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FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 1918.

OREGON WEATHER Fair, moderate southeasterly winds.

AN OPTION ON IDLERS

Here is one way of securing farm labor. It works. It gets results in Chackasha, Oklahoma. And in any county it will help to some extent, at least, in relieving the farm-labor shortage.

The farm demonstration agent in Grady county, of which Chackasha is the seat, arranged with the chief of police and the judge of the city court to give him an "option" as it were, upon all the vagrants and idlers arraigned. The county agent promised to use his best efforts to secure a job for every man who expressed a willingness to go to work on a farm. Transient vagrants and local idlers, alike, were unhesitant in deciding. Given a choice of jail or the county road or of hard farm work at fair wages, they became enthusiastic "back-to-the-farm" advocates.

The county agent has an arrangement whereby the city and county authorities feed these men until they are placed on farms. And that, usually, is very quickly. The agent is in touch with farm labor needs all over the county and has been able to place all promising material without delay. In one day during the last harvest season he furnished farmers with 89 men, and upon several occasions he has furnished 60 to 65 farm workers in one day. These men are free agents entirely. They work voluntarily for the wages agreed upon. They can leave if they desire. But there is one thing they can not do—remain in Chackasha, Oklahoma, and not work.

The great work being accomplished by loggers and lumbermen in getting out spruce for airplanes and fir for ships is set forth in the March edition of Dun's Review in an attractive and interesting manner. Under the heading, "Pacific Coast Spruce for Ships and Airplanes," the Review carries a four-page illustrated article concerning the sudden expansion of the northwest's shipbuilding industry and the advancement made in the work of getting out spruce. In this connection attention is called to the fact that the southern pine producers have been compelled to come to the Pacific northwest for big ship timbers, something they have been unable to secure in southern forests after they had been given the lion's share of shipbuilding contracts. The mis-

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USERS OF EXPLOSIVES MUST SECURE LICENSE The purpose of the explosives law is to prevent lawless or unauthorized use of explosives during the war. It must be borne in mind that it is a war measure, and all war measures in some degree interfere with the ordinary course of business. Section 10 of the law provides that every user of explosives must have a license, and the type of licenses designated as purchaser's, vendor's or foreman's license only touch the ordinary use of explosives among the people. A citizen cannot buy, sell, use or have in his possession any type of explosives until he has obtained a license. This is so comprehensive that, should any citizen have had in his possession at the time of the enactment of the law any explosives, it will be necessary for him to obtain licenses. The regulations contemplate such supervision of these materials as will keep them out of the hands of those who might use them illegally. Several having a surplus of explosives on hand at the time of the enactment of the law found it advisable to procure a vendor's license in order to sell the product, it being incumbent upon the owner to provide a safe place for keeping and storing explosives, where they will not be a menace to the government or to individuals. It appears that persons suffering the most inconvenience from the regulations to date are the miners and the land clearers, the climatic conditions of the far northwestern states making conditions right for clearing of land by blowing out stumps with blasting powder. In some counties many hundreds of men are engaged in this occupation during November, December and January. Those only who realize the stress of war times and the huge mass of accumulated business in the departments at Washington, as well as the overburdened government printing office, can understand the unavoidable delay which has prevented the duly authorized licensing officers from being supplied with the necessary blank applications, licenses, etc. Applicants for license should not infer from the leading questions asked by the licensing agent that he is acting without instructions, for it is vitally necessary that an improper applicant be prohibited from obtaining a license. Most licensing agents require identification beyond all possible doubt, usually at least two reputable citizens known to the licensing officer vouching for the licensor being assured of the actual use to be made of the explosives. Every person authorized to sell, issue or dispose of explosives by vendor's license is required to keep an itemized and accurate record, showing to whom sold or disposed of, date and quantity or kind of explosives, and to submit a sworn statement to the bureau of mines when called upon. The hearty cooperation of all citi-

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sens of Oregon, and especially of all public officials, state, county and municipal, is requested, to render this act effective in the sense in which it was enacted. W. N. CAMPBELL, Explosive inspector for the State of Oregon.

MASTER PROGRAM M. E. CHURCH Morning, 11 a. m. Knights Templar guests of congregation. Hymn by congregation. Prayer by pastor. Anthem chorus choir, "Sing for the Day is Breaking," by Ira B. Wilson. Scripture lesson. Offeratory, "Berceuse," from Jocelyn, Mrs. Geo. C. Sabin. Solo, "O King Immortal," Mrs. Knapp. Violin obligato, Mrs. Carpenter. Sermon, "The Inspiration of Immortality," Rev. Melville T. Wire. Evening Cantata, 8 p. m. "Gospel of Easter," by Pearl Part I. "What Song is This," baritone solo and chorus, J. M. Isham. "The Watch at the Door," contralto solo and chorus, Mrs. A. N. Parsons. "He is Not Here, He is Risen," tenor solo and women's chorus, H. N. Stonaker. "When Christ Our Lord Arose," contralto solo, Mrs. A. N. Parsons. "Now is Christ Risen," entire chorus. Offeratory, violin solo, Mrs. Carpenter. Part II. "Behold I Show You a Mystery," baritone solo, J. M. Isham. "The Victory," entire chorus. "Now I Shall See Him," soprano solo, Mrs. Arthur Wible. "All Power is Given Unto Me," tenor solo, H. N. Stonaker. "Lo, I Am With You Always," soprano and tenor duet, Mrs. Knapp and Paul Blanchard. "The Gospel of Easter," entire chorus. Cantata under direction of Mrs. A. G. Knapp. Pianist, Mrs. Geo. C. Sabin.

BAPTIST CHAPEL CAR SERVICES APRIL 1ST

Chapel car "Good Will" one of the seven chapel cars belonging to the Baptist churches of America, with Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Driver of Portland, Ore., aboard, is in the city and stands on the spur at the Sixth street crossing, between the two depots. The car represents a \$10,000 equipment and it is claimed to be the most practical and up-to-date method of doing Christian evangelistic work in America today. The car is perfectly equipped for religious services and with its Estey organ, Victrola, 100 singing books, will accommodate comfortably 100 adults and frequently Mr. and Mrs. Driver say they have 150 in their junior and young people's meetings. While the car has worked in many western states, it has given its time exclusively to work in Oregon during the last four years. More than 12,000 miles have been travelled, 50 localities worked, nearly 100,000 people have attended the services, 700 or 800 have professed conversions and hundreds of them have joined the churches. Several churches and Sunday schools have been organized in communities where there were none before. Mr. and Mrs. Driver expect to be in Grants Pass several weeks, working under the auspices of the Baptist church of this city. All the Christian communions and forces of the city are invited to cooperate with them in a "drive" against sin, and for everything that stands for good citizenship, the making of Christian character and the saved life, said Mr. Driver. The first meeting will be held in the car Monday evening, April 1st, and everybody is invited to visit the car and attend the meetings. Mr. Driver has been supplying the Baptist pulpit of this city for several weeks and will conduct the Easter services there next Sunday. GERMANS OCCUPYING UNTENABLE GROUND Portland, Mar. 29.—That the German advance puts the Hun armies into the same unfavorable strategic position they held prior to their

Saturday— The Last Day And this store closes, and for this final day I am going to give you shoes for Easter Sunday for less money than I paid the manufacturer. I have grouped all the Magohany Tans, Grey Kid, Patent leather, White and Ivory tops, Bronze and White Buck shoes at \$5 the pair Children's sandals, size 6-8, at \$1.15 the pair, 8 1/2 to 12 1/2 at \$1.25 the pair. The children will soon be calling for sandals, save money by providing for them now. Children's oxfords at \$1.00 the pair Children's pumps, at \$1.25 the pair Women's oxfords, small sizes, \$1.00 the pair Women's rubbers, 60 cents pair Men's Howard & Foster oxfords, at \$1.95 the pair BOYS SHOES MEN'S WORK SHOES R. L. Bartlett

retirement in 1916 was asserted today by Count de Portanier de la Rochette of the aviation section of the French mission to America, who with Lieutenant Albert Cantoni, Royal Italian flying corps, is in Portland to confer with Colonel Bruce P. Disque regarding airplane production. They came at the colonel's request. Both officers, high in the allied military service, were cheerful today in discussing the German gains on the west front. Their optimism was both for conditions on the front and for the production of Oregon and Washington spruce for airplanes. Count de La Rochette spent 2 1/2 years in the trenches before he was transferred to the aviation section and subsequently appointed a member of the commercial division of the French mission to the United States. He said: "The offensive the Germans have just perpetrated on the western front is a sign of their weakness. It was a desperate last attempt to crush the allied forces. The German retreat from the old battle line in 1916 was a strategic move. They were in a weak position and by retreating made their position stronger. Now with their present offensive they are again in their weaker location and they have lost the best shock troops."

TO MEMBERS JOSEPHINE COUNCIL OF DEFENSE All members are requested to meet at the train Sunday morning at 9 o'clock a. m. to signalize the departure of Josephine county's first contingent under the second call. FRED A. WILLIAMS, President. GERMAN BOYS OF 17 ARE TO BE DRAFTED Paris, Mar. 29.—The German consul general at Zurich has inserted advertisements in the newspapers requesting all German subjects of the age of 17 years to communicate with the consulate with a view to their being called to the colors, according to Zurich correspondent of the "Petit Journal." Drafting of the class of 1921 began in several parts of Germany in the first days of March, according to information from trustworthy sources and a large number of youths have been sent directly into the war zone in civilian clothing without having received preliminary military training. All kinds of Commercial Printing at the Courier Office.

JUNIOR RED CROSS WILL COLLECT JUNK By D. W. H. Spring housecleaning is at hand and in order to assist the housewives and clean up the city as well the boys of the Junior high school will, beginning tomorrow and continuing all next week, collect junk, the proceeds from the sale of which will go to the Junior Red Cross. The boys can find sale for old rags, rubber boots and shoes, old automobile and bicycle tires and tubes, solid rubber, copper, brass, zinc, lead pipe, pewter, iron, bottles, aluminum, tinfoil, lead foil, tea lead, horse hair and gunny sacks. The pupils of the Junior high are workers and will no doubt collect a large amount of junk, thus adding a good sum to the treasury of the Junior Red Cross.

STUMEZE PUT THIS MAN BACK TO WORK This is to certify that Mr. R. L. Wolfe, 220 Ash St., San Diego, California, purchased three bottles of STUMEZE. Mr. Wolfe stated that his stomach was giving him so much trouble he was unable to work; but since taking STUMEZE he is entirely relieved and able to resume his duties. (Signed.) THE MONARCH DRUG CO., San Diego, California. When your stomach is sick you are sick all over—soon knocks you out. Don't run the risk of total disability; go now to your druggist and get a bottle of STUMEZE, the real medicine for stomach ills. It is guaranteed. Political Cards. Paid advertisements EUGENE L. COBURN Republican Candidate for Nominee for COUNTY CLERK Present incumbent