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## UNCLE SAM'S CREDIT GOOD WITH ONTARIO

CITIZENS PURCHASE BONDS TO THE GROSS SUM OF \$45,550 IN ENTHUSIASTIC DRIVE BY COMMITTEES.

## 206 BUYERS LISTED IN DRIVE

Whole Families Become Creditors of the Nation—Employers Aid Employees—One Committee has Perfect Record.

Ontario made good in the Liberty Loan campaign which ended last Friday noon. In all \$45,550 worth of bonds were purchased by Ontarians and ranchers in this section with whom Uncle Sam's credit is good and who united patriotism with good judgment and bought Liberty Bonds.

The campaign, which was conducted by the Liberty Loan committee, brought out many interesting facts. One committee, composed of R. W. Jones, Jake Gregg, S. F. Taylor and H. B. Cockrum, called on 23 ranchers and sold to every one of them. This committee was not rejected once. The committee headed by J. R. Blackaby, P. J. Gallagher and others made almost as good a report.

In all there were 206 subscribers reported. Four families in the city have each of their members listed as bond holders; they are the A. Von

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## PARALYTIC STROKE IS CAUSE OF DEATH

Popular Daughter of Well Known Family Victim of Sudden Illness—Unexpected End Shock to Community.

Miss Margaret Ruth Test, daughter of Deputy Sheriff and Mrs. Edward Test, one of Ontario's pioneer families, died at the family residence at 2:30 last Saturday afternoon. Death was due to a bulbar paralysis of the brain. Funeral services took place from the home Monday afternoon, interment being made in the Ontario Cemetery.

Until a week before her death Miss Test worked for the Malheur Home Telephone Company. When she left the office on Monday of last week she complained only of a sore throat and expected to return to work in a few days. Not until Friday was her case considered serious. She was then beyond the aid of medical or surgical skill.

Miss Ruth Test was born in Vale 21 years ago last fall and when she was but a baby her parents moved to Ontario where she has since lived. She was a graduate of the Ontario high school with the class of 1913 and since her graduation has been employed by the telephone company. She is survived by her father and mother and three brothers, Harvey, Owen and Fred, all of this city.

The funeral services Monday afternoon brought a host of friends of the deceased and her family to Ontario, and the mass of floral remembrances were fragrant testimony of the esteem

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## GIVE UP CIRCUS TO HELP SWELL RED CROSS FUND

Children of three families in or near Ontario made record sacrifices to give to the Red Cross fund on Wednesday. These little ones absorbing the interest manifested by their parents in the success of the Red Cross drive gave up their anticipated pleasure of going to the circus and gave their two bits to the cause. The two families in the city were those of William Laxon and Ernie Hayes. The other one reported to the Argus was in the country but the name was not learned. Of course there might have been similar exhibitions of unselfishness which were not known to members of the drive.

## RUSSIA WILL FIGHT AMERICANS ASSURED

Promises to Continue in War and Make No Separate Peace.

Petrograd.—A stirring proclamation placing the council of workmen and soldiers' delegates on record as irrevocably opposed to a separate peace was adopted by the council. The proclamation was prompted by Austrian efforts to lure Russia into a separate peace.

"The Russian people consider war inevitable and will continue it. The Russians have no imperialistic wishes. We know that you have none. We shall fight together to secure liberty, freedom and happiness for all the world. I am happy to say that I do not see any moral idea or factor between America and Russia to divide us. We two peoples—Russia fighting tyranny and America standing as the oldest democracy—hand in hand will show the way of happiness to nations great and small."

These ringing words, expressing the attitude of the Russian government toward America and the American mission, headed by Elihu Root, were voiced by M. Tereshtenko, minister of foreign affairs, responding for the council of ministers to Mr. Root's address of sympathy and goodwill on the part of the American government.

## GERMANS FORCE THE BRITISH TO RETIRE

London.—The British have fallen back from some of their advanced posts in northern France, according to an official statement issued by the war office Monday morning. The main new positions are still held.

The statement follows: "Early this morning the enemy delivered a strong local attack under cover of a heavy bombardment upon the positions captured by us on the morning of June 14 east of Monchy Le Preux. After severe fighting our troops were compelled to fall back from certain advanced positions in front of our main new position, which we still hold, on Infantry Hill. There was considerable activity on both sides during the night north of the Scarpe. Hostile artillery activity continues in the neighborhood of Ypres."

## DUMA ORDERS OFFENSIVE

Prolonged Inactivity Along Battlefront Is Considered Treason To Allies.

Petrograd, via London.—The Duma, in secret session, has adopted a resolution for an immediate offensive by the Russian troops.

The resolution declares a separate peace with Germany or prolonged inactivity on the battle front to be ignominious treason toward Russia's allies. The first meeting of the Pan-Russian congress of all councils of workmen and soldiers' delegates, upon the vote of which depends the immediate destiny of Russia, both international and domestic questions, has assembled.

The first act of the congress was to ratify the expulsion by the provisional government of the Swiss socialist, Robert Grimm, who is reported to have been the medium through which the Germans attempted to arrange a separate peace with Russia.

## Rheims Cathedral to Be Monument

Washington.—Conversion of the battle-torn cathedral at Rheims into a pantheon for the unknown dead on all the armies, fighting in France for the common cause of democracy has been determined upon by the French government. The plan will be put into execution as soon as the war is over, was announced in dispatches to the headquarters here of the French restoration fund.

## British Urge Reprisals

London.—A largely attended citizens' meeting adopted a resolution proposed by the lord mayor, urging the government to initiate a policy of reprisals in the shape of ceaseless attacks on German towns that their populations may experience the effects of such methods of warfare. It is hoped thus to force the German authorities to cease their air attacks upon open towns.

## YES INDEED.

Lewis and Ernest Aldrich will help buy at Ontario this year. Wages are good there this year.—Blue Mountain Eagle.

## CALL FOR HUMANITY DOLLARS ANSWERED BY ALL ONTARIO

TWELVE TEAMS SCOUR TERRITORY WEDNESDAY AND GATHER NEARLY \$2,500—TO-DAY TWO TEAMS ON MAIN STREET GET \$2,139.

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Nyssa, Which is Coupled With Ontario in the Task of Raising \$5,000, had Rousing Meeting Wednesday Night and Will Surprise Committee.

Ontario has almost reached the allotment of \$5,000 to be raised by the Red Cross here as its part of Oregon's \$600,000 of the Nation's \$1,000,000 Red Cross war fund. At four o'clock this afternoon the total cash and pledges received amounted to \$4,500. This was irrespective of Nyssa's subscription, which is joined with Ontario for the drive.

Besides the donors already listed there are many who are to be seen by the committee on Friday and Saturday so that alone Ontario will reach the required allotment. H. C. Boyer, who was named manager of the drive, is the happiest man in Ontario for the success with which the efforts of the teams were greeted surpassed his most optimistic expectations. Likewise Dr. H. H. Whitney, chairman of the local chapter is jubilant, for Ontario made a late start.

Twelve teams worked in the drive Wednesday. Seven of these covered the territory outside of the city limits while five worked in the city. On Wednesday Mrs. A. McWilliams team which solicited on the East side of the track topped the list of city teams with \$330, while the Dunbar team was the high gun of the country teams with \$363. All the other teams reported promptly and showed uniform success, the man or woman who did not give or who turned down the solicitors flat, being conspicuously few.

A detailed list cannot be given as yet for the reports have not been tabulated completely. The teams will return to their fields today and tomorrow to gather up the cards left at homes where pledges were not received on the first call.

## Oregon Street Makes Great Record.

The most astonishing record was that made by the two committees working Oregon street. On the East side of the street the committee secured \$987 up to three this afternoon while the committee on the West side of the street had secured about \$1152, making a total of more than \$2,139 for the street.

## Nyssa Gets To Work Today.

The work at Nyssa was delayed but got underway last night and today the business men of the neighboring city are hard at it. A phone call from there this afternoon indicated that they would surprise Ontario by their record and thus carry this district away beyond its allotment.

There were many pleasing incidents recorded by the Red Cross solicitors and the enthusiasm among the workers as the reports came to Dr. Whitney's office, which was the headquarters for the drive, was an inspiration to behold.

## CLARK-WALL WEDDING CELEBRATED AT NAMPA

At the home of her sister, Mrs. A. A. Keaton in Nampa Miss Emma Clark formerly of this city became the bride of Charles Wall a well known shoepman of Jordan Valley. The ceremony was performed in the presence of the immediate family of the bride by Rev. Martin Damer of the Grace Episcopal church Sunday afternoon at three o'clock.

The bride for several years lived here in Ontario and has a host of friends in this section. She came here from La Grande where she grew to womanhood, and with her mother and sister resided on South Richardson street until two weeks ago when Mrs. Clark moved to Nampa to reside.

The groom is one of Jordan Valley's prominent sheepmen who has lived in that section for several years.

The bride and groom left Nampa Monday morning for Jordan Valley where they will make their future home.

## RED CROSS IS TO DEVOTE MONDAY TO ONTARIO BOYS.

Starting next Monday the women of the Red Cross are to devote a part of every Monday to doing something special for the Ontario boys in the various branches of the service. To this end the women want magazines and other articles which will interest the boys. The headquarters are open now and the women are at work making gauze compresses and expect to have other work in hand soon. The women of the organization are urged to designate the days on which they can work at the headquarters so that regular crews can be arranged for and the work systematized.

## FOOD LEGISLATION WILL BE RUSHED

Wilson Instructs Hoover to Immediately Organize for Food Conservation.

Washington.—Congress' delay in passing the administration's food bills drew from President Wilson an order directing Herbert C. Hoover to proceed immediately with organization of the new food administration insofar as it contemplates food conservation and elimination of waste through the co-operation of volunteer forces.

"While it would in many ways be desirable to await complete legislation establishing the food administration," the president wrote, "it appears to me that so far as volunteer effort can be assembled we should wait no longer."

Plans for enlisting every housewife in the country as a volunteer member of the food administration have been announced by Mr. Hoover, who plans to reach the women through the state defense councils and through various women's organizations. Every woman will be taught how to save food in the kitchen and how to purchase for her family.

President Wilson's insistence that the food bills be speeded up caused the senate to put the food control bill next on the calendar and taken up Monday when the house also began debate on the bill. The measure was reported to the senate without recommendation.

Food and fuel pirates can have little comfort from the temper of congress. There are many differences on the details of food control legislation, but it is evident that the law will go far enough to make the regulation effective, even if it stops short of the fixing of maximum prices.

The senate has passed one bill for a comprehensive food survey, which will enable the authorities to know at all times what supplies are in reserve and who holds them. It has passed another, granting authority for regulation of railroad traffic, so that priority may be given to shipments in the manner directed by the government.

The house has also made a start on this legislation and the main elements are defined. The government is going to know what supply of food exists, where it is needed, how much is in storage and what a fair price will be. With full power to deal with speculation and hoarding, the power to fix the selling prices may not be needed.

## LIBERTY LOAN IS OVERSUBSCRIBED

Washington.—Secretary McAdoo announced that no part of the great over-subscription to the liberty loan would be accepted, and that his statement of May 10, in which he declared that the issue would be limited to \$2,000,000,000 stood good.

Mr. McAdoo's announcement will result in paying down hundreds of the larger subscriptions until the total reaches the \$2,000,000,000 limit.

The American people responded to the government's call for funds to finance the war with an over-subscription to the \$2,000,000,000 liberty loan of proportions so huge that officials were buried beneath a landslide of returns. In the country's ringing answer to the call, the dominant note was the voice of the small investor. The hope for a widespread response of the average man with the average income was more than realized. The subscriptions, it is believed, will reach the total of \$2,862,800,000.

## GLAD TO GET BACK.

Mrs. A. L. Cockrum returned Sunday evening from a five week trip to Colorado and Missouri points. She was called to Colorado Springs by the serious illness of her brother, who died three weeks following her arrival in that city. When with members of the family she made the journey to their old home in Missouri to bury the body many difficulties were encountered due to the flooded condition of the Missouri and Mississippi river bottoms. After these experiences Mrs. Cockrum declared she was happy to be back in the Snake River valley.

Mrs. Baker Ball is perhaps one of the happiest individuals in eastern Oregon these days, since her husband presented her with one of the "Sport Model" Overlands, which she is navigating over the roads.

## WOOL HITS HIGHEST RECORD KNOWN HERE

CLIP FROM 1,000 EWES, OWNED BY KEANE & JOYCE, PURCHASED BY PACIFIC WASTE COMPANY

## JUMP OF SEVEN CENTS MADE

Previous High Record Was 55 1/2 Cents, Paid by Same Company for Wool From Other Half of Band—All Wool Not Sold as Yet.

The highest price for wool ever recorded in this section of Oregon was reached last Saturday when C. D. Wood, representing the Pacific Waste company, paid Keane & Joyce \$2 1/2 cents for the clip from 1,000 ewes.

Previous to this sale the highest price paid by the same firm for the clip from 1,000 sheep which wintered with the Keane & Joyce band whose wool sold for 55 1/2 cents. The jump of seven cents in so short a time, in view of the fact that other buyers had not been extremely active during the meantime caused not a little speculation in Ontario, especially among those who follow the wool market.

## FEDERAL JURY GIVES MRS. GROVER \$4,500

As Result of Accident at Glenns Ferry Last Winter Mrs. Harriet Groves is Paid by Railroad Company.

On the return of attorneys McCulloch and Wood from Portland this week it became known that the Federal jury which heard the case of Mrs. Harriet Grover vs. O. S. L. Ry., returned a verdict of \$4,500 in favor of Mrs. Grover. The jury was out but a few minutes after the case was submitted to it.

The action grew out of an accident which occurred on December 16, 1916, at Glenns Ferry, Idaho. Mrs. Grover was a passenger on a train which, when it ran onto a sidetrack, hit some cars and threw her against a seat, injuring her very badly. She has been almost totally disabled ever since.

Mrs. Grover was represented in the case by McCulloch & Wood of this city and a large number of Ontarians made the trip to Portland to testify in the case.

## LOCAL WOMAN NAMED TO STATE OFFICE BY LODGE.

The delegates to the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star returned this week from Portland, bringing with them reports of a successful session. Mrs. W. W. Leaton, Matron of Star Chapter No. 69, had two honors thrust upon her as the result of the session. She was named Grand Chapter for a period of three years. Besides this the Grand Chapter of West Virginia named Mrs. Leaton as their representative to the Oregon years Grand Chapter for a period of years.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCulloch returned Saturday from Portland where they spent the week.

## NO CHANGE MADE IN TRAIN SCHEDULE ON HOMEDALE LINE.

Through an error of some sort it was reported in a Boise evening paper that there was to be established a new schedule of trains on the Homedale branch leaving Ontario. The report had it that the daily service on that line would be discontinued and that instead thereof a thrice-a-week service substituted. On seeing the report the transportation committee of the Commercial Club immediately investigated it and received assurance from the railroad officials of its inaccuracy. The present service on the branch will continue in force.