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THE NEWSPAPER'S BIT

The war is providing positive proof for what has been known to many of us for years, and that is that a newspaper that has a reputation for telling the truth is a factor with great power in every country. We have, in the instance of the German war program, the greatest example of publicity that the world has ever seen.

Acting on the theory that whatever appears in print becomes true, regardless of its origin, if it appears with enough frequency and persistence, the German people were taught to believe that their ruler was a man of almost if not quite divine power and intelligence.

Through the clever manipulation of news agencies and the press in other lands they taught the remainder of the world that their army was infallible, and that everything made in Germany was superior to articles made in any other country.

The fact that these things were all in this instance but a myth did not influence the public mind in the least. They had read these stories, and they believed them.

The United States started to ignore the press at the outset of the war, and a panicky condition that was exceedingly dangerous was the result.

Every month brings the fact more clearly home to the people at the head of affairs in this greatest of wars, that it is a strife in which we will prevail by the support of the people and all the people.

The conscription bill became a law only because of the fact that the press endorsed it.

The liberty loans, Red Cross drives, and all other like matters have become possible we are told by Mr. McAdoo and others, because of the loyalty of the press.

Herbert Hoover, in a statement to the publishers of country newspapers in the United States, through the association of which the Journal is a member, said that his food programs would be possible only by the hearty cooperation of the country press.

When the campaign was launched for the sale of millions of dollars worth of war stamps at twenty-five cents each, the administration made one of the wisest moves it has yet made, it selected a newspaper man to manage the campaign.

From the early censorship of news of all classes, we now have a small card mailed to every publisher of any standing at intervals, requesting that certain news matter be withheld, and every publisher is thus his own censor.

The large quantity of dispatches of all kinds received daily from the government departments and officials indicates the need that is felt for these mediums of regulating the public mind, and the amount of this that gets into the press would indicate that the papers are on the job all the time.

The results that are obtained are also satisfactory to the administration, and no doubt the cooperative effort will mean a better understanding, which can but mean an earlier victory for the allies. Let us hope this may be true at least.

DESCUTES COUNTY CASE

Pending in the supreme court of this state is an appeal from the circuit court of this district, which in effect, questions the right of Deschutes County to exist.

The very fact that the appeal exists shows that there is a debatable question in the matter.

Men are prone to become enthused over the things that they desire to have become true, to the ex-

tent that they think they already exist. Some such condition exists in this instance, and not in one quarter alone, but in two distinct quarters.

Those residing in Deschutes county, and those most desirous to see the conditions remain as they apparently now are, would have the people believe that there is no question about the rights of Deschutes county to exist.

The fact that the courts to this point have found for this condition also, would seem to strengthen their argument.

But there is, as usual in all matters, another side. Judge Wallace, who is handling the appeal in the effort to dissolve the county, says, and believes, that he can defeat the case in the supreme court, in which case Deschutes county will be expunged from the map of Oregon, for the time at least.

The facts are that there is yet a question about Deschutes county, be it ever so remote, and the more fuss and noise that is made in statements to the contrary but adds to the evidence that the question exists.

It is to be hoped that a final and lasting opinion may be had from the supreme court at an early date, so that several thousand people, who own the millions of dollars worth of property in these counties or this county, will know just where they stand in the matter.

AN ENVIABLE RECORD

The State of Oregon enjoys an enviable standing among the states of the Union on account of its splendid record in every movement of patriotic duty that has been inaugurated for the support of our government in the successful prosecution of its most worthy war aims, for the encouragement, protection and comfort of those who have placed their lives upon the altar of sacrifice for their country's defense, for the conservation of resources and for such unselfish denials as the ruling forces of the nation have deemed necessary to the ends and purposes of the nation's participation in the international conflict. Every citizen of this state must feel proud of what Oregon has done in answer to every call—to the Red Cross, to the voluntary enlistment of its fighting forces, to the Liberty Bond subscriptions, to the Y. M. C. A. and to every form of appeal that calls for generous response and sacrifice, and in that pride let us not forget to place a large share of the credit where it belongs for the condition of the public mind and conscience which made such achievements possible. It is but justice to say that the fine precept and example of our patriotic Governor, James Withycombe, exhibited and expressed earnestly and vigorously on all occasions, have been most powerful agencies in spurring and encouraging our people to do the very best that is in them, and it is also safe to say that no person in the State is prouder of the record made than he is.—Oregon Statesman.

CORRECT AGAIN

When Dr. Garfield issued the edict closing eastern factories for a short period to relieve the coal situation, the nation protested almost as a man, and the administrator was called various uncomplimentary names.

As the order works out, it again becomes evident that the administration is right, for this action was seemingly the only means of relieving a very bad situation. The handling of these critical matters in a critical time is the work of the administration, and it is the business of the people to heed their orders without a murmur.

This is war time, and many of us are compelled to do things that are unpleasant. To win and win soon, we need more and not less power vested in a central authority.

In the fuel edict, the administration was right again, and should be commended for it.

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DECALOGUE OF WAR

Dr. Anna Shaw Announces One for Every Woman.

War-time Commandments Arranged by the Professor of the University of Turin.

New York.—Here is the new "Decalogue of War," as announced by Dr. Anna Shaw:

1. Do not chatter. Keep to yourself the news you hear, your own impressions and your apprehensions.
 2. Do not listen to alarmists, to slackers, or those who would spread discouragement. Silence them.
 3. Be moderate in your spending, neither lavish in gifts nor sordid in your economies. Let everything in your life, even your daily expenses, take on at this moment its true national importance.
 4. Encourage national industries, avoiding imported goods, even though they may seem better and less costly, than those made at home.
 5. Do not look upon the departure to the front of those dear to you as an abandonment. Be with them constantly in thought, as they are with you, particularly in the hour of danger.
 6. Do not complain of the difficulties, annoyances and privations caused by the war. Think of those who are dying for their country, and complaint will halt upon your lips.
 7. Multiply your activities, in your home as well as outside, thereby rendering yourself useful to your country by the work of your hands, the warmth of your heart and the charity of your intelligence.
 8. Exhibit day by day and hour by hour the same courage a man shows upon the field of battle. Instruct the ignorant, uphold the feeble, console those who are stricken; transmit your own confidence to others.
 9. No matter how long the struggle may last, await victory with strength and patience.
 10. If you are stricken in your dearest affections, bear your sorrow nobly, that your tears may be worthy of the hero whose death you mourn.
- These war-time commandments were arranged by the professors of the University of Turin.

SUGAR BOWL LOOTING NOW POPULAR FAD

Cleveland, O.—"Madam, kindly remove your fist from that sugar bowl."

It is perfectly permissible for waiters to so address women patrons found looting the sugar bowls, County Food Administrator North assured them.

Complaints have been numerous the past few days that women dropped into downtown lunch-rooms, ordered a cup of coffee and a piece of pie (check, 15 cents) and then walked out with their muffs full of sugar cubes.

It has become almost an epidemic and the restaurant men, not wishing to offend, applied to North for a remedy. But North did not recommend subtle diplomacy on the part of the waiters.

SNOW HELPS IN THE SOUTH

Planters Will Reap Benefit of Extension of Snow Line in South This Winter.

Memphis, Tenn.—Planters will benefit to the extent of many thousands of dollars as a result of the snow line extending far into the South this winter. Agricultural experts contend that where land is covered with snow during the winter months it is more productive the following summer. Freezing weather has extended to the Gulf coast and snow has fallen to the depth of several inches over most of the Southern states.

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JOHN WIGLE.

ROBERT N. STANFIELD



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