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CHILD CENSUS IS NOW BEING TAKEN

Under the direction of the Woman's Council of National Defense, there is on foot a movement for special care of the youth of our city and community. That such a movement is at all times, important none will deny. At this moment its importance is peculiarly great.

The school district was divided into four precincts and the following committees have been listing children between the ages of six months and six years. District 1—Mrs. E. N. Johnson, Mrs. A. C. Moore; District 2—Mrs. George Carbray, Mrs. H. Mattison; District 3—Mrs. K. C. Eldridge, Mrs. O. D. Butler; District 4—Mrs. S. E. Owen, Miss Genevieve Cooper. In the Oak Point district, Miss Irene Williams has managed the campaign, at Parker Mrs. Jesse Walker has had charge of the undertaking and at Highland Mrs. Will Morrison is the capable leader. These ladies have worked enthusiastically and untiringly at the cause for they realized the great necessity of the movement, and Mrs. Ecker, the local chairman, wishes to thank each one of these ladies most abundantly for rising so meritoriously to the occasion.

In our intense interest in war we are in danger of losing sight of our young. Yet they are those for whom we fight. Surely all understand that to win the war were useless if thereby our own national life were to disintegrate. A neglected generation of young people will mean lowered vitality, lessened productive power, increased ignorance and immorality, lower ideals in all our national life, perhaps for all time.

The period of the war calls upon those who remain at home for redoubled effort on behalf of youth. Medical skill and health authorities must do more than ever before, because they must replace the efforts of the doctors, nurses and other health specialists who have gone with the army. Those who oversee the work and play of children and youth must fill the places once occupied by their elder brothers now in training camps, on the high seas and in the trenches. Every institution for child training, the family, the school, the church, the municipality, must be alert to protect young life.

Malnutrition, the child death rate and juvenile crime are all increasing, simply because we are absorbed by the war. May we heed it now, lest when our soldiers and sailors have won the fight we find it but a barren victory, because its spiritual meaning has been lost! As a community let us be alive to this call to service.

SALEM CANNERY CANS 90,000 CANS A DAY

Salem—An average of more than 90,000 cans a day, mostly cherries, were filled at the Hunt Bros. Co. cannery during the past week.

COMFORTING THOUGHT

"With a good and ample cherry crop under the can tops," says the Monmouth Herald, "the winter need have no terrors for citizens of the Willamette valley."

WIGRICH RED CROSS GIVES SPLENDID ENTERTAINMENT

With hundreds of small American flags suspended from invisible wires and stretched here and there over the well-kept lawn of the ranch home of Major and Mrs. Rose, with Red Cross booths, each offering an attraction and with many trysting places and rose-covered promenades and hundreds of Polk and Marion county people enjoying the activities while the Polk County Home Guard Band generously dispensed many of their choice selections, the Rose gardens presented a genuinely festive appearance for the lawn carnival which was given last night for the benefit of the Red Cross. Under the direction of Mrs. Rose, artistic hands had made the large Colonial veranda with a stage extension a setting complete enough for any production. Well kept potted plants and ferns were banked on the porches and myriads of Japanese lanterns were used with splendid effect. Major Rose was the clever chairman of the evening and delivered the opening address. In fact, he and Mrs. Rose, were the hosts of the fete and at once made the immense gathering feel that they were thrice welcome amid true English hospitality. One thing the Major is especially proud of is the large American flag and a "Union Jack" which float proudly from the same flag staff. He declares that if he should return to his native land, England, the Stars and Stripes would go with him. A handsome flag, presented by the ladies of Buena Vista to the Home Guards of that place, was on display. Referring to the American Eagle on this flag staff, Major Rose said, "Do you know the difference between the German Eagle and the American Eagle? It is this: The German Eagle descends to disgrace, dishonor and defeat while the American Eagle soars to honor, liberty and victory." The entire audience sang "America" and the band played stirring patriotic airs until patriotism was aroused to the extent that the kaiser received another blow from the American Red Cross. Judge Kirkpatrick and A. V. R. Snyder of Dallas made splendid talks on the doings of the Red Cross.

Dr. Dunsmore delivered an eloquent patriotic address and elicited much applause. The Misses Vahn Avery were much appreciated in their numbers. J. G. McIntosh and Mrs. Claire Irvine and Ernest-Chown delighted the listeners with excellent vocal selections. A number of little girls appeared in a motion song which was happily received. Dainty little Winnie Plant of Salem, a niece of Mrs. Rose, presented the dance song, "Buttercup." She received a burst of applause and was repeated.

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Report of Civic Club President

Officers and members of the Independence Civic Club: Another club year has drawn to a close. I have often been discouraged and thought we were doing little, but in going over "Memories Tablet" I find we have considerable "worth while" to our credit, as follows:

Army and Navy Emergency	\$25.00
Oregon Soldiers' Hospital	10.00
Scholarship Loan fund	10.00
To help girl through Normal this year	10.00
State President's traveling fund	2.50
Total	\$57.50

Besides the above the ladies met one afternoon and sewed for a needy family; twenty five tea towels were secured for the soldiers to be sent through the W. C. T. U., 100 post cards were sold for the benefit of crippled children; last but not least, the beautiful Service Flag of seventy five or eighty stars.

"Each star means a hero,
A boy of yours or mine,
Fighting, suffering dieing
Somewhere along the line;
And by these flags we greet them
No matter where they are,
These little flags of crimson,
Each with its one blue star."

I want to thank you for the loyal and hearty support you have given me and to wish the club unbounded success in the future.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth A. Eldridge.

EARL WHITEAKER SEES MUCH OF THE EAST

Camp Mills, Long Island, N. Y., June 23—I decided I would try a northern climate so I came to New York. The 29th division left Camp McClellan last Tuesday. We came thru Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, Washington D. C., Delaware, New Jersey and New York. Of all the southern states I have seen, I would sooner live in Virginia. There is sure some pretty country there, and some of the country homes are as pretty as they make them. At Richmond the Red Cross met us at the station and gave us candy and cigarettes.

Washington, D. C., is sure some swell city. I saw the capitol and the monument and other sights too numerous to mention. At the station the Red Cross gave us lunch. There is some beautiful country in these eastern states. At Philadelphia the people were lined up and cheered and waved as we went by. At the station the Red Cross met us and gave us ice cream, cigarettes and post cards. The women and girls went along the cars and shook hands with us and bid us good bye. The Red Cross is sure a great organization when you come to know it and feel the benefits derived from it. These Eastern people realize that there is a war going on and that it takes soldiers to win it, so they are sending them away in a first class manner.

In New York city we either took the elevated or the subway. We arrived at night. Going out here to Long Island we took a subway for a distance of five miles. We can go to New York city in an hour's time and every man in the company will have a chance to see it.

Well, I guess you know that when troops are sent to the eastern sea coast they may go over seas soon. I would like to see Roy if I go over, but there's about one chance in a million of doing it. We carry ammunition for the artillery and he's in the infantry.

EARL P. WHITEAKER.

POLK COUNTY IN GOOD SHAPE FINANCIALLY

Dallas—A report of the financial condition of Polk county for the first half of this year shows that the county is financially in good condition. The total receipts for the first six months was \$212,590.62 and the total disbursements \$178,260.90 leaving a balance on hand of \$154,990.60.

CROWLEY AMERICAN WOMAN CONSIDERED ALIEN ENEMY

(Polk County Observer.) Notwithstanding the fact that the ancestors of Mrs. Gus Grab, nee Jessie B. Bennett, emigrated to America in 1630, one section of it landing at Plymouth Rock and the other in Maine; notwithstanding the further fact that the Bennetts fought in the French and Indian war, the Revolutionary war, the war of 1812, and that those who gave their lives in the Civil war left scores of children without fathers, this young woman, who more than a decade since married a German while residing in Virginia with her parents, is obliged under the law to register and to secure a permit to come from her Crowley home to Dallas which has within its corporate limits an armory, because under the rule now obtaining she is an alien. To the registering official Mrs. Grab has made protest, but there is little likelihood that it will have effect, for the rule is universal and is being applied thruout the commonwealth.

PORTLAND IS RECEIVING MANY CALLS FOR HELP

Portland—"Help save the wheat of Eastern Oregon, the hay of the Willamette valley and the fruit of counties within half a hundred miles from Portland."

This is the appeal going forth from the Liberty Temple vacation farm help headquarters to the men of Portland.

Multiplied calls for help received from farmers thruout the state impress the seriousness of the situation and the necessity for men to forget pleasure and convenience and give their annual vacations to farm work.

POLK COUNTY THRESHERMEN FORM AN ORGANIZATION

The Polk County Threshermen's Association has been organized, the purpose of which "shall be to bring about an acquaintance and better understanding between threshermen and co-operation between members in standardizing threshing methods, reducing costs, recommending uniform and standard methods of making charges which will be fair and equitable to both thresherman and farmer, and in any other way to work for the interests of the members of this association and the farmers of this locality."

The Italians have the Austrians on the run.

A PATRIOTIC FAMILY

Five members of the Carmack family have gone the limit and each purchased \$1000 worth of war savings stamps, besides buying Liberty bonds and supporting the Red Cross liberally. The five are S. E. Carmack, Mrs. S. E. Carmack, Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart (Mr. Carmack's mother), Ethel Carmack and Milly Carmack.

Such patriotism is worthy of special commendation and sets a splendid example for all other loyal American families of moderate means.

SUVER RED CROSS ELECTS ITS YEAR'S OFFICERS

The Suver Red Cross has elected the following officers: Mrs. Minnie Fetzer, chairman, Mrs. Tressia Conger, vice president; Miss Grethen Steele, secretary; Fred Stump, treasurer.

EVERYBODY MUST WORK IN CITY OF NEWBERG

Newberg—This city has adopted an anti loafing ordinance. The penalty fixed is \$25 fine or ten days imprisonment for any person who is found not to be engaged in some useful occupation at least 36 hours per week.

VETO FOR \$2.40 WHEAT

WASHINGTON—President Wilson today vetoed the agricultural bill fixing a minimum price of \$2.40 a bushel for wheat.

Tell The Post.

MANY TOURISTS PASSING THRU

Hundreds of tourists in automobiles are passing thru Independence every week. Cars from many states are seen. The Willamette valley is certainly a beauty spot where nature shows its best and the folks "back East" become enraptured with it. Unfortunately, they do not speak so highly of our crops and ask, "What is the matter?" They can highly believe that it is due to a lack of moisture, their conception of Oregon being that it rains here continually. Incidentally they wonder why we don't irrigate and insure the biggest crops in the world every year.

HOCHING THE KAISER

(Polk County Observer.) Little seven-year-old Melburn Miller, son of Don Miller, who is in the American army, was looking at a picture at Dallas a few days ago. He asked Mr. Smith, the proprietor, who the man in the picture was. "The kaiser," replied Mr. Smith. "Are you sure," again asked Melburn. "Perfectly sure," came Mr. Smith's reply. "Then that's the old devil my father's got to lick," replied the youngster.

INDEPENDENCE GIRLS MAKE A SERVICE FLAG

Eola—Ray Ferguson joined the army July 5 and left for Fort McDowell, Cal. When his parents and other relatives returned from Salem (Continued on Page 3.)

THE POPULAR SCREEN STAR

Margarete Clark

IN

"THE Amazon"

This is an interesting picture and an interesting story that will appeal to everyone. Don't miss it, expecting to see something better—there's not many better.

ISIS THEATRE

Sunday,
July 14

SATURDAY NIGHT'S "BLUEBIRD"
Monroe Salisbury and Ruth Clifford
in "The Red, Red Heart."

Canning Season

is approaching and the far-sighted housewife will this year above all others buy her requirements early.

We advise that you do not delay in buying all of the jars that you need as a traveling salesman told us that only about ten per cent of the glass factories in the United States are running. We have quite a generous supply on hand and are selling Mason's for—

Pints	85c dozen
Quarts	\$1.0 dozen
½ Gallons	\$1.25 dozen
Zinc Caps	30c dozen

Yours Truly,

JOHNSON & COLLINS