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"Flag of the free hearts' hope and home!
By Angels' hands to valor given;
Thy stars have lit the welkin dome,
And all thy hues were born in Heaven.
Forever float that standard shaght!
Where breathes the foe but falls before us.
With Freedom's soil beneath our feet,
And Freedom's banner streaming o'er us."

—JOSEPH DRAKE.

The Star Spangled Banner

By Francis Scott Key

Oh! say, can you see by the dawn's early light
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight
O'er the ramparts we watch'd, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there,
Oh! say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

On the shore, dimly seen through the mists of the deep,
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes;
What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,
As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,
In tints of sky and pine, the streamer's image appears,
'Tis the star-spangled banner, oh! long may it wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

And where is that band who so vauntingly swore
That the havoc of war and the battle's confusion,
A home and a country should leave us no more?
Their blood has wash'd out their foul footsteps' pollution.
No refuge could save the hireling and slave
From the terror of flight, or the gloom of the grave,
And the star-spangled banner in triumph doth wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Oh! thus be it ever, when freemen shall stand
Between their lov'd ones and war's desolation;
Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the heav'n rescued land
Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation.
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto, "In God is our Trust."
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

*Francis Scott Key, the poet, was born in Maryland in 1779, and died in 1843. During the war of 1812-15 between the United States and Great Britain the English fleet bombarded Fort M'Henry, near Baltimore, on September 13, 1814. During the whole of that day and night he witnessed the British bombardment of the fort; and on the following morning he and his American friends saw with delight that the fort was still ours; and that the American flag, torn with shot and shell, was still waving in its place. The story is told in the poem. The flag that flew at Fort M'Henry still exists, and was exhibited at the Centennial Exhibition in Philadelphia in 1876 full of rents made by the enemy's cannonade. A statue to Francis Scott Key stands in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco.

WASHINGTON

Yesterday the nation celebrated the birthday of her first president who answers to the soubriquet "First in war, first in peace, first in the hearts of his countrymen. As the years go by America honors the lives and deeds of her heroes. In the life and service of Washington is recorded that rare judgment, high endeavor and consistent leadership without which there might today be no United States of America.

And on this natal day, we should always in justice to his unselfish devotion to the cause of truth, justice and freedom remind ourselves of the great price paid for the heritage we now enjoy—a government by the people's choice and rule.

Though cavalier in birth, wealthy through inheritance and dignified by nature his heart beat with sympathy for the lowly, the humble and oppressed. While other sons of nobility basked in ease and luxury at the parental fire-

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side, by a young man of wealth and influence, rendered yeom' an service to community and country as woodsman, surveyor and military scout where he braved dangers and suffered the hardships of early frontier life.

Wealth appealed to him as an obligation to work and serve in the interests of his fellowmen. Though in a position to live in luxury at Trenton and Valley Forge he turned from official pomp and splendor to warm and succor the privates sick and discouraged from cold and hunger.

As a mere politician he was not a success. Dignified even to the point of austerity, with an honesty and purpose that nothing could swerve he was ill fitted by personality and by nature for the appeals for votes in this present day. He believed that leadership should be for those qualified as leaders and that education, experience and good character in private life essential to success in official service. And his strongest bursts of passion, usually under control of an iron will were hurled against cowardice, demagoguery or cowardice.

Washington believed that every man owed a debt to his fellow men. And it was service born of this conviction of his great soul that made him first in the Revolution, first in the Presidency and first in the Love of his countrymen.

He carried into the public service a fortitude which no disaster could break, a sense of duty no opposition could swerve and a faith in his Creator upon which he willingly risked fortune and life itself for the cause in which he enlisted. For the self seeker and the time server he had only stern contempt.

Yesterday was the anniversary of his birth. The public press, the platform and the pulpit recounted his service and offered praise. All the good whether learned or unlearned, high or low, rich or poor, feel that this day brings back to them a common treasure—the life of Washington. Let us recount his deeds, ponder o'er his principles and teachings, and resolve to make them more and more our ideals for the future.

A WAY TO GET ACTION

The National Fertilizer Association is sending out tons of illustrated literature discouraging the operation of Muscle Shoals by Henry Ford.

The Association declares "Abnormal war demand compelled over-expansion of our capacity to produce this material by the cheaper by-product coke oven process. Without operating Muscle Shoals this country can produce more than it can use."

It is evident that the fertilizer companies do not want Ford to obtain possession of Muscle Shoals. The probabilities are that he would lower the price of this agricultural commodity and make it more accessible than now to the farms of the country. It is likely too that the industrial wizard who can so organize business that he reduces the selling price at the same time that he raises wages might develop electrical energy at a less cost to the consumer than now and thus prove himself a real competitor if allowed to purchase the government plant. All of this looks good to the public but bad to the National Fertilizer Association and to other organizations who want to retain monopolies for private gain.

The government is doing nothing profitable or even helpful to agriculture or to any other industry by holding on to Muscle Shoals. And yet a bunch of political hirelings who are blind to every interest except their masters and their own are "considering", "investigating", "evaluating", "sidestepping", and "delaying" while waiting for some "legal" or "economic" reason why it would be better for the plant to remain idle.

Congress procrastinates, the opposing interests keep up their propaganda, the public is the dupe. Every farmer should write a letter or send a telegram to his senator and representative demanding action or political decapitation at the earliest opportunity. If every farmer will do this, action on the Muscle Shoals will be forthcoming with wonderful speed.

WHERE PART OF YOUR TAXES GO

Where your taxes go is a question which everybody is trying to answer these days. That they go in great large chunks somewhere is a dead certainty. Here's where the biggest portion of what you pay to the United States government goes:

For the fiscal year 1920, the huge sum of \$2,878,000,000 was spent on the war, navy and shipping board departments. In addition to this sum, \$430,000,000 was paid in pensions and war risk insurance while interest on the public debt amounted to \$1,020,000,000. And these sums amounting to over four and a half billions of dollars does not include the millions of other dollars paid for rehabilitation service to overseas veterans nor the sums paid by the state in bonus.

All these vast expenditures are the direct results of war and yet we see the disgusting efforts to defeat the results of the Disarmament Conference by men whose patriotism is no bigger than their shriveled and shrunken political souls.

Even the President of the United States is subject to insult by a bunch of political parasites who would stifle progress and prevent the ratification of the Peace Treaties by requiring him to produce the details of the peace parley.

Those who cannot or will not see the need to forestall further war with its attendant tax burdens, general depression, suffering or slaughtered men are a menace to this country.

Then further efforts should be cut short by recall or by other means of political death.

Cut down on appropriations for war purposes and federal taxes will go down.

PEACE GAINS

The doubting Thomases who consigned the Arms Conference to failure e're it reached the Far Eastern problems have to guess and prophesy again. The Shantung question the tender spot affecting Old World diplomacy, has yielded to the better sentiment of China and Japan and will no longer be the basis of threatend strife deadly warfare. In this solution of this vexatious and dangerous political problem, there is the encouragement that the world is coming nearer and nearer the goal of peace.

INCOME TAX

Failure to file an individual income tax return on or before March 15 makes the taxpayer liable to a penalty of 25 per cent of the amount of his tax and a specific fine of not more than \$1000. This is a statutory provision and cannot be waived by the collector or any other authority. Clyde G. Huntley, collector of internal revenue, announces that returns for the year 1921 must be filed by the following persons without any exception:

Every individual who had a net income of \$1000 or more, if single, or if married and not living with husband or wife.

Every individual who had a net income of \$2000 or more, if married and living with husband or wife, and every individual who had a gross income of \$5000 or more, regardless of whether or not that sum netted him a cent of profit.

Every married person living with husband or wife, in order to claim the exemption of \$2500 and \$400 for each dependent, must make a return, although his actual net income for 1921 may have been only \$2000.

The time for filing partnership and judiciary returns of income for the year 1921 has been extended from March 15 to May 15, according to Collector Huntley. However, the extension in time which has been granted for filing partnership returns in no way affects the filing of individual income tax returns by the members of a partnership. Each member of every partnership is required to file a return of his individual income not later than March 15, regardless of the fact that the return for the partnership need not be filed until May 15.

All federal officers and employees, whether elected or appointed, are required to pay an income tax on their salaries. However, salaries paid to officers and employees of the state or any political subdivision thereof, such as a city, town, county, or school district, are exempt from taxation under the federal income tax law.

In making out his income tax return, the farmer is required to report gross income receipts derived from the sale or exchange of farm products, including crops and livestock, whether produced on the farm or purchased and resold. Where farm products are exchanged for groceries, merchandise or other articles, the fair market value of the articles received must be reported as income. A farmer who rents his farm on the crop-share basis must report such income for the year in which the crops are sold. Profits derived from the sale or rental of farm lands must be reported.

Every person whose gross income for 1921 was \$5000 or over must file a return, regardless of the amount of the net income. If a husband and wife living together have an aggregate gross income of \$5000 or more, separate returns or a joint return may be filed.

Regardless of the amount of the gross income, Clyde G. Huntley, collector of internal revenue, reminds taxpayers that returns are required of every married person living with husband or wife whose net income for 1921 was \$2000 or over, and of every single person or married person not living with husband or wife, whose net income was \$1000 or over. "Net income," upon which the tax is based, is "gross income" less certain specified deductions. Gross income includes gains, profits and income derived from salaries, wages, or compensation for personal service, of whatever kind and in whatever form paid, or from professions, vocations, trades, businesses, commerce or sales or dealings in property, whether real or personal, growing out of the ownership or use of or interest in such property; also from interest, rent, dividends, securities, or transaction of any business carried on for gain or profit, or gains and profits and income derived from any source whatever.

In computing his income tax, the farmer may deduct all amounts paid in the production, harvesting and the marketing of crops, including labor, cost of seed and fertilizer used, cost of minor repairs to farm buildings (other than the dwelling) cost of repairs to fences and machinery and the cost of small tools used up in the course of the year, such as pitchforks, handrakes, hoes, axes, etc.

All the ordinary and necessary expenses paid or incurred in carrying on any trade, business, profession or vocation are allowable deductions in preparing income tax returns, according to Clyde G. Huntley, collector of internal revenue. Typical expenses of a mercantile establishment are the amounts paid for advertising, hire of clerks and other employees, rent, light and water, telephone, insurance, delivery expenses, the cost of operating delivery wagons and motor trucks and incidental repairs to such vehicles but not the original cost of such vehicles. The expenses of a manufacturing business include labor, raw materials, supplies, repairs, light and heat, power, selling cost, administration and similar charges.

Rules Given On Avoiding Influenza

(Clackamas County Public Health Association, Oregon City, Oregon.)

Help check influenza and pneumonia.

Influenza and pneumonia are infectious diseases which are caused by certain germs.

If a person is not in good health, he usually is unable to resist the attack of the germs.

In order to be able to resist the attacks of the germs which cause influenza and pneumonia, we must carefully follow these instructions.

Avoid contact with matter which is spit, sneezed or coughed up. Persons should spit, sneeze or cough into a handkerchief.

Do not use a cup, spoon, or knife and fork or dishes which have been used by others, unless they are thoroughly washed.

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George Washington's Example

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Keep the home as well as the office and workshop well ventilated. All cars, halls and other places where numbers of persons assemble, should be freely ventilated. Particularly those who are not in good health, as well as the very young and elderly should be protected from being chilled or wet. All persons should avoid overheating.

One should avoid overeating, especially if after doing so one may be exposed to cold, chill or rain. Proper selection of food and exercise in the open air, are helpful in making one's power of resistance to disease much stronger.

So far as possible, avoid becoming overfatigued.

One's hands should be washed before eating. Patronize only such restaurants as are clean.

Those who feel ill and whose symptoms suggest an attack of influenza, pneumonia or other infectious disease, should go promptly to bed. This precaution alone frequently will shorten the attack and prevent dangerous complications.

A person suffering from these diseases should have a separate room, if possible, and should sleep alone. Handkerchiefs, pillow cases, bed sheets, bed covers and gowns should be disinfected by boiling.

In all cases, a physician should be called in and no patent medicines or general prescriptions which are advertised should be employed. One never knows at the beginning which case will turn out to be a mild one and which a very serious one.

(Permission of Health Dept. of City of New York.)

HILDA MORRIS,
County Health Nurse,
Oregon City, Oregon.

HIGHLAND

The Literary Society of this vicinity met at the school house Friday evening. A good program was rendered and the reading of the Highland Bugle by Ed Hoffman was of special interest. Every other Friday evening will find the Highland people enjoying their meetings and debates.

The decision of our debate "Resolved that Prohibition has proven a success" was the pleasure of the affirmative side. We were favored by some especially good debates and both sides had their proofs worked out carefully. Those on the affirmative side were Mr. M. E. Kandle, Mrs. L. Skidmore and Will Schmidt. On the negative were Mr. B. McVay, O. A. Effenberger, Lawrence Mudgett. The decision was given to the affirmative side.

On February 24th we want everybody to be present when our next debate will be given. The question will be "Resolved that Country Life is preferable to City Life."

Our school started on Feb. 6th again

with Miss Moser our new teacher. We are pleased to know that the children are progressing nicely.

Mrs. Frank Shute is very ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ray Welch, of Oregon City.

Misses Florence and May Hoffman, Thelma and Mildred Sims spent the week end with their parents.

Mr. F. A. Cornwell was an Oregon City visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Ora Trotter of Buckner Creek is visiting at the McVay home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bim McVay and children and Miss Belle McVay were week-end visitors of Estacada.

Alex Nelson is leaving for Sprague, Wash., Wednesday.

Lawrence Mudgett and Frank Nicholas were Oregon City visitors Saturday.



D. F. Skene of Oregon City R. F. D. No. 1, Insured his registered Jersey "Golden Lina 2nd". The cow died Dec. 3, 1921, the Hartford Live Stock Insurance Co. paid the loss Dec. 15th.

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