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WILL RECEIVE THE VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

In writing what may be termed his platform, which is published this morning, and which should interest every loyal Oregonian, Governor James Withycombe says:

"If the people of Oregon are of the opinion that I have served them faithfully, I should be pleased to receive a vote of confidence at their hands."

Governor Withycombe will receive this vote of confidence, in May, and in November. He will receive it, because it is recognized by all unprejudiced people that he deserves it.

It is the rule in Oregon that one good term deserves another. The people generally believe in this rule. It is a fair and just rule. So the vote of confidence will be given, as it should be.

Today is the Persian New Year, and the counselor of the Persian legation and Madam Ali Kuli Khan have issued invitations for a dinner at Washington in observance of the holiday.

La Follette is on the skids.

Looks like most of the war will be up in the air by the time all our Liberty flyers are ready, according to program.

Italy rejected a "tempting" peace offer by Germany and Austria. Of course, Italy has assumed the dignity of an independent and self-respecting nation.

Secretary of War Baker saw a lot of Ohio men in France. The Buckeyes are proud to be in the front ranks, and they are ready to go over the top at the drop of the hat.

It is announced from a seemingly reliable source that the Germans are about to abandon their programme of trying to scare the Americans to death. It won't work—Exchange.

Carrying mail by airplane is a good experiment, but in a practical aspect it is nothing more than a toy. Six hundred pounds or 30,000 pieces of first-class mail a day are all it is proposed to carry at present.

There is a current rumor in Germany that we have recently shot a woman spy. Where do they get that stuff? We haven't shot a man spy yet—Exchange.

It is not possible that the world will go back again to the old wasteful days before the war. Conditions are impressing upon all our people the lesson that everything created for the advancement of human sustenance, comfort or happiness should, as a matter of right, be put to its full use.

DUTIES OF FARMERS' WIVES.

The Spokesman Review of Spokane deprecates as unnecessary the outcry against labor shortage on the farms. It says: "All that is necessary is for the warmer's wife, after getting the breakfast things out of the way, attending to the chickens, sweeping and cleaning, doing a bit

FUTURE DATES

March 22, Friday.—Meeting of banking representatives of Marion county to devise ways and means for waging next Liberty loan drive. March 23, Saturday.—Freshman glee at Willamette university. April 6, Saturday.—Third Liberty loan drive begins. April 8, Saturday.—Third Liberty loan drive opens. April, fourth week.—Marion County Christian Endeavor convention, Salem. May dates not set.—State Grange convention, Salem. May 17, Friday.—Primary nominating election.

of washing, getting the children started to school, churning, disposing of the necessary mending, making up an order of provisions for the store and getting the foundations of the noon meal laid—these few tasks accomplished, the farmer's wife needs but to hop into her overalls, get the tractor tuned up and started and blaze away at the plowing.

NICKNAMES OF PRESIDENTS.

Thus far in his presidential career Woodrow Wilson has escaped being given a nickname. A large majority of the chief executives of the United States, and virtually all of those who occupied the chair during the early history of the nation, were popularly known by nicknames.

"The Father of His Country" was the most familiar name applied to George Washington, though he was also called by the classical minded of his day "America's Fabius."

President Adams was called "The Colossus of Independence." Thomas Jefferson was "The Sage of Monticello," President Monroe was "The Last Cockeyed Hat," John Quincy Adams was "The Old Man Eloquent," Andrew Jackson was "Old Hickory" and "Hero of New Orleans," Martin Van Buren was "The Little Wizard" and "King Martin the First," John Tyler was "Young Hickory" and "The Accidental President," Zachary Taylor was "Old Rough and Ready," "Old Zach" and "Old Buena Vista," Millard Fillmore was "The American Louis Philippe," and Lincoln was known to his followers as "Honest Abe."

Later presidents up to "Teddy" Roosevelt, the "Rough Rider," seemed to have escaped nicknames, although Grover Cleveland, after his first term, was dubbed by Charles Dana "The Stuffed Prophet."

THE BLACKSNAKE WHIP. By GIDEON HOE of the Vigilantes. In slavery days the most brutal overseers were accustomed to drive lazy slaves to work under the lash. The blacksnake whip came to have an evil reputation. It was the symbol of the cruel side of slavery, long since done away with in this country, thank God.

Among the Germans the blacksnake whips is still in use, and is more infamously employed than ever. Margaret Snodgrass, corresponding secretary of the American Federation of Teachers, has this to report: "I have before me as I write the official text of proclamations of the German and Austrian military com-

mand in the recently occupied districts of northern Italy. These proclamations require the inhabitants of the region to give up all food supplies of every kind. All persons over fifteen years of age are summoned to work in the fields under German task masters from 4 o'clock in the morning until 8 o'clock in the evening.

"Disobedience will be punished in the following manner: Lazy workmen will be accompanied in the work and watched by Germans. After the harvest they will be imprisoned for six months and every third day be given nothing but bread and water. Lazy women will be obliged to work and after the harvest will receive six months' imprisonment. Lazy children will be punished by beating. The commandant reserves the right to punish lazy women with twenty lashes daily."

A careful computation by a writer in The Atlantic Monthly, November 1917, gives the number of Belgians, French, Poles, Serbs, Rumanians and Russians, reduced to a very practical slavery as 42,000,000. Hundreds of thousands of Italians have since been added to these slaves of the unspeakable German.

Meanwhile there are thousands of fatuous Americans who profess to think we should make immediate peace. Do they long for the blacksnake whip?

THE RED SACRAMENT. By AMELIA JOSEPHINE BURR of the Vigilantes. A comrade's blood had stained their ration red; The very wine of life was in their bread And yet on that grim sacrament they fed And rose up strengthened to fulfill the task The dead man left undone. O God, we ask That we by sorrow may be doubly strong To fight by war against imperial wrong Until the Dragon—or ourselves—be dead.

Of course you are gardening. We have the Dutch ships now. Holland said we could not have them, so we took them. South Dakota yesterday ratified the federal dry amendment. That makes ten states. Politics in Oregon will likely begin to grow somewhat warmer. A tame campaign, so far. The Germans have been trying to do up our Yankee soldier boys with mustard gas. But they'd not cut the mustard.

On account of the German troops moving that way, the Russian capital may be taken from Moscow and transferred further east. Might as well take it on to Japan, where it will be safe. A slight falling off in submarine sinkings last week. The Germans are not getting anywhere with their piracy, excepting to pile up more grief for themselves when the day of reckoning shall come. The allies think the latest advertised offensive of the Germans is also camouflage. Mutton can be eaten on meathless days until April 15, so rules the food conservators. But this ruling has no effect on the canines that chase the sheep at all times of the year.

The big tanks on the western front will play an important part in the pending grand assault. There is one good thing about the tanks—it is not necessary for them to run over anything twice.

COMB SAGE TEA INTO GRAY HAIR

Darkens Beautifully and Restores its Natural Color and Lustre at Once.

Common garden sage brewed into a heavy tea, with sulphur and alcohol added, will turn gray, streaked and faded hair beautifully dark and luxuriant. Mixing the Sage Tea and Sulphur recipe at home, though it is troublesome, an easier way is to get the ready-to-use preparation, improved by the addition of other ingredients, a large bottle, at little cost, at drug stores, known as "Wyeth's Sage Tea and Sulphur Compound," thus avoiding a lot of muss. While gray, faded hair is not sinful, we all desire to retain our youthful appearance and attractiveness. By darkening your hair with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound, no one can tell, because it does it so naturally, so evenly. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning all gray hairs have disappeared. After another application or two your hair becomes beautifully dark, glossy, soft and luxuriant, and you appear years younger. Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound is a delightful toilet requisite. It is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

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IN A SOCIAL WAY

By Florence Elizabeth Nichols

Mr. and Mrs. J. William Chambers are entertaining as their guest, Miss Agnes Hart of Williamsport, Pa., who is a cousin of her host. Miss Barber has been passing the winter in the west and came to Salem from Tacoma.

Miss Anna Boehminger went to Woodburn yesterday to be a guest at a party which was given by Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Shorey last night.

Mrs. George Kraus and Mrs. Charles Beck of Aurora have returned to their homes after visiting for a short time with Salem friends.

Mrs. W. C. Kantner returned to Portland Tuesday following a several days' stay during the Laymen's Missionary convention.

Mrs. Gordon McGilchrist is entertaining as her guest, Mrs. Harold Reese of Portland.

En route home from a winter in California, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Carpenter and their daughter, Helen, of Yorkton, Sask., Canada, are visiting Mr. Carpenter's sister, Mrs. G. A. Wood. The tourists will remain for the week.

For the pleasure of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Clancey of Tacoma, who are visiting in Salem, Clyde B. Clancey was a host at a very little dinner gathering, Tuesday night at his home, 359 North Liberty street. Besides the host and honored ones, covers were laid for Mrs. Harold Reese of Portland, Miss Inez Lacy and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McGilchrist.

Mrs. Clifford Brown has returned from Portland where she was the guest of her mother, Mrs. W. W. Bretherton for several days.

Mrs. R. M. Gilbert has returned from Portland where she has been attending art assemblages. The Portland art association have a special exhibit this week at the museum, Fifth and Taylor streets.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Johnson motored to Portland yesterday for a brief visit.

A clam supper followed by an evening of games was the delightful diversion extended to the camp fire girls of the Ah Mui Low camp who met recently with Miss Blanche Gibson at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Gibson of the Wallace road. Those present were Miss Marie Briggs, Miss Mary Sun, Miss Bessie Sun, Miss Ruby Welch, Miss Mildred Imlah, Miss Jessie Taylor, Miss Pansy Willard, Miss Grace Welborn, Miss Mabel Canfield, Miss Elma Canfield, Miss Miriam Steiwer, Miss Esther Davies and the guardian, Mrs. A. A. Davidson.

VOICES FROM THE FRONT. Oh army of voice whose swelling tide Sweeps out from the trenches' grim divide. By right gained through inhuman sacrifices Command and the world that moans and dies Must halt and heed at your stern demand So speak, ye trenches! Attend ye lanes "Oh world so remote from the firing line That moans at echo of shot and mine And listens and pales, with bated breath To whispers of wounds, of torture and death. We speak while shells and bullets cut And comrades crumple, bleed and fall!"

And this is the message their dying lips Repeat as their hands release their grips On war's savage engineers of death and decay And they must the mustered out call Oh never, never, never again Must war rule hearts and lives of men!"

And they, the unnumbered, forgotten dead Who bleach bones all stark and dread Are resurrected by shot and shell That hoarse-shall hosts the message swell That "never, never, never again Must war such tribute take from men."

And these our comrades in the trench Through heat and cold and storms that drench Our comrades in the slime and mire, Our comrades of the ghastly scene Their shattered forms beneath our feet, That never, never more repeat.

"And we whose misery makes plain That my death would be our gain, We prisoners of vermine, disease and stench That breed and swarm the narrow trench, We voice the words of armies dead That never more must war be bred."

"We strike the god of war to kill That heathen god who eats his fill Of human blood and brains and bones Who crunches the flesh and laughs at moans As he winds to dust between his stones Our men, Oh God, but endless peace atones!"

"Oh glad our sacrifice of life If this shall be the worlds' last strife, But write this message from the trench So true the future's thirst 'twill quench For war. And then earth's millions dead Will not in vain have fought and bled. 'Twas all the tragedy reveal. Forget no horror, nor conceal One item of the ghastly scene Let earth review her judgment screen That so mankind may be redeemed And bring that peace by prophets dreamed."

—Mrs. F. T. Porter.

OBITUARY. Henry Darling St. Helen died at 12:30 a. m. March 18 at the Salem hospital. Five months previously he had been operated on for perforation of the intestines. He was suffering from peritonitis as a result of bowel trouble and his condition was virtually hopeless at the outset. His sudden death after a brief illness is a great shock to his friends who are legion. He was born at Cincinnati,

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Ohio, on April 11, 1860. His father Edward St. Helen fought bravely throughout the Civil War, being in the great battles of Shiloh and Gettysburg. His mother Christie Darling St. Helen died when the father had returned home on a brief furlough and at that hour a tragedy of war came—as the children Roger Henry Darling and William were assigned to separate homes in the state the father not discovering them until many long years after the war was over.

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