

# The Ontario Argus

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### THE PLEDGE.

I pledge my allegiance to my Flag and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation indivisible with Liberty and Justice to all.

### THE MERCY DRIVE.

For the second time the American National Red Cross is coming before the American people with an appeal that will find a ready response from every true American and every lover of humanity.

From May 20 to May 25, inclusive, will be held the Mercy drive for \$100,000,000 with which to finance the war activities of the organization. This is the most important of the many great services which the Red Cross is carrying on. It is the one which carries the work to the battle lines and gives that aid to the wounded that saves thousands of men to lives of usefulness. Thru this fund the Red Cross becomes the ministering angel, the kind mother, the beloved sister of every man in the fighting zone.

In another column of this issue is a story by Bruce Barton of the Vigilantes, citing one of the millions of trips taken by Red Cross ambulances during the past few years, "over there." It tells what one dollar did to save a life. And rightly, he says, it may have been your dollar. If you could but know that it was yours you'd be willing to multiply it to your utmost limit, would you not?

Your dollar alone or a thousand could not accomplish what one dollar did, were it not for the organization behind it. That is why the Red Cross means so much. It is the organized dollars, hitched to the willing hearts and hands of thousands of workers, directed by many of the greatest men and women of America that make it possible to do with your one, ten, one hundred or one thousand dollars what would otherwise be an impossible task.

The Mercy drive should in reality be a triumphal procession. There should be no need for solicitation. The hearts of the American people are ready to give to the Red Cross. The purse strings should be loosed and from the earnings of the past year should come forth in unstinted measure the funds wherewith to carry on the work of mercy in which the whole nation takes a just and grateful pride.

### HIRING A NEW MANAGER.

When conditions in a great organization change and greater problems are faced the solution is often found in a change of management. The history of thousands of great industrial enterprises demonstrates the efficacy of such a program. A similar procedure should be followed in the administration of the business of the state of Oregon.

It is apparent, too, that that is what is going to happen. Oregon is to elect a governor this fall and is to nominate him within a few weeks.

The people of the state are not being impressed with the campaign which the present Governor is waging for re-election; which consists solely of a plea for his retention on the ground that it "is not wise to change horses while crossing a stream."

Such a plea is so thin that it hardly merits consideration. If the services of the present state executive were pre-eminent there would be no opposition to his re-election at this time. But that is not the case.

What Oregon needs now is a man of broad experience, of mature judgment; of unbounded energy and executive ability. The conditions which the state has to face in the days of reconstruction demand the best ability the state can produce. Governor Withycombe has passed the age and has not had the kind of experiences which fit him for the gigantic tasks which will fall to the chief executive during the past few years. Gus Moore and Ben Olcott have not the training or equipment for the job at this time. There is but one of the candidates who measures up to the stature of the man needed. That one is L. J. Simpson, of Coos Bay.

That state is fortunate indeed which has the opportunity of electing one of its really big men to pol-

ical office. Especially is this true when such a man has shown so wholeheartedly a desire to be of service; and has demonstrated ability of an executive nature.

The voters of Malheur county know L. J. Simpson. He came here a few weeks ago campaigning, but when he arrived he found the Liberty Loan drive on. What did he do? Did he continue his own campaign? No. At the request of local committees he got into the game and worked for the success of the Loan here as tho it was his own home county. He made three speeches in two days for the Loan and at no place did he so much as mention politics. Had not his friends told them, his audience would never have known he was a candidate for office.

In personal conversations his frankness and his sincerity, his broad and comprehensive grasp of problems and his wide interest in every phase of development work stamps him as an ideal candidate for the position he seeks. The Argus feels that never before has it had the privilege of urging the candidacy of a better or more able man than L. J. Simpson. We believe that he will make a record of which the whole state will be proud. And we believe too that he will be nominated and elected. He should be.

### BIG AL G. BARNES CIRCUS IS COMING

Yesterday morning train No. 17 brought to Ontario advertising car No. 1 of the Al G. Barnes circus, and before the kiddies were awake, great red, blue and yellow posters were decorating the bill boards that they have to pass on their way to school.

By 9 o'clock you could hear whippers everywhere and floating out on the whole breeze the whole countryside around Ontario seemed to be saying, "The circus is coming! Oh! Barnes Circus will be here May 22." Yes, indeed, it will; for we have been assured by the advance agent that it will be here and be here big, too. Barnes has added more cars, more animals and more people and is putting on the most elaborate spectacle ever presented, "The Conquest of Nyanza and the Royal Hunt."

There will be the usual street parade at 10:30 o'clock, made unusual by the newly costumed participants and elaborate inasmuch as all animals are in full circus regalia. Doors will be open at 1 and 7 p. m.

### ENGLISH PEOPLE GIVE U. S. BOYS GREAT WELCOME

In a letter which his father and mother received this week Frank Lyells tells of the wonderful reception given American troops by the people of England. He says:

American Expeditionary Force, England—Dear Mother and Father: Well, I have not heard from you since I arrived so thought I would write to you and maybe I can hear something. Well, everything is lovely and I am getting along fine and like this country. It is sure a fine country, but the weather is kind of bad. It has been raining pretty near every day.

The people sure do treat us fine here. They think the American soldiers are just right. They gave us one great big reception and we marched through the town and they took our pictures and if you keep on the lookout you might get to see me in the picture shows. They are showing them here now. Well, have you heard from Bill, and where is he. Let me know. I might get to see him, and did you ever get your allotment or not? Be sure and let me know.

I haven't had my picture taken yet but will soon. Well, this is about all I can write, so good by.

From your son,  
 G. F. LYELLS.

LOST—Black mare, wt. 1250, and one yearling bay colt, from my ranch mile west of fair grounds. Will pay for information leading to recovery of animals. Louis Gillespie, Ontario. Adv.—18-11\*

Awarded GRAND PRIZE at the P. P. I. E.



**KOVERALLS**  
 KEEP KIDS NEEN

LOOK FOR THIS LABEL

100¢ the suit—EVERYWHERE  
 a new suit FREE if they rip  
 BEWARE OF IMITATIONS

If your child's overalls rip, we will send them a new suit FREE if they rip. Charge paid on receipt of price, \$1.00 each. Levi Strauss & Co., San Francisco.

### HOLY ROSARY HOSPITAL NOTES

J. Cortwright is a patient from Ontario.

Miss Jennie Rooney, who was recently injured in an auto accident, was able to leave the hospital Sunday.

George Starr, another accident case, left Wednesday.

Mother Mary Catherine is absent on a visit to the Dominican hospital at Kenosha, Wis.

Miss Mattie Lee of Westfall is the latest student to take up nursing here.

FOR SALE—One team of horses, six years old, in good condition; also 100 thoroughbred White Leghorn chickens. Inquire of Argus or see T. Blomsrom, on T. H. Moore farm. Adv. 18to22.\*

Read the Argus for all the news.

### RALPH E. WILLIAMS REPUBLICAN

Candidate for National Commit-  
 man.

Ralph E. Williams, of Portland, native son of Oregon and present Republican National Committeeman, is a candidate for re-nomination and election. All Oregon knows that Mr. Williams was the chief factor in bringing about the reunion of the Republican and Progressive parties in the state in 1916, resulting in Oregon being the only state in the West to cast its electoral vote for Hughes. That Mr. Williams' splendid work in harmonizing the various elements of the Republican and Progressive parties is also recognized nationally, is attested by strong letters of endorsement, written by William R. Wilcox, retiring chairman of the Republican National committee, George W. Perkins, chairman of the executive committee of the Progressive party, and Will H. Hays, recently elected chairman of the Republican National Committee. These letters refer not only to the state and national campaign of 1916, but also to the recent meeting of the Republican National Committee at St. Louis, where Mr. Williams' activities materially aided in establishing the spirit of cooperation and harmony which now prevails in the party throughout the United States.

A descendant of Oregon pioneer stock, his parents having crossed the plains to Oregon in 1845, Ralph Williams' Americanism has been found abundant expression since the outbreak of the war by participation in all patriotic war activities.

As is generally known seniority in service gives prestige and influence on the Republican National Committee in the same measure as on Congressional committees. At the present time he is ranked as to seniority on the National Committee by two members only. This puts Mr. Williams in a position of power and distinction such as no new member of the committee could hope to attain. His reelection will insure to the State of Oregon all the added benefits which will naturally accrue from his increased standing.

THOS. H. TONGUE, Jr.  
 CLYDE G. HUNTLY.  
 WILLARD L. MARKS.  
 WALTER L. TOOZE, Jr.  
 F. H. LEWIS.  
 D. L. POVEY.

Members of Hughes Campaign Committee.

(This information furnished by Thos. H. Tongue, Jr., Clyde G. Huntly, and others.)

### Dreamland Attractions

ONTARIO, OREGON

Sunday, May 12.  
 "DAYBREAK."  
 Emily Stevens.  
 PATHE NEWS.

Mon. and Tues., May 13 and 14.  
 "FREEDOM OF THE WORLD."  
 Ira M. Lowry.  
 7-REEL SPECIAL.

Wednesday, May 15.  
 "SACRIFICE."  
 Margaret Illington.  
 BRAY PICTOGRAPH.

Thursday, May 8.  
 "THE GREAT ADVENTURE."  
 Bessie Lova.  
 PATHE NEWS.

Friday, May 17.  
 "A WOMAN."  
 CHARLIE CHAPLIN.  
 Comedy.  
 Animated Cartoon.  
 ADMISSION 10c AND 20c.

Saturday, May 18.  
 "HEART'S DESIRE."  
 Marie Doro.  
 CAMPING K. K.

# Ten Sets of Work Harness for Less Than Manufacturing Prices We Need the Money

We will sell 10 sets of strictly first-class Working Harness of our own make to you at prices that will hardly pay for the raw material, one set only to each customer. Sale will start May 25th to last until June 15

No reduction in price after that date. If you can't come yourself, pick any of the numbers below, send us a check for it and we will ship you the harness. If such harness is already sold we will return check. Remember, you will never get such an opportunity to buy a harness for little more than half price again. BUT WE NEED THE MONEY.

ALL HARNESS COMPLETE WITH BRIDLE AND LINES, LESS COLLARS

	Present Market Price	Our Regular Price	Special Sale Price
1. Heavy Chain Harness	\$55.00	\$48.00	\$40.00
2. Heavy chain harness, with breeching	\$65.00	\$60.00	\$50.00
3. 5-Ring breeching Harness, 1 1-2 t traces	\$85.00	\$77.50	\$68.00
4. Heavy breeching Harness, flat 2 1-2 trace to hame	\$95.00	\$82.50	\$71.00
5. Heavy breeching harness, all fancy spotted 1 3-4 double stitched trace to hames, butt chains	\$100.00	\$85.00	\$75.00
6. Heavy breeching Harness, plain 2 1-2-inch flat trace with hame tugs	\$95.00	\$82.50	\$73.00
7. Extra heavy breeching Harness, 2 1-2 inch traces, back pad	\$100.00	\$85.00	\$72.50
8. Extra heavy Pinery Harness, 2 1-2 four ply trace with butt chains made for big team, 1 1-4 lines	\$115.00	\$95.00	\$80.00
9. Big, heavy Work Harness, 1 3-4 trace, with butt chains, steel hames, 1 1-8 inch lines	\$105.00	\$90.00	\$75.00
10. Fancy Oregon Hack Harness, 2 inch trace, Fancy spotted	\$80.00	\$65.00	\$40.00

# Kroessin Harness Co.

ONTARIO, OREGON

## Shoes for Summer That Keep the Feet Cool

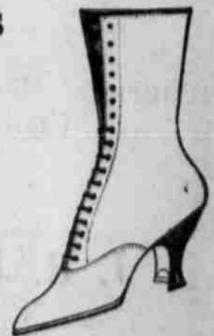
Every day sees additions to our big stock of summer shoes, Oxfords and Pumps. There is no limit to our ability to give you the kind of shoes that provide comfort and style.

### Handsome White Shoes



Classy White Pumps

Pretty White Slippers



We specialize in size. That means that we carry shoes that will fit every foot, be its peculiarities what they may, long and slender or short and broad, we have a shoe that will fit just right, will not break in the instep or cause discomfort in any way. That is a foundation of our business. You can be only as happy as your feet. Discomfort in shoes means reduced efficiency, so get shoes that fit. We will serve you.

With this comfort we give style. See our latest offerings of shoes in every shade, white, greys, browns, tans and combinations of leather and cloth. You have the widest variety from which to chose from.

# The ALLEN SHOE CO.

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 ONTARIO, OREGON.