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**TIME TO GET BUSY**

When a town gets down to a certain point of inactivity and commences to live on past recollections it is time to commence to graft new energy into your city affairs. There is no such thing as "It can't be done" in a city that woks to do things. We let things drift too much in the small community. We feel the public pulse pressing against activity and we become inactive. This results in stagnation, discontent and a weaning away from the territory surrounding us and the town's business gets a damage that it requires much constructive energy to overcome. A few men banded together to do things will do them and we need such an organization in Independence

**THE TOURIST TRADE**

Independence has good camping grounds for tourists passing through it to stay in over night and arrangements should be made to advertise its privileges. The city park is in a fine little grove in a slightly location and far enough removed from the business section to be inviting to those traveling. It should be cleaned up properly and a few needed improvements should be added. It would be a paying investment for Independence to have sign posts painted and put on the public roads leading to Independence inviting the stranger to make Independence their resting place

**OUR BOYS IN FRANCE**

The following editorial taken from "Plane News," the only A. E. F. newspaper edited by soldiers, passed by the censor and printed on French soil, shows the feeling of our boys over there regarding our work here.

"The success of the Third Liberty Loan shows that at last the Nation is aroused to the high pitch of enthusiasm that is so necessary to successfully carry on the war. Many of us here remember all too well the apparent apathy toward the war that seemed to prevail last summer among a large majority of the public. It is refreshing to feel and know that the folks back home are now throwing their best efforts into the numerous tasks that must be done—and done without thought of cost or comfort—and done quickly.

"We have teamed up with France and England and must henceforth pull our share of the load and then some to make up for lost time."

**Area and Population**

Polk county in 1910 had a population of 13,469, and in 1918, 17,000. The county has an area in square miles of 709 and an acreage an area of 434,769. There are 24.3 people to the square mile. There are but six counties in Oregon with more population according to the area of the county.

**The Third Liberty Loan**

Polk was the seventh of the thirty-three counties in Oregon in per centage according to quotas. The highest per cent went to Curry with 377 per cent, the lowest to Josephine with 119 per cent. Polk's per centage was 222 per cent. Polk was 29th in number of subscriptions, there being one to every eight people in the county who subscribed. Tillamook led with a little more than one to every four. In the rank of cities Falls City was ninth, Moamouth, forty-seventh,

Dallas fifty-ninth and Independence seventy-second in the per centage subscribed. This is a list of 162 towns in Oregon, all of which went 100 per cent or better.

**Will Deport Germans**

China will deport all Germans numbering between seven and ten thousand, it was learned here today. Most of them are business men. It is planned to transport them to Australia for internment for the duration of the war.

**What Red Cross Does**

The story of Red Cross accomplishments and its plans for the future will be told in more detail in other statements. Here are some of its principal activities, which suggest the importance and scope of its work:

Organization of base hospitals and ambulance companies.  
Recruiting and training of nursing personnel for service in the army and naval medical corps.

Production of surgical dressings, hospital garments, refugee clothing, knitted goods, emergency supply service for our army and navy at home and abroad, sanitary service around cantonments.  
Care of dependent families of

soldiers and sailors.  
Study of the problem of crippled soldiers and sailors.  
Canteen service for troops on route.  
Feeding of American prisoners in enemy countries.  
Service to convalescents.  
Disaster relief.  
And relief for our allies, including canteen work, tubercular work, hospital supply service, ambulance and hospital service, dispensaries, recreation centers, reconstruction of homes and villages, maternity work, repatriation of refugees, rehabilitation of mutilated men and many other forms of service.

**Army to Russia, Says Mr. Taft**

Cedar Rapids, Iowa, June 4. It will be necessary for the United States not only to send an army to the Western front, declared former President Taft in an address here tonight but this country also will be obliged to send an army into Russia. Mr. Taft spoke here under the auspices of the Red Cross.

"We must send an army to Russia soon," said Mr. Taft. "We must prevent Germany from developing all the man power and the mineral and agricultural resources of Russia to enable her to carry on this war."

The purpose of Germany, he declared, has been made plain by her conduct in Russia. Every allied nation now realizes that it must be a war to the death.

Mr. Taft asserted that as a nation we are inclined to fight with the less popular weapons. But we also have the great virtue of National tenacity—the harder a thing becomes the deeper our resolve to do it.

**FINLAND TO BE MONARCHY**

Secret Treaty With Germany Said to Have Been Made

London, June 7.—That a secret treaty has been negotiated between Germany and Finland

for the establishment of a monarchy in Finland, placing the Finnish army under German officers and preventing the cession of the Aland Islands to Sweden, is denied by the Local Anzeiger of Berlin, according to the Stockholm correspondent of the Daily Times.

Many who do not oppose the establishment of a monarchy in Finland, they say: "If we are to have a king, let him be General Mannerheim and not a German junker."

The correspondent says that Colonel von Redern, of the German army, who has been appointed chief of staff in Finland, has arrived at Helingsfors and has begun the organization of the Finnish army along German lines with German instructors.

General Mannerheim who has been in command of the Finnish white guard, has been retired on pension. The treatment accorded him has created ill feeling.

**AN ARMY ENTERS TRAINING CAMPS**

400,000 More Men Called For Service in June

Washington, June 6.—Four hundred thousand Americans will enter training camps this month. With a call for 200,000 drafted men today, covering the closing days of the month, the total was brought above 300,000, and calls expected this month will reach the 400,000 figure, it is estimated now.

This unexpectedly large call is a direct result of the speed-up process in sending troops overseas.

The war department is developing plans for the first "combat out" within classes three and four. The proposal is to weed out men for class one whose claims for exemption are not sound.

It became known today that President Wilson is carefully studying compulsory labor laws of Maryland and New York. It is believed this is a forerunner of extension of the work or fight order.

Since draft registration day on June 5, 1917, one year ago, when the draft machinery was put into operation for the first time, a total of 1,595,708 men have been called to the colors in this country under the selective service law, including those called this month.

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