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## CRAZY DEEDS OF VIOLENCE.

From many localities are coming reports that suggest the work of foreign sympathizers. Men are caught trying to make their way toward munition plants, stores of explosives, government property, public buildings. There are many reports of bomb explosions.

The majority of these cases may not be the work of any organized spy system. There are always loose in the community a considerable body of weak-minded men. They take too seriously the talk of sensational newspapers, and get wild ideas into their heads. They conceive the notion that by some deed of violence they can help on some more or less visionary cause.

The European war has been a strain on our alien residents. National passions flare up, and many a barroom quarrel starts in a war argument. Many people with low mentality are hysterical over it. They have friends in the contending armies. They are in a state of mental perturbation, and by long brooding they become tempted toward insane acts.

Some of these attempts may not be from any purpose to destroy life. The crazy idea may simply be to inspire fear or to terrorize a neighborhood, to give the impression that there are dangerous forces among us to which we must give heed.

But even if many of these attempts are those of weak-minded persons, they are just as dangerous. Every crazy act starts out other unbalanced persons to commission of like deeds. Some terrible disaster is quite likely to happen. Indeed, the munition plant explosions have already taken a large toll of human life. It is time for vigilance on the part of all police and other public officials. Suspicious acting persons should not be passed over as merely a joke.

## AN ACTUAL EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

Railroads are adopting the wise way of applying the Adamson law by endeavoring to make the eight-hour day a reality, not a mere device for increasing wages. The average mileage of freight trains per day is absurdly low, and this fact is largely responsible for the shortage of cars. In fact it will probably prove that the shortage is not in cars but in the service obtained from them. If the existing supply of cars were moved faster, with fewer and shorter delays at way stations and particularly at terminals and in loading and unloading, it might prove sufficient to carry even the present enormous traffic. Speeding up train movement will

require double track on some roads, more passing tracks on others, and more commodious and modern terminal yards, which involves large capital expenditure. But such permanent improvements increase the carrying capacity of a road, and consequently its revenue per mile. They thus obviate the necessity of increasing the amount of rolling stock, which wears out in a few years and must be replaced. It was by such improvements and by reducing grades and curvature that the late E. H. Harriman raised the Union Pacific from bankruptcy to a condition where it pays 10 per cent dividends.

Public opinion will approve the action of the roads in living up to the spirit of the law by making the eight-hour day a reality, for that has come to be regarded as the ideal workday by the people. Many employers have voluntarily adopted it, because experience proved that it promoted efficiency among workmen and swelled production. Those railroad men who supported the new law with a sincere desire to reduce their working hours will get their wish, while disappointment awaits those who demanded it only in the hope of extra wages for overtime. Opposition to the law was largely due to the belief that it was a mere subterfuge for an increase of wages.—Oregonian.

## THE REAL "FILIBUSTER" IN THE SENATE.

Never in the history of the United States had there been a more urgent reason for calling a new congress into session than had been apparent from the beginning of February. With the country facing no emergencies at all, Mr. Taft had convoked the sixty-first and sixty-second congresses in extra session, and Mr. Wilson himself had convoked the sixty-third. The new congress should have been called to meet promptly on Monday, March 5. It had been elected last November. The real filibuster consisted in the attempt to dispose with calling the new congress. It was inappropriate to ask the expiring congress in its closing hours, without time for debate, to grant indefinite war powers to the president in order to enable him to carry on the government for months to come, perhaps until next December, without calling congress to Washington. Nothing in our history has so clearly shown the rapidity of our tendency to an exclusive presidential government. It is the congress elected last November that represents the public and that should have entered upon its work on the day following the beginning of the president's second term, which is his by virtue of election also in November. The most essential of the changes that ought to be made in our constitution is one that would not permit an old congress to assemble and do business after a new congress had been elected. There is no other legislative body in the world that has an opportunity to do its most important legislative work after it has been voted out of office, and after its successor has been voted in by the people. The state legislatures of this country, as a rule, are elected in November and come into session in January.—From "The Progress of the World," in the American Review of Reviews for April, 1917.

## MILITARY PREPAREDNESS.

Moving of heavy gun carriages and heavy loads of munitions and army supplies necessitate better roads than at present are available in Oregon.

Our state is exposed to attack; the railroad facilities are not as well adapted to carrying heavy guns as are improved highways; and it is up to Oregon to get its through trunk roads in shape to facilitate the movement of supplies.

Should the railroad centers become too congested, owing to war burdens, or should they fall into the hands of an enemy, the through roads would be the only means of communication left to get supplies from place to place in the interior. Farmers would of necessity depend upon the through roads for marketing their crops. Every resident of Oregon will see the necessities of the situation once this is called to his attention, and will see the bearing this has on the road question to be voted upon June 4.

Phone news items to the Tidings



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## Makes Plea for Food Producing

Corvallis, Ore., April 3. To Oregon Organizations Interested in the Public Welfare:

No phase of preparedness for the national crisis which we are now facing is of greater importance than that of the food supply. The present food shortage will be greatly intensified by the withdrawal of many producers who are being called into the military service. With our entrance into the war, our obligations to furnish food to the allied nations will be greatly increased. We must meet the situation. This can be done by increasing production and by the more economical use of food.

Vacant city lots and back yards afford the best means for prompt relief in production. If these are properly used for raising vegetables and poultry, thousands of dollars' worth of food products can be added to the normal supply in a few months. At least 60 per cent of the city lots and back yards now available are not being used. In the interest of the nation, intelligent, sober and well-organized efforts should be made to aid in improving the situation.

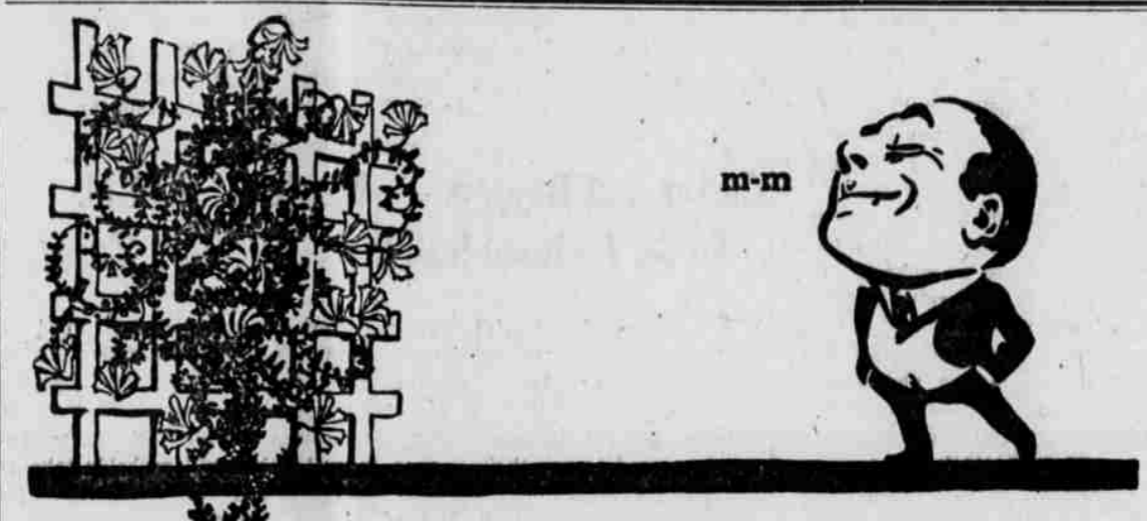
It is respectfully suggested that all organizations interested in the public welfare should get together and plan a campaign for their respective communities. A joint committee representing commercial clubs, women's organizations, parent-teacher associations, school officials and other organizations interested in public problems should appoint representatives

to serve on a joint committee to be charged with the direction of the campaign. A survey should be made immediately to determine the amount of ground available and the number of persons who may be enlisted to put it to the best use. Encouragement and instruction should be continued in a systematic way throughout the season. The Oregon Agricultural College has prepared a special series of pamphlets on poultry keeping, vegetable gardening, the economical use of foods and canning foods, which will be available to the people of the state. We shall be glad to send a supply of these publications upon receipt of evidence that this work is being efficiently organized in your community.

RALPH D. HITZEL  
Director of Extension Service.

In these times of war-torn hearts and homes one of the most pitiful pictures is that drawn of Madame Schumann-Heink. Schumann-Heink has four sons—one in the imperial German navy, one in the American navy, one in the New Jersey National Guard and one at Culver Military Academy. The great singer is a German by birth, but loves America as well as she does her native land. She is reported in a Chicago dispatch as saying:

"What can I say?" she pleaded, brokenly. "What can any mother say? Oh, I love America, it is my home, my country. But I love Germany, too. Oh, Germany is beautiful. And the German people love America and Americans. Oh, those people who make war—all of them, all nationalities, all kinds—I hate them."



HOW do you know where the honeysuckle grows?

# "Your Nose Knows"

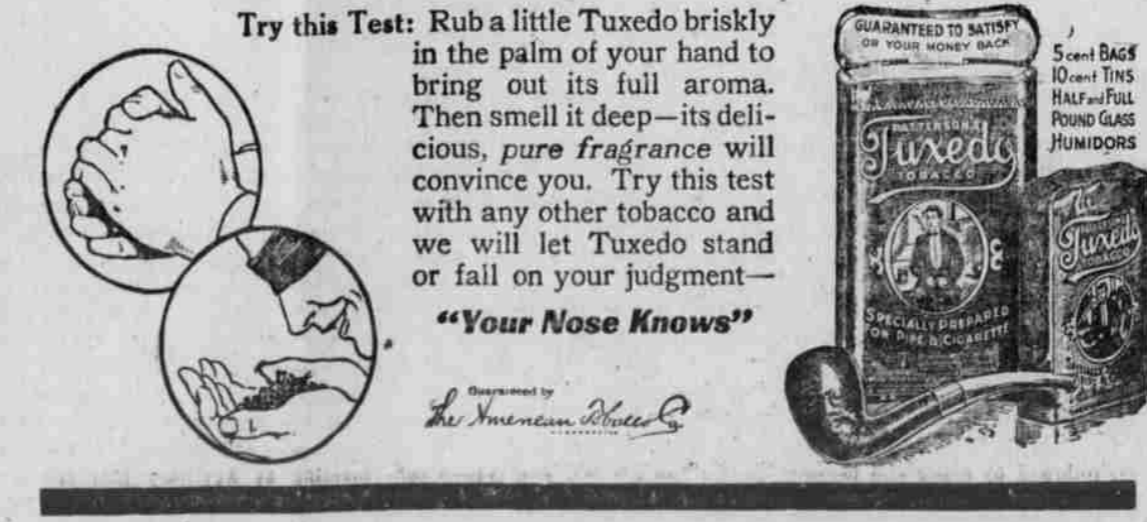
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J. W. MCFARLAND, CASHIER CLARK BUSH, ASST. CASH.

Heppner Gazette-Times: Towns and cities all over the United States are considering every possible means for combating the high cost of living. One of the essential ways is by utilizing every foot of ground and every vacant lot for gardening purposes. By cultivating all the waste places, each family can do much toward raising vegetables for their own consumption and thereby reduce the demand for these articles of food.

Coos county dairies are to be replenished with \$50,000 worth of fine cows.

## Home Poets

### SPRING'S AWAKENING.

(By Mary Agnes Dally, Talent, Ore.)  
Spring awakes. She opens her eyes  
Filled with dew, glad surprise,  
Unloosed from icy fetters she  
Comes forth untrammelled, joyous,  
free.  
Casts off the garment Winter gave  
Which sombrely conceals  
And dims her radiant loveliness  
To which all nature yields.  
She dons her shimmery greenery  
pale,  
Festooned with garlands gay.  
Serene and buoyantly she sings  
Upon her vibrant way.  
She frolics with the playful winds  
In unrestrained bliss,  
And nestles to the Sun's embrace,  
Returns his passioned kiss.  
Inspires the little birds to love,  
To woo, to work, and raise  
Their silvery notes exultingly  
In never-ceasing praise.  
To Winter, Summer, Fall belong  
Their meed of adoration,  
But give me Spring, the glad some  
Spring,  
To be my inspiration.

## Good Roads Rally Has Been Arranged

The legislative good roads committee has decided to hold a state-wide good roads rally in Portland Saturday, April 28. Every organization in the state favorable to the road bond bill is invited to send representatives to this gathering. The committee has taken up with the various transportation companies the matter of securing a special reduced rate for those attending the rally. Reports from Astoria and several points in eastern Oregon are to the effect that the good roads enthusiasts of those sections are planning to charter a boat or special train and come to Portland in large numbers, accompanied by bands. Similar large excursions are in prospect from other points. There is every indication that the rally will prove the most notable gathering of good roads boosters that was ever held in the Pacific northwest. Definite announcement of a program and speakers will be made later.

The Forest Service planted trees on 1,500 acres of denuded national forest land in Oregon and Washington in 1916. Nearly half of this area was in the Mount Hebo region on the Siuslaw national forest.



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