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"I am sorry that you do not wear a flag every day and I can only ask you if you lose the physical emblem to be sure that you wear it IN YOUR HEART; the heart of America shall interpret the heart of the world."—President Wilson.



NOTES AND COMMENTS

Judging by the way some people drive autos in this city, they have not read the traffic ordinance, which they can secure free of charge from the city recorder or treasurer.

President Wilson is evidently determined to make the burdens of the war fall as lightly as possible on the women and children, for he has issued an order that married men who are really the only support of dependents shall be exempt from the draft law. Yes, if we must sacrifice lives, let it be the bachelors.

Wilbur K. Newell, formerly of Gaston, now of Portland, will assist the member of the board of food control for Oregon. Mr. Newell is finely equipped by experience and knowledge of production to fill the important duties to which he has been appointed, and his many friends out this way know that he will make good.—Hillsboro Argus.

The threatened tieup of all labor by the I. W. W. fell flat, proving what the Express has said—that people attached too much importance to the noisy bunch. And, while a few of the forest fires may have been started by I Won't Workers, we must remember that forest fires are as old as the world, and the I. W. W. is a recent invention.

THE PERFECT PRO-GERMAN

There are all kinds of fools, knaves and cranks in this country who are constantly echoing the yammer they have heard from pro-German sources, but for pure 24-karat foolishness and cussedness, James K. Vardaman, senator from Mississippi, has a few equals. He has issued an authorized interview for southern consumption in which again he assails his own country. He calls our entry into the war an entry for profits.

That German submarines sank

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THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT, enrolled 1085 cadets in 1916-17, and won recommendation for O. A. C. from the Western Department of the U. S. War Department as one of the fifteen "distinguished institutions" of higher learning. All cadets will be furnished complete uniforms by the U. S. Government and the junior and senior cadets, enrolled in the R. O. T. C., will be given commutation for subsistence, as well as all transportation and subsistence at the six weeks' summer camp. **REGISTRATION BEGINS OCTOBER 8, 1917.** Information on request. Address, Registrar, Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Oregon.

American ships on the high seas meant nothing to him. That German submarines murdered and are continuing to murder American seamen, conducting their lawful business on the ocean high ways of the world, means nothing to him. That Germany sought to impose its will upon a free and independent nation, that it sought to restrict the numbers of American ships that it would allow to sail the seas, that it insisted these ships be painted like striped zebras, that it sought to name the ports to which they could sail and the cargoes they could carry—all these things meant nothing to Vardaman.—Portland News.

MUCH DEPENDS ON YOU

It is related that two French soldiers at the front were discussing prospects for a successful ending of the war.

Said one, "We shall win if 'they' hold firm."

"Who do you mean by they?" asked the other.

"Why, the civilians at home," was the response.

You men who have not been called, or those of you who hold exemption cards reflect upon this prediction of the poilu. The French soldier believes he will win the war if his civilian ally at home stands firm!

That is a new idea in warfare; the toiler in the trench looking anxiously to his comrade at home to stand firm. The American people have not yet fully adjusted themselves to the idea that this war is different from all other wars. They regard it only a little larger.

We are gradually awakening to the truth. Battles are no longer won upon the battlefield. This is a war of munitions, of supplies, of machinery, of transportation, of money. The military forces in the field are but an arm of the service, a very important arm it is true, but still an arm. The civilians at home constitute another arm, and that arm has been called to the colors.

No matter what your position or profession is, no matter your age, or sex, or physical condition, you have been called to the colors.

Failure to perform your daily duties to the best of your ability; failure to support the Red Cross, failure to contribute what your purse could afford to the Liberty Loan is the measure of a "slacker," just as truly as he who is drafted for military service and who shirks the obligation.

Those who are not drafted for military service should realize that they are drafted for civilian service.

Thousands of railroad employes are being exempted from military service now for the sole reason that the Government believes they can render more important service toward winning the war by remaining at their posts.

Of what use are soldiers in the



News Snapshots Of the Week

The return of Elihu Root and the other members of the American mission to Russia gave us an insight into Russia's strength; Root reported the republic safe if the present government received our wholehearted support. Selecting his new cabinet, Dr. Georg Michaelis, German chancellor, named Dr. von Kuhlmann as foreign minister, while Dr. Karl Helfferich, vice chancellor, was the only one of the old cabinet to remain. Liberals in Germany find no satisfaction in the change. Canadians advanced on Lens, the German stronghold in France; Sir Arthur Currie has now become commander of all the Canadian forces. Part of America's draft army will be in camp by Sept. 1; identification disks will be worn by all our soldiers in the future. Fighting for the possession of her son, Mrs. John L. De Saulles, wife of the former Yale football star, shot her husband and is now in jail in Minsola, N. Y.; Mrs. De Saulles is a Chilean heiress, and it is claimed millions will be spent for her defense if necessary; she was divorced from De Saulles.

field if there are not loyal comrades to carry the ammunition to them? Of what use are the American troops if there are no transportation agencies to take them to the front; no well-tilled farms to produce the war crops that will support these troops; no factories to make ammunition; no toilers at home to care for the women and children?

Soon it will be the American "Sammy" who will turn to his wounded comrade "somewhere in France" and say, "Never mind, old pal, we will win if 'they' stand firm."

And the American "Sammy" will probably be referring to you and each one of us. Will we stand firm?—S. P. Bulletin.

Warranty deed and mortgage blanks for sale at this office.

On Sept. 25th five sections of land in the Siletz Indian reservation will be sold at the Portland land office. The land is estimated to contain 170,620 feet of timber and a minimum price of \$1.00 per 1,000 feet has been placed on the fir and spruce and 50c on the cedar and hemlock. The land must bring at least \$1.25 per acre. Further information may be secured from the Portland land office.

SIGNS OF PROSPERITY

New sawmill started at Harris station, C. & E. railroad.

Hubbard—Public work here progressing.

Florence—S. P. may build railroad spur from Cushman to this place.

Redrock—Work on Cornucopia Post road to start soon.

Cornelius—Peerless Furnace Company of Portland to install school heating plant.

Sutherlin—Road improvements begun on Sutherlin-Coles valley road.

Crane—\$15,000 bonds voted for modern school house.

Silverton—P. R. L. & P. Co. installing new street lighting system.

Coos Bay—Government to expend \$55,000 on road between Corbin and Hubbard's Creek.

Sutherlin—Two vinegar vats installed at Everfresh plant; capacity, 20,000 gals. each.

Meacham—O. W. R. & N. Co. constructing double track and repairing bridges here.

Hubbard—Five miles of paving to be done on Pacific Highway from this point.

Grants Pass—Pittsburg-Oregon Mining & Milling Co. incorporated with

\$2,000,000 stock.

Coos Bay—Constructing new spur track at Libby mine.

North Bend—Two miles of macadam road to be constructed on South Slough road.

Roseburg—Work begun on Winchester Bay road.

Coos Bay—Experts to make examination of Coos county oil possibilities.

Florence—Machinery purchased for new shingle mill at Glenada.

Prairie City—Shipping 30 tons of cromeite daily.

Roseburg—33 miles of Pacific Highway in Douglas county to be built at once.

Port Orford—Old Blanco mine being equipped with new machinery to treat 500 tons gold-platinum sands daily.

Coos Bay—40 families of Belgians to locate as settlers.

Reedsport—Shipyards proposed here.

Lebanon—Two roads near here being improved.

Bandon has plan to bond city to start shipyard.

Portland—Spruce contracts let, Oregon City mills to furnish material for airplanes, price \$105.00 per thousand.

Myrtle Point—Myrtle wood industry of this section increasing.

Gold Beach—Due to great demand

for food and small salmon catch, Oregon fish canners and fishermen ask longer season.

Grants Pass—Utah-Idaho Sugar Co. buying 1500 acres of Rogue river valley land having just purchased 225 acres near Central Point for \$25,000.

Bend—With the sale of \$900,000 of the bonds of the Ochoco irrigation project in Crook county, comes the announcement that active work on the permanent development of the big Central Oregon enterprise is to begin within two weeks and will be completed within 18 months.

Administrator's Notice

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the County Court of Washington County, Oregon, as Administrator of the estate of J. W. Thompkins, deceased, and all persons holding claims against said estate will present same, duly verified, according to law to the undersigned, at the office of Langley & Langley, at Forest Grove, Oregon, on or before six months from the date hereof.

August 30th, 1917.

J. R. THOMPKINS,
Administrator.

Manche Irene Langley,
Attorney for the estate.

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