

RURAL PAGE

Gray's Crossing.

There was a very interesting meeting on Friday evening in the Woodmere school auditorium it being the purpose of selling Thrift stamps. Dr. Lindsley made an address after which 24 boys and 24 girls of the 8th and 7th grades sang several patriotic songs with the aid of their able musical instructor, Miss McDonald, one of the teachers of the school.

The Douglasses have moved back into their own house on 82 St. S. E. after spending the winter in Rev. Nelson's house on 86th St.

Mrs. Keller, of 82 St. and 64 Ave. has been confined to her home for some time with a bad cold.

The dance at Woodmere school Saturday night for the benefit of the Red Cross was a great success. Something like fifty dollars was taken in. All present enjoyed them selves to the fullest extent and went to their homes rejoicing.

W. S. Sanders is improving and expects to have the plaster cast off his foot soon.

Mrs. W. S. Bennett is getting along finely and all wish her a speedy recovery.

Dick Hill came over from Vancouver on Sunday to his home on 83rd St.

Cherryville

Easter Sunday the last day of the month.

Plant your potatoes—the early ones—on Good Friday.

The month of March, on the whole, has been quite respectable for March.

Notwithstanding the high price of grain and seeds of all kinds, a large area will be planted this year and lots of old meadows will be ploughed.

A Nursery near Sandy is being converted into a field for grain and the young trees comprising many choice kinds like Delicious Apple, Pineapple, Quince, Bartlett Pear and Bing and Lambert Cherries are being thrown into the scrap heap or given away. No finer proposition exists than to set such trees out just now. Public opinion, always an unsafe guide, is against the fruit business.

It is written that when the Creator created man he pronounced him good and later, after He saw how he acted He repented that He ever made Him. This is merely the opinion of some old writer and is a sad reflection on the wisdom and foresight of the Almighty, but He must seriously repent that He ever created this outfit that are butchering one another, more especially the ones who started it.

Steve Mitchell, the veteran mountaineer who lives up near Zig Zag, was in town last week and says his son Arty is on the battle ship, Chattanooga, that acts as convoy to our transports, and that his son Roy is with the U. S. marines and now holds the world's record as a machine marksman with a gun having hit the target 267 times out of 300. Less than a year ago this young mountaineer was up here in these wild hills and now he wears a medal from the War Department certifying to his achievements. They drill—in the most rigid manner—many years the soldiers of the German army and spend endless days teaching a lot of geese the goose step and still one of our boys beats them to it in six months.

Mrs. Miller, at the hotel, has a rooster two months old that has already begun to crow? Can you beat it? Probably crowing over our boys in France.

Now that Billy Kent, Labor Commissioner, has given the Non-Partisan League a clean bill of health after investigation, what are some of these dirty bought up papers going to do for something to lie about?

Belrose-Gilbert.

The Ladies' Aid of Bennett Chapel met at Mrs. J. L. Johnson's Thursday, 28th. The committee consists of Mrs. Hagarth, Mrs. Loe, Miss Sherman and Mrs. Johnson.

E. Gale intends to have a well bored, it's for water, not gas.

Chicken thieves who had been operating in this vicinity were apprehended by Deputy Sheriff Rexford. They had about 120 chickens in their possession and had sold others to commission houses on Front St.

A patriotic program was given at the school house last Monday evening to pave the way in the district for the Third Liberty Loan.

Pleasant Valley.

Professor R. H. Searl was taken seriously ill last Thursday. Mr. Searl was removed to his home at Montavilla Saturday, the entire community wish for his speedy recovery. Mrs. Swane of Portland is teaching in his place.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Taylor and Mrs. Webberly of Portland spent the day Monday with Mr. Taylor's sister, Mrs. Charles Hodson.

Mrs. M. J. Jewell and Mrs. G. H. Sager spent last Wednesday at the hom

of their brother, Mr. Edgar Richey of Sellwood.

Miss Hazel Burke is visiting in Portland with friends a few days this week. Geo. Robinson, of Portland spent Sunday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Will Richey.

G. N. Sager, of Gales Creek, Ore. visited at home over Sunday.

Quite a number of Grangers from Pleasant Valley attended Pomona at Lents and report having had a very fine time.

Mrs. Skinner, of Portland was looking after her farm here last Saturday.

Come to Pleasant Valley church special service for Easter by Rev. Ford. Topic, "Christ the Conqueror." Special music.

ALL LOOKED ALIKE TO HIM

Mrs. Newrich's Footman Helper Possibly Didn't Know There Were Any Other Kind of Cards.

Sir Cecil Spring Rice, the retiring British ambassador, is one of the most Democratic diplomatists ever accredited at Washington. In fact, he is very much like his predecessor, Viscount James Bryce, and has no patience with the new rich and other artificially gilded society. Although story telling is a luxury for the overburdened diplomat, a story he told some time ago is timely, in that it is applicable to the war millionaires, of which every warring nation seems to have a big quota.

Sir Cecil's story is about a lady whose husband made a fortune in rubber, and in due time had reached the outer edge of society so as to be permitted to make a few calls, which were better received if made by card. On visiting days, she bedecked herself and her motor, and the round through the streets was always a question of hours.

On one occasion, however, the footman being sick, she broke in the helper, not having time to secure another footman. While on her way Mrs. Newrich discovered that she had left her visiting cards at home, and thither she hastened, sending the new footman to fetch them, after which they continued on their mission.

It was quite dark when they reached the residence of a foreign minister, and the lady ordered the footman to leave three cards at the door.

"Can't do it, madame," he said bowing.

"I've only got two left, an ace and a deuce."

DEADLY WEAPON OF WARFARE

German Albatross is Probably the Most Powerful Machine That Has Yet Been Developed.

The tendency in airplanes has been to run to two extremes—for fighting, as small and fast as possible; and for bombing, as large and powerful as possible. In a three-seater, one passenger sits out in front mounted in a machine-gun turret. The pilot comes next, immediately behind the motor, while the second passenger sits behind him mounted in another machine-gun turret. This airplane is capable of carrying many hundred pounds of explosives and, being very fast and heavily armed, generally accomplishes its mission.

The German albatross is capable of a horizontal speed of 300 kilometers (about 187 miles) an hour. It is a single seater and carries three machine guns, which, being controlled by the motor, shoot automatically and simultaneously through the propeller. The sight of these weapons converges at approximately 50 yards in front of the airplane, making the chance of hitting the opponent three times as sure. The motor is equipped with an electric self-starter. It has also electrical devices for keeping the water warm in the radiator while flying at great heights. The wing surface is less than 20 square yards.—Scribner's.

Showing War's Privations.

In such sorely pressed neutral countries as Sweden the war has resulted in rich and poor alike being subjected to many restrictions heretofore unknown. An illustration of this—not without its humorous aspect—is found in a Swedish wedding invitation recently received in the United States by friends of the bride and bridegroom. The latter were members of two wealthy families in Stockholm, and the handsomely engraved missive included an invitation to a banquet at one of the finest hotels in the Swedish capital. It was in a notation at the bottom page that the hand of war manifested itself, in these words: "Please bring your bread cards." This meant, of course, that well-to-do hosts at a wedding could not provide their guests with bread, except in restricted amounts and in the manner prescribed by law.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Patriotism is not pessimism.

Silage is the best roughage for fattening any class of cattle.

The best practical way to protect bread from mold is to keep it in a dry, air-tight box.

The squirrel does not know how to can, but he stores his food for the lean season. Learn a lesson from the squirrel.

Make Victory Bread

Try one of these breads the next time you bake. These recipes are from a bulletin issued by the U. S. food administration. Each recipe will make three good-sized loaves.

Handle and mold these bread doughs with greater care than white bread. If the doughs stick to the hands when kneading down, add more flour at this time.

Always keep the dough at an even warm temperature (about 75 degrees F.)

If you have a good rule for bread, use it, but in place of part of the white flour use one of these other grains—either all or part of the time.

If dry yeast is used, a sponge should be made at night with the liquid, the yeast, and a part of the white flour.

Potato Yeast Bread

This bread is especially valuable because of the body-regulating substances which it contains.

One or two cakes compressed yeast, one cup lukewarm water, four teaspoons

salt, three tablespoons corn syrup, three and one-half cups mashed potatoes, seven cups flour (more or less may be needed.)

Mix as follows: Soften the yeast in the liquid and then add (1) salt, (2) syrup, (3) potato and (4) enough flour to make a stiff dough. Mix and knead thoroughly. Let rise three and one-half hours, or until double in bulk. Knead or cut down the dough, add the remaining flour, and let rise again until double in bulk (about one and one-half hours.) Shape into loaves. Let rise in pans until double in bulk. Bake 50 minutes to one hour.

Corn Meal Yeast Bread

One quart water, one or two cakes compressed yeast, three and one-half teaspoons salt, three tablespoons corn syrup, one and one-half cups corn meal and eight cups flour.

Mix as follows: Soften the yeast in one-half cup of the water (lukewarm.) Heat the rest to boiling, then stir in the cornmeal. Let it boil up once. Cool, add the salt and syrup, and when lukewarm, add the softened yeast. Then add the flour to make a stiff dough. Follow the directions for kneading, rising and baking, given for potato bread.

Oatmeal Yeast Bread

One quart water, one or two cakes

compressed yeast, four teaspoons salt, three tablespoons molasses, three cups rolled oats, eight cups flour.

Mix as follows: Soften the yeast in one-half cup of the water (lukewarm.) Heat the rest to boiling, then stir in the rolled oats. Let it boil up once. Cool, add the salt and syrup and when lukewarm, add the softened yeast. Then add the flour to make a stiff dough. Follow the directions for kneading, rising and baking given for potato bread.

Mined!

The makings of a small panic were present at a downtown dairy lunch a few days ago when a quantity of gas exploded with a noise like a German bomb, and the lid of the coffee pot ascended to the ceiling. At first all thoughts naturally turned to the war, and to the probability of the building being mined, and a few of the customers rose and were about to search for a means of exit.

Little damage was done, but a waiter who was observed in the act of trying to climb over the counter, was blushing furiously; and the waiter who was doing business with a lighted match just prior to the explosion remained for some time paler than usual.—Indianapolis News.

Makes Oil From Whale Fat.

A committee of experts appointed by the Norwegian government to endeavor to find a method of obtaining edible fats and oils from whale blubber and fish reports that its experiments have been successful. Whale fat with a mixture of other fats can also, it is believed, be used for making margarine. Norway has already two whale oil refineries, and the state has begun negotiations for the purchase of one of these.

Use of Cement Increasing.

The popularity of cement as a building material may be shown in figures. In a period of 15 years the cement output in the United States has increased from 17,000,000 barrels to 65,000,000. This is an increase of over 600 per cent. With steel a product which it is extremely difficult to secure at the present time, there is a great demand for cement to replace steel to some extent.—Milwaukee Journal.

A Proverb Disputed.

"Misery loves company." "I don't believe it. I can't see that people are any more contented and companionable during a cold wave than they are at other times."

When something seems drudgery, think of the trenches.

LENTS HARDWARE COMPANY NEWS

"We are determined to grow in business by deserving to grow."

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LIBERTY BOND DRIVE NEXT WEEK

and remember—do not buy them down town. For—sake buy them in Lents at your local bank or at the postoffice, so that Lents will get credit for the Bonds purchased by Lents people.

We are going to start a drive next week ourselves. Our "Anniversary Sale" April 5th to 11th inclusive.

If you can't shoulder a gun shoulder a hoe. We have them and everything else for the war garden, even the seeds or well rooted plants.

War and Business

Our country is at War! Hundreds of thousands, yes—even millions of men formerly engaged in industrial pursuits, will be called upon to leave their jobs and fight. These men, the Nation's heroes, will risk their all. Theirs is the highest duty.

With this force under arms, the business of the Country will lack men. The carrying on of trade in the usual way is a matter of the greatest importance to a nation at war. If business continues in good volume, the United States will be all the more able vigorously to prosecute, and successfully to terminate, the struggle.

Every soldier, every sailor, every member of the Country's fighting forces, is making a tremendous sacrifice. The men who stay behind, the men who remain in industrial occupations, also have an important work to do, a sacrifice to make.

More business will have to be done, and with far fewer men to do it. Everyone who stays at home must be ready cheerfully to assume some small portion of the extra burden. Every man should "do his bit"—and smile while he is doing it.

A Letter To You From W. P. Fuller & Company

The cost of raw materials mounts steadily upward. As a perfectly natural consequence, the selling prices of our manufactured products have continued to advance. We dislike the frequent changes in price just as much as our customer, but we are helpless in the matter. When we have to pay more and more for pig lead, zinc oxide and linseed oil, we have to charge more and more for our mixed paints. Under these circumstances, the only alternative to higher prices is lower quality; a cheapening of our product. This we will not do. No matter what happens to the raw material markets, as long as the proper and usual ingredients are obtainable, so long will uniformity be maintained.

With prices at present levels the unscrupulous manufacturer is sorely tempted to adulterate. We can only warn the consumer and urge him to avoid the snare of an abnormally low quotation.

Let this soak in and remember that 35 of their competitors were just in court for unscrupulous business methods.

War Prices Then and Now

1866-1918

Assertions have been made in the past few months that prices now have reached an unprecedented height, and that there has never been in the history of the country times like those we are facing today. In a measure, this statement is true, as anyone familiar with conditions during the last half-century must realize, but there are very few men in business today who know from personal experience just what changes have taken place during the last fifty years.

We are in receipt of a list of prices which was issued just at the close of the Civil War, August 2, 1866, at a time when the industries of the country were in the throes of rebirth and reorganization, and the comparison with existing conditions will be found of deep interest, even to those who have made no study of the wide range of commodity prices in the United States:

	Wholesale 1866	Retail 1918
Raw Linseed Oil, gallon.....	\$1.95	\$1.84
Boiled Linseed Oil, gallon.....	2.00	1.86
Castor Oil, gallon.....	3.10	2.00
Turpentine, gallon.....	1.20	.90
White Lead, pound.....	.19	.123
Venetian Red, English, lb.....	.053	.04
Lampblack, pound.....	.26	.20

While, naturally, there is no absolute basis of comparison, owing to the changes that have been brought about by improvements in methods of manufacture, development of new sources of supply, etc., nevertheless there is abundant food for thought in the comparison as presented. It is interesting to note that two of the commodities which overtop even the high prices of today are linseed oil and white lead, both of which have been generally held to be present at almost, if not quite, record quotations.

WHERE TO GO FISHING

How To Get There

We enjoy fishing ourselves and are always willing to give expert advice to anyone interested and it might be possible that we go too. We have a large supply of

TYEE BRAND

Salmon eggs and the kind of tackle that gets the big ones.

Unnecessary Warning.—"This seems to be a very dangerous precipice," remarked the tourist. "I wonder that they have not put up a warning-board!" "Yes," answered the guide, "it is dangerous. They kept a warning-board up for two years, but no one fell over, so it was taken down."—Harper's Magazine.

Pacific Rubber Paint wears longer, looks better, and costs less.

Your share of the thrift stamp sale is \$20.00 regardless of your age—"ARE YOU DOING YOUR BIT?" Tell your mail man you want to buy a thrift stamp every day and then DO IT.

Pitied His Widow.—"That fellow was an impudent fraud. How did he manage to wheedle money out of you?" "Oh, John, he told me such a sad, pitiful tale about his poor wife who was a widow with six little children!"—Baltimore American.

Results Wanted

—then use "Growthmore." It will sure grow more. Ask for free book—to use on anything. It will make the grass grow green—sure it will.

Taking No Chance.—Actor—"I say, old man, I wish you'd advance me \$5 and take it out of my first week's salary."

Manager—"But, my dear fellow, suppose it happened that I couldn't pay your first week's salary, where would I be?"—Boston Transcript.

Just Arrived—Nearly a ton of Kalamine—all tins.

Hubby Was Too Quick—"Hubby, you know that letter I said I gave you to mail?"

"Yes, my dear; I assure you I mailed it."

"No, you didn't. I didn't give it to you. I thought I gave it to you, but I gave it to father."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Cabbage Plants.

We have a good stock of hearty plants on hand and now is the time to plant them—with a little "GROW-MORE"—and they will grow more.

Anglers Club News

The Multnomah Anglers Club reconsidered the resolution on salmon egg fishing at their last meeting with the result that it was repealed. You may now belong to the Club and use any kind of bait you wish.