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WAR HYSTERIA.

Nothing can be more harmful to the business life of the country than for the people to give way to hysteria over the war. There are enough disturbing factors in the business situation, growing out of the war problems, without our adding to them unnecessarily. But this we do whenever we permit thoughts of the war to obtrude into business or cause us to vacillate or hesitate over ordinary business problems.

Business conditions are now more than ever subject to sudden change, hence there is all the more reason that the people keep cool and steady. But these changes are more in method than anything else, and a consistent application to business will enable us to grasp them as they occur and continue to conduct business in safe channels.

Another thing: There are men at Washington and elsewhere who are drawing salaries for developing our war policies. Our help in this matter is not needed. We can render the greatest aid to our country in this crisis by making of our business—the greatest success possible. If

we are farming, the greatest aid we can render will be measured by the size of our crops. The same in all lines. We can render absolutely no aid if we discuss the situation from now till next spring. We can, however, help to make confusion worse confounded by abandoning ourselves to hysterical discussions and speculations.

Another phase of the situation in which we should keep cool and preserve an even tenor is in the matter of giving credence to the thousands of sensational reports circulated. Many of these are the product of idle brains and the outgrowth of the very useless discussions we have sought to discourage. The people will be informed from an authoritative source of all matters that affect the public welfare. Sensational reports that have not the sanction of the Washington authorities should be frowned upon and discouraged. You are always safe in disbelieving and contradicting all such.

Taken by and large, while conditions are not normal, still there is really no good reason for hysterical worry. Coolness and common sense, added to increased application and energy, will carry us safely through and enable our government to win out in the mammoth undertaking before it.

SALAMAGUNDI.

This country has made some very successful "drives" during the past year. There have been two Liberty Loan drives, the Red Cross drive, the Y. M. C. A. drive, and others. But greatest of all, the 1917 drive for the greatest development of war gardens the world has ever seen. And the success of this drive is still plainly to be seen in the great abundance of canned and dried fruits and vegetables to be found in the homes of the land. There is no doubt that these gardens have played a most important part in our plan of food conservation, and are still effective.

And now again the country is called upon for a record production of foodstuffs, an even greater if possible than the last. The success of the garden campaign of last year should spur us to renewed and greater efforts this year. There should not be an idle garden or back yard in the land. Every square foot of ground should be made to yield its quota of the food that is to win the world war.

Now is the time to be planning these gardens. It is not necessary to wait until the time comes for actual planting. When that time arrives every person should have planned the entire summer's program and should know just what every foot of his ground is intended to produce. Fences should be put in thorough repair, the ground should be cleared of all obstructions and nothing but the mechanical working out of matured plans should remain

Plaza Barber Shop

"On the Plaza"

Hair Cutting and Shaving. Special attention to Children's Hair Cutting.

J. A. Yeo, Prop.

to be done when spring really opens.

One more thought while on this subject: Plan to not let the garden interfere with the larger and greater work each man and woman must do in this year of supreme endeavor. To effect this, the garden should be made a means of recreation, and should take the place of baseball, football, tennis, golf, joy-riding and other amusements. It should be the place of the faded business man and the tired society woman. Yes, the women will find renewed health and vigor from a few hours each day spent in gardening.

And then when we have these gardens growing and producing, let us make a wise use of their products, that we may conserve even more meats and wheat for our heroes "over yonder" and our allies who are fighting by their sides. "Garden sass" is an ideal summer diet.

AFTER THE BIG ONES.

It is gratifying to the people that the government has begun to work on the food hoarders, and is bringing to light many hoarded supplies. The good work should be kept up. But let's not confine ourselves to the small fish and the minnows. There are some whales in the ocean that need looking after. Dollars to doughnuts, before Heney gets through with certain gentlemen dealing largely in food supplies, he will uncover a matter of hoarding that will make the country open its eyes. At 'em, Heney.

It is to be hoped that those misguided statesmen who endeavored to drag partisan politics into the war plans have heard "from home," and that in no uncertain tone, if over there was a time when "politics" should be a forgotten word with us, that time is with us now.

GET THE GORMANDIZER.

More and more it becomes evident that if the government is to succeed in enforcing the meatless and wheatless days and meals there will have to be some drastic regulations that will apply directly to the eater. Hotels and restaurants in all parts of the country complain that while they are anxious to obey the order to the letter, they have great trouble with customers, many of these growing violently angry and withdrawing their patronage. Of course the fellow who is guilty of such action is a poor fish at best, but then food purveyors can not take too close notice of the moral quality of their patrons. There should be some regulation that will impress the fact in unmistakable terms on the gormand that Uncle Sam is going to save that wheat and meat, and that he is going to do his part in that saving. We must go after the eater and not the feeder if we are to score success.

What has become of the old-time doctor who advised the "eatless" cure for indigestion?

NORTHWEST LIBERAL TO ARMENIAN RELIEF

What is believed to be the largest check for charity ever sent from the northwest was one for \$70,000, mailed February 20 to the American committee for Armenian and Syrian relief from Portland, by the Oregon branch, of which J. J. Handsaker is secretary and Ben Selling treasurer. This check is a part of the quota of \$150,000 asked from Oregon for relief of over 2,000,000 sufferers in Asia Minor. County campaigns are being launched all over the state, in an effort to raise or pass this quota.

In their unselfish effort to help raise the \$30,000,000 asked from the United States, over 700 magazines are giving display advertisements free this month. One magazine not only urges its readers to respond to this appeal, but backs up its statement with its own check for \$2,000.

The need not only for this fund but for continuing funds is shown from the following cablegram from Cairo, dated February 9:

"Bethlehem clinic, Hebron hospital, Jerusalem dispensary, with

Sore Throat, Colds

Quickly Relieved By Hamlin's Wizard Oil

Hamlin's Wizard Oil is a simple and effective treatment for sore throat and chest colds. Used as a gargle for sore throat it brings quick relief. Rubbed on the chest it will often loosen up a hard, deep seated cold in one night.

How often sprains, bruises, cuts and burns occur in every family, as well as little troubles like earache, toothache, cold sores, canker sores, stiff neck, and tired aching feet. Soothing, healing Wizard Oil will always bring quick relief.

Get it from druggists for 30 cents. If not satisfied return the bottle and get your money back.

Ever constipated or have sick headache? Just try Wizard Liver Whips, pleasant little pink pills, 30 cents. Guaranteed.

100 children, opened. Over 250 in Jaffa orphanage; five workers in Jerusalem; food very scarce, also fuel and clothing; bread tenfold normal price. Furniture, clothing, everything being sacrificed for food. Sixteen hundred destitute Bethlehem refugees flocking in Jaffa. Relief camp necessary. Your first remittance bought 200 tons rice, wheat, medical supplies. Prompt relief measures creating favorable impression. Suffering Palestine looking to America."

The Oregon branch of the American committee for Armenian and Syrian relief is located at 613-614 Stock Exchange building, Portland.

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR ARMY CHAPLAINS

A typical daily schedule of the course of training at the recently established school for army chaplains at Fortress Monroe includes military drill, military law, international law, army regulations, military hygiene, organized recreational work and sectional conferences.

Including the large number recently appointed, there are now nearly 600 chaplains in service, and this number will gradually be increased with the passage of expected legislation permitting the appointment of one chaplain for every 1,200 officers and men.

TESTS USED FOR PHYSICAL FITNESS

The director of athletics at one army camp has arranged a program as a means of determining the relative athletic caliber of the companies in the division. Each man is required to pass in eight of the following tests to obtain a positive mark for his unit:

Jump 8 feet from a standing position; chin 10 times; clear a bar at 4 feet 2 inches; throw a 12-pound shot 32 feet; climb a 20-foot rope in 15 seconds; dash 50 yards in 7 seconds; run a mile in 6 minutes; lift a 60-pound weight over the head with one hand; sit up from a supine position with a 50-pound weight suspended from the back of the head.

"ACE" MEDALS GIVEN FOR W. E. S. SALES

The government has entrusted a nation-wide task to the Boy Scouts of America in the sale of war savings stamps. A unique plan of identifying the Scout sales through specially printed franked red postcards has been devised by the treasury and postoffice departments. Special rewards have been offered by the government to the successful Scouts in this year-long campaign, including one emblem following the design of the "Ace" medal given to the most daring French aviators.

The Scouts will canvass every city and town and rural community in the sale of thrift stamps and war savings stamps. Under this government plan the Scouts will sell the stamps, and the money will be collected and delivered through the postoffice department. When a sale has been made, the Scout will get the signature on the red postcard, which will then be mailed at the nearest place. The local postmaster will then deliver C. O. D. the thrift stamps or war savings stamps called for.

The idea of the "Ace medal" is an adaptation of the plan of the French government in awarding honors to



"The Bank with the Chime Clock"

Lending Encouragement

THIS—the First National Bank does morally as well as financially. Many times a word of information, suggestion or advice is more valuable to a patron than mere dollars and cents.

One of the things we are particularly encouraging is HOUSEHOLD ECONOMY—and the EXPENSE DIARY SHEETS which we are giving away—are a big help.

"The Bank That Helps Itself By Helping Patrons"

The First National Bank
ASHLAND, OREGON

V. CARTER, PRES.
CH. VANCE, VICE PRES.
J. W. COY, CASHIER
CLARK BUSH, ASST. CASH.

its aviators. An "Ace" in France is an airman who has brought down five enemy aeroplanes within the French lines. An "Ace Scout" is one whose red postcards show that he has met the government requirements in the sale of stamps. For each additional \$100 of orders that the "Ace Scout" turns in he will receive a bronze palm to be fastened to the ribbon of his medal.

FIVE TOWNS AFTER THE NORMAL SCHOOL

According to reports from that section, five of the larger cities of eastern Oregon are preparing to fight to secure the location of the eastern Oregon state normal school, which will be established on the passage of the referred measure which is to come up at the next state election.

Baker is the latest to enter the field. At a meeting there Wednesday the Commercial Association made definite preparations for doing its best to secure the location of the school, should one be established.

The Dalles was the first city to announce itself in the field of honor. Shortly after the passage of the normal school measure by the legislature a year ago that city began its preparations to work actively for the school. Just recently La Grande formed a committee, under the direc-

tion of the Commercial Association, and made preparations to bid for the institution. Baker makes the third.

Weston, the town where the school was located years ago and which made a bitter fight against the location of a school in Pendleton a year ago, may be assumed to be a contender for the reopening of the school there. Pendleton still has hopes of securing the school, so that there are five towns looking toward that end.

The world may, as some one has asserted, accept us at our own valuation, but we don't often catch it in a buying humor.

The familiar restaurant order of "ham and—" is very appropriate these days. There's nothing doing after the "and."

WHILE AT WAR WOMEN SUFFER AT HOME

EGGERS, OREGON.—"I certainly owe a great deal to Dr. Pierce's Remedies; three different times they have saved my life. One time I had trouble with my lungs and the doctor said that I could not get well. I took Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and it cured me. During another illness the doctors said there was no chance for my recovery. I took two bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and got well. Again doctors said that the only thing to save my life was an operation, and at once, too. I again took the 'Favorite Prescription' and the 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and they brought me through just fine—well, and without an operation, so I cannot speak too highly of these wonderful remedies."—MRS. ALMA JARVIS, 402 W. 2d St.

ROSEBURG, OREGON.—"During pregnancy I was so poorly I could not keep a thing on my stomach and back ached terribly all the time and I was so nervous. A friend told me about Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. I took three bottles and never had any trouble afterward. The first dose helped me. My baby was a nice, healthy child. I think the 'Favorite Prescription' is simply great. I am glad to recommend it."—MRS. C. A. FRIEND, 831 Mosher Street.

"Favorite Prescription" and "Golden Medical Discovery" are both put up in liquid and tablets. If not obtainable at dealers, send 10 cents to Doctor Pierce, Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., and he will mail trial package of either tablets.

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New Methods
and
New Instruments
I am better qualified
to give
Perfect Fitting Glasses
I Solicit a Call
H. L. Whited
Optometrist
Ashland, - Oregon

The Telephone Vanguard

The soldier off to camp finds that the telephone man has preceded him.

It has been the telephone man's job to help make the camp ready for the soldiers. He has gone ahead with the contractors, installing temporary telephone equipment to facilitate the work of construction.

As fast as buildings have been erected, permanent central office equipment has been installed, poles have been set and wires strung, and the camps and cantonments connected by additional trunk lines to the central offices in near-by towns and cities.

Notwithstanding the scarcity of material, the large amount of equipment required for these camps has been manufactured and delivered in less than half the time ordinarily required.

As a result of this telephone activity, all the varied telephone needs of these great military establishments are amply taken care of and each camp headquarters is in direct telephone communication with the war department at Washington, and with important military points throughout the country.

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company

