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## NOTES AND COMMENTS



Loyalty to the flag does not require you to hate your neighbor, even tho he may have been born under the flag of a tyrant.



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(Signed)

William C. Benfer,  
Publisher.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of Apr., 1917.

T. H. Littlehales,  
Notary Public for Oregon.

(Seal)

My commission expires Nov. 16, 1919.

### OUR FLAG

Fling it from the mast and steeple,

Symbol o'er land and sea,

Of the life of a happy people,

Gallant and strong and free.

Proudly we view its colors,

Flag of the brave and true,

With the clustered stars and the steady

fast bars,

The red, the white and the blue.

Flag of the fearless-hearted,

Flag of the broken chain,

Flag, in a dew dawn started,

Never to pale or wane;

Dearly we prize its colors,

With the heaven light breaking thru,

The clustered stars and the steadfast

bars,

The red, the white and the blue.

Flag of the sturdy fathers,

Flag of the loyal sons,

Beneath its folds it gathers.

Earth's best and noblest ones.

Boldly we wave its colors,

Our veins are thrilled anew,

By the steadfast bars, the clustered

stars,

The red, the white and the blue.

—Margaret Sangster.

Did you ever notice that the fellow who has accomplished least always thinks himself cut out for a leader? This applies to your neighbor, not to you.

Nursing a crop of potatoes may be hard work this summer, but if the war continues another year, spuds will be so expensive you'll wish you had raised a few tons.

When you give your printing to a newspaper you are helping it to render service to the community. You are encouraging it, you are building up an institution that is creditable to your home town. Personal dislikes should not interfere with your patronage. If you had no well established newspapers here, some of you men and women would be forming a corporation to start one. That's the story of every town. When you have those institutions in your home town do your share to keep them alive. Don't be a mere booster by word of mouth, show the real faith that is within you by patronizing them. County newspaper publishers are not parasites, for they render a valuable service to the community, much of which is not recompensed. Had you ever thought of it?—McMinnville News-Reporter.

### THIS SOUNDS GOOD

That patriotism can thrive and flourish as well in the heart of the rich man as in the breast of the boys who have enlisted is proven by the following telegram, sent to President Wilson by E. W. Scripps of San Diego, Calif., one of the owners of the Portland News and a dozen other daily newspapers:

"I strongly urge that we should pay as we go in the war with income and inheritance taxes. All

incomes of over \$100,000 a year should be conscripted. The minimum cash pay of soldiers and sailors should be not less than \$3 per day during the war. Such legislation would cost me much more than half my present income."

Hats off to E. W. Scripps! May his tribe increase! While it is only proper that those who have prospered must should help their country most, Mr. Scripps' suggestion is so unusual as to be almost revolutionary. Many men with incomes of \$1,000 might suggest the confiscation of \$10,000 incomes, but few there are who would suggest that more than half their own incomes should be confiscated.

We are so accustomed to seeing the farmer leave his plow, the artisan his bench and the wage-workers his job when Uncle Sam calls that we expect nothing less of these patriotic citizens, who give their ALL to their country, but this man Scripps is a new variety. Let us hope Uncle Johnny Rockefeller, the Morgans, Goulds, Vanderbilts, et al., will catch this new patriotism and make it possible to equip and feed the fighters and their families as they deserve to be equipped and fed.

America should be too highly civilized to permit one per cent of her population to grow rich while the other ninety and nine are risking their lives in the trenches.

Since the above was put in type Simon Benson, Portland capitalist and member of the state highway commission, has announced that he has an income of \$180,000 and that Uncle Sam can have the \$80,000 and as much more as he needs. 'Rah for Benson!

### U. S. AND FRANCE

The New York World editorially urges that the United States make France a present of \$1,000,000,000, says the Portland News.

France in her hour of deadly extremity is borrowing \$100,000,000 from our private banking concerns and is being compelled to pay 6 per cent interest, depositing \$120,000,000 worth of securities as collateral—a mighty hard up party at the mercy of arrogant American pawnbrokers.

Attention is called to the fact that, when the American colonies were bankrupt and struggling for life, France loaned them hundreds of millions at 5 per cent and cancelled the interest for the whole period of our revolutionary war as "a new proof of affection and friendship." She also sent over battleships and some of her ablest officers.

Delivery to France, thru protection by our navy, of a billion dollars' worth of American food and munitions might save our sister republic and would undoubtedly be about the worst blow we could give Germany. But, at this date it would hardly be possible to work up public sentiment to a gift of a billion dollars in payment of a debt of gratitude contracted in 1778. However, we might loan France the billion at low rate of interest and cancel the interest during the war period as "proof of affection

and friendship."

Morally, our nation owes France more than it ever can repay. She was our open, helpful friend when all our other friends were cowed by our oppressors. France, now, both as to money-power and man-power, is on the verge of the abyss. A fellow who, loaded with prosperity and power, will not help his imperilled friend at least to the extent that that friend helped him is popularly set down as a mighty mean, cheap skate.

Shall France find us Allies, or just pawnbrokers?

### DOING THINGS

The men who control the affairs of the country are those who do things, says the Western Farmer. There is a very large class who are dissatisfied with the way things are done. They would like to have things done differently. They do a large amount of fault-finding, spend a great deal of time calling attention to what is wrong; but they do not count for much, as their efforts stop at fault-finding. They never do things themselves. They let other people do the things they ought to do and then they grumble because they have not been done their way.

Business men, capitalists, corporations organize, combine and act. Farmers are very slow to either organize or combine. If any attempt is made in this direction in a community, the majority will stand back and criticize. They will wait to see how it comes out. Instead of helping, they hinder by fault-finding and captious criticism; then, if failure ensues, they say: "I told you so."

If the farmers would only organize and act as unitedly and energetically as men in other lines of business, they could be a power for good. Before they can do this they must learn that it is by doing things, rather than talking about it, that results are secured. Granges and farmers' clubs have done much for their members and for others, but never what they might have done if all had realized the value of "doing things," of each one doing their part, regulating the chances by sharing in the work.

### Obstacles May Prevent the College Merger

There are obstacles to the proposed merger of Albany College of Albany and Pacific University of Forest Grove, according to Dr. Wallace H. Lee, president of the former institution, who was in Portland recently, says the Oregonian.

Chief among these obstacles President Lee declared to be the legal obstacle to the transfer of the property. He said that in all probability if the two schools were merged at Forest Grove, it would be impossible to transfer title of the 48-acre campus of Albany College and its two buildings to the new institution and that the property consequently would be a total loss. Of the \$265,000 endowment of the Albany College he estimated that probably not more than \$100,000 could be transferred.

"The question of course," he said, "would be a matter for the courts to decide, which would mean litigation."

President Lee said that, contrary to the reports, the trustees of Albany College were not favorable to the proposed merger at Albany. The president said that there was a small Presbyterian minority in the state which favored the merger at Forest Grove, but that the bulk of the people who had been supporting the college for years were opposed to

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such a plan

The question will come up for consideration at the meeting of the Presbyterian Synod of Oregon in July. A committee appointed to investigate the proposed merger will make a majority report at that time favoring the plan. Three of the members of the committee of eight are considering the advisability of making a minority report opposing the merger, President Lee said.

W. Sedlak, aged 83 and living for many years near Tualatin, took his own life by cutting his throat with a razor last Thursday. He was a bachelor and left an estate valued at \$8,000.

### Free Methodist Church

Sabbath school 10 a. m., preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. All are welcomed.  
J. N. WOOD, Pastor.

### Notice of Sale of Real Property

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington county. In the matter of the estate and Last Will and Testament of Nellie Porter Dannials, deceased. Under authority of an order granted by D. B. Reasoner, County Judge of the county of Washington, state of Oregon, dated March 26th, A. D., 1917, I, the undersigned executor, will sell at private sale the following-described

property:

A house and lot in Forest Grove, Washington county, Oregon, to-wit: Commencing at the Southwest corner of lot one, in block two, Naylor's Addition to the City of Forest Grove, said county and state, running thence north 101.30 feet; thence east 50 feet; thence south 101.30 feet; thence west 50 feet to the place of beginning.

The sale will be made on or after April 30th, A. D., 1917, and bids will be received at my office, in the Anderson building, in Forest Grove, Washington county, Oregon; the terms of sale will be for cash, gold coin of the United States, of which ten per cent shall be paid at the time of submitting satisfactory bid, and the balance shall be paid at the time of confirmation of said sale by the County Court of said county.

Dated at Forest Grove, Oregon, this 27th day of March, A. D., 1917.

JOE A. WILES,

Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Nellie Porter Dannials, deceased.

HOLLIS & GRAHAM,  
Attorneys for Executor. (12-5

### Notice of Final Settlement

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the Estate of Luther C. Cooper, deceased, has filed in the County Court of Washington County, State of Oregon, his final account as such administrator of said Estate, and that Monday, the 23d day of April, 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, has been fixed by said Court as the time for hearing of objections to said report, and the settlement thereof.

C. M. COOPER,

Administrator of the Estate of Luther C. Cooper, Deceased.  
M. B. & D. D. Bump,  
Attorneys for the Estate. 11-5t

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