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Jackson Co. Women Help Win the War

An illustrated article in the Sunday Portland Oregonian dated from Medford gives an interesting account of how some Jackson county women are helping the country in the cause of war by taking up the work of the men who have left the farms and business places in answer to their country's call. While the following account is a most interesting story of women's work, it is not by any means a notable exception:

"When Paul Paulson and Charley Mattiney, bakers of this city, went to war, their places were taken by Miss Ruby Wilcox and Miss Grace Kenschelov. What Misses Kenschelov and Wilcox did, hundreds of other Jackson county women and girls have done since the war began, and are doing now. Because of the labor shortage due to the war, they have picked and packed fruit, sprayed, pruned, threshed grain, driven trucks, cultivated, and after the next rain at least one woman will do the fall plowing. She is Mrs. J. E. Bodge, the 'Barley Queen.' Mrs. Bodge does not like publicity. Nor does she like to have her picture taken. A story might be written about the diplomacy required to obtain the photographs of this unusually capable and remarkable woman farmer, who gets a better price for her barley than any other farmer or farmerette in the Rogue River valley. Mrs. Bodge is not raising barley for her health. She did not make her money in the city so she could spend it in the country. It is not a 'stunt' with her. She has to make her living on her farm, and after several years she has decided that the only way to make a living is to live like a farmer. And she does live like a farmer. She gets up before the sunrise and she works all day, retiring, figuratively speaking, with the chickens. She lives alone in a dream of a bungalow designed by herself, her daughter is at boarding school in New England, and instead of hiring the work done, she does it.

"Incidentally, Mrs. Bodge makes the farm pay. And so does Miss Alice Hanley, sister of the famous Bill Hanley of Burns, Ore., proprietress of the old Hanley homestead, the oldest and most picturesque place in southern Oregon. For many years Miss Hanley has managed this ranch, so the general work is nothing new but the war has reduced her help so that she has had to do more herself and depend more upon the women, girls and boys of the neighborhood. "Needless to say, Miss Hanley prefers stock. Every true Oregon Hanley prefers stock. She lives on the ranch purchased by her father, Michael Hanley, in 1855, and the spring house where Miss Hanley

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keeps the butter that she churns was built in 1860, six months before the first shot crashed into Fort Sumter. "As Mrs. Bodge represents the woman farmer in war time and Miss Hanley represents the woman stock-raiser in war time, so Mrs. William Lee Holloway represents the woman orchardist in war time. Mrs. Holloway was one of the pioneers in the eastern emigration which made Medford one of the orchard boom towns in 1910.

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"When she arrived she didn't know the difference between an Anjou pear and a Hubbard squash, and her agricultural experience had been confined to a little window garden in one of Philadelphia's most exclusive residence districts. But in three years she had demonstrated that \$1,000 profit an acre on ten acres of pear orchard was not a vain boast of the colored booklets, and since war was declared she has demonstrated that a woman single-handed can successfully run an orchard without having been born on one.

"Mrs. Holloway also lives alone, protected by a pack of thoroughbred Alredales and a blue-ribbon Persian cat. She not only tends to her ranch as above noted, but she is an indefatigable charity worker, is Jackson county's representative of the Anti-Tuberculosis League, sews and knits for the Red Cross, and every now and then cooks and serves a dinner in her very attractive home and washes the dishes herself after enjoying a few rubbers of bridge.

"Here then are inadequate sketches of three women in Jackson county who are doing men's work during the war, because of the war. There are hundreds of others, no doubt, but these three are typical. They show that in no other department of economic life during war are women better fitted to take on mere man's burden than on the farm."

Buyers Don't Wait To Pay Loan

On November 15, which was the date on which the first installment on Liberty loan bonds was due, approximately \$2,400,000,000 was paid in, although less than a third of that amount was due.

In other words, nearly two-thirds of the aggregate subscriptions to the Liberty loan has been paid in full, the purchasers not availing themselves of the right to wait until December 15 and January 15 to make their other payments.

Automobile Talk

Most Mishaps Due to Selfishness.
Carelessness and in some cases ignorance are the causes of most automobile accidents. There is one way to correct this, and that is through education. Perhaps one of the best methods of educating a motorist to avoid accidents is to cite cases that have already happened. Owing to the selfishness of a truck driver in Tacoma, Wash., a man was compelled to drive his car off the road into a deep ditch. The car ended its flight in about twenty feet against a telephone pole, badly wrecking the vehicle. The man sustained fatal injuries. The truck driver disappeared. A man was opening the door of a garage at West Roxbury, Mass., to permit a chauffeur to drive out a car, when he was struck by the same car and fell unconscious to the floor.

When a physician arrived the injured man was pronounced dead. Two men and a woman urged their driver to go faster and faster, and after striking and killing a dog the car smashed into a light auto truck, skidded twenty feet and crashed into a drug store, demolishing two large plate-glass windows. The car stopped, the occupants were hurled through the jagged glass into the store. The three passengers and driver were taken to a hospital.

Don't Deflate Tires During Hot Weather.

Here is an important piece of information for motorists. It may save many a blowout and it will certainly surprise a few who thought they knew how to care for their tires during warm weather. It has been the custom of many motorists during the summer months to deflate their tires. This is a mistake, according to T. H. Wilkinson, chief of the United States Tire Company, after a thorough study of the situation. "If anything," he says, "put in more air. Take, for instance, a four-inch tire. Put in 80 pounds and it will not expand in the hot weather more than a pound or so because that size tire is made for 20 pounds to the inch. But take the tire that is deflated and see what happens. There is a great deal of friction in the casing, and this friction causes expansion. In the evening the coolness sends the pressure down, and as a result the pressure is constantly changing, which is the worst possible thing for a tire."

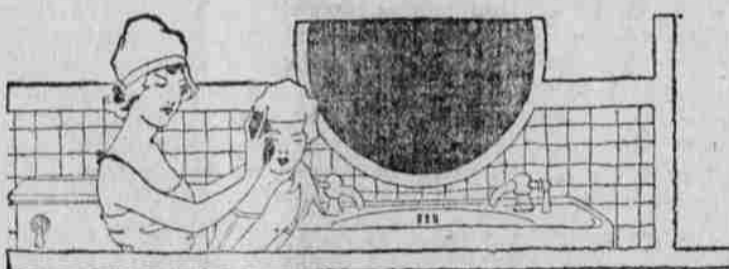
Wisconsin Calims One Auto for Every Fifteen Folk.

Wisconsin entered a claim recently to sixth place in the per capita ownership of automobiles in the United States. A total of 160,000 motor-driven vehicles was reported. Taking the Census Bureau's population estimate for January 1, 1917, as a basis, this would place the ratio for the state at one automobile to every 15.7 persons. Michigan probably would dispute the Washington claim, for its total registration on July 1, 1917, indicated a motor car to every 16.3 persons, whereas Wisconsin at that time had only one to every 17.7. Illinois, with 320,000 cars, now has one to every 19.4 persons. The state was credited with tenth place on the per capita list for the first six months of the year, but the extraordinarily large number of registrations since July 1 probably would give it a higher rank now.

Peanut Biscuits.

Two cups flour, 4 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder, 2 teaspoons salt, 2 cups peanuts (finely ground or crushed), 1 tablespoon shortening, 1/2 cup liquid (milk and water). Sift flour, baking powder and salt together; add peanuts. Cut in shortening; add liquid slowly to make a soft dough. Roll out lightly on floured board; cut with biscuit cutter and put into greased pan. Bake in hot oven 10 to 12 minutes.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

To the Electors of the City of Ashland, Oregon:

You will take notice that at a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Ashland, Oregon, held on the 4th day of December, 1917, the following resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Council and approved by the mayor of said city:

Resolution

calling special election to amend charter authorizing the refunding of bonds and other obligations.

Whereas, on September 1, 1909, the City of Ashland issued certain general obligation bonds of said City known as Street Intersection Bonds for the aggregate sum of \$15,000; and

Whereas, heretofore bonds of said issue have been redeemed, paid and cancelled by said city in an amount aggregating \$4,500, thereby leaving bonds of said issue outstanding and unpaid in a sum aggregating \$10,500; and

Whereas, under and pursuant to the provisions of the charter of said city and the terms and conditions in said bonds contained the said unpaid bonds of said series, to wit, bonds numbered 68 to 88, both inclusive, in denominations of \$500 each, aggregating \$10,500, did become on and after September 1, 1910, payable at the option of said city; and

Whereas, on July 1, 1910, said city issued its certain other general obligation bonds of said city known as Street Intersection Bonds for the aggregate sum of \$30,000; and

Whereas, heretofore bonds of said last named issue have been redeemed, paid and cancelled by said city in an amount aggregating \$22,000, thereby leaving bonds of said last mentioned issue outstanding and unpaid in a sum aggregating \$8,000; and

Whereas, under and pursuant to the provisions of the charter of said city and the terms and conditions in said bonds contained the said unpaid bonds of said last named series, to wit, bonds numbered 45 to 60, both inclusive, being in denominations of \$500 each, aggregating \$8,000 did become on and after July 1, 1911, payable at the option of said city; and

Whereas, on April 1, 1911, said city issued its certain other general obligation bonds also known as Street Intersection Bonds for the aggregate sum of \$35,000; and

Whereas, heretofore bonds of said last mentioned issue have been redeemed, paid and cancelled by said city in an amount aggregating \$23,500, thereby leaving bonds of said issue outstanding and unpaid in a sum aggregating \$11,500; and

Whereas, under and pursuant to the provisions of the charter of said city and the terms and conditions in said bonds contained the said unpaid bonds of said mentioned series, to wit, bonds numbered 265 to 287, both inclusive, all for \$500 each, aggregating \$11,500, did become on and after April 1, 1912, payable at the option of said city; and

Whereas, on March 10, 1911, said city issued its certain other general obligation bonds known as Septic Tank Bonds for the aggregate sum of \$12,000; and

Whereas, heretofore bonds of said last mentioned issue have been redeemed, paid and cancelled by said city in an amount aggregating \$8,000, thereby leaving bonds of said last mentioned issue outstanding and unpaid in a sum aggregating \$4,000; and

Whereas, under and pursuant to the provisions of the charter of said city and the terms and conditions in said bonds contained the said unpaid bonds of said last named series, to wit, bonds numbered 210 to 217, both inclusive, all for \$500 each, aggregating \$4,000, did become on and after March 10, 1912, payable at the option of said city; and

Whereas, on January 1, 1913, said city issued its certain other general obligation bonds known as Fire Protection Bonds for the aggregate sum of \$6,000; and

Whereas, heretofore bonds of said last named issue have been redeemed, paid and cancelled by said city in an amount aggregating \$4,000, thereby leaving bonds of said last mentioned issue outstanding and unpaid in a sum aggregating \$2,000; and

Whereas, each and all of the bonds of each and all of the aforesaid issues now outstanding and unpaid, aggregating \$36,000, par value in amount, have been and are drawing interest at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum; and

Whereas, the City of Ashland did during the year 1915 secure an option for the purchase of numerous tracts of land to be used and which are used for park purposes, the aggregate of which option contracts amounted to \$18,106; and

Whereas, there has been paid on said optional contracts of purchase the sum of \$8,600; and

Whereas, there is now a balance due and which may, at the option of the city, be paid on account of said options, the total sum of \$9,500, a portion of which sum is drawing interest at the rate of six (6%) per cent per annum, and the balance of said sum draws interest at the rate of eight (8%) per cent per annum; and

Whereas, the Common Council of the City of Ashland have from time to time, in cases of emergency, diverted money properly belonging to one fund to that of another fund, the aggregate amount of the funds so diverted being \$10,816, which amount the Common Council has obligated the general fund of the city to replace, together with interest in many instances at the rate of six (6%) per cent per annum; and

Whereas, the general fund of the city is depleted, and the only manner of replenishing said fund being by a direct tax on the property of the city; and

Whereas, under the present depressed financial conditions it is not advisable to increase the burdens of taxation at this time; and

Whereas, the City of Ashland has at the present time issue and sell its general obligation bonds to bear a less rate of interest than now being paid on account of the aforesaid bonds and obligations; and

Whereas, the Common Council deems it for the best interest of the city to provide by charter amendment for the issue and sale of refunding bonds of said city, a sum not exceeding \$56,500 (which with the sinking funds now on hand will be amply sufficient), for the purpose of providing funds for the redemption of the aforesaid bonds of said series, as well as the park land options and the general fund obligations, all as hereinabove enumerated, and which are now payable at the option of the city, to wit, \$10,500 of said bonds optional on and after September 1, 1910; \$8,000 of said bonds optional after July 1, 1911; \$11,500 of said bonds optional after April 1, 1912; \$4,000 of said bonds optional after March 10, 1912; \$2,000 of said bonds optional on and after January 1, 1914; \$9,500 optional park land contracts payable at the present time, and \$10,816 of the general fund obligations payable at the present time.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of Ashland, in regular session assembled, this 4th day of December, 1917, that the following proposed amendment

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