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**POSSESSION.**

Month after month, with slow monotony,  
 I did the stupid task of every day,  
 With scorn and pity that the world should be  
 Full of unending duties, dull and gray.  
 While all my heart was wild  
 For wandering,  
 I doubted, scoured and swept  
 With listless hands;  
 Was this, I thought, the best  
 That life could bring  
 To youth's commands?  
 But now I sing all day, as to  
 and fro  
 From my barter to the kitchen bright,  
 With sparkling studs and crisp  
 new brooms I go,  
 A shining path behind me,  
 What delight  
 To pour the scarlet jelly into  
 molds!  
 I love to make the slender  
 glasses shine,  
 Because this little house and all  
 it holds  
 Is yours and mine!  
 —Katherine P. Lewis, in Every-  
 body's Magazine.

**A VERSATILE COUNTY**

HERE are people in this county who will be surprised to know that Stanfield has two cheese factories turning out vast quantities of Swiss cheese each month, that there are many hundreds of dairy cows in that region with more arriving each month and that the fruitgrowers of Stanfield are soon to erect a \$10,000 packing plant to care for the handling of their fruit. The people in the older settled portions of the county are not sufficiently in touch with the developments underway in the new regions of the west end of the county or with the progress being made by irrigationists in the Milton-Freewater section. We are too prone to regard Umatilla county as a wheat producing region and to belittle other lines of agriculture. A closer knowledge of the facts will be conducive to greater respect for the energetic work that is done by new settlers in the irrigation districts of the county.

**THE HOPE OF THE SMALL NATION.**

HERE is ground for the prediction by Judge Gary that the allies will be joined not only by south and central American countries but by such European nations as Spain, Holland, Switzerland and Scandinavia. The prospect of an international league to enforce world peace is the music that will charm these little nations into line. Such countries would be helpless should the world become dominated by a power inspired by the ideals that prevail in Berlin. They need just what President Wilson hopes for at the close of the war, an international organization enforcing peace and settling disputes on a basis of justice, rather than force. It will not be surprising if various countries now neutral in the war should see the drift of affairs and decide to unite with the allies so as to be in position to ask recognition when the great alliance for peace is formed.

**TRAINING A NATION**

THE President's call for 500,000 troops in his selective draft proclamation is quickly followed by his proposed conscription of the food growing and distributing agencies of the country. About one in twenty of the men of military age will be summoned to the colors, whereas all who have to do with food are expected to co-operate in the prosecution of the war. To be able to deal with such as may refuse or resist, he asks of congress extraordinary powers. Heretofore it has been the habit of the United States to raise armies by the volunteer system, leaving all persons not thus enrolled free to do as they pleased—too often, it must be said, to take advantage of the situation for personal gain. Mr. Wilson now assumes that the American people have volunteered in mass and that the duty devolving upon government is not alone the creation of a great army, but by selective methods, the organization of the whole nation in some capacity, for war.

In naming Herbert C. Hoover as food administrator the President gives the country an excellent illustration of his meaning. Mr. Hoover and most of his assistants are to serve without pay. They take it for granted that the great commercial associations, long accustomed to the ethics only of the market place, will voluntarily subordinate private to public interests. They hope by regulation and administration to increase supplies, to hold speculation in check, to facilitate distribution, to prevent hoarding and to maintain reasonable prices. They are to be counsellors and not dictators, except as a last resort. They must have law behind them but the law will be used only against the incorrigible. Prompt recognition in every element of the population of this splendid vision of a democracy at war without expectation of individual profit will soon find a nation rather than an army in training—in training for valorous deeds by land and by sea, of course, but in training also for modest usefulness, for self-forgetfulness, for economy, and, above everything else, for public service. Our people have always presented many noble examples of these virtues, but never until today has every element of the population been bidden by the highest authority to make them the controlling motives of American life for the promotion of human rights and for the extension of national power and glory in support of those rights. Mr. Hoover personifies this conception perfectly. The response made in many other quarters, scientific, financial, industrial and commercial, to the military needs of the country has been so prompt and generous that there is reason to hope the food interests, vast as they are, will be equally patriotic. In this manner a republic may show an autocracy not only disciplined armies but disciplined production, disciplined markets and disciplined appetites, all superior to its own because inspired by the people themselves and not by terror of any crown or class.—New York World.

acres of land and have agreed to let the Wallowa country alone forever. Astoria claims 22 hotels, outside of a large number of private boarding houses, about 40 saloons and no water works. Mrs. Raley has refitted the old Dr. Dickerson house and will occupy it the first of the month, after which the weary, forlorn and footsore will have to depend on Messrs Cram & Laundry at the Pendleton Hotel for the comforts heretofore dispensed at the hands of Mrs. Raley. The schoolhouse in Pendleton is in a very leaky condition, so much so that it is very uncomfortable for scholars attending school, on account of our oft repeated rains. Born Thursday, May 24, 1877 to the wife of Mr. J. Barnhart, a son; an eight pounder. We acknowledge receipt of a fine pair of dressed chickens for which Mrs. J. C. Franklin will please accept our thanks.

**CHURCHES**

**Baptist.**  
 Bible school at 10 o'clock; preaching, 11 o'clock, subject, "Weighty Hearts." R. Y. P. U., 7 o'clock; preaching 7 o'clock, Subject, "Repentance."

**German-Lutheran.**  
 Services will be held at the First Presbyterian church of Pendleton at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Rev. A. Flaasberg, pastor.

**Christian.**  
 The following services at the Christian church, Sunday, May 17. The S. S. opens at 9:45 promptly. We have a good school for all ages. Dr. S. A. Roe, Supt. Pastor Hubbell will speak on the following topics Sunday: 11 a. m. "The Treasure House of the Christian." 3 p. m. "A Great Man, who Changed His Religion." Good music.

**Christian Science.**  
 E. Webb and Johnson Sts. Services Sunday 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school 10 a. m. Wednesday 8 p. m. Subject of afternoon sermon, "Adam and Fallen Man." The reading room at the church is open daily, except Sunday, from 1 until 5 p. m.

**Methodist.**  
 Tomorrow we readjust affairs for the summer. There will be the regular full list of services. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Morning worship at 11 a. m. with sermon and special music by Miss Esther South and the choir. The evening services will be 30 minutes later. Epworth League from 7 to 8 p. m. Evening preaching service at 8 to 9 p. m. A good attendance at all the services will be appreciated.

**Presbyterian Church.**  
 Both the morning service at 11 and the evening service at 8 will be conducted as usual but with Rev. W. R. Davis of Walla Walla in the pulpit at both services. The Sunday school will meet at 10 in the morning. The Christian Endeavor Society will meet at 4:30 in the evening with Mrs. Penland and Freda Oster as leaders.

**Church of the Redeemer.**  
 The holy communion will be celebrated at 7:30 a. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. divine service and sermon at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The Rev. Bertram A. Warren, pastor of St. Paul's, The Dalles, will conduct the services and preach both morning and evening. Mr. W. E. Rose will sing for the offertory, "My Jesus As Thou Wilt," by Davis.

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(From the Weekly East Oregonian, May 26, 1917)  
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