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The Man Will Be No Better Than His Training.

The Observer seldom carps and wails about election results. We leave that to such papers as the Portland Journal. But it does seem that a word should be said regarding the defeat of the normal school bill.

It should be said now, for the children who are undertrained and show lack of education in the future must not be blamed for a condition which the voters of the state have fastened upon the young.

The bill was beaten, probably because there was not sufficient publicity given to the needs of the schools. Or, perhaps the people in their disgust at some institutions of learning in the state, determined to take a pot shot at anything that came up in the form of an educational measure. Be that as it may, we are up against a condition that will not permit of normal training in Oregon outside of Menmouth, which is a small institution and incapable of handling the volume of work needed.

When a state is in a predicament, it is much like an individual—the best thing to do is to look around and see what can be done not to make bad conditions worse.

As a friendly suggestion to the legislators who have been chosen to represent the people in the coming legislature it might be well to have a fair minded committee investigate the work of the Oregon Agricultural college with an idea of learning if it is not possible to spend some of the state's money now appropriated for that institution to make teachers instead of cornet players. If we cannot have normal schools for individual training we may be forced to put a training department in some colleges we now have, for the teachers of this state must have training, even if the drug clerk profession which flourishes and graduates many from the O. A. C. must be discarded.

Think it over, you men who have been elected to represent the different counties in next session.

The Folly of Well Meaning Citizens.

Do you remember when Oregon had a "Six Per Cent Limitation" campaign? When speakers went over the state and urged everyone to restrict public expenditures to six per cent more than the previous year.

No doubt you remember the large timber companies, many of them non-residents, were behind this campaign in order to keep from paying for Oregon's development. The measure carried and is a part of the constitution. This year a measure was placed on the ballot asking its repeal and it was voted down by a big majority. The state is now confronted with war expenditures and no way to raise money to meet them.

The situation is complex for Oregon people are in favor of war expenditures. No one could make this paper believe otherwise. But the mere placing of a measure on the ballot will not do, there must be heavy publicity work done to bring it to the people's attention. This was not done this year because there was no funds for such purposes. As a result Oregon voters downed a measure they believed in and individually are doing with their own funds what the state asked what it might do with public funds.

It is apparent now that every state must trust its officials. Elect no one to the legislature who is not worthy of the trust, but then do not hog-tie him and take away all of initiative. Such conditions will follow as now confronts us if you do.

We surely have men who are worthy of election to the different offices. If we have not, we are in bad shape and not entitled to have the reputation which Oregon as a state enjoys.

The Bravest Battle.

The bravest battle that was ever fought,
Shall I tell you where and when?
On the maps of the world you will find it not;
'Twas fought by the mothers of men.

Nay, not with cannon, or battle-shot,
With sword, or nobler pen;
Nay, not with eloquent word or thought,
From months of wonderful men.

But deep in a welled-up woman's heart—
Of woman that would not yield,
But bravely, silently bore her part—
Lo! there is that battlefield!

No marshaling troop, no bivouac song;
No banners to gleam and wave!
But O! these battles they last so long—
From babyhood to the grave!

Yet faithful still as a bridge of stars,
She fights in her welled-up town—
Fights on, and on, in the endless wars,
Then silent, unseen, goes down!

O! ye with banners and battle-shot,
And soldier to shout and praise,
I tell you the kindest victories fought
Are fought in these silent ways.
—Joachim Miller.

FORUM

AN APPRECIATION

Too often the man or woman who has lived a life of brilliant success in the world of stock and bonds or who, with every advantage has led a brilliant career as a scholar or literary person is accorded the glowing encomiums on the front page of the big daily and receives the words of appreciation and laurels from the powerful and the great, while no who has lived in the midst of adversity, but in spite of the misfortune has sincerely striven toward high ideals, is to the world at large—forgotten.

Keeping Business on a Level

Would it be any satisfaction to you in these times if you could put some of your money in the great national fund held by the Federal Reserve Banking System which is standing back of and steadying the business interests of the country?

You can do it by depositing your money with us, as we in turn keep part of it on deposit with our Federal reserve bank, where it will be ready for you when needed.

In this way, without cost, you can strengthen the system and secure for yourself its protection.

La Grande National Bank

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Designated Depository of the United States Government

"FOR GOD IS ALL IN ALL."

In this period of rejoicing; in this period when peace has been proclaimed throughout the world; in this period when our boys who are wearing the armor of battle will be saved from further onslaught of the foe; in this period when those same boys who were ready to do and die for the flag, will be saved the tremor of having taken human life which would have been necessary and right for them to do, yet, nevertheless, an unpleasant thing to do; in this period when the home fires are burning as they never burned before—when father, mother, sister and brother are inwardly and outwardly returning thanks, let us, as a community—as an integral part of the greatest nation in all the world, stop for a moment and lift our faces upward repeating in our individual manner, though awkward it may be, a prayer of thanks, remembering at all times that "God Is All In All."

The demand today is for one who "can accomplish things," and it is too often forgotten that true greatness does not always accompany the adventitious advantages of the world. Surely it is well-known that the difficulties surrounding one noble deed may not be one see of those under which another is achieved.

I therefore offer this tribute to one who has won the affectionate esteem of her neighbors and any who came within her wide circle of acquaintances, who has been untiring and self-forgetful in her Samaritan deeds to those in worse circumstances than herself—Mrs. Joseph Tunbull, who passed this life November 3.

A NEIGHBOR.

Legal Advisory Board Is Busy With Questionnaires

Sessions of the legal advisory board continue at the Y. M. C. A. from one o'clock in the afternoon until nine o'clock in the evening.

An increasing number of registrants are crowding into the offices of the lawyers in the forenoon, thereby in many instances making it practically impossible for such attorneys to transact any business of their own. Registrants are again requested to carefully read over their questionnaires and to fill in the blanks themselves so far as possible, prior to appearing before the board for advice.

Registrants are also required to present themselves in the afternoons or evenings, whether they go to the board itself or to some individual member of it.

No instructions relative to the cessation of completing questionnaires and classifying registrants have been received and the work must go on until specifically discontinued by the war department.

RED CROSS NOTES.

Still Need for Sweaters

There is still a great deal of sewing and knitting to be done, even though peace has been declared and most of our boys will be safe at home again within a few months. The army cannot be transported at once and a few weeks will find the greater part of it in the midst of a cold winter in a cold climate, where the supplies being made now will be acutely needed.

LELAND NICKERSON DEAD

The death of her brother-in-law, Leland H. Nickerson is announced in a message recently received by Mrs. James Nelson, who attended school here for many years as Miss Gertrude Reynolds will be well remembered by many here.

THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT Presents

WILLIAM B. SARGENT,

of the FOUR-MINUTE MEN.

The Committee on Public Information,
(Appointed by the President.)

In compliance with the orders of the state board of health, barring all public gatherings, the work of the Four-Minute Men must of necessity be accomplished through the press, rather than in the theatres and other places of public gatherings, as has heretofore been the custom. In this space will appear from time to time, messages from one of the committee in this county.

The good news flashed over the wire yesterday that hostilities have ceased in the great world war does not mean that the campaign launched for the United War Work is to stop, but all the more incentive is given for a whirlwind campaign to raise the sum allotted for this work in even quicker time than was anticipated. The need for the Y. M. C. A. is even greater now than during the fighting, and the same thing applies to all of the allied associations in this war work. It will be many months before our boys can be returned home, and it is just as important that their morale shall be sustained to the high standard that it was during the war. The disposition of the soldiers at the various cantonments will consume a very extended period of time and during that time the work heretofore performed by the Y. M. C. A., the Knights of Columbus and the Jewish Welfare Board will have the same work to perform among the soldiers at the cantonments that they have been doing previous to the ceasing of hostilities. The work of the Y. W. C. A. and the War Camp Community Service, the American Library Association and the Salvation Army at these cantonments will be really increased. While the work of the Salvation Army in the maintenance of their huts at the front for

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Men's Sheep Lined Coats	\$10 to \$20
Men's Leather Vests, knit collars	\$10
Men's Stag Shirts, water proof	\$5 to \$12
Men's Heavyweight Union Suits	\$2.75 to \$10
Gold Seal Paces, Arctics	\$2.75 to \$3.00
Alaska Socks, Wool, Best Quality	\$1 to \$2.50
Wool Socks	50c to \$1.00
Lined Gloves, Mitts	35c to \$8.00

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THE QUALITY STORE

the purpose of supplying doughnuts, hot coffee and stacks of "hots" can now be discontinued, there will be unlimited work for the Salvation Army to do among the maimed and injured soldiers as well as the practical assistance to be rendered the civilian population of the devastated districts of the former battlefields. The amount required for Union county's War Chest is a very moderate sum. And we should all be so enthused over the termination of the war that we should voluntarily look up the committee in charge of the campaign and give in our subscriptions.

CLERKS PICNIC AT PERRY

Employees at Hill's Department Store Jubilant Over Peace.

Aroused to a high tide of patriotism by the arrival of the news of peace and desiring to celebrate in a town that seemingly needed to be started to get into the full swing which is La Grande's big way of doing things, nine of Hill's Department Store employees motored to Perry yesterday evening before returning to the big street demonstration later in the evening. An appetizing campfire supper was enjoyed after the party had reached its destination. Those making the trip were Misses Last, Herzinger, Bureau, Meyers, Fisher and Mr. and Mrs. Fairchild and Mr. and Mrs. McMaster. A rousing, patriotic celebration is reported.

CARD OF THANKS

To the Modern Woodmen, the Moose and the many kind friends and neighbors who assisted us during the illness and death of our beloved one, we wish to extend our thanks, also our appreciation for the beautiful flowers.

MRS. G. C. MONTGOMERY.
W. S. MONTGOMERY AND FAMILY.
11-12-11.

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11-7-11



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NOTICE

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U. S. NATIONAL BANK.

Y. M. C. A.

Educational Department. Short-hand and typewriting. Day classes, 10.00 a. m. to 3.30 p. m. Night classes 7.30 p. m. to 9.30 p. m.

CALL FOR CITY WARRANTS.

Notice is hereby given that all warrants issued on the general fund of the City of La Grande, Oregon, and endorsed July 31,

ACQUIRING A PERFECT FIGURE



Most women who have perfect figures did not have them originally. They have acquired them. A woman gradually takes the shape of her corset so the corset produced by the most artistic designer is the right one to wear to secure a perfect figure.

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are most symmetrically and artistically designed. They are comfortable, stylish and gradually mold the figure into those beautiful lines that every woman admires and desires.

PAULINE LEDERLE

1917, or prior thereto, are now called for payment and interest on said warrants ceases from this date, November 9, 1918.

AGNES M. RUSK,

Treasurer City of La Grande, 11-9-18.

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