

The Ontario Argus

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GET A FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

When you count up the blessings you have enjoyed during the past year, and visualize the happiness of your children, think of the terrible suffering in many lands. Impart your children with the Christmas spirit and the realization of the wants of others by giving them a Red Cross membership as one of their Christmas presents.

Aid to Red Cross
The Red Cross merits the support of every man, woman and child in America who can afford to part with one dollar. A glance at the report of the Ontario Chapter is sufficient proof of the great work that has been done by the organization. What has been done here has been done in every community of the land. It has been a work actuated by noble pulses, inspired by high ideals of service and sustained by the whole-hearted generosity of American citizens.

The work must go on. There are to be no more Red Cross War Drives. Through the membership dues alone will the Red Cross have the means to do its work. Every Ontarian should renew his membership. Now, and do that voluntarily. So far as the men are concerned there should be no holding back for in this great work the membership fee has been but a slight portion of the contribution given by the women.

The men of Ontario have not lagged in any of the Red Cross work so far as drives and memberships are concerned, however, and have taken an active part in their management. In this drive they are not taking a disheartening part, but of course they should all wear the Red Cross button next week.

WAS WAS WAS

THE GOPHER PEST

That the pocket gopher is one of the most vicious of the enemies of the rancher in Oregon is apparently amply proven by two interesting bulletins issued recently by Oregon Agricultural college. According to one of these the annual loss to the farmers of the Willamette valley is estimated at \$1,500,000 per year.

It would be highly interesting if a similar study of these pests could be made in the Malheur and Snake river valley. It is safe to state that the damage per acre here would exceed that of the Willamette valley as a whole. Over there the loss was placed at from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per acre annually, from burrowing in the fields alone.

Over here that is only a part of the damage they accomplish in one season. The annual loss due to the breakage of irrigation canals resulting from their burrowing in the banks will reach that total when the resulting scarcity of water just when the ranchers must irrigate to save their crops.

WAS WAS WAS

The war is over but the open season for pneumonia seems just to have opened. Too bad the people could not have known their real enemies a few years ago.



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The Boys are Coming Home

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