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Red Cross Drive.

Apparently Christmas festivities and patriotism don't mix well in Portland, or, for that matter, in Oregon, for, for the first time, Oregon has failed to lead the other states in securing the quota demanded by the nation. Other states have secured their quota and Oregon is still far behind. It was expected that Oregon would secure 240,000 members for the Red Cross, by nine o'clock on Christmas Eve, instead of which she had only about 170,000. The drive is being continued until victory is assured, and the reports up to last night indicate total membership of 185,249.

The chief culprits from a county standpoint are Columbia, Hood River, Jackson, Josephine, Jefferson, Lincoln, Marion, Polk, Wheeler, and the city of Portland, which scarcely averaged 50 per cent of their allotted quota. Eleven counties have exceeded their quota, but are still continuing "to help poor Portland." It really looks as though the spirit of selfishness in Christmas shopping has taken Portland by storm. Now that this is out of the way, let us set to in earnest and remedy the defect.

How about Lents and the Mt. Scott district? Have we done our share? How about you? Do you wear a button? "All you need is a heart and a dollar."

"CHEESE IT"

A marked increase in the sale of Oregon cheese has been reported from various points throughout the state since Federal Food Administrator, W. B. Ayer, started his campaign for an increased consumption of Oregon products by Oregon people, with a specially urgent appeal for the more liberal use of cheese.

Those who make a point of varying their diet with cheese dishes, and who adopt cheese as a meat substitute on meatless days, are finding it an almost indispensable food commodity, and one that will find permanent favor. In regard to the preventing of the retailers from charging unfair prices for this product, Mr. Ayer says: "I wish to say that when the cheese factories of the state are selling cheese to the wholesalers at 23c per pound, and the wholesalers selling to the retailers at not more than 24c, per pound, the public will have little difficulty in judging whether it is paying excessive profit to the retailer or not. Many dealers have reduced the retail price to from 30c to 32c per pound, and allowing for shrinkage and loss in cutting, this price leaves only a moderate profit to the retailer, and gives the consumer a most valuable food product at a very reasonable price, when compared with war prices on other food commodities."

"Every Oregon housewife should make a special point of serving cheese in tempting variety, on her table, thereby saving meat and other food commodities that must be conserved, and at the same time giving much needed support to the cheese-making and dairying industries of her home state."

GOVERNMENT TO CONTROL RAILROADS

Government Ownership to Become Actual Fact Tomorrow

At noon tomorrow Government ownership and operation of the nation's railroads for the period of war will become an actual fact, President Wilson having at last exercised his prerogative in this regard, as many have anticipated he would do. In his statement he says, "The Government of the United States is the only great government now engaged in the war which has not already assumed control of this sort."

William G. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury, has been made Railroad Director, as the president believes his position as Secretary of the Treasury will enable him to coordinate the financial interests involved better than anybody else.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE SCIENCE OF WAR REVIEWED.

Secretary of the Interior Reports.

Included in the recent annual report of Secretary Franklin K. Lane is the following:

"When the Bureau of Mines was created by Congress five years ago it was hardly to have been imagined that the methods used for the saving of life in the coal mines of the United States would become of vital use in the problem of saving lives and destroying lives in a world war; yet this is just what has happened.

"The soldier's kit, which was so simple a thing in other wars, has had to be increased by a gas mask not unlike the helmet of a deep-sea diver with a box of chemicals adapted for offsetting the effects of the various kinds of gas the enemy is known to use."

"When we came into the war we found ourselves prepared with the knowledge, the machinery, and the men to promptly meet the need of gas masks in great quantities and of a superior type. Thus the men who had been on this work of meeting the gases compounded in nature's laboratory were found to have a reserve of knowledge as to what gases will kill and what will choke and what will hasten disease, which in a war of cumulative frightfulness would make the United States modestly distinguished if it wished to so shine. As one of the group said:

"We chemists in America have never turned our minds to the destruction of human life. Our work has been constructive—the chemistry of the soil, of cement, of printer's ink, of the by-products from petroleum and tar, of 10,000 things which will make for a longer, a happier life for man. But if the world is to be turned upside down and instead of staying death and disease and making new things that man can use for his own ennoblement we are wanted to push forward the work of the destruction of man and all his works we can become rivals of the worst in such enterprise."

"This is not the time to present the things done and the things doing by these men of the necromantic science, but when the day comes for casting up accounts and giving credit their work will not go unrecognized."

Church Notes

Evangelical Church.

A Christmas cantata was given by the members of the Evangelical Church orchestra on Sunday evening, Dec. 23. After an enjoyable concert the congregation attended the exercises at the First English Church on the West Side in a body. On Monday evening a beautiful tree with all that accompanies it, gladdened the hearts of the children. The principal feature of the program was a representation of Christmas celebration in European countries, scenes from Norway, France, Italy, and Holland being depicted, as well as a scene showing the First Christmas.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

The Christmas services Sunday were very well attended, and Rev. Mr. Taylor delivered a most able and interesting sermon on the "Right Kind of Christmas Spirit." Mrs. Blaksley rendered a solo in her usual charming manner. There were no services Christmas day, as Mr. Taylor was busy elsewhere. The Annual Christmas Tree will be held on Friday night in the church. Everyone interested is most cordially invited.

Next Sunday at 6:30 p. m. Rev. O. D. Taylor will deliver a sermon to Masons and their families in Odd Fellows Hall at Lents. All members of A. F. and A. M. are welcome.

St. Paul's Guild will close a most successful year under the able supervision of Mrs. Bertha Boatwright. The sale and dinner at Mrs. J. J. Johnson's was a great success.

We are glad to note Mrs. R. W. Smith's attendance at our last Guild meeting.

Mrs. Clara C. Blyth gave us a pleasant surprise by attending church Sunday. She returned from Boston last Friday. It was so cold there she was glad to come back to "Old Oregon."

We wish all a Happy New Year, and hope to pull all together to make our church bigger and better than ever for the coming year, and try to deserve the services of our faithful rector, Rev. O. D. Taylor.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Multnomah County.

In the Matter of the Estate of C. W. Budd, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, executors of the Estate of C. W. Budd, deceased, have filed their final account in said Estate, with the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Multnomah County, and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified that all objections to said final account, and the settlement thereof, will be heard by the above Court, on the 28th day of December, 1917, at the hour of 9:30 a. m., at the Court House, in the City of Portland, County of Multnomah, State of Oregon.

MARY A. BUDD,
 HELEN U. BUDD,
 Executrices.

W. K. ROYAL, 816-18 Lewis Bldg., Attorney for Executrices.

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The Boy Scouts are put to work in England. With each air raid the lads cover London on bicycles, warning the people, and everyone gets under cover but they.

If you're doing your bit, do another bit. That's two bits, for which you can buy a War-Savings Thrift Stamp, and that's still another bit.

The man who doesn't wear a Red Cross Button is more to be pitied than blamed. Perhaps his wife won't allow him to spend the dollar.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Multnomah County.

In the Matter of the Estate of Martha A. Coolidge, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Hattie Vott, has been appointed executrix of the estate of Martha A. Coolidge, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Multnomah, and has duly qualified as such.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same, duly verified as required by law, to said executrix at the office of her attorney, J. J. Johnson, 314 Spalding Bldg., Portland, Oregon, on or before a month from the date of first publication of this notice.

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HATTIE VOTT, Executrix of the Estate of Martha A. Coolidge, deceased.

J. J. Johnson, Attorney for said Estate, 314 Spalding Bldg., Portland, Ore.

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