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## "The World War and the Great Destroyer" Portrayed by Hobson

An audience that taxed the seating capacity of the Methodist church to its utmost greeted Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson, who gave an address in the interests of the Anti-Saloon league Sunday evening. Capt. Hobson is conceded to be one of the greatest temperance lecturers on the American platform and the announcement of his appearance never fails to bring out an appreciative audience eager to hear the message he brings.

Captain Hobson's subject was "The World War and the Great Destroyer." The conquest of the air, of the sea and of the obstacles on the land, he claimed, has made the whole world a neighborhood so that nations and races now must either live like neighbors, or else organized might must rule. In a long grueling war like the present one the morale that sustains nations and armies and brings victory in the end proceeds from the upper part of men's brains, the part that distinguishes man from the brute. It is just his part of the brain that ethyl alcohol attacks the most.

"With our thoughts, our hearts, our prayers following our sons and brothers, the youth of the land, as they go forth clean and sound from our homes to fight for country and humanity, why should we tolerate liquor and its whelp vice as they break these dear ones in health, in morals, in character, and cause, as they have in cases, more to be incapacitated thus than from the bullets and shells of the enemy?" the speaker further said. "Our youths have enough peril in the trenches. Why expose them to this graver peril in their camps in this country and abroad? We have a powerful enough foe in the Hun. Why give him an ally to double his ravages in our midst?"

"This question of liquor goes on so deep into the lives of individuals and of nations, that not only do we incur the danger of losing the war if we neglect our duty in this regard, but even if we win the war its great sacrifice will be in vain; for we shall be doomed ultimately to lose the very objects of the war. Ethyl alcohol, the poison in liquor, is the specific cause of degeneracy and no high civilization can be built up or perpetuated with degenerate peoples. We are not fighting for selfish advantages—we are not animated by low passions and motives—we have answered the call of humanity in the hour of its peril, and we propose to win this war, no matter what the sacrifices, in order to protect and promote the highest welfare of the whole human race.

"We are fighting that all men may be free to exercise their higher faculties. We are determined to overthrow autocracy and to make democracy its free institution unless it becomes sober. We are fighting a bloody war in order to reach a condition where peace shall be enduring. The world soured in liquor has man's brains largely numbed in the delicate gray matter that distinguishes man from the brute, so that the attitude towards another—each thinks the other seeks to kill it and

endeavors to kill the other first. In vain shall we hope to establish permanent peace in the world, unless we now make the world sober.

"Behold the brewers, distillers, wholesalers and retailers who make up one-third of one per cent of our population. Behold them as they collect from our people every year more than half of all the cash money in circulation; the backbone of the traffic being the brewers, and the backbone of the brewers being Germans, with the backbone of the brewery stocks owned in Germany. Behold this handful of citizens getting rich by poisoning the nation with the specific for degeneracy, entailing the appalling material losses pointed out, and laying a heavy burden upon the species. Behold this handful of German citizens getting rich by breaking our sons and brothers that have gone forth to fight for country, success of our arms and the great cause for which we fight.

"In ordinary times governments are bound hand and foot and gagged by the liquor traffic. Now any government can take whatever measures are necessary to destroy the liquor traffic. There never has been a time like this, not since the morning stars sang together. Woe to the nation that does not become sober now. If it returns from the great war and lapses into degeneracy, you can write it epitaph in advance, with Nineveh and Tyre. Woe to the human race if it does not come forth from this fiery furnace.

"The lightnings and thunderings of the great cataclysm signal the hour of destiny. This call to America is not a call to a king. It is not a call to an aristocracy. It is not a call simply to our president or our government. It is a call to you and to me. How Imperial this privilege of American citizenship! Once to be a Roman was to be greater than a king. Today, to be an American is greater than an emperor. If your duty is at the front, make the best soldier that ever wore a uniform. Master the new weapons and drills, learn discipline, obedience, subordination, keep your health and morals and character at their best. When at last the call comes to you to 'go over the top' don't befuddle your brain with rum, but pause before you start and commit yourself into the hands of your Maker—then concentrate all your faculties at their very best upon the path of duty. Go on and on, don't stop for wounds, keep a reserve supply of vitality at hand. If you fall, smile as you fall—the American smile of victory is sacrifice. With your last breath offer up a prayer of gratitude that in the hour of the world's great crisis, you had the privilege of being an American soldier and making the great sacrifice. The generations unborn will call you blessed.

"Do you stay at home? Be a better citizen than you ever been before, less selfish, do every duty, gladly bear the taxation. Join me in the high resolve that, with God's help, each one of us, regardless of cost, will do his whole duty."

## Draft Board Asked For 25 R.R. Men

The Jackson county draft board has received a telegram from Acting Adjutant General Williams calling for 25 railroad men at once. The call embraces the occupations of brakemen, flagmen and conductors, and they are asked to report to the commanding officer of engineers at Camp Meade, Admiral, Maryland.

Only white men and men physically qualified for general military service are to be inducted under this call. The volunteer period will continue until May 20, after which no more volunteers will be accepted. Local boards will be notified by telegraph of their allotments.

This call will be allotted among boards in such manner as will least disturb industrial conditions, and will not affect all boards. If a sufficient number of volunteers do not present themselves boards will be instructed to select in sequence of order numbers a sufficient number of qualified men from within class 1 to fill their allotments after deducting the volunteer inductions. Men inducted under this call will be entrained on June 1.

Cliff Payne makes clothes reefs.

## Mothers Day Was Observed Yesterday

Mothers' day, which for the past ten years has been observed on the second Sunday in May, was generally kept throughout Ashland yesterday. In many of the churches the clergymen preached sermons pertaining to the observance, and special services marked the event.

Everywhere the white carnation, set apart for the honor of mothers, was generally in evidence during the day. The observance of the second Sunday in May as Mothers' day originated with Miss Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia and the custom immediately found favor all over the country.

This year Mothers' day was particularly set apart as the day when the boys in the armies and camps all over the world were expected to write a letter to their mothers.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF WEATHER BUREAU  
Forecast for the period May 13 to 18, 1918, inclusive. Pacific coast states; Fair except showers in the north portion early in the week; slightly warmer early in the week with nearly normal temperatures thereafter.

## Opened Red Cross Service Department

The Red Cross home service department has opened an office in Dr. A. W. Boslough's residence, Park and Hillcrest, phone 36. This office will be open every Tuesday from 9 a. m. until 4 p. m., and every Wednesday from 9 a. m. until 1 p. m.

The home service work is absolutely confidential, and is organized for the purpose of giving definite information and service to families of soldiers and sailors.

Our government tells us that in order to have our men in the service reach their highest degree of efficiency, they must know that their families and other dependents at home are living as near the normal standard as is possible with the head of the family away.

No matter how well the government takes care of the soldiers, if his family is neglected, he will worry, and not be able to give his entire attention to his work, thereby losing a part of his ability.

Our government in its war risk insurance bill, which is the best system any country in the world has ever had, has tried to meet the financial situation by providing a system of allotments and allowances. The war risk bureau has received over 1,000,000 applications, 10,000 came back on account of wrong addresses, thousands came back because they could not be read.

Any information or service in regard to allotments or allowances will be gladly given.

## Deserter Captured In Klamath County

C. B. Lancaster, alias Jim King, was picked up in Klamath county a short time ago after having forged a small check on J. B. Chambers at the Gun store in Klamath Falls. Sheriff Geo. Humphrey took him in charge, thinking he was a slacker, but later developments showed that he had deserted from the guard house at Fort Riley, where he was confined for some minor offense. He had been a member of the 18th California artillery company.

Sheriff Humphrey delivered the man to Fort Scott, San Francisco, and said that on their arrival several men at once recognized the culprit, and shouted that they were glad he had been caught. He was a worthless fellow, in the opinion of the sheriff, and will probably get a long sentence on the charge of desertion.

## The Bigness Shown In Little Things

The best proved fact in the world is the bigness of little things. Nothing ever can be big without first being little, and the more little things that enter into the composition of a big thing, the stronger and more enduring that thing will be. As a present instance there is in this land a little green stamp, which can be made one of the finest examples of the bigness of little things.

This is the thrift stamp, which can be bought at any postoffice and in nearly any shop, office or store at a cost of 25 cents—in itself a small sum—the price of two cigars or two dishes of ice cream. A sum so small as to seem pitifully powerless in contributing to victory in a war that is costing this country today \$1,000,000,000 a month over and above its ordinary expenditures.

Yet, if only one person in every ten in this land were to buy one thrift stamp a day—that would mean an average of one thrift stamp every ten days for each unit of the population—within a year the sum thus raised would be nearly \$1,000,000,000. Enough to pay all our extra war expenses for one month, and some one month is going to settle this whole business of fighting for freedom. So it comes that the thrift stamp is a very wonderful thing, and every man, woman and child in the nation should get acquainted with its numerous and unusual advantages by buying one or more.

### Help Beautify Ashland

All those interested in Hargadine cemetery, remember that Wednesday, May 16, is set as general clean-up day. Come with shovel and rake.

EUGENE WALRAD, Clerk.

## Draught of Whiskey Poured in Sewers

Ashland's efficient chief of police is becoming noted as a terror to bootleggers attempting to apply their nefarious trade in this section, as well as all thirsty mortals coming over the line from the wet sections of California.

Every train that goes through here from the south is visited by Chief Hatcher and his assistant, Patrolman Williams, and woe betide the person attempting to smuggle wet goods through the city limits. Since the first of the year Chief Hatcher has made quite a collection of contraband liquor which was taken from various persons, and Saturday the Ashland sewers were treated to a copious draught of liquid refreshment.

Sixty quarts of whiskey, three quarts of beer and one quart of port wine went into the sewers at this time. Of this amount 48 quarts were taken from two individuals. A man and a woman were taken from the train Wednesday evening and eight quarts of whiskey were gleaned from among their possessions.

## Plans Progressing For Relief Fund

At a business meeting of the people interested in the Ashland Patriotic fund held Saturday night, definite arrangements were completed and the following executive committee was appointed to represent the various organizations in the city:

Commercial Club—E. V. Carter. Schools—G. A. Briscoe. Business Men's Association—L. F. Ferguson. Civic Improvement Club—Mrs. C. B. Lamkin. Ministerial Association—Rev. C. A. Edwards.

Red Cross—Mrs. F. S. Engle. After its appointment the executive committee organized for business with E. V. Carter as chairman, Mrs. C. B. Lamkin vice-chairman, and F. J. Shinn secretary-treasurer. A publicity committee with L. F. Ferguson as chairman, and a committee on constitution and bylaws with G. A. Briscoe as chairman, were appointed.

These committees are getting together and working diligently in order to have the Ashland Relief fund an active factor in a few days.

## Young Man Killed At Hilt Saturday

Lloyd Elton Coldwell, son of Mrs. C. B. Coldwell of Ashland was killed at Hilt Saturday where he was employed, when he was struck by a logging train.

The body was brought to Ashland for funeral services which will be held from the M. E. church tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The deceased is survived by his wife, mother and two brothers.

## Must Pay Increase Or Lose Gas Plant

Medford will have to pay a higher rate for gas or lose its plant, are the tidings that have reached that city from Salem. According to the report, Geo. H. Eckhart of San Francisco, manager of the Oregon Gas & Electric company, which furnishes gas to Medford, Grants Pass and Roseburg, has asked the public service commission to be allowed to increase rates to meet the rise of 25 cents a barrel in the cost of oil.

He states the residents of Roseburg and Grants Pass have signified their intention of acceding to the increased gas rate, but that late additional charge of from eight to nine cents.

He asks the commission either to close the plant or order the new rates stipulating rates would be automatically lowered when the price of oil dropped.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

Meet the boys with a smile and have the change ready—they are coming Tuesday morning. Chas. Robertson, Henry Provost and Leo Ferguson, soliciting funds for the Fourth of July celebration.

## Delay of German Attacks Allow Formidable Assemblage of Allies

Another week has passed without a renewal by the Germans of the offensive that they began March 21, which was halted before Alesia, early in April, and came to a definite pause on its right flank before the barrier of the Flanders hills, just as the month of May was opening. Possibly the Germans have been waiting for some allied counter blow which they felt able to withstand, and therefore, hoped would be dealt. If this was the case, they must have been disappointed by the waiting attitude of General Foch, which it is felt now will compel the enemy to reveal his further purpose with little delay, as time is one of the things he cannot afford to squander, with the American forces now rapidly assuming formidable number.

Every day gives evidence of the alertness of the allied forces. Numerous minor operations have been undertaken to improve their positions in various fronts and their artillery fire has been directed to equally good purpose in breaking up the organizing efforts of the enemy. Airplane raids without number, in which the superiority of the entente air forces has been clearly shown, have served the same end, besides being notably productive of valuable information, while innumerable infantry raids have been almost uniformly fruitful in an informative sense.

Betterments of the allied position reported yesterday include an advance by the French on the Flanders

front, to the north of Loere, where the approaches to Mont Rouge, one of the bulwarks of the allied line, have thereby been made more secure.

Far to the south of the Somme, on the southerly side of the great Montdidier salient, French troops likewise carved a slice out of German held territory near Orvillers-Sorel, seven miles southeast of Montdidier.

Indications are multiplying that Germany's position in the east is causing her uneasiness. She is reported to have made additional demands on Russia which are said to have affected sensibly the sentiment of the Bolsheviks, whose attempts to weld an army into shape, the Germans are attempting to thwart.

In the Ukraine the situation is even more disturbing to the Germans, according to current dispatches, which announce a growing anti-German sentiment because of the repressive measures of the Teutons. To meet this, additional German troops are being sent to the disturbed region, the western front even being drawn upon for cavalry. These reports show Bavarian cavalrymen as having been moved from the west to Ukraine.

A dispatch from Berlin states that heavy losses were inflicted on the American troops southwest of Apremont and north of Parroy by a strong mine bombardment, according to the official communication from general headquarters Saturday.

## Call For Members For State Militia

At the special meeting of the Home Guard held last Thursday evening for the purpose of gaining recruits for the state militia, a number of new men signed up. Word was received from the adjutant general that he would not be able to be in Ashland Monday night to muster the men into the state militia, but that he would be here Wednesday for that purpose.

Captain J. E. Thornton, therefore, desires all available men who have any intention of joining the state militia to attend the meeting to-night. This will be the regular drill, and arrangements will also be made towards getting affairs in shape to muster in the members of the state militia by Wednesday night.

## Grand Lodge Will Meet at Seaside

Representatives of the several bodies of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Oregon—the grand lodge, the grand encampment, the Rebekah assembly, the Patriarchs Militant and the Improved Order of Muscovites—will gather at Seaside for the annual sessions during the fourth week of May, beginning with May 20 and lasting until May 23, and the people of Seaside have already made elaborate preparations for the reception to be tendered the visiting host.

The most important matters coming up at the session of the several grand bodies will be the election of officers and probable action as to the needs of the I. O. O. F. home, a subject ever dear to the members of the order in Oregon.

The week's sessions will begin on Monday, May 20, with the annual gathering of the department council, Patriarchs Militant, which opens at 10 a. m. on that day. The sessions of that body will be brief and will be attended by officers of the military branch of the order.

The grand lodge, I. O. O. F. of Oregon, will hold a special session on Tuesday evening, May 21, for the purpose of conferring the grand lodge degree on past grand lodge officers who have never attended that body. Grand Master G. W. Treferm of Ashland will preside over the grand lodge meeting.

W. M. Reinhart has purchased the restaurant on a street near the S. P. station, known as Curt's restaurant. The deal was completed Friday, with Mr. Reinhart taking possession at noon. He was a former proprietor of the Lithia bakery, and is an expert restaurant man. It is not known in what business C. W. Roberts, the former owner of Curt's restaurant, is going to embark.

## Medford Man Will Develop Coal Mine

According to the Medford Sun, F. H. Cowles, the well known local rancher, has leased a large section of coal land in the Roxy Anne district, and is preparing to enter the coal business extensively if present prospects are sustained by future developments.

A day and night force is now at work on the property, 20,000 feet of lumber being delivered for the construction of coal bunkers, and preliminary tests indicate that a large vein of high grade bituminous coal has been opened up. The samples are said to be free from slate and burn to a clean, white ash. The Oregon Gas and Electric Company examined some samples from this vein and Manager White declared that it was the best coal he had seen from the local fields, unquestionably contains abundant gas, and if it proves to be a coking coal, the company will undoubtedly be interested in securing a large tonnage.

## Dairy Meeting to Take Place May 28

The last of the series of dairy meeting arranged by County Agent C. C. Cate will be held on May 28, at Ashland.

The subjects for discussion will be "Directions for the Proper Curing of Hay and Its Importance," "The Summer Silo and Feeding Cattle While on Pasture," "Selecting Dairy Cattle by Type and Conformation." A judging demonstration will also be given.

Professors Brandt and Fitts of the agricultural college will be present. Every dairyman and all others interested are invited to attend.

## Earl Beeson Buried At Talent Sunday

The funeral of the late Earl Beeson, whose death from diptheria occurred at Camp Lewis Wednesday night, was held at the Talent cemetery Sunday afternoon under the auspices of the Ashland lodge of Elks, of which the deceased was a member.

Owing to the contagion, the body was sent home in a sealed casket, and was not opened at the grave. A large number of Ashland Elks attended the obsequies.

Mr. R. F. Brown and two children have returned from an extended visit with relatives and friends in Colorado.