certain vegetable in the past, but if you have plenty can it just the same.

This is a year when the finicky taste will take a recess and people will eat to live and not wholly to tickle the taste.

TOMORROW—THE CHURCHES

Tomorrow the church bells of La Grande will ring just as they have rung since the first settlement of this city. Tomorrow the typical Sunday school organizations will gather and learn of the Bible and its teachings. The good old songs will be sung and the houses of worship will have instilled in the young once more the lesson of morality, righteousness and Christianity.

But after the Sunday school the preaching hour will find few pulpits filled. Congregations that have long worshipped at the church of their choice will meet, sing a few songs, listen to remarks by a layman and be dismissed.

This is not only the condition in La Grande, but it is the same everywhere in the nation.

It is not for us to say that church organizations are too numerous in ordinary times, but certainly it is a fact that in war times such as these, ministers can be had and therefore churches will not be able to continue their great work cut up in so many units. It is apparent in religious work, as in everything else, that concentration is the keynote.

To concentrate the Protestant congregations in La Grande would mean to amass a religious congregation that would be a credit to any community and be a fitting place for an intelligent Bible student to preside and discourse upon the proper way to live and the hereafter.

All that is needed is for some church to take the initiative and start the amalgamation. Financial support cannot be had for so many churches, neither can ministers of the Gospel be found to work in so many vineyards. It is, therefore, a war emergency to combine and in mass formation fight the evils of the present day with one big church, forgetting for the war period the difference in religious faith that is held by each of the churches, but striving for the one great and glorious principle of a Christian life.



CHAPMAN AND THE FARMERS

Mr. Chapman's Volez takes a rap at the writer and accuses him of "straddling" because we insisted that the farmers of this nation are not disloyal. The controversy was brought on by Chapman, in his usual highly glibbed manner, endeavoring to class the farmers of Oregon with the disloyal element of the country. His attack on Mr. Spence, master of the State Grange was entirely unfair, and because a newspaper had the courage to speak up that newspaper is labeled by Chapman as a "straddler."

If the entire state was not on to Mr. Chapman's methods, and if the people did not see through his every maneuver, his remarks might be considered seriously. Since, however, he is recognized as the watch-dog chained in front of a certain class of highly-skilled business interests, people generally expect to hear his growl whenever a stone is thrown near any of his pets.

Such a thing might be possible that Mr. Chapman is a trifle warped, although he is a man of great ability. It would do him good to get out in the broad, open country and eat rye bread with the farmers; it would do him good to mix with the men and women who toll on the ranches of Oregon. Just to show him that there is no desire to "straddle" any question we hereby tender him an invitation to come into the Eastern Oregon country as our guest and we will together visit fifty farmers and let him draw his own conclusions as to their loyalty.

Come out of it, Chapman. Just because you do not like Mr. Spence don't get crossed up on your views of loyalty and disloyalty. The charge of disloyalty is a matter of common sense and common decency without hostile grounds.

COUNTY WAR COUNCIL

On August 8th there will be a County War Council held in La Grande. This is important for several reasons. Mr. Kollock, of the State Council of Defense, will be here to tell everyone more of the work of the National Council of Defense and advise along many lines.

Colonel John Hibbard will talk to the registered men and review the Home Guard organization—an organization which is destined to be an important factor in the life of this nation from now on.

Captain Russell will attend from Camp Lewis and will give information that is essential during war time.

This is not a rally, it is not an entertainment—but it is a straightforward business meeting of the people, who will congregate to listen to the advice of men who are working for the country's good, war every day and every hour.

COVE TO THE FRONT

There are no more patriotic communities than Cove, Oregon. According to the quota of nurses for Oregon to procure, which is 350, each county should furnish about ten. Of this number, without any dramatic talk or bid for publicity, the little community of Cove has already furnished six of Union county's number.

Does not this go to show that the Cove people are fighting this war every day and every hour.

When such a numerically small community has six of its daughters in the service for battlefield duty it makes one realize that this is no city man's war, it is no rich man's war, it is everybody's war.

All honor to Cove and her daughters.

DOES AN EDUCATION PAY?

Does it pay an acorn to become an oak?
 Does it pay to escape being a rich ignoramus?
 Does it pay to learn how to make life a glory instead of a grind?
 Does it pay to add power to the lens of the microscope or telescope?
 Does it pay to acquire a personal wealth, which no disaster or misfortune can wreck or ruin?
 Does it pay to learn how to focus thought with power, how to marshal one's mental forces effectively?
 Does it pay a diamond to have its facets ground, to let in the light to reveal its hidden wealth of splendor?
 Does it pay to have expert advice and training, to have high ideals held up to one in the most critical years of one's life?
 Does it pay to open a little wider the door of a narrow life to push out one's horizon in order to get a wider outlook, a clearer vision?
 Does it pay to experience the joy of self-discovery, to open up whole continents of possibilities on one's nature which might otherwise remain undiscovered?—Dr. Orison Swett Marden in the New Success.

WORLD WORKERS

A wireless station, open to the public, has been opened in Terra del Fuego.

The aged inmates of a poor farm at Hempstead, N. Y., as a matter of patriotism gave up tobacco to purchase a flag.

Income tax returns indicate that the United States has 22,000 millionaires, an increase of nearly 8,000 in the past year.

The food administration states that the farmer receives 20 per cent more for his product than he received a year ago.

The origin of the tankard took place many years ago, when the water used in the city of London was carried in by men who made use of iron-bound buckets of wood holding three gallons.

BROWNIES

When a fellow is on third base there is no place like home.

When there are two swords in a scabbard neither can be drawn.

A perfect thirty-six ought to make a pretty good hope chest.

Presently the man who brings home the bacon will have to do it under cover of darkness.

Thirteen persons of the average age of ninety-three years and all over ninety had a rennon here recently. This could only happen in southern California.—Los Angeles Times.

SOME QUEER ADS

Wanted—A herder for 500 sheep that can speak Spanish fluently.

Lost Near Black Park—An umbrella belonging to a gentleman with a bent rib and a bone handle.

For Sale—House in good neighborhood, by an invalid lady three stories high and heated with a furnace.

Mr. Brown, furrier, begs to announce that he will make up gowns, capes and coats for ladies out of their own skin.—Florida Times Union.

FROM COMMERCE REPORTS

Practically all the gold and silver has disappeared in Portugal, and for that reason the country is on a paper basis.

New Zealand has just closed a very successful oyster season. Forty thousand sacks have been taken from different beds.

German shipbuilding companies are preparing to reconstruct the German merchant marine, the first step being to consolidate their finances.

POPULAR SCIENCE

The Germans have succeeded in making a substitute for gun cotton.

During the past few years there has been a falling off in the yield of the banana, due partly to a disease whose origin and elimination are yet unsolved problems.

Overwork and worry cause kidney trouble. When the kidneys are not working properly, poisons accumulate in the system, resulting in backache, sore muscles, stiff joints, rheumatic pains, constantly tired feeling and other distressing symptoms. George McLain, Turtle Lake, N.D., writes: "I am a locomotive engineer. I had a bad pain in my back and my bladder action was very irregular. I took Foley Kidney Pills and was relieved in a couple of days."

When you feel this hot weather so much, why not drop in at Silverthorn's and ask Al Cain for a drink of Afli Cola. 8-3-f

INTERESTING ITEMS

Swedesboro, N. J., recently observed "pumpkin-ple days."

Its many feet enable a gas bill to run up rapidly.

The Bookworm

SOLDIERS NEED MORE BOOKS.

The La Grande Public Library has received a request from the American Library Association's headquarters in Washington for more books from this community for the men overseas.

The appeal from Washington states that new novels and good western stories, whether new or old are most needed. Books by Zane Grey, Rex Beach, Jack London, Ralph Connor, Owen Wister and O. Henry are very popular. The Public Library announces that it will receive and forward all suitable books that are turned in. It urges the friends of the soldiers and sailors, many of whom have already responded most generously, to give more books.

The communication received by the library from the Washington headquarters states that over 600,000 books have been sent overseas. The supply is nearly exhausted, and several hundred thousand more will be needed soon by the six dispatch offices which are now shipping books to France. The books are packed at these dispatch offices in strong cases, so built that they serve as a bookcase.

They go on the decks of transports, in cargo vessels and in naval vessels. Those that go on the decks of transports are open so that the men may have reading matter for use on the voyage. All these books are gathered together again, and replaced in the cases and delivered to the proper officials in France.

In France, the books are distributed by an experienced Librarian representing the American Library Association. Most of them go to Y. M. C. A., Red Cross and Salvation Army huts, hospitals and canteens. Others go directly to chaplains and officers.

If you wish books reserved for you from the State Library (this fall, now is your last chance. This does not mean that individual volumes will not be sent for during the winter, but any large sets of material for clubs, classes or private study should come by freight, to save postage. Also, the books may be already spoken for if your request is not sent in at once.

Give the library a trial. The Librarian will undertake any reference work properly within the scope of a public library, but too extensive for the resources of the local institution. Leave your questions or requests for books at the La Grande Library. The books will have to be selected during the coming week, but questions will be answered from Salem or Portland any time during August only. Now is the opportunity for the citizen who "never can find anything in the library." Ask for a sample of the work a library can do.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

LATTER DAY SAINTS
 Sunday school at 11:30 a.m.
 Sacrament meeting at 2 p.m.
 M. I. A. meeting at 7:45 p.m.
 Relief Society every Thursday at 2 p.m.
 Primary meeting every Tuesday at 10 a.m.
 CHARLES J. BLACK, Bishop

CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY.
 The summer schedule of Sunday services is as follows:
 First mass, 7:00 a. m.
 Second mass, 9:30 a. m.
 Followed by benediction.
 Week day mass at 7:30 a. m.
 P. J. DRISCOLL, Rector.
 Residence 1193 L avenue.
 Phone Main 9.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.
 Preaching at 11 and 8.
 B. Y. P. U at 7:00 p m
 Prayer meeting Thursday at 8:00 p. m.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.

METHODIST-EPISCOPAL CHURCH SOUTH

Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.
 Preaching, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.
 Prayer meeting Thursday at 8 p.m.

W. B. SMITH, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.
 Young people's meeting at 7:00 p.m.
 There will be no preaching services either morning or evening.

SPIRITUALISM

The First Spiritualist Church of La Grande will meet over Harris Grocery Store on Fir street every Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

SALVATION ARMY

Jefferson Street.
 Holiness meeting, 11:00 a. m.
 Sunday school, 2:00 p. m.
 Y. P. L., 6:15 p. m.
 Salvation service, 8:00 p. m.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Corner Spring and Seventh Streets.
 Bible School at 9:45 a. m.
 Bible school 9:45 a.m.
 Preaching service, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. All are cordially invited.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Corner First and Washington
 Sunday service at 11 a.m.
 Subject, "Love."
 Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.
 Wednesday evening meeting at 8 o'clock.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

George H. Fesse, Pastor.
 Services 11:00 a. m.
 Sunday school, 9:45 a. m., George H. Curry, Superintendent.
 Epworth league, 7:00 p. m., Mrs. Gladys Wheatley, President.

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEER SAYS.

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WHICH WAY ARE YOU MOVING?

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