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WHY WE ARE AT WAR WITH GERMANY

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"The object of this war is to deliver the free peoples of the world from the menace and the actual power of a vast military establishment controlled by an irresponsible government, which, having secretly planned to dominate the world, proceeded to carry out the plan without regard either to the sacred obligations of treaty or the long-established practices and long-cherished principles of international action and honor; . . . This power is not the German people. It is the ruthless master of the German people. . . . It is our business to see to it that the history of the rest of the world is no longer left to its handling."
—President Wilson, August 27, 1917.

THE GERMANS AS A CHOSEN PEOPLE.

The foundation cause of this war is Germany's firm belief that she alone has the right to direct the progress of the world and to exploit its resources. For the last thirty years the military autocracy of Germany has seen to it that this belief was taught in the schools, and today that autocracy is reaping the benefits of a blind obedience to its will. German political writing of recent years is full of the idea that the German people is "God's chosen people, destined to impose its 'Kultur' upon all other peoples."

"The German soul is the world's soul, God and Germany belong to one another." "Germany is the center of God's plans for the world." "We hope that a great mission will be allotted to us Germans . . . and this German mission is: to look after the world." "Germany is chosen, for her own good and that of other nations, to undertake their guidance. Providence has placed the appointed people, at the appointed moment, ready for the appointed task."

"The German people is always right, because it is the German people, and numbers 87,000,000 souls." "Kultur is best promoted when the strongest individual Kultur, that of a given nation, enlarges its field of activity at the expense of the other national Kulturs." "The attempt of Napoleon to graft the Kultur of Western Europe upon the empire of the Muscovite ended in failure. Today history has made us Germans the inheritors of the Napoleonic idea." "The further we carry our Kultur into the East, the more and the more profitable outlets shall we find for our wares. Economic profit is of course not the main motive of our Kultur-activity, but it is no unwelcome by-product." "Our belief is that the salvation of the whole Kultur of Europe depends upon the victory which German 'Militarism' is about to achieve."

These quotations are but a few of hundreds of like expression, and the last one cited is from a manifesto signed by thirty-five hundred German professors and lecturers. Reduced to simple terms, the German belief at the beginning of this war was: "God directs Germany. Civilization advances only by combats between Kulturs in which the stronger and God-directed one has the right to prevail and must prevail. The immediate and present

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LIBERTY LOAN RALLY M. E. CHURCH SUNDAY Band, Orchestra, Quartette, Noted Speakers In Patriotic Program

Next Sunday, April 7th will be specially devoted to patriotic services in Estacada, continuing from morning until late in the evening, the theme of the day's program devoted to the interests of the Third Liberty Loan.

It is expected that all nearby churches and Sunday Schools will join in these centralized services, which begin in the morning at 10:45 at the Estacada M. E. Church and wind up with a big rally meeting that evening in the High School Auditorium.

A real treat is in store for our people as the famous Moose band of Oregon City will furnish martial and patriotic music, also the county-seat will furnish a vocal and an instrumental quartette, a soloist and several speakers.

Among the speakers will be a soldier recently returned from the fighting front in France, also George C. Brownwell of Oregon City and others.

The invitation is extended all people from outlying districts to come and spend the day, bringing their dinners and suppers and availing themselves of the privileges and comforts of the M. E. Church dining room and kitchen.

On April 6th the Third Liberty Loan drive will begin in earnest and it is hoped Eastern Clackamas will furnish its quota early in the drive.

The house to house canvass will begin on that day, with all community committees in readiness. While rating cards will be used in this canvass, these ratings are leniently based, not on bank deposits, but on the general knowledge of the committees as to the financial standing of the various residents in their districts. These ratings are not fixed, but are subject to modification or increase as the work and investigation progresses.

Clackamas County's quota is \$258,000., according to the latest estimates. Already the outlook is bright for the county going over the 100% mark, as the present sale of the War Savings and Thrift Stamps is indicative of the patriotism of our people.

The Estacada Post Office reports having passed the \$5,000. mark several days ago in the

LOCK-JAW VICTIM IS REPORTED IMPROVING Mrs. Edgar Heiple Bravely Fighting Dreaded Tetanus Disease.

As the result of the infection, caused by a sliver which she had gotten into her hand a few days previous, Mrs. Edgar Heiple of Currinsville was last Thursday rushed to St. Vincent's Hospital in Portland suffering from a severe attack of lock-jaw.

Until the early part of the week, little improvement in the patient's condition was apparent, with Sunday an anxious day for the attending physicians, relatives and friends.

Latest reports from Dr. R. Morse of Estacada, who is in charge of the case, indicates an improvement, with the lock-jaw slightly relieved and the periodic spasms occurring less frequently and of shorter duration.

Being the daughter of the late John Tracy, one of this community's earliest settlers and one of the most popular and well known women in this part of the county, the immediate family have been daily deluged with inquiries as to her condition, from hundreds of friends and neighbors and the latest reports are cheering ones.

As explained by Dr. Morse, the lock-jaw germ is to be found in and about stables or in earth which has been manured, as the germ originates from the horse; consequently people should exercise care in disinfecting and sterilizing even the small flesh wounds received under such conditions.

The disease is not a common one, but science has in recent years perfected serums, with which treatment, the mortality rate has been greatly reduced.

sale of stamps and the George community alone is credited with the purchase of over \$400. worth.

The Boy Scouts are doing fine work at this time, being to a great extent responsible for the interest taken in the buying of the lesser government securities. These boys are in large part also responsible for the patriotic rally on Sunday and it is expected will take part in the program.

One feature of Sunday's rally will be a patriotic parade, with Sunday School children from all nearby churches taking part and all urged to bring flags.

LOCAL SOLDIER DIES IN COUNTRY'S SERVICE Alva Linn, Former Estacada Boy, Dies In Washington Hospital.

An official telegram from the war department received by Mrs. Mary L. Carter of Fairview, formerly Mrs. James O. Linn of Estacada, announced the death on March 29th, at a Washington, D. C. hospital, of her only son, James Alva Linn, member of the 37th Engineers Corps of Ft. Myers, Virginia.

Aside from the brief official communication from the war department, no details of his death have been received, excepting that the remains are being shipped home for burial. Whether the death was the result of accident or from natural causes will not be known for a few days.

The present plans made by the family are for funeral services to be held at the Estacada M. E. Church on Sunday at two o'clock, with interment at the Mt. Zion Cemetery in Garfield.

The deceased, who was 22 years old, was an only child and a grandson of Garfield's pioneer, R. G. Palmateer. He was familiarly known among his many friends and relatives in this community as "Alvie" Linn, and at one time attended the Estacada schools.

The sympathy of this community is extended the grief stricken mother and sorrowing relatives, and may that sorrow always be lessened by the knowledge that their soldier boy gave his life for his country's service.

Tennis Club Elects Officers

At the annual meeting and election of officers of the Estacada Tennis club held Monday evening, A. L. Lasswell was elected president, succeeding A. W. Botkin; Theo. Ahlberg was chosen vice-president; Mrs. E. W. Bartlett re-elected secretary-treasurer and R. M. Standish appointed laborer, in charge of upkeep of grounds.

The club expects a prosperous season this year, with all members planning to take a more active interest in the game. The courts will shortly be put into first class condition and a limited number of new members will be taken into the club, filling the vacancies caused by the removal from Estacada of a few former members. Application for membership may be made to any of the officers of the club.