

SUGAR SHOWED OUR BACKBONE

American Willingness to Give Up Luxury Demonstrated Nation's War Conscience.

STAND WITH THE ALLIES.

By Reducing Consumption People of the United States Averted a Famine at Home in Spite of Low Supplies.

The fact that the people of the United States were able to reduce by more than one-half million tons their July, August, September and October consumption of sugar proves conclusively that their war conscience was thoroughly awakened and that the country as a whole stood ready to follow the injunctions of the Government.

Our normal consumption of sugar in the four-month period beginning with July has been 400,000 tons per month, a total of 1,600,000 for the quarter year.

In July, when our sugar stringency began to reach its height, consumption was reduced to 260,000 tons. In August only 325,000 tons went into distribution and in September only 270,000 tons. In October the distribution fell to 280,000 tons.

If the general public had failed to observe the injunctions of the Food Administration this country would have been in the throes of a sugar famine before the end of August. Our visible supplies were so low as to bring great anxiety to those familiar with the sugar situation. They feared that it would be absolutely impossible to reduce consumption to a point where sugar would no longer be a mere luxury in the American diet.

Few accomplishments of the Food Administration will stand forth so predominantly as this reduced consumption of sugar. By it we have been able to bridge over the period of stringency until the new beet and Louisiana cane sugar crops were in sight.

Now the nation is in a position so that if we choose we may return to our normal home use of sugar, and Europe, with the release of ships to go far afield, can maintain its recent restricted rations. If, however, those nations are to increase their use of sugar very considerably it must be by our continued sharing with them through limiting our own consumption.

PREMIER TELLS OF AID SENT BY WILSON

Leeds, England.—"Send your ships across and we will send the 120,000 men per month."

President Wilson sent this cable message to Premier Lloyd George on March 21, 1918, in response to an urgent "S. O. S." message from the British premier, laying bare the terribly critical situation of the allied armies. At dawn that day the Germans had launched their superdrive towards Amiens.

It was Lloyd George himself who, in a speech here, disclosed for the first time this exchange of cablegrams with President Wilson.

It was an inspiring narrative, this bit of inside history of the gravest crisis for the allied cause in the whole war.

"I shall never forget that morning when I sent a cable message to President Wilson telling him what the facts were and how essential it was that we should get American help at the speediest possible rate, and inviting him to send 120,000 infantry and machine gunners to Europe," said Premier Lloyd George in the course of his speech.

"The following day," continued the premier, "there came a cablegram from President Wilson: 'Send your ships across and we will send the 120,000 men.'"

"America," added Mr. Lloyd George, "sent 1,900,000 men across and out of that number 1,100,000 were carried by the British mercantile marine."

DEMOCRACY VS. AUTOCRACY.

There is no royal road to food conservation. We can only accomplish this by the voluntary action of our whole people, each element in proportion to its needs. It is a matter of equality of burden.

The truth of this statement, made by the United States Food Administrator soon after we entered the war, has been borne out by the history of our exports. Autocratic food control in the lands of our enemies has broken down, while democratic food sharing has maintained the health and strength of this country and of the Allies.

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RED CROSS PROCLAMATION

Whereas, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States and President of the American Red Cross, has summoned every citizen of this country to the comradeship of UNIVERSAL MEMBERSHIP IN THE RED CROSS; and

Whereas, membership in the American Red Cross is an evidence of loyalty; and

Whereas, The American Red Cross is on the eve of the greatest year's work in its history, supplying aid and material encouragement to American soldiers on duty in France, Russia, Siberia and in this country; taking care of the dependents of soldiers in this country by means of Home Service; aiding in the reconstruction of Europe by assisting the repatriated citizens; assisting returned soldiers to positions; providing help and encouragement to wounded soldiers, and in other ways assisting the world to recover from the results of the war; and

Whereas, It is desired that every adult citizen become a member of the American Red Cross, that all may feel they have a living part in the work of the society;

Now Therefore, I, J. M. Banister, Mayor of the City of Weston, State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim that the week of December

16-23 be devoted to the purpose of securing membership in the American Red Cross and do urge that every citizen join the Red Cross and assist in promoting universal membership in that organization.

Given under my hand this 7th day of December, 1918.
J. M. BANISTER,
Mayor of Weston, Oregon.
Attest: J. W. PORTER, Recorder.

IT'S A ONE-MAN SHEET

The Leader today is issuing an all home print six-page paper in order to make room for a page of very readable and interesting Red Cross publicity which it is publishing, of course, free of charge. Such a publication is by no means remarkable, but we do set a little store by the fact that it is in its entirety a one-man product. Those who know the newspaper game know that when one man tries to get out a six-page paper he has some chore on his hands—and the reader will note that this particular number contains not a few newly-set advertisements as well as considerable reading matter. In its early career two editors and two printers were required to get out the Weston Leader—and it was only a four-page paper at that. It used to "get the money," we are told, in those free-handed pioneer days—three dollars for subscriptions and one dollar per inch per month for advertising. In those days an advertisement was seldom changed—ah, the old times were the best times!—and the force could and did devote most of its attention to the reading contents.

A laudable detail of post-war economy is not to take a Hearst newspaper.

At a special meeting Friday evening the council passed a drastic quarantine ordinance, to include Spanish influenza. The measure was based on the Pendleton ordi-

nance along the same lines, and if obeyed by the people should do much toward stamping out the epidemic. It is published elsewhere in the Leader, and will repay a careful perusal.

William Randolph Hearst perhaps has a few friends left—in Germany—but their regard can hardly be considered an asset.

The ex-kaiser fell down on the job of committing suicide—his most regrettable failure.

It isn't exactly perfume that is coming out of Cologne, Germany.

It's enough to make an editor blue. "Anything new?" "Yes, more fuel!"

Before being brought to book, Bill Hohenzollern is writing one.

Greece and Serbia received twenty-five million pounds of food in thirty days from the Red Cross.

Thirty-two thousand school children in the schools of Paris were receiving regular lunches from the Red Cross during the past year.

A redeemed and grateful France is today taking to its breast an American president.

It is beginning to be demonstrated that even a slacker has a little pride.

The managers of all the war drives have at different times sent the Leader commendatory letters—this little sheet having a war service record of one hundred percent.

All faiths being humbugs, of course, save that of Slacker Ed. Nelson, who makes a noise like a Russellite.

The American Red Cross sent three thousand tons of condensed milk to the children of prisoners in

Archangel, Siberia, and two thousand pounds of powdered milk to the children of France.

Commenting upon the way in which whilom slackers are being brought into line, a newspaper friend of ours puts it as follows: "Verily, the power of pitiless publicity is vast."

It remains to be seen whether the blood of indemnity can be squeezed by the Allies from the war-rotted German turnip.

In order to do Uncle Sam's work in Siberia the Japs have broken a pact that was best honored in the breach than in the observance.

The Columbia Record paraphrases thusly: "Count that day saved whose low descending Hun steals from thy hands no fruits of victories won."

Ten thousand pounds of ether were shipped to France by the Red Cross, so that our soldiers might have relief from pain.

Thirty thousand letters a week are written by the Red Cross to the families of soldiers, answering questions.

Perhaps nothing better expresses the melancholia of Mr. Hohenzollern than to say he is as happy as a king, remarks the St. Louis Star.

The discontented chap who wants to live better in America, should reflect that under a different destiny he might be dying worse in Russia.

"Lest We Forget"

The Central Loyalty Committee of the Umatilla County Patriotic Service League announces that Ed. Nelson, a Pendleton barber, refuses to contribute to the United War Works funds on the ground that the organizations included in the drive are a "religious fraud."

"Cash Sales" Raising Sale!

OUT GOES OUR STOCK

OF LADIES' SUITS, COATS, SKIRTS, WAISTS, DRESSES, PETTICOATS, KIMONAS,
HOUSE DRESSES, APRONS, SWEATERS

A JOYFUL EVENT FOR THE LADIES OF UMATILLA COUNTY

To be able fit up before Holiday Time with such Standard Goods as we have always carried and at such a sacrifice as we will make. No comparative prices will be published. Our reason for this "Cash Sales" Raising Sale is this. On the first of each season we estimate our sales and buy accordingly. This season our "Credit Sales" or "Charge Sales" are over the mark but, our "Cash Sales" are under the estimate! This is on account of the "Flu," and as we are determined to go "Over the Top" you are going to be able to buy Ladies' Ready-to-Wear as above mentioned for less than you ever did before. Here are the conditions on advertised goods.
NO CHARGE TO ANYONE
NO GOODS LAID AWAY
NO PHONF ORDERS

NO APPROVALS
NO EXCHANGES
NO REFUNDS
NO FREE ALTERATIONS
NO MORE THAN ONE DELIVERY A DAY
All goods are to be selected in person and each sale is final and conclusive and when the Cash is rung in the Register, the sale is history. We ask you to read this ad. carefully, make your selections the same way—we will accord you all the time you want—but remember, this is a "CASH SALES" RAISING SALE and as we have paid for the goods once (and we have, too) we will not buy them back of you.
We are going to make a lot of friends by this sale and we will not ruin that friendship by breaking any rules that apply to all.

SALE IS NOW ON

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