

The Observer's Community Page

THE BUSINESS MEN OF LA GRANDE ARE VITALLY INTERESTED IN THE GROWTH OF THE COMMUNITY HAVE INVESTED THEIR CAPITAL HERE, ARE ALL EMPLOYERS OF LABOR, HELD TO SWELL THE PAYROLL AND CIRCULATE THE HOME DOLLAR. THEIR GOODS ARE EQUAL TO THOSE OF THE BIG CITY STORES. DEAL WITH THEM. KEEP YOUR MONEY AT HOME. BOOST FOR LA GRANDE, UNION AND WALLOWA COUNTIES—A GREATER, BETTER, MORE PROSPEROUS EASTERN OREGON

TROOP SUPPLIES 3 MONTHS AHEAD

Army Could Get Along for 90 Days If Not Another Pound Went Over.

VAST STOCK IN RESERVE

Held in Miles of Warehouses Extending From the Coast Inland to the Fighting Line—Daily Deliveries Made.

Tours.—The American army in Europe could be fed and clothed and all its creature comforts looked after for three months if not another pound of supplies was secured. This was the statement made here by officers of the army quartermaster's department, which directs this mammoth work of supplies.

It gives an idea of the vast stock of reserve resources stored in the miles of warehouses stretching from the coast inland to the fighting line, and it is a comforting assurance, too, that this huge reserve will be kept up through the coming winter period, so that the American soldier's warmth, as well as his food and clothing, will be fully looked after.

Some Big Job.
It is a huge undertaking to feed a million men even for a single day—a million men scattered to a thousand points, in trenches, on battlefields and camps, along 300 miles of front and for a depth of 500 miles. And when are added housing and clothing and the period is extended through the winter months of cold and frost, with the prospect that another million or two of men may be headed this way before long—with these elements one gets some idea of the magnitude of the supply problem for a million or more men.

Here at the center of the system, where the receipts are regulated and the distribution made, there was an opportunity of learning some of the details of how the system operates.

In the food branch alone it takes over 4,000,000 pounds of food every day to feed the army. This prodigious daily consumption of food embraces 1,000 pounds of flour baked into a million pounds of bread every day, 875,000 pounds of fresh beef, 875,000 pounds of potatoes, 200,000 pounds of sugar and 125,000 pounds of tomatoes. The pepper and salt for a single day is 42,500 pounds.

Army coffee is roasted at the rate of 70,000 pounds a day, and it takes 20,000 pounds of solidified alcohol to cook this coffee through the month.

The beef is the bulkhead product used each day, and occupies a daily space of 45,000 cubic feet, or about the dimensions of a business block, of solid meat. Flour comes next, requiring 25,000 cubic feet of daily space, and potatoes about the same.

A Few Daily Items.
There are only a few of the main items. But the list runs all through the many requirements of the over-sea army ration, with vast quantities in each case. Here are some of the other daily items: Bacon, 225,000 pounds; beans, 75,000 pounds; rice, 50,000 pounds; onions, 250,000 pounds; evaporated fruit, 70,000 pounds; jam, 70,000 pounds; milk, 62,500 pounds; vinegar, 40,000 pounds; lard, 40,000 pounds; butter, 31,000 pounds; syrup, 40,000 pounds.

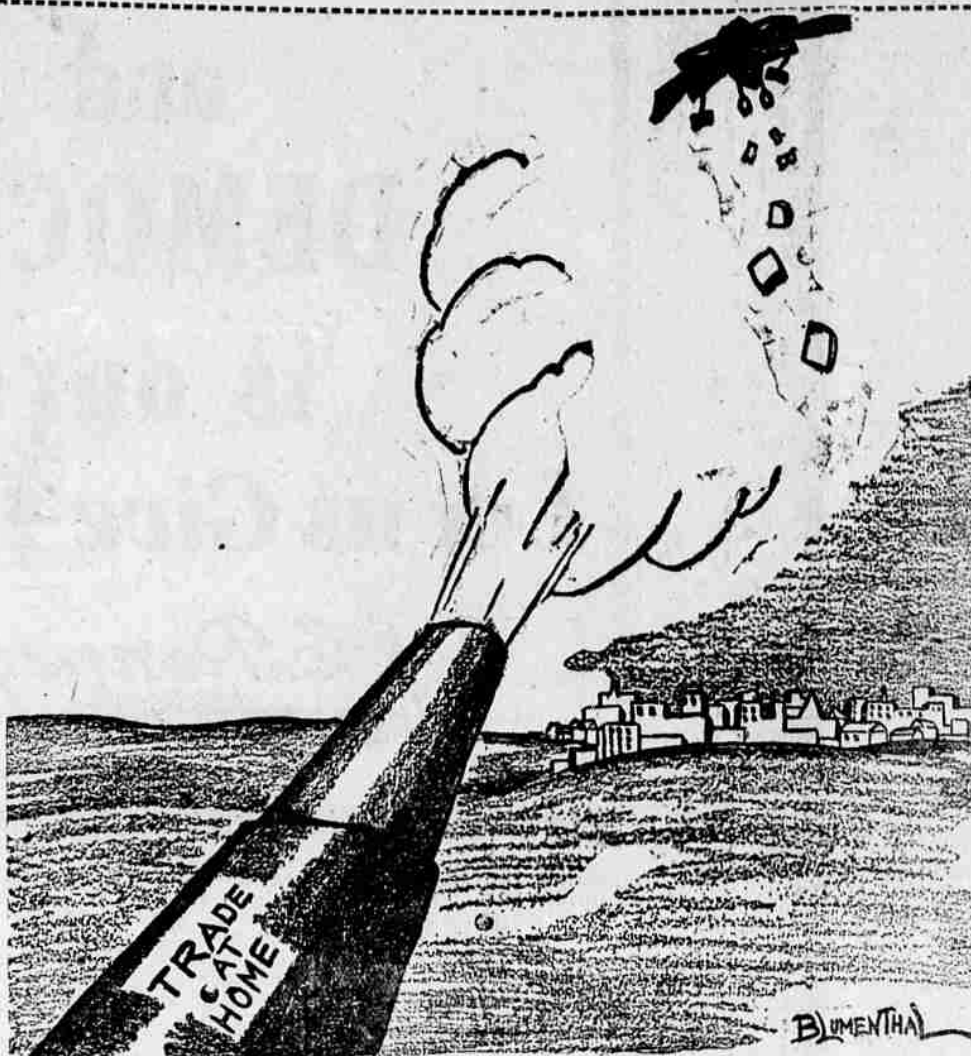
These being included in the over-sea ration, every one of the million men is entitled to his full allowance, and it must go forward to him wherever he is. So that besides the vast daily stock there is the question of unfailing daily delivery, first by railroads and then by the individual soldier.

Besides this 4,000,000 pounds of food moving forward daily to the troops, each man carries with him two days' emergency ration, 5 pounds to the man, an additional 5,000,000 pounds of food for an army of a million men. Of the emergency ration, carried on the back, there is outstanding every day 2,000,000 pounds of corned beef and 2,000,000 pounds of hardtack, 300,000 pounds of sugar, 62,500 pounds of coffee, 20,000 pounds of salt, and 300,000 pounds of solidified alcohol for heating and cooking while on march.

Tracing Use of Lightships.
The first lightship, the Nora, was established in England in 1782, at the mouth of the Thames. The first in this country was stationed in 1820 in Chesapeake bay, off Wolloughby Spit. Sandy Hook, now Ambrose, light vessel was established in 1823. A light vessel was placed off Cape Hatteras in 1825 and was driven ashore in 1827, and a ship was not established again in this dangerous position until 1897, after unsuccessful attempts had been made to build a lighthouse on Diamond Shoal.

Tempting.
If an apple dumpling doesn't want to be eaten, why does it smear itself all over with that delicious sauce and sit there smiling up at you with a look of paradise upon its cherubic face?—Hartford Sun.

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Good Advice.

The man who doesn't worry when he ought to is as bad as the one who worries when he shouldn't. Worrying is bad for the health, but probably not as bad as letting things drift. In case of rain, run for an umbrella. Instead of saying "Don't Worry" the best advice to give a man in trouble is "Get Busy."—Thrill Magazine.

Cleaning Leather.

Leather-covered furniture may be washed with castile soap and lukewarm water. The oil in the soap preserves the leather and helps to keep it soft. Gray leather shoes may also be cleaned in this way.

Butter Wrappers printed at the Observer office.

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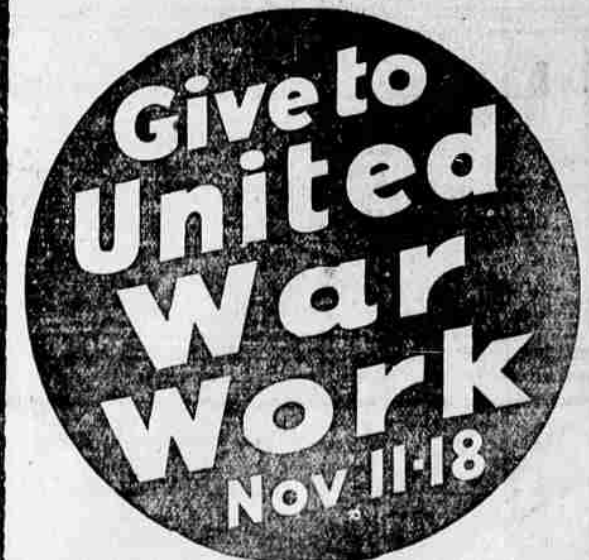
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