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THE VICTORY AT HOME

Twenty million Americans are believed to have bought Liberty bonds.

The third loan is heavily over-subscribed. The drive is described by those who know as the most successfully conducted by any nation during this war.

A most gratifying feature is the enormous number of subscribers. The remotest corners of the nation responded. At Ketchikan, Alaska, with a population of 2000, 1655 persons bought bonds.

A wide distribution of the bonds is the soundest form of war finance. A loan so absorbed gives the least shock to the financial structure.

It has the other highly advantageous effect of attesting the widespread support of the cause. It is a great vote of confidence in American purposes and plans.

There is the most heartening and strengthening tidings that can be sent our soldiers and sailors.

Few things could be as discouraging to the Kaiser. The oversubscribed loan is far more disheartening to him than the loss of a big battle.

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Miss Marion Towne, who won distinction as a member of the Oregon legislature from Jackson county, has applied for a commission to be assistant paymaster in the United States navy.

Miss Towne is a chief yeoman and assistant to Captain Wiley, head of the bureau of naval intelligence at the Bremerton navy yard.

Miss Towne is highly intelligent, and there is no question that she would give able service in any capacity to which the naval authorities may admit her.

The seven soldiers at Camp Fremont who are under arrest for burglary, robbery and assault, said to have been committed during a joy ride.

It is a wonderful thing to be an American and contemplate the grand army of buyers whose savings went into the third Liberty loan.

Some, of course, will be driven by necessity to sell. But to hold them is a splendid business policy for the individual, a high service to the country, and an especial moral aid to American fighters.

Be of good hope and despair not, says the president to the state councils of defense, "our ideals of justice and humanity and liberty shall in the end prevail."

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West Klickitat Pomona grange inclines to suspect that the failure to enact such a law has been due to the book trust.

Seemingly the contents of the multitudinous "series" of school books are "strung out" and padded to make them as expensive as possible.

Mr. Wilson speaks confidently because he knows that his ideals are backed by intelligent brains.

LOOKING AHEAD

Unless some unexpected hitch develops, the financing of the Sellwood spinning mill has been completed.

The city's payroll has a great part of its life. We have seen this proven in Portland by the sudden and startling development of the ship building industry.

It has been folly for Oregon to send to Pittsburgh and Philadelphia for worsted yarns spun from Oregon wool.

The place for the raw wools to be prepared for use is here, where the wool is grown.

We shall need such activities as the Sellwood spinning mill when the great war work is laid aside and the thousands of workers in it must turn to other employment.

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whereupon newspapers are put in a class by themselves because they circulate mostly within the first three zones and therefore will not be greatly affected by the higher charges in way-off zones.

State Dairy and Food Commissioner Mickle rallies to the support of the dairy industry and issues the warning that some chance must be given to the dairymen to live, or their herds will be slaughtered and the industry reduced to a remnant.

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Letters From the People

A Valued Testimonial

Washington, May 5.—Representatives of the newspaper publishers are again attacked by the economic league and its allied periodicals.

A Telegrapher's Statement

Portland, April 25.—To the Editor of the Journal—I wish to contribute a few lines to the editorial taken by the large telegraph companies.

Argues in Behalf of Mr. Moser

Portland, May 7.—To the Editor of the Journal, because of its attitude on the 6 cent fare, may I be allowed, in the spirit of fairness, to say that I noticed a letter to you two ago in your paper.

THE OREGON DAILY JOURNAL, PORTLAND, WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 1918.

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

It's a poor shipworker who can't afford a Ford.

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Washington county Sheriff who destroyed great quantities of good Oregon wheat in a few months back is not in Multnomah county jail. Serves him right.

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SMALL CHANGE

Spending of fish price fixing, the Pen-dleton Post-Oronian wants to know what's the use of waiting until the fish season is about over.

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Ragat and Bobtain

Boche Dog Finds New Home

ROGER is a Boche. He is also a dog. He looks like a pedigree of his own. German sheep dog and is about 9 months old.

And So It Goes

During the intermission, says the Detroit News, animated conversation buzzed through the ranks of the men and women who made up the side show.

Paradise Depleted

When the facets all stop dripping and the bathtub never stops, when the house has stopped dripping, against the blizzard weep, when the pigging never freeze.

Nothing the Matter With Portland

"I knew a man," says W. F. Ross, of W. F. Ross & Co., manufacturing jeweler, "who has been abroad, and he speaks of the distinction of Oregon."

How to Be Healthy

Overtime—That fellow is laying by 300 or 350 every week," a machinist said enviously of one of his fellow workers.

Olden Oregon

How the Hat Was Passed to Send a State Envoy to Washington.

War First; Politics Nowhere

Look your public servant in office over carefully and apply the test of Jefferson: "He is honest, is he not?"

Traveling Salesman Buys W. S. S.

Fleet Corporation Member Here

Marquet, Mich., Silk Visitors

A. R. Graham of the Dalles is a visitor at the Perkins.

William S. Salt of Medford is registered at the Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Eychane of Denver are arriving at the Carlton.

T. H. Sharp of Bremerton is a guest at the Carlton.

T. B. White of Sutherland, Or., is staying at the Carlton.

H. H. Hood of Raymond, Wash., is a guest at the Carlton.

Thomas Brannick of Fort George, Ore., is staying at the Carlton.

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