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RED CROSS WAR RELIEF

Some difficulty is being experienced in many localities in raising the assigned quota for the Red Cross war fund. These difficulties may be due to one of several things, but the principal hurdle to overcome according to our impression is the prejudice to be overcome which is held by a number of people who went through the last war.

During this war the Red Cross is playing a different and vastly more important role than during any previous disaster or struggle. Attempts have been made and are being made to correct the mistakes made by this organization during the last war. We are making no alibis for the shortcomings of the organization. The accomplishments of the Red Cross so far in world war 2 speak for themselves. Long standing prejudices should be forgotten in the interest of the common good and if we are to be successful. Today the allied forces are waging a vastly different fight than any undertaken in the past and because of this new methods must be devised to cope with the disaster brought on by the war wherever it might be. No organization is perfect, its shortcomings can be rectified with constructive criticism and we are now in a position where we can not permit prejudice or criticism to defeat the humanitarian effort of the Red Cross regardless of its past history. We need the Red Cross for its work among the sick and wounded soldiers, for its ministry to the peoples of the occupied countries of Europe and for its ministry to the service boys who are prisoners of the axis. No other organization offers this broad service.

Red Cross funds are secured on a voluntary basis. If we fall down, the government could requisition what the Red Cross needs, for we are at war.

COAL FIELDS TOO MAYBE

Appropos of the prospects of the development of Hobart Butte and the building of an aluminum reduction plant, which Brother Bill Tugman of the Register Guard "tuck" right away from us last week and moved to Eugene, there is a possibility that we might have a coal field too to supply the coal needed for the reduction plant, if and when the WPB decides the northwest can use such a plant.

A subscriber from Portland last week wrote us and gave us the low down on the prospects for finding coal a few miles south in the vicinity of Comstock and Leona and while there apparently isn't a large outcropping on the surface, the coal found here he says is far superior to that found anywhere else on the coast. Local people who are more or less familiar with the coal prospects in the neighborhood of Comstock or Leona, do not think much of the outlook, still there is a chance that we might be passing up a bet and we would not want to do this without some investigation at least.

Since we come to think of it, we have heard Irish McLaughlin, an old oil driller, speak of the coal deposits at Comstock. Irish followed the profession of an oil driller long enough to be a good geologist and he might lead us to something. Leastways let's see what can be done about it. From preliminary reports we hear that the clay found at Hobart Butte is the best uncovered so far in the northwest. If we could have the coal to develop the plant, the combination ought to cinch the plant for this section and give the northwest one of its most important war industries.

STILL THE BEST SELLER

The best-selling book of all best sellers is meeting a wartime demand that may exceed all past records. Publishing facilities are being taxed to meet the demand, and bookstores in some of the larger cities have been hard pressed to maintain an adequate supply. Even the American Bible society, which alone has been able to distribute 10,000,000 copies of the Scriptures annually, is reported to be days behind schedule, and the situation may grow more acute.

The Chicago News recently quoted Dr. Robert Taylor, Chicago representative of the American Bible society, who reported an amazing Bible revival with a gain of 40 per cent in the selling and giving of the Scriptures over the record at the same time last year. For the nation as a whole an increase of 25 per cent in sales has been reported, and the record is about the same in England.

War has had a sobering effect upon man, prompting his return to the one source from which to draw the strength and the faith that can sustain and solace in these testing and tragic days. Does the unprecedented demand for the Holy Scriptures forecast a postwar revival of religion in these Christian nations?

In times of trouble men throw away the trash and keep the real treasures. Certainly any help to put the fundamental comfort of the Bible into the hands of men sent out to strive and possibly to die for their country is service of a high order. They are reaching out for the Bible.—Dallas (Texas) News.

BETTER BUY BONDS

Killing soldiers of the enemy forces is becoming an ever more costly process. Experts now estimate that it will cost an average of \$125,000 for each Jap, Nazi or Fascist who is killed during this war, whereas the average cost of killing an enemy during World War I was \$50,000 compared to the cost of 75 cents during the days of Caesar.—From Disabled American Veterans.

ABOUT GOD

March 14, 1943
Dear Sentinel I am sure most of your readers are well pleased with you. You are a credit to any city of this size. However you, with all other newspapers, say almost nothing about the Word of God, our Bible, and the Holy things of our Christian Faith, and our Lord who rules all things.

So little is said in the press we sometimes think and ask ourselves "are we afraid of God? Are we afraid to claim Him as our supreme help? for fear He will not come to our support? Try Him!" Is the press leaving this to the churches, when a large majority never go to church, but pour over the pages of the newspapers hourly and find nothing for his soul. This clipping shows an aviator in trouble looked and was saved. Thousands are finding that God lives and is true.

These are days for the press to lay aside its silence on matters eternal and speak out that some soul may be saved. Why not, if necessary, be an exception.

W. V. McGEHE

THE YOUTH MOVEMENT

To the Editor: Our community is all astir over the youth movement and so it should be; now is the time to establish the greatest society Cottage Grove has ever had. Having been a resident here since March, 1900 (except for an absence of some 4 years) I should like to lend my support to the movement—yet, crave no office of any kind—those should belong to younger men and women. We can have just about the kind of community we want and why not have the best. Such being the ideal let us begin with the kids who are soon to be our community. War has always brought its youth problems. We must prepare to help solve them. Citizenship is made, not born: Men and women are grown up children and act about as they did when of high school age. After a boy or girl is grown up pretty well have to say "he that is righteous let him be righteous still;" likewise the contrary is true—pretty well.

Our community is full of factions, churches, lodges, clubs and heaven only knows what else. A few meet here, a few meet there and little seems accomplished by each. Every churchman is interested in children likewise those who never or seldom enter one. Every good lodge member, whether he be Oddfellow, Knight of Columbus, Moose or Mason, wants to render greater service. Every club member, I believe, longs to help in a greater field of service. Every man and woman even though he or she have not made a very great success of life wants the best for the children—their own and all others.

When boys wander aimlessly about town and no one tries to furnish them a proper, wholesome gathering place, don't blame them if they drift into unwholesome environment. Rather let's say "I am to blame." When you hear of girl "bar flies" and other appalling circumstances, ask yourself if you are willing to sacrifice just a little of the pleasures you enjoy to create a fine, big, honorable social center for the young. Your tears and your groanings will not amount to much if you do not help change conditions.

Our kids need a swimming pool, a lecture hall, soda fountain, game tables and a lot of other things in a place of their own right down town. Let's give it to them, now!

Such a place should be away from the booze joints. A paid part-time director who has a good level head, loves and knows children and "has corns on his knees" is essential. A commission of representatives from each veterans organization and each church, lodge and club should exercise general oversight. As far as possible, once established, it should be self-sustaining and self-governing. Kids only need a little help. They are full of resourcefulness.

To the person who thinks this sort of thing will soon die a natural death or that it cannot be put over—you are mistaken, says I. And if you think that it will be a long time before any perceptible results will be seen you are again mistaken. That is not born out by experience.

Money will, of course, be needed. Men like to "shell out" only they want to be sure the cause is worth it. Unite our citizens in the greatest cause next to the cause of victory.

Respectfully
ALBERT C. WOODARD.

SHARE THE RIDE TO NEIGHBORING TOWNS

To the Editor: I have a suggestion to make for the good of all (I hope). It is this: Someone provide a bulletin board (or a black board) in a convenient place, say at the city hall. Anyone with a car who has to go to Eugene or Salem or Portland,

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WITH
THE LAWMAKERS
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SALEM
BY
Vernon Williams

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connection with this well known pioneer name was strictly a biological accident, and that's all. There are thousands of others in Oregon who come from such pioneer stock, but they don't spend all their time trying to get by on that argument.

Well, folks, this column is the last "With the Lawmakers at Salem." We hope you have enjoyed reading these weekly articles, and trust we have given you some news concerning the lawmakers you would not have received otherwise. Anyway, we got home in time to make out our federal income tax; and remember all of us have a state income tax to fill by April 1. Here's hoping we'll be writing for your paper again real soon. So long, everybody.

state on the board when they are going, time and place, and how many passengers could be accommodated, sharing the ride and expenses. A neighbor of mine was going to Eugene one day last week and had room for 4 people. Had I known a day or so in advance, would have been glad to go along and help pay the costs of her trip. Sincerely,
NETTIE GAWLEY.

Locust, Malaria Scourge
Of Spanish Morocco's 800,000 inhabitants, mostly Moslems, the highlanders raise sheep and goats; the lowlanders grow grains, beans, olives and fruits. Sizable export items included almonds, oranges, potatoes, canary seed, oxhides, wool, sheepskins, millet, fish and eggs. Malaria and locusts are scourges fought in large-scale campaigns by the government.

Speeding Woodchopping Labor
The woodchopper who carries a small oilstone in his pocket can speed his work by keeping the cutting edge of his axe keen and sharp for the entire day.

BIRTHS

Paul Jean Marie Music was born March 11th at the McFarland Maternity home. The baby weighed 7 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Schwyhart of Disston are the parents of a son born March 15th at the McFarland Maternity home. The baby weighed 9 pounds.

Tech. Sgt. and Mrs. Glen Welden announce the birth of a daughter March 12th at Emanuel hospital, Portland. The baby has been named Linda Faye and weighed 8 pounds and 13 ounces. This is the first grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Welden.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Oleson of Curtin are the parents of a daughter born March 13th at the Butler Maternity home. Deanna Gayle is her name and she weighed 7½ pounds.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Zimmers of Disston Route a son on March 12th at the Butler Maternity home. He weighed 9 pounds and 7 ounces and has been named Jesse Arvon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Ford of Roseburg announce the birth of a son March 12th at the Butler Maternity home. He has been named Harold McClellan and weighed 8½ pounds.

INDEPENDENCE BRICK CEREMONY

A brick from Independence hall, Philadelphia, where the Declaration of Independence was signed, symbolizing the important part the schools are taking in the sale of war bonds and stamps, was presented yesterday morning at McArthur Court to Lane county schools for selling the largest amount of war bonds and stamps per capita in Oregon since December 1. It was estimated there were at least 5000 people at this ceremony.

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mony with all but two schools in Lane county being represented. The brick is kept in a glass case and will be kept by the host schools, Springfield and Eugene high school.

Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction, was presented with a charter in which each school in the county was listed and the amount each paid for bonds and stamps since December 1.

The Jefferson school and the fourth grade of Cottage Grove together bought \$2737.50 worth of bonds and stamps.

Robert Graham, principal of the junior high and grade schools, attended this meeting and the pupils attending were Miss Marjorie

Coimer, Miss Elva Thies, Miss Jane Beidler, Ralph Long, Bill Boyce, Mickie Hunter and Ross Adkins, all eighth grade students.

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On ADVERTISING

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1. "Where a manufacturer continues to have goods to sell to the civilian market, advertising has the same role it always had—to help sell them.
2. "The manufacturer who is now selling goods to the government instead of to the civilian may still have a very proper need for advertising. He can tell his former customers how to use and conserve and service goods which he had previously sold them . . .
3. "There are companies which, as far as the consuming public is concerned, are virtually out of business—either actually, or through conversion to war production. Where such a company expects to return to the civilian market after the war, it has a perfect right to use advertising to preserve its name and its good will. The Government fully recognizes the propriety of reasonable expenditures for advertising to preserve the value of those assets.
4. "Advertising has shown in its support of such things as the salvage drive a very great usefulness as a means by which a company can participate directly in the war effort."

...Extracts from an address by the Chairman of the War Production Board before the wartime conference of the Association of National Advertisers.

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