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### EASTERN OREGON SPIRIT.

Presumably, the readers of The Bulletin are not especially interested in the doings of the Oregon Editorial Association, which recently held its annual meeting in Pendleton. Nevertheless, in the larger aspects of the affair, there is much of interest to every wide-awake community in the state. That, and the wish of a guest to acknowledge the courtesy of his host, combined with the feeling that Bend has much to learn from her older sisters in Eastern Oregon, must be the apology for what follows.

The association held its sessions and business meetings on two days, Friday and Saturday, both being interspersed with entertainment provided by the people of Pendleton. Sunday was given over wholly to entertainment, probably the most expensive ever provided a similar party in the state, and carried out in the most altruistic manner. Of this more later.

The entertainment given the association on the first two days was exceeded only by that of the third. Luncheon and dinner was given the members on both days by the Commercial club and other hosts of the city, automobiles were furnished for a ride through the tremendous wheat belt surrounding the town, an Indian ceremonial was arranged, the Round-Up Association gave a special showing of Round-Up films. All was done easily and efficiently, attesting not only the care with which the affair had been planned but also the spirit of the people in co-operating to entertain their visitors. Quite properly they sought the entertainment of their guests and, as well, the advertisement of Pendleton.

One incident will illustrate the efficiency of the Pendleton folk, their hospitality and their home-town spirit. When the main body of visitors arrived they were met at the station by citizens who gave to each a card telling where he could find accommodations, the hotels being already filled. One visitor, so placed with a private family and most comfortably cared for, on leaving asked to know the charge. "It is nothing," he was told. "We are glad to do this for Pendleton." Ordinarily, conventions are looked upon as a means of advertising a town and of bringing money into it. What an advertisement this was of Pendleton and its spirit, when no money was sought!

On Saturday night, following an elaborate banquet, began the big feature of the three days. From the banquet hall the guests went to the station where they boarded a special train of sleeping cars, with observation car and were taken on an all night trip to the little town of Joseph. Here automobiles were waiting to carry everybody to the head of beautiful Wallowa lake, where breakfast was served, and where later, all sat down to a bountiful dinner of trout and other good things, provided by the people of Joseph, a little town overflowing with hospitality.

In the afternoon the return trip was begun, a stop being made at La Grande in the evening for an auto ride and supper, which were that city's share in the entertainment. Proceeding from La Grande, the special was left at Pendleton and the party was over.

This recital of day's happenings is not especially interesting and it has not been made with any idea that the facts alone would be of importance. It has been told to show again the nature of the spirit of the Pendleton people, shown in the price paid for the special train, over \$1000, and in the fact that the money was spent, not to show their guests their own town and country, but to take them scores of miles out of their own county across another, and into a third to be impressed with the beauties of other sections and entertained by other communities.

We remember a suggestion once made here that neighboring towns be invited to entertain visitors who were primarily guests of Bend and a local organization. The invitation went out from Bend over considerable opposition and was flatly turned down by the two towns approached. Possibly there was opposition in

## SAILORS ON SHORE LEAVE STUDY FRENCH



Photo by American Press Association. Now that our sailors have a club of their own, the Navy Club of the United States, at 509 Fifth Avenue, New York, they spend their shore leave profitably by taking up French and other studies for use abroad. Amusements of all kinds are also found at the club, which was just recently opened. An instructor is seen here with three promising students.

Pendleton to this Sunday excursion but it went through and Joseph and La Grande did themselves proud in receiving guests brought to them by their neighbor, who spent a lot of money to do it. As an example of hospitality and big-minded appreciation of fellow communities the trip was remarkable.

Some day, we hope that the Editorial Association may meet in Bend. When it does, if we make as good an impression on our visitors as Pendleton did on hers this year, we shall have done a big thing.

The meetings of the association in Pendleton were held in the Umatilla county library, a beautiful building just apart from the main business section. Built by the county on land given by the city, the building furnishes not only quarters for a good library, but in the basement a comfortable assembly room and a room for luncheons. Deschutes county and the city of Bend could well join in a similar institution.

Another Pendleton institution is an open air natatorium or swimming pool. It is free to all, dressing rooms, being provided for the two sexes and an attendant being in charge. Those who think Deschutes river water is too cold for swimming, and that it should be warmed for use in a swimming tank, should take a plunge in the Pendleton pool.

A municipal swimming pool is also under consideration by the city of Baker. In La Grande the Y. M. C. A. and the Elks Lodge have pools. There is also swimming in the river at La Grande, as there is in the Umatilla at Pendleton.

Pendleton far exceeded its Red Cross allotment, having the highest percentage of over-subscription of any city in the northwest. And while it entertained its visitors it did not forget that our country is at war. Shelves on the walls of the room where the association met bore many packages of bandages and surgical dressings prepared by the local Red

Cross chapter and ready to be sent to the front, and between meetings large packing cases were brought into the room filled with material with which the chapter will continue its relief work.

La Grande, too, has the fact of the war very much in mind and is preparing to put a hospital unit in the field.

Both Pendleton and La Grande are facing I. W. W. trouble. At La Grande agitators have been driven from town. At Pendleton there has been nothing to warrant evictions but the citizens are ready and if anyone starts anything, especially in the way of destruction of grain fields, he will not be driven out. He will be carried out—and buried.

Pendleton, La Grande and Baker, all three, have miles and miles of pavement and hundreds of shade trees. Because we have juniper and pine we neglect the others. We could make Bend much more beautiful by setting out trees.

La Grande has a city park, with driveways, children's play grounds, and an open air auditorium with a stage where their Chautauqua is held. The town also has a fine race track.

The thing of which Pendleton is proudest is the Round-Up. It is not maintained for commercial purposes, and one of the Pendleton speakers at a banquet boasted that even the directors who give their time to make it successful, pay their way in at the gate.

Those of us who think that in Central Oregon we have a monopoly of the natural beauty spots of the state should visit Wallowa lake. Framed by hills and high mountains rising abruptly from the lake's edge, of crystal clearness, and affording the best of trout fishing, Wallowa lake is a delightful beauty spot.

## TEAR UP STAMPS TO AID U. S. GOVERNMENT

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin)

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 23.—A two-cent-a-day "bit" for would-be patriots who can't fight, buy Liberty bonds or display posters on their automobiles urging others to join the army, was suggested to Senator Ashurst, of Arizona, by Daniel T. Brown, of California.

Brown, a Lusitania survivor, wrote from the California home for disabled soldiers—of whom he is one: "Let everybody who can't fight or buy bonds destroy a new two-cent stamp every day. We're all doing it. It means \$7.30 a year for the government—almost all clear profit."

If the others don't satisfy, try the Pilot Butte Barber shop, E. C. Landingham, proprietor.—Adv.

## MCGRAW FORTUNATE AS A CLUB BUILDER

Ability Is Aided Materially by Wealth of Men Who are Backing Fortunes of Team.

By H. C. Hamilton,

(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

NEW YORK, JULY 23.—A good dash of fortune, scrambled in with the real ability that is evident is as much responsible as anything else in the success of John J. McGraw.

Touted a wonder as a baseball manager, it is doubtful if McGraw would be able to produce the same results that have characterized the efforts of several other big league managers if he hadn't the wealth of his backers to draw from, leaving him free to choose at will from among hundreds of ball players.

The cases of Eddie Rousch and Dick Rudolph are perhaps the most predominant. Rousch is near the top among National league batsmen. Ru-

dolph is Boston's most effective pitcher and was one of the main reasons why the Braves were able to battle their way to a National league championship and a subsequent world's championship. Both these men once were Giants. Rousch was kept mainly doing bench duty, while Rudolph scarcely got that far.

Milton Stock is another example; Fred Merkle is a fair idea of a ball player discarded as a has been, and who is doing great work. There are many others. McGraw has cast them aside to make room for men he thought would do better with the men making up his team. He has been successful in winning pennants and has to his credit one world's championship, but if he would gather the stars he has let slip from his

grasp and form them into one team the chances are he would have a machine which would crush the present galaxy of stars with which he is trying to fret his way to a pennant.

A little more than a year ago McGraw set out to gather in a surplus of stars with which he threatened to make a runaway race of the National league. Among these was Hans Lobert. Lobert didn't even finish the season and is used now only as a pinch hitter. McGraw considers him finished, yet it is only a brief stretch of time since he went into the breach and won a game for the Giants by the brilliance of his fielding and hitting.

It is one thing to have money behind and still another to be able to build a championship team.

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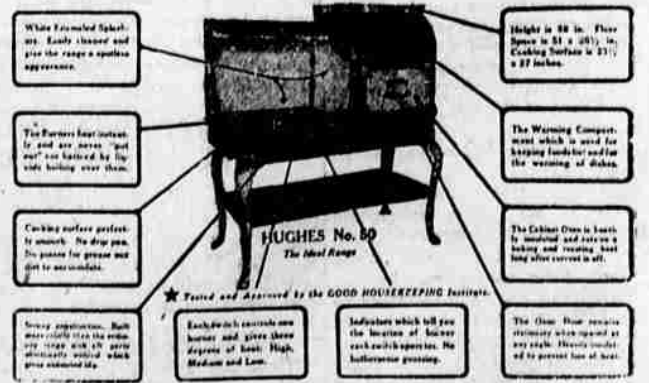
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