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Are Hungry But Not Starved.

Taking the reports as they come from various sources it appears that the German people are hungry, but not starved. It has about reached an acceptable theory that the direful appeals which came from Dr. Solf in relation to the condition of Germany was more of method than of necessity. It was more of a whine for the effect it might have than an existing condition. The bread ration has been raised in Germany and meat allowances have become permissible. A more recent report says that potatoes and other of the plainer food substances are available and on the whole the people of Germany are no nearer a destitute condition than they have been during the past years of the war, and they will manage with any reasonable equity of distribution to "weather" through.

The American public will be interested in one fact, however, that has not heretofore been given much stress and that is that food for Germany and Austria is not to be furnished as a charity by America. All that is to be sent is to be paid for in actual money and sold to them in the open market. People will not be called upon for an outright contribution of food, but the people of this country are still advised as to the necessity of conservation in the sense that nothing should be wasted that can be made available for the world's food supply. This is because of the requirements of the people who have been reduced on account of the war and to have the supply needed for those who will be required to pay for what they get. This makes the situation considerably different from that which was the popular supposition when the German appeals were first sent out.

War Stamp Quota Not Yet Filled.

Mr. F. L. Meyers, chairman for the Union county stamp sales, reports that there still remains the sum of \$80,000 to complete this county's quota. There remains about thirty days in which to complete the amount assigned to Union county, which was officially placed at \$325,580. It will be seen that sales will have to be speeded up to keep Union county in the one hundred per cent column, where it has officially placed at \$325,580. It will be before.

There was a pledge campaign in which the subscribers agreed to purchase an amount of stamps which in the aggregate would cover the assigned amount to Union county. There have, without doubt been some sales outside of those guaranteed by the pledges, so it remains a mere fact of mathematics that several who have signed the pledge to buy war stamps before the first of the year, have not yet redeemed the pledge. While there is time yet, the thing to do for those who are so pledged and who have not yet complied with

We Can Outfit the Whole Family Correctly

—Winter styles and weights in form fitting fabrics for men, women and children—Soft worsted Fabrics that do not scratch—Cotton fabrics of fine quality—silk and wool—cotton and wool mixtures that combine warmth light weight.

—A correct size for every one—tall, thin, short or stout—Always at as low and often lower prices than you will find elsewhere.

MUNSING WEAR



Knit Sweaters, Jackets and Vests

suits. This season, the demand is greater than ever and—There was a time when Sweaters were just sweaters, but today there is a definite style in sweaters as in coats or we have provided a splendid variety in all the different sorts.

Men's Sweaters \$2.50 to \$12.50

Children's Sweaters \$1.75 to \$4.00

Women's Sweaters \$2.00 to \$12.00

Store Closes
Saturday
8:30 P. M.

N. K. West & Co.

THE QUALITY STORE

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their agreement, is to do so at once. These pledges were accepted in the good faith that the obligation would be kept, and now is the time to make the promise good. It is a matter that should not be overlooked. Eight counties in the state have made good by going over the top. They are Clatsop, Coos, Jackson, Lincoln, Tillamook, Baker, Sherman and Wheeler. Union county is about eighteen per cent short of the required amount and this must be made up within the next thirty days.

American Physique Is What Counts.

Outside of what the American soldier has demonstrated on the battlefield, his physical condition is the subject of interest wherever he appears. The American youth had two fundamental requirements that made it possible for an army to be assembled and trained to the rigors of battle within a very few months' time. On the field he met and vanquished the seasoned Prussian guards, an organization that was practically brought up with arms from the cradle, and supposed to be invincible. The two American fundamentals is what more than any other thing enabled the dashing Yankee to put the Prussian to rout. One of the advantages to begin with was that the new soldier was fully imbued with his mission on the field. He was an intellectual machine and not a mere goose-stepping automaton. The next important distinction of the American soldier is that of scrupulous care in a physical way. In this respect the boys who have been through the service will come out in a much better general condition on the average than those who stayed at home. To get down to a specific instance as to the American soldier's physical condition the simple matter of having sound teeth is commented upon by one of the great newspapers of London, the Daily Mail, which says:

"One thing about the American soldiers and sailors must strike English people when they see these gallant fighters, and that is the soundness and general whiteness of their teeth. It is all the more striking in that it is such a contrast to the teeth of the British people. "From childhood the Yank is taught to take care of his teeth. He has tooth-drill three times daily and visits his dentist at fixed intervals, say every three or four months. If by chance a tooth does decay the rot is at once arrested by a filling. The result of all this is that our U. S. soldiers, besides adding to their appearance, gain in health by having good, clean teeth and when war came, very few men were turned down by the military authorities for having decayed teeth. So daily we see them, their faces tanned, smilingly exhibiting perfect sets of teeth. It is a distinctive mark of the American—as distinctive as his uniform or his slang."

EAT HOME PRODUCTS
Suggestion Sent Out for Thanksgiving Observance.

"Serve a Thanksgiving dinner made up entirely of food produced in your own state." This is the message out over the country from the United States food administration. Not only is the individual householder being asked to comply with this request but state hotel chairmen are being requested to use their good influence in having hotels and all public eating places comply likewise. The food administration asks that this be done "as a distinct measure of food conservation and to demonstrate to the people how food may be saved by using local supplies. Everything served at the dinner, in order to carry out the purpose of this request, should be a home product."

You cannot make a mistake in buying hand purses or shopping bags at Silverthorn's. They are always careful to buy from the best manufacturers, that do not make poor or shabby goods.

Silverthorn's
FAMILY DRUG STORE
LA GRANDE, OREGON.
Daily 11-25-tf.

The Observer furnishes and prints Observer advertising will bring results.

NOTICE
Any subscriber in La Grande missing the Observer will please call Main 37. So many have been missed lately that the Observer has arranged to put on an extra carrier who will receive complaints in the evening over the phone and immediately deliver the paper to anyone missed.
11-18-5t.

HAT SALE
\$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50. Cleaning up odds and ends.
TOGGERY.
11-22-3t

When Itching Stops
There is one safe, dependable treatment that relieves itching torture and skin irritation almost instantly and that cleanses and soothes the skin. Ask any druggist for a 35c or \$1 bottle of zemo and apply it as directed. Soon you will find that irritations, pimples, blackheads, eczema, blotches, ringworm and similar skin troubles will disappear. A little zemo, the penetrating, satisfying liquid, is all that is needed, for it banishes most skin eruptions and makes the skin soft, smooth and healthy.
The E. W. Ross Co., Cleveland, O.

WE BUY LIBERTY BOND
For Spot Cash, Any Issue.
\$50 \$100
\$500 \$1000
Send us your Bonds by registered letter and receive highest market price by return mail.
Western Stock and Bond Co.
200 Central Bldg., Seattle, Wash.
11-16-tf

WINTER APPLES
Apples 75c per box, bring your boxes or sacks, 5 blocks north of O. W. R. N. shop, 2709 N. Birch St. Old Chapman place, 11-18-tf S

Sweet milk; fresh, pure and clean.
Brother Cream Station, next door to Hilton's Garage, Adams Ave.
11-25-4t

MONEY TO LOAN.
On improved real property in Union county. No delays. Current rates. La Grande Investment Co.

Hot Water bottles and fountain syringes in metal or rubber, the best that the eastern factories make, you can see at Silverthorn's. A good assortment on display in their show window just now.
Daily 11-25-tf

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11-22-3t

Certain Cure For Croup.
Mrs. Rose Middleton, of Greenville, Ill., has had experience in the treatment of this disease. She says, "When my children were small my son had croup frequently. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy always broke up these attacks immediately, and I was never without it in the house. I have taken it myself for coughs and colds with good results."—Adv.

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The World Moves On

Printers thought the typesetting machine was not practical—
The horse breeder said the automobile would never be in general use—
The wire manufacturer said "wireless" was a dream—
Even congressmen said "heavier-than-air" flying machines were impossible—
The last to be disturbed by the wheels of progress is the single-record phonograph manufacturer, who says the playing of all records on one machine "cannot be done."



"Cannot be Done"
is now in the scrap heap, for—

The Brunswick

does it!

It attracts the eye—
It pleases the ear—
It plays all records at their best—
It is all phonographs in one.
Hear the Brunswick FIRST—Decide for Yourself—

Carr Furniture Co.

The Brunswick

ALL PHONOGRAPHS IN ONE

AUTO or HOME?

The possibility of becoming the owner of an auto or home, in which to take his wife, or wife-to-be, is made possible by the starting of a bank account with us, and adding to it little by little.

It is not what you earn, but what you save, that counts; and the bank is the safest place to put it.

Our bank offers you all the advantages in savings, and in checking accounts that are offered anywhere, and our time-tried, up-to-date method of handling your business, offers you

SAFETY AND EFFICIENCY
La Grande National Bank

Member Federal Reserve System
Designated Depository of the United States Government