DRIVE BEGINS ON MARCH 17

STATE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WANTS MEMBERSHIP

All Loyal Residents of Oregon Will Be Solicited to Enroll Their Names on Books

PORTLAND, March 10.—John L. Etheridge, state chairman of the membership committee of the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce has announced that a state-wide campaign for members for the organization will begin on Monday, March 17.

The campaign involves one of the most comprehensive drives ever inaugurated in this state. Every town will have its local chairman who will organize committees to solicit members in his community; every county will have its county chairman to supervise as far as possible the conduct of the drive.

Chairman Etheridge has arranged for a series of county conferences to be held during the week of March 10th to 15th. It is the expectation of the membership committee that every commercial organization, association and society in the various counties will participate in the conferences and that the final details for the drive in each locality will be arranged. The county conferences will be addressed by the state senators and representatives of each county together with other representative citizens. In addition a number of splendid speakers from various sections of the state will go to as many points as possible within the five day conference period to explain the method of organization of the State Chamber and the plans it has for the upbuilding of Oregon.

On the 17th inst., the membership drive will begin. Every loyal Oregonian will be asked to become a member of the State Chamber. It is the ambition of the membership committee to enroll at least ten thousand individual members during the week of the drive. It is essential that the organization be provided with funds sufficient to carry on the broad work of the Chamber, the purposes of which is concisely stated in the slogan adopted: "Oregon for every community; every community for Oregon."

Briefly stated the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce has been organized to encourage the development of the natural resources of the state, and of trade and commercial inter-course between the various sections of the state and contiguous territory, and with foreign countries, and to encourage co-operation between the various Chambers of Commerce, industrial, agricultural and other organizations throughout Oregon, and generally to increase their efficiency.

"The value of co-operation needs no comment," said Mr. Etheridge. "Whatever is beneficial to one section of the state is beneficial to the state as a whole, and whatever benefits one community is valuable to all other sections."

"It is to make Oregon the best and most progressive and prosperous state in the nation, that the State Chamber was organized. It proposes to work unselfishly to that end. We can accomplish all these things and many more if every citizen will affiliate with the organization. The yearly dues for individuals have been placed at a very small figure, that every man and woman in the state easily can afford to join the movement. It is a duty which we hope every citizen will recognize."

The voting control of the State Chamber rests with the Chamber of Commerce and affiliated organizations outside of Portland.

'Heart of Humanity' Makes Big Hit With La Grande Show Goers

The Arcade management feels that it pulled one that meets with hearty approval of La Grande people in the "Hearts of Humanity," which has been running yesterday and will be on again tonight. It is one of the big films and is staged in a most perfect manner. The scenes are well arranged to tell the war story and the photography is excellent. This pictures leaves few dry eyes in the house and raises the patriotic pulse to rapid beating.

Earlaps of the Japanese.

"The earlap is almost entirely wanting with the Japanese, but this apparent anomaly is none at all. It is we whose ears are badly formed, or at least different from those which nature, if not interfered with, would have given us. Our ear is disfigured because for centuries our ancestors loaded it with more or less heavy ornaments, which in the course of time elongated its inferior part. We inherited, from them both the custom and its effect—the lap. A fact which shows that this useless and cruel custom was unknown to the Japanese, the expressions for earrings (mimi-gane) and earlap (mimi-tabu), were not introduced into the Japanese language until the epoch when the Japanese entered into competition with the Occidentals, those whom they were pleased to call barbarians.

Red Cross Drug Store

The Prescription Store.

Social and Personal

Dr. C. T. Bacon returned this morning from Portland, where he had been a visitor for a short time.

The Community chorus will meet this evening at the Presbyterian church for rehearsal and Mr. Trayner requests a full attendance.

J. A. Russell left this morning for Baker, to pay a visit to the Grand Ronde Meat Company's new branch, which will be opened in that city very soon.

Mrs. M. Favorite, who had been here for a few days, visiting her friend, Mrs. W. J. Church, returned yesterday morning to her home in Portland.

Among the visitors at the land-office in this city Saturday were the following: Bly, Wash., men: James W. Aplington, Henry E. Ohms, and Leland L. Packwwood.

R. Alexander, one of Pendleton's most prominent business men, came over yesterday and remained until this morning visiting his sister, Mrs. H. Bloch, and the Bloch family.

Mrs. F. L. Wendt, accompanied by her two babies and daughter, Pearl, will leave tonight on No. 18 for Chicago, where they will remain for the next three or four months, visiting relatives.

"Glad to get back home and find the sun shining," said Dr. W. D. McMillan, as he stepped of No. 17 this morning from Portland. The doctor spent a week in Portland, and says it rained all the time. He went down to attend a meeting of the state dental board and incidentally was appointed secretary of that body.

H. P. Bradley and L. A. Bradley, former residents of La Grande arrived this morning on No. 6. The young men are sons of Frank J. Bradley, who left here some eight months ago to locate in the Hawaiian Islands. H. P. has been in the naval service for the past five months and he has just come from Honolulu. L. A. has been at Seattle for some time. Both of them expect to remain in La Grande.

POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS MANY GUESTS

Business at the city police station over the week-end was fairly brisk. Booze and gasoline started the trouble in every case but one. The exception was the case of Levi Hanley, a Wallowa youth who had skipped out from home and who was apprehended here at his father's request. The father came in this morning and took his son home again.

Wm. Garrick, arrested for speeding, was sentenced to pay a fine of $15.00, or as an alternative, spend a week in jail. Garrick was given a severe reprimand by Judge Eakin, who told him that, had he chose, he could have fined him also for running the car with cut-out open.

H. Bellmer was fined $10.00 for having been drunk Saturday night. When asked by the judge where he had procured the liquor, he stated that he had brought it from Wyoming. The judge reminded him that he had committed a serious offense against the federal laws when he brought the liquor, and told him that in Portland men who do such stunts genrally get a fine of at least $250. In view of the fact, however, that Bellmer had recently returned from France, where, he said, soldiers could get all the booze they wanted, the judge let him off with a ten dollar fine.

Erik Oleson and Andrew Erickson were both taken into custody on a charge of being drunk, and they were to come up for trial this afternoon at five o'clock.

Mike Keys was found by the police with whiskey in his possession and he was released upon furnishing $50.00 bail, to appear to answer for the offense later. Gus Berg, taken in on a similar charge, got out by putting up $25 bail.

An automobile stealing case is also on the chief's docket. The offender was a young boy, who will be turned over to the juvenile court. The car belonged to Burl Conley, who happened to be near at hand when the youth started off for his joy ride last night. Mr. Conley made after the car, which was held up in the mud, and jumped on the running board. He had to use considerable physical force, however, to persuade the youth to relinquish his attempt to get away.

Bad Taste in Your Mouth.

When you have a bad taste in your mouth you may know that your digestion is faulty. A dose of Chamberlain's Tablets will usually correct the disorder. They also cause a gentle movement of the bowels. You will find this to be one of the best medicines you have ever become acquainted with.—adv.

TELLS OF PROPAGANDA

Clayton Ingle Sends Home Some German Leaflets Which Were Picked up at Belnay.

In a recent letter from France Clayton Ingle enclosed a couple of leaflets which appear to be German propaganda to secure prisoners from the ranks of the Americans. Clayton writes that found these leaflets at Balnay, when his division was at that place and says: "The Germans bombed us with this dope as well as with explosives."

The propaganda is as follows:

How to Stop the War

Do your part to put an end to the war! Put an end to your part of it. Stop fighting. That's the simplest way. You can do it, you soldiers, just stop fighting and the war will end of its own accord. You are not fighting for anything, anyway. What does it matter to you who owns Metz or Strassburg. You never saw those towns, nor knew the people in them, so what do you care about them. But there is a little town back home in little old United States you would like to see. And if if you keep on fighting here in hope of getting a look at those old German fortresses you may never see home again.

The only way to stop the war is to stop fighting. That's easy. Just quit it and slip across No Man's Land and join the bunch that's taking it easy there, waiting to be exchanged and taken home. There is no disgrace in that. That bunch of American prisoners will be welcomed just as warmly as you who stick it out in these infernal trenches. Get wise and get over the top.

There is nothing in the glory of keeping up the war, but think of the increasing taxes you will have to pay. The longer the war lasts the larger those taxes at home will be Get wise and get over.

All the fine words about glory are tommy rot. You haven't got any business fighting in France. You would better be fighting the money trust at home instead of fighting your fellow soldiers in grey over here, where it really doesn't matter two sticks to you how the war goes.

Your country needs you. Your family needs you, and you need your life for something better than being gassed, shot at, deaf and by cannon shots and rendered unfit physically by the miserable life you lead here.

The tales they tell you of the cruelties of German prison camps are fairy tales. Of course you may not like being a prisoner of war, but anything is better than this infernal place, with no hope of escape except by being wounded after which you will only be sent back for another hole in your body.

Wake up and stop the war. You can if want to. Your government does not intend to stop the war for years to come, and the years are going to be long and dreary. You had better come over while the going is good.

Never Say Die.

Don't die till you have to.

What business have you to die for France, for Alsace, Lorraine, or for England, in France?

Isn't it better anyhow to live than to die. No matter, for how "glorious" a cause? Isn't it better to live and come back to the old folks at home than to rot in the shell holes and trenches of France?

You have had to hear many highly fascinating words about "liberty," "humanity" and "making the world safe for democracy," but honest now aren't these catch words merely sugar coating to the bitter pill of making you spend wretched months far from home? Do you really believe those German soldier boys in their faded grey uniforms on the other side of "No Man's Land" are hot on the trail of your liberties?

Just like you, they want the war to end with honor, so they can go back to their home folks. All they want is a chance to live and let live.

And so if it should happen to you to fall into their hands you will find that they will treat you fair enough on the principle of "live and let live." Why run any more chances than you have to, you might as well be a free boarder in Germany till the war is over. You don't want to die till you have to.

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METHODISTS HAD BIG DAY

OVER HALF OF OBJECTIVE ATTAINED SUNDAY MORNING

Dr. U. S. Hawk, Preaching at Morning and Evening Services, Gave Very Fine Sermons.

March 8, 1919, will long be a history-marking day in the annals of the Methodist church in this city. Out to raise the outstanding debt of the church and to end for all time the burden of a church building debt yoke, the congregation had laid its plans for the campaign among its own membership and friends yesterday. That the day was successful is shown by the totals at the end of a perfect day's work. During the morning campaign, $4160 was raised. Rev. U. S. Hawk, district superintendent of the Spokane district, who presided over the financial campaign, has a happy faculty of unloosening purse strings without leaving a sting of objection. After the morning service, which was far more resultful than the most sanguine had anticipated, workers continued an individual campaign during the afternoon and at the evening service again, a brief campaign was inaugurated. At the 15-minute session, the total amount for the day was raised to almost $6000. Today a few more of the church membership were to be seen, and a light campaign in the business district will be conducted tomorrow with a hope of raising the total to $8,000 by tomorrow night.

The preaching services at the church yesterday were extremely instructive and religious. Dr. Hawk spoke of the spirit of democracy, indicating how it leads to upheaval and revolt against tyranny and against autocracy, but he made it clear that these same elements cannot bring order out of chaos—that there are no constructive ingredients in the spirit that brings chaotic conditions about. He spoke of how the world is crying out against Bolshevism, but is doing nothing build up gap. Only the church of Jesus Christ, he said, can offer the remedy.

PARSONAGE CLUB MEETS

A meeting of the Parsonage Club will be held tomorrow evening at the parsonage of the M. E. church, South.

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A LONESOME OFFICER

American Lieutenant Lives in Castle at Coblenz Bridgehead

COBLENZ, March 10.—In a great castle on a hill with a count and countess and their four daughters as his nearest neighbors dwels today the lonesomest American in all the occupied territory of Germany. He is Lieutenant John W. Scott, of Detroit, commanding Company K, 28th Infantry, on outpost duty at the "stepping of' place of the Coblenz bridgehead where it skirts a beautiful valley stretching away toward Berlin.

Just across the hallway from the quarters of the lieutenant on the second floor of the castle, Count and Countess von Walderdorf have been allowed to remain by courtesy of army officers. But the Germans keep to themselves, looking upon the Americans as invaders, and an army anti-fraternization order prohibits Lieutenant Scott from visiting them.

On the first floor of the castle fifty American soldiers have their beds and mess and a large living room where they play cards and enjoy each others company during the long winter evenings and tell of their war experiences, and of all the wonderful things they intend to do when they get home again. Lieutenant Scott spends his evenings alone, devouring book after book.

Visitors are few at this farthermost outpost across the Rhine, twenty miles from Coblenz. During the day the lieutenant makes his rounds visiting one sentinel after another always alone. At the foot of the hill crowned by the castle of Moisberg is the village of Moisbery of which Lieutenant Scott is military commander, but he talks to the townspeople only on questions of business. And so, day after day, the lieutenant meets no one excepting his soldiers and the civilians on routine matters of duty.

The meals of this loneliest of Americans are served in his quarters where he dines, alone, with giddy green warrior tapestry figures gazing down upon him from their places on the walls just where they were years ago. The figures of one panel hung something like three hundred pictures a gay and jolly party and all the others suggest campionship in some form.

The officer has a telephone which reaches to Montabaur, the First Division headquarters, but its use is restricted to business only. There are other conveniences too including electric lights and running water and a wonderful stove reaching halfway to the ceiling and at the bottom the old German makers name and the date 1764. But to the lonely lieutenant even the fire in the stove sometimes seems almost cold.

Lieutenant Scott's nearest American officer neighbor is five or six miles away out across the eight thousand acres owned by the Count. After dark visits are out of the question. And so when overcome by lonesomeness, and weariness from reading, the lieutenant tumbles into a seventeenth century bed which stands in the same position it has been all these years. And within easy reach is the telephone by which he knows eventually will come the welcome news for which so long he has been longing—"We've been ordered home."

TODAY
TOMORROW

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Cove Farmers Working on Campaign to Rid District of Squirrels

A squirrel poisoning campaign was inaugurated at Cove last Friday, when a number of the farmers of that section met at the Grange hall and outlined a plan of campaign. P. H. Spillman, of La Grande, county agriculturalist, attended the meeting and explained the action which is being taken along this line in neighboring districts.

J. K. Lautz was appointed by the meeting to act as community rodent control committeeman. Mr. Lautz will handle the funds required for the campaign, will supervise the mixing of the poison and will also receive orders from farmers to purchase supplies.

The Golden Rule Co. will maintain an office at the same place as before closing their store until about the 10th of March. All accounts are due now and must be settled.—adv.

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LA GRANDE MARKETS

RETAIL

Butter and Eggs.	
Butter, creamery, roll	1.30
Eggs, dozen	.40
Butter, country, roll	1.10
Fish.	
Salmon, lb.	.30
Halibut, lb.	.30
Perch, lb.	.15
Fruit.	
Tangerines, dozen	.40
Bananas, lb.	.15
Lemons, dozen	.40
Oranges, dozen	.50@.80
Grapefruit, Florida, each	.15
Grapefruit, Cal., 3 for	.25
Meat.	
Beef shoulder steak	.20
Beef round steak	.22@.25
Hamburg steak	.20
Beef pot roast	.18@.22
Bacon, best local, lb.	.45@.50
Beef, boiling rib, lb.	.15@.18
Beef, sirloin steak, lb.	.25
Beef, T-bone steak, lb.	.30@.35
Beef, porterhouse, lb.	.30@.35
Ham, lb.	.37
Ham, sliced, lb.	.40@.45
Lard, best local, 5-lb. can	1.40
Mutton Chops, lb.	.20@.30
Pork, bacon backs, lb.	.30@.35
Mutton, loin, stew	.20
Mutton Stew, lb.	.10@.12½
Pork chops, lb.	.25@.30
Pork, shoulder steak, lb.	.23@.25
Veal, leg, steak, lb.	.30
Veal, shoulder, lb.	.22@.25
Veal, chops, lb.	.25@.35
Lard, lb.	.30
Leg of lamb, lb.	.35
Lamb chops, loin, lb.	.32
Lamb chops, shoulder, lb.	.25
Lamb stew, lb.	.10@.12½
Poultry.	
Hens, dressed, lb.	.32
Roosters, dressed, lb.	.25@.28
Vegetables.	
Cabbage, new Cal., lb.	.03
Carrots, lb.	.04
Celery, Cal., bunch	.20
Cucumbers, hothouse, ea.	.25
Lettuce, head, 2 for	.25
Lettuce, hothouse, lb.	.35
Onions, lb.	.04
Potatoes, per cwt.	1.50
Sweet potatoes, lb.	.10
Green peppers, lb.	.65
Tomatoes, lb.	.30
Turnips, lb.	.05
Parsnips, lb.	.05
Cauliflower, head	.25@.35
Spinach, lb.	.12½
Bunch turnips, 15; 2 for	.25
Bunch beets, 15; 2 for	.25
Bunch carrots, 15; 2 for	.25

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