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### A WORLD'S PROTEST.

Practically the whole civilized portion of the world is against the autocracy of Germany. The only exceptions of consequence are a few of the smaller nations which, by reason of their contiguity, find it necessary to assume the neutral attitude. The moral righteousness of this world protest is measured by the preponderance of sentiment against the rule of the two emperors of Central Europe. To her lasting honor England took up the cause of the oppressed and over-crowded nations, and in time—but not until every possible or plausible reason had been exhausted—the United States of America entered the fray. And once in the conflict the energy of this country was practically solidified against the rule of autocracy. To the American chief executive fell a measure of credit beyond to that of England in the fact that he formulated in more succinct terms than had been hitherto employed the status and cause of war.

At the beginning all was confusion as to the cause of the great conflict. No one knew where to place the responsibility, but all has since become as plain as any chapter of history ever recorded. The reign of terror and carnage was precipitated by the ambitions of the German militarists through the feat of autocratic power. The German people themselves will be the first among the civilized people of the world to realize that their resources and the lives of millions of their people have been traded in on a plan to perpetuate autocratic authority.

Following a more accurate understanding of what German military ascendancy would mean to the world, the sentiment crystallized to the extent of bringing practically the whole world in opposition. Many of the nations are not only against the Kaiser on principle, but are preparing to back up their protest with armies in the field. One of the more recent developments in this direction is the offer of the Brazilian mission to send an army to the front. The little state of Guatemala is having an army put in training to do her bit toward the great end of subduing autocracy, and not only subduing it but putting off the eternal quietus to despotic rule henceforth and for ever. It is a struggle in which the civilized world is against the central powers of Europe and the world will win—it has already won.

### "BILLY" HAYWOOD.

William D. Haywood, secretary and treasurer of the I. W. W. organization, is one among about a hundred others who have been convicted in the trial at Chicago of conspiracy to obstruct the govern-

ment's war work. Haywood has been sentenced to 20 years in prison and to a fine of \$20,000, either of which will be sufficient to "hold him" for a while.

Haywood has had a long career as the apostle of discontent among the people who work, but his influence has been more far-reaching and his creed has taken deeper root among those who "won't work."

When his energies were confined to the mere matter of labor and pay difficulties, he was allowed the fullest latitude to expand on any doctrine he saw fit, but when he became the official disrupter of the plans to more perfect government among men, which the judgment of mankind knows can only be done in the suppression of Hunism, he became a conspirator against the government, which gave him the unrestricted latitude to preach his gospel of discontent and he became a public enemy. His antagonism took the form of burning haystacks and threshing machines and saw mills, and general destruction of property. In this particular he is entitled to less respect than the Hun, because his deeds were done in the dark, while he was thus secretly abetting the cause of those whose defiance is not so concealed. The "pen" is the best place for Bill Haywood.

### THE "SHOW ME" PLAN.

It is the right thing to give practical field demonstrations of the utility of the tractor for farm work. Almost anything in the machinery line is met on the start with a feeling of skepticism, and in some cases this adverse opinion has been justified on the start. There have been some type-setting machines that have not fully filled the bill, and there is the necessary period of evolution which follows the "crude" beginning to the more perfect adjustments later on. The original McCormick reaper would be a clumsy affair in the fields today, and there has been much loss of temper and gray hairs caused in getting gasoline power to work dependably. Very much of the difficult solutions in this respect have been overcome, and the next thing to know is just what can be expected of the tractor as a practical piece of farm equipment. It is worthy of note that the farm publications endorse the tractor: It is an equipment that seems to fill the bill in so many ways that it is destined to supplant horse power in farm work to a very extensive degree.

At the same time it is the practical work in the field, and under the different conditions and circumstances and the difficulties that will arise, that will prove more satisfactorily than in any other way, its advantages over the muscular horse. The demonstrations that are being made will give a better understanding as to what can be accomplished. Perhaps the best information that will come from the demonstrations will be as to what size and capacity of tractor will best fill the individual need. It is perhaps a self-demonstrable fact that a tractor can be too large or too small for efficient work under given circumstances. Theoretically, a double-tree that pulls exactly from the center is just right, but one that is much under three feet long is too short, and one that is many feet longer than that is too long. The right size of a farm tractor is an important matter and this is the kind of information and experience that should be gained from the practical demonstrations that are being made.

The farmers of this section will be as quick as those of any other country in adopting improved and economical methods when they have once "been shown."

### WOMAN'S STATEMENT WILL HELP.

"I hated cooking because whatever I ate gave me sour stomach and a bloated feeling. I drank hot water and olive oil by the gallon. Nothing helped until I tried simple buckhorn bark, glycerine, etc., as mixed in Adler-Lika." See how it flushes the ENTIRE bowel tract completely. Adler-Lika relieves ANY stomach case, sour stomach, gas or constipation and prevents appendicitis. The INSTANT action is surprising. C. D. Putnam, La Grande, Ore.

# Wool Is Necessary For Fighters

## Buy Clothes Right and Save It

There's just one message that we want to get to you and it's for the country's sake, your sake and our sake.

BUY GOOD CLOTHES; THE KIND THAT GIVE LONG, HARD SERVICE.

- It's for the country's sake because if you do buy good ones, you save wool and labor for war work.
- It's for your sake because you save money for yourself and you help the fighters.
- It's for our sake because when we sell such clothes—the Kind Hart Schaffner & Marx Make—we know we have contributed something to the cause.

We make some money, too—not as much as if we sold other clothes. But there's more than money back of this; there's a principle and that's sometimes better than money.

## Hart Schaffner & Marx Suits and Overcoats, \$25 to \$60

This Store Closed all Day, Labor Day, Monday, September 2nd

Store Closes Saturday 8:30 P. M.

# H. K. West & Co.

THE QUALITY STORE

Store Closes Saturday 8:30 P. M.

## THE FALSE PATRIOT



### SHOW GREAT COURAGE.

Military authorities in Italy have complimented A. J. B. Paterson and R. Auchterlonie, Y. M. C. A. war workers for their bravery under fire. Paterson was wounded but remained at work.

### SOME BASEBALLS.

The National War Work Council of the Y. M. C. A. has just placed an order for 180,000 baseballs for the soldiers in France.

### TO KEEP 'EM FIGHTING.

The Y. M. C. A. has placed orders for 3600 sets of boxing gloves for the use of the American soldiers in France.

Don't fail to see the "Eyes of the World," Harold Bell Wright's great story, at Sherry's, Friday, August 30, one day only. 8-29-18

I will be in La Grande for several days while erecting a vault in the cemetery and will be glad to figure with anyone who has monument work in contemplation. We do all kinds of monument and vault work. Orders will be taken now for fall delivery.—F. M. Berry, of the Berry Monument Works, of Walla Walla. Call at the Foley hotel either in person or telephone. 8-27-18

Don't forget that all films are developed and printed the day you bring us the films, if left by 10 o'clock in the morning at Silverthorn's. 8-28-18

Silverthorn's FAMILY DRUG STORE LA GRANDE, OREGON.

New and second hand school books for sale at Newlin Book & Stationery Co. 8-24-18

Second hand school books taken on exchange, or for cash, at Newlin Book & Stationery Co. 8-24-18

The Tanlac agency is at Silverthorn's Family Drug Store. They keep a large stock of this on hand, received direct from the factory's depot. 8-28-18

Silverthorn's FAMILY DRUG STORE LA GRANDE, OREGON.

## Secure as Never Before

We have been in business for many years, but at no time have we felt so secure against sudden calamity as since becoming members of the Federal Reserve System. It gives us assurance that we can realize upon a substantial portion of our assets at any time.

Member Federal Reserve System

## La Grande National Bank

LA GRANDE, OREGON

### Notice of Meeting of Board of Equalization.

Notice is hereby given that the County Board of Equalization for Union County, Oregon, will convene at the court house, La Grande, on Monday, September 9, 1918, and publicly examine the assessment roll, correct all errors in valuation, descriptions or qualities of land, or other property, as assessed by the county assessor, and it shall be the duty of all persons interested to appear at the time and place given.

All persons having grievance regarding the 1918 assessment may appear before such board and present their affidavits containing grounds for complaint. All such affidavits must be presented during the first 15 days of the meeting of the board.

U. G. COUCH, Assessor for Union County. Adv.—8-19 to 9-9.

### NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has this day filed with the County Court of Union County, State of Oregon, his final account as the Administrator of the estate of Clyde Harrison, deceased.

That said Court has fixed Monday, September 23rd, 1918, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day as the time, and the Court House in La Grande, Oregon, as the place, when and where the Court will hear objections, if any, to said final account, and a suit time and place will allow, fully or deny said final account, as may appear from the evidence offered at such hearing.

Dated at La Grande, Oregon, this 22nd day of August, 1918. T. J. SCROGGIN, Administrator.

## SPECIAL

Economy Caps 25c per dozen As long as they last

## Harris Furniture Store

H. B. HARRIS, Proprietor 406 FIR STREET PHONE: Red 3471.

## La Grande Mattress Shop And Weaving Works

Mattress Making and Repairing, Feather Renovating, Mattresses Manufactured, Carpet and Fluff Rug Weaving.

One block east of Flour Mill. Phone Red 132. All work called for and delivered.

## Mason Jar Rubbers

We have but a few dozen left, and while they last you may have them at the low price of 3 dozen for 25c

## Furniture Exchange

Black 1241 E. J. DONOHUE Fir and Jefferson Best Prices Paid for Used Furniture, or will Exchange for New.