

LODGE TAKES UP SALE OF 'UNCLE'S' NEW WAR STAMPS

Neighbors of Woodcraft, With Headquarters in Portland, Will Distribute Thrift Certificates.

GIFT STAMPS AUTHORIZED

Postoffices Throughout County Authorized to Make Sales in Any Amounts for Christmas.

Neighbors of Woodcraft, a fraternal organization with headquarters in Portland, is furnishing a demonstration of what an organization can do to forward the national war savings campaign.

Certificates Are Purchased "At first," said Mrs. Van Orsdall, "the treasury officials were reluctant to allow us to operate in nine states, but it was the only way we could do it, and I have been able to get at the work with the entire force and along with our regular official correspondence.

established at the session of the grand circle in September. We have purchased several thousands of the certificates in the same manner as a bank, and our 54,000 members will, I am sure, absorb them all.

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The instructions provide that the purchaser of war savings stamps is to file with the postmaster the names of those who are to receive the gifts at the time of purchase. No receipt of a savings stamp gift is permitted to receive more than \$1000 in stamps, however. Postmasters are authorized to supply all purchasers with certificates and thrift cards. The same instructions have been wired to all federal reserve banks.

Agents for the sale of thrift and savings stamps report that stamps are daily being purchased in large amounts to be given as Christmas presents and that the instructions from Washington are expected greatly to increase sales for Christmas giving.

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BUILDERS OF WOOD SHIPS WILL MEET

Estimates of Maximum Production of Oregon Yards Will Be Prepared for U. S.

One of the most important events in the history of Oregon's ship building industry is the meeting of wooden shipbuilders at the Chamber of Commerce this afternoon. W. D. Dodson, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, announced this morning that practically all the local yards and most of the yards in the state outside of Portland would be represented.

Estimates will be prepared as the basis of an official statement to E. N. Hurley, chairman of the federal shipping board, as to the largest possible number of wooden vessels which can be constructed in Oregon and at Vancouver during 1918.

In a telegram received by the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday morning, Chairman Hurley asked for a statement covering the maximum number of steel and wooden ships that could be built on government account during the coming year. The telegram contained assurance that the government wants all the vessels that can be built, and that yards will be urged to work on double shift. It was considered the most important assurance to the local shipbuilding industry since its inception.

Soldiers' Special to Come on Saturday

O-W. R. & N. Will Bring Excursion Train into Portland From Camp Lewis at 4:15 P. M.; Returns Sunday Night.

General Passenger Agent William McMurray of the O-W. R. & N., announces that a special excursion train will be run from Camp Lewis at 4:15 p. m. Saturday, arriving in Portland at 4:15 p. m.

The return special will leave Portland at 1 a. m. Monday, arriving at American Lake at 5 a. m. A Christmas special will be run by the O-W. R. & N. from Camp Lewis to Portland to accommodate soldiers who wish to spend the day in this city. The train will leave American Lake at 5:45 a. m. Monday and arrive in Portland at 9:45 a. m. Returning it will leave Portland at 1 a. m. Wednesday and reach American Lake at 5 a. m.

MEATS AND POTATOES

Best and Cheapest at Frank L. Smith's, 225 Alder Street. Early Saturday morning from 8 to 11 o'clock Smith will offer you these bargain specials: Meaty, juicy pot roasts, 12 1/2c. Pure, fresh beef tongues, 15c. Oxtails, stew, soup, casserole, 10c. 3 big sacks spuds to your home, 5c. And all day long, every day, Smith offers you these fresh Oregon meats, good and cheap: Beef bones for soup, 5c. Beef necks and veal to boil, 10c. Beef stew and veal stew, 10c. The best corned beef in town, 10c. Breast of veal and beef hearts, 12 1/2c. Veal and pork sausage, 15c. T-bone steak and sirloin steak, 15c. Porterhouse steak and rib steak, 15c. Tenderloin steak and round of beef, 15c. Prime roast rib beef, choice, 15c. Roast veal, especially good, 15c. —Adv.

FORSSTROM IS NOT A SLACKER; VICTIM OF MISUNDERSTANDING

Man Registered in Portland, Later Moved to North Powder; That Caused Trouble.

E. S. Forsstrom lived in Portland when he registered last June under the draft rule, subsequently moving to North Powder. In that removal, he fell victim to a misunderstanding, with the result that his name was sent to Assistant United States Attorney Rankin as a "slacker." The federal authorities sent a deputy marshal to LaGrande to take charge, but by the time he got there, Forsstrom was found duly registered and given a clean bill.

The humiliation of Mr. Forsstrom, who is an excellent American, was not relieved by publication of his name, with that of another. Though the authorities, so far as is known, acted in good faith in the matter, Mr. Forsstrom feels that an unwarranted stigma has been cast upon him.

Records of the local exemption board show that he is registered in precinct 27 1/2 in Portland and his serial number is 170.

Assistant United States Attorney Rankin had wired Sheriff Warnick of Union county to hold Forsstrom until he was sent for, and that investigation of the charge against him would be made. This investigation speedily and thoroughly cleared him.

Boat, High and Dry, Offers Big Problem

Steamer La Center, Stranded by Receding Flood Waters, Would Make Nice Hotel, Says River Jesters.

The steamer La Center, which usually plies on the Lewis river, bids fair to become a hotel or lodging house near Woodland according to reports reaching Portland Thursday night. The La Center, while the Lewis river was at flood, went far out of the channel to dodge some heavy drifts that were surging downstream off the current, and while dodging ran aground.

When the river went back to somewhere near its normal size, the La Center was comfortably located on a mound of mud. Two other vessels tried to haul her off, the reports say, but were unsuccessful. Every hour that the river falls the La Center finds herself further and further away from the stream, and rivermen say that when the Lewis river gets back within its banks the La Center will make a first-class hotel or "houseboat" on dry land.

Her owners are making efforts to get her off while there is still high water, and if not successful, will build a skidway under her and haul her to water by power—unless somebody wants to buy her for a flood-proof home.

County of Umatilla Has Exceeded Quota

Pendleton, Or., Dec. 21.—Umatilla county Thursday attained its quota and more of Red Cross Christmas members. With a quota of 7500, incomplete returns from various communities totaled 7650, or 102 per cent. Campaign Manager Bishop is hopeful of reaching the 10,000 mark. Nine of 14 communities where drives are being carried on have surpassed their quotas. These are Helix, Hermiston, Umatilla, Stanfield, Echo, Athena, Weston, Umatine and Fruitvale. Pendleton is close to its 3000 quota.

White Temple Calls Rev. Wm. A. Wald

The First Baptist church (White Temple), by a unanimous vote of the parishioners, has called Rev. William A. Wald, formerly pastor of the First church in Paterson, N. J., to fill the pulpit. Mr. Wald is now at Walmer Road church in Toronto, Canada, and has held pastorates in Chicago, Hamilton and Cleveland, Ohio. He is strongly endorsed by Dr. Franklin Johnson, director of social service in the University of Toronto, and by Rev. J. Whitcomb Brounger, formerly pastor of the White Temple and now in Los Angeles.

RED CROSS BOOTH, MAIN FLOOR—MEMBERSHIPS ISSUED—JOIN TOMORROW

This Store Will NOT Be Open After 6 P. M. Any Evening—Shop as Early in the Day as Possible

PLEASE make sure that the salesperson repeats your name and address correctly. Shop on a transfer—the convenient, easy way. Take small packages with you so far as convenient.

U. S. POSTAL Sub-Station, Express Office and Accommodation Bureau, Basement, Sixth St.—packages wrapped free. U. S. Thrift and War Savings Stamps sold here.

Meier & Frank Co. EST. 1857 THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND THE STORE OF THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

SLEEK MAID hose for men and women, the greatest silk hosiery values in America. Men's, pair 65c. Women's, pair \$1.50. Here only in Portland. Buy for gifts—Main Floor.

AMEIER & FRANK Merchandise or Glove Bond solves the gift problem. Issued in any amount. Redeemable for merchandise in any department at any time.—Booth, Main Floor.

Only Two Days Now for Holiday Buying—Save Time and Money—Come to

The Store of PERFECT Christmas SERVICE

Ready With Great New Stocks of Worthy Holiday Merchandise Over 2000 Employees—16 Passenger Elevators—7 Escalators Do All Your Xmas Buying at Meier & Frank's—Under One Roof

Real Leather Hand Bags and Purses 98c Ideal Christmas gifts. Nearly 100 styles of women's real leather handbags and purses at 98c. Many are lined with moire silk, others are lined with leather. The famous Duplex safety lock purses in 7 or 8 styles included in this assortment. The safety lock prevents bag from flying open while being carried. See our special showing tomorrow in the CENTER AISLE, SIXTH STREET

Men and Women Buying Christmas Gifts for Men Will Appreciate This Suggestion of Silk Front Shirts \$1.50 We are lucky to have any of these silk-like shirts to offer holiday buyers at this extraordinary low price. Here is a man's gift of distinction and utility at a price that all can afford. Of course you know what these shirts are. The bosom and cuffs are of fine tub silk and the rest of the shirt of pattern and coloring to match. No one but the wearer can tell that he is wearing anything but an all-silk shirt. And the price is only a fraction of what an all-silk shirt would cost. Big values tomorrow at \$1.50.—Men's Furnishings Shop, Main Floor

A Gift Suggestion to Be Promptly Acted On By Those Who Would Please a Man Exceedingly Give "Him" a New Hat And to be sure that your gift measures up to all that a man would like in a hat, buy it at Meier & Frank's. We have a fine assortment of new hats in all styles and sizes and at very moderate prices. For instance: Velour hats in green, brown and black, \$5 to \$10. Knox, Stetson, Mossant Imported French Borsalino Imported Italian Felt and Henry Heath Imported English (cloth) hats in a great variety of styles variously priced. Last, but by no means least—M. & F. Special Felt hats \$2-\$3.—Men's Hat Shop, Main Floor

Ivory Pyralin Delightful Gift Articles \$3.25 Ivory Beaded Bonnet Mirror, \$2.49. \$3.75 Ivory Hair Brushes, \$2.69. \$1.75 Ivory Dresser Trays for \$1.19. 25c Ivory Dressing Combs 19c 75c Hair Receiver and 75c Puff Box for \$1.19. 25c Nail Files 19c. 25c Button Hooks, 19c. 25c Ivory Stand Cologne Bottle, 19c. Ivory Manicure Sets, 49c to \$1.11. Ivory Toilet Sets, \$6 to \$50. Four-Piece Manicure Sets, special, 49c.—Main Floor, Sixth Street

You Have Only Two Days Left to Select Gifts From TOYTOWN—The Kiddies' Paradise In spite of the tremendous demand for toys, dolls and games of ever description during the past few weeks, we still have a most comprehensive assortment for your selection these last two days. To attempt even the most meager description would be futile—suffice it to say that, no matter what kind of toy, doll or game you desire, we have it and at the price you wish to pay. Amongst our vast assortment are: Kiddie Cars—They will delight the small children—priced \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.25, \$2.75. Mechanical Trains—With cars and tracks, these will please the boys—priced \$1, \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2, \$2.25, \$3.50, \$5. Electric Trains—The very best makes—priced at \$5 and upwards. Folding Doll Carts—With steel frames—priced 79c, 95c, \$1.50, \$2.95, \$3.25. We have the most complete stock of games in the city, such as Finch, Rook, Pit, Parchesse, Pollyanna, Steeplechase, Messenger Boy, Chess, etc. Automobiles, hand cars, velocipedes, tricycles, doll carts, bicycles and other wheel goods in great assortment at lowest possible prices. Grownups as well as the children will enjoy visiting this section when in the store.—Toytown, Fifth Floor.

FURS Make Splendid Gifts for Children Combination sets of Imitation Ermine and Lamb's Wool, also Angora and Lamb's Wool, set \$2.75—\$3.75. Natural Kit Coney or Muskrat \$5.50—\$6.75—\$7.50. Squirrel Locks \$9.50—\$10. Iceland Fox (Angora goat) and Thibet Lamb \$6.50—\$12.50. For the junior miss we have sets of Muskrat, Imitation Ermine, Fitch, Moufflon, Iceland Fox (Angora goat) and Gray Fox from \$12.50 to \$25.—Fur Shop, Fourth Floor

Christmas Sale of Women's Umbrellas Samples from the New York office of one of the country's most prominent manufacturers of women's high grade silk umbrellas. Bought at a very special price concession—buy for yourself and for gift giving at the following sensational reductions: UMBRELLAS \$4.15 Green, purple and blue. Also black silk mixtures with plain and fancy colored borders. Light and dark Pickwick handles with cords and rings. \$5 to \$6 values. UMBRELLAS \$4.85 Plain and fancy colored borders. New style handles with or without white tips. Green, navy and purple colors. \$6.50 and \$7 values. UMBRELLAS \$5.85 Newest handles, with tortoise, bak-lite and white tips. Purple, green, navy, black and changeable effects. \$7.50 and \$8 values.—Umbrella Shop, Main Floor

Women—A Sensational Sale Bath Robes \$1.98 Good \$2.49 to \$4 Values Here's a gift suggestion not to be overlooked—a most acceptable gift at a substantial saving. Fine heavy flannel and corduroy bath robes with large roll collars and pockets. With girdle and neck cords. Many are lined. All desirable colors. Buy for self as well as for gift-giving tomorrow at the remarkably low price of \$1.98. Men and Women Buying for Men—Here Is a Savings Opportunity You Should Take Advantage of Men's Slippers 98c Every pair of men's slippers in our Lower Price Store is included at this low price tomorrow. Men's felt slippers in Everett and Romeo styles, with leather or felt soles. Brown, gray and black. Many with neat decorations. All sizes 6 to 11. Placed on tables for convenient selection. Irrespective of former selling prices, pair 98c. Another Good Special in Slippers Women's Slippers 89c Women's felt boudoir slippers with chrome leather padded soles. Gray with red, brown with tan, black with gray and red with white trimming. Sizes 3 to 8. Thousands of Other Bargains Tomorrow COME! Meier & Frank Co. EST. 1857 THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND THE STORE OF THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT COME!

You Don't Have to Watch Us to SEE US GROW We double our floor space January 1st. In the meantime we are Loaded With Christmas Bargains Holton Band Instruments Orpheum Banjos, Gibson, Washburn, Martin Guitars; Mandolins and Ukuleles, \$3.50 and up. Complete Stock of Music Seiberling-Lucas Music Co. 125 Fourth Street

JOIN THE RED CROSS TODAY A DOLLAR DOES THE DEED Useful Xmas Gifts Carving Sets from \$3.00 up | Razors, all makes, 85c up Manicure Sets from \$2.25 up | Pocket Knives, 45c up SHAVING ACCESSORIES, HAIR BRUSHES, ETC. We Grind Everything That Requires an Edge DOUBLE S. & H. STAMPS TILL JANUARY 1 We Can Save You the \$ for the Red Cross PORTLAND ELECTRIC GRIND SHOP The Home of Quality Cutlery Phone Broadway 1936. 351 Stark, Between Broadway and Park