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We Are Always Ready

This week the Herald is again called upon to publish a column or more of reading matter pertaining to the call to arms. The article will be found in another column—of course. This paper (and we are not alone in this) has never refused to give publicity to any and all matter handed in for the public welfare since the government became embroiled in the European conflict, and it never will refuse. Our space and our service so far as they may be needed are at the command of our government.

But, in this connection, comes the thought, "Are the newspapers being treated in fairness by congress and the government at this time?" It may now be the law that we shall pay a large percentage tax on our gross income, a largely increased postage rate, a personal income tax and several other taxes because of the war. And all this in addition to and without credit for the advertising space donated to the welfare of the country. What is given will be given freely, but should a free horse be ridden to death? Is it not enough that we give publicity to any and all movements without being taxed out of existence and just as heavily as all other forms of business in addition to the publicity work? We ask, is it justice?

Pershing and victory for the allies seems the consensus of opinion over the entire world today.

And now Coquille is to be the playground for a bunch of I. W. W.'s. Shall we send for Oswald West to tell

us how to deal with them?

Our brothers and countrymen are fighting for freedom from an oppressive yoke across the Atlantic. What are we doing to aid the cause? Every possible thing?

With the advent of the American troops in France and the consequent increase in confidence on the part of the allies we may expect far greater results in the campaign than have heretofore been gained.

Reports of the past week seem to indicate that the allies are gaining on the German forces at every point. The only question now with the rank and file of the people of this country is, are we getting the whole truth?

Tomorrow we celebrate our independence from the yoke of bondage which was thrown off by our forefathers one hundred and forty-one years ago. And we are now engaged in one of the greatest wars for freedom the world has or ever will see. May the victory be greater than was the former.

Speaking of the ups and downs of the wheat and flour markets due to speculative trading, the Carson City (Nevada) News sagaciously observes that it is as absurd to boost flour in New York or New Orleans or San Francisco whenever the Chicago wheat quotation jumps as it would be for the population of those cities to don overcoats every time word comes that it is cold in Chicago.—Ex.

Even though one have a most decided bias in favor of German Kultur, how can he avoid dark suspicions when we have weekly reports—and oftener—that German submarine commanders are deliberately murdering crews and passengers of torpedoed ships? In most cases crews and passengers are fired upon after they have taken to open boats; and in one case the Germans fired a surface torpedo through a small boat that was carrying the crew of a sunken ship to a rescuing steamer. It's a rather uphill job to love that kind of an enemy.—The Star.

Personally the writer has always had a warm spot in his heart for the cause of labor. We have had to work some during the forty odd years we have inhabited this globe. But we find nothing but hardness and hatred in our heart of hearts for the I. W. W. movement in this country today. It is not, in our opinion, a labor movement in the strict sense of the word. It is, more properly speaking, in our opinion, a propaganda for the person-

al aggrandizement of individuals and is being used to satisfy personal grievances—if not worse—and the sooner Uncle Sam steps in and eradicates it the sooner will this country be at peace internally. Just so long as unlimited free speech is allowed just so long will internal dissension tear at the vitals of our government. The first mark of freedom is the absolute obedience of the laws of the country when these laws are properly framed and the members of that fraternity obey no laws unless compelled by force to do so. We say eradicate the organization, for the period of the war anyway.

East Fork.

Travel to the beautiful places in the East Fork and the canyon increases weekly. This is because the places are worth seeing.

Harold Shepherd caught his hand in a cross cut saw while working on the road, that knocked him off the job for a few days. Chas. Shepherd is the powder man where right of way is to be cleared in the Lee neighborhood.

There are those, who intended to attend the U. of O. summer school and the national teaching association, but think it is better to stay on the job as "soldiers of the commissary."

Turkey will loose her gobble and Billie 2 his strut.

Mr. and Mrs. Ede and family, of Marshfield, went out over the Coos Bay road last week bound for California and looking towards Florida. They have an extra good team. A man by the name of Miller and Mrs. Miller from Marshfield, went out the day before.

Mr. Jennings, of Bandon, came in on horseback from Roseburg.

Some of the people on the East Fork have made use of the early hay weather.

Mrs. Chas. F. Leatherwood, her son, Noyd, Mrs. Lloyd and the babies have gone on a visit to Brownsville in their new automobile.

Mr. Paget Sr. who has been helping sheep men in Washington, Oregon, this spring came up to his sons' places near Elk Creek Friday.

Mrs. Hahn and baby are visiting her sister, Mrs. Pearl Miller.

Thursday forenoon, 21st inst., Clifford Laird and an older brother, Ivan, were slashing on the pome place. They felled a leaving maple about two feet in diameter that stood on a hillside, they made the undercut and had sawed but little on the back cut when the tree fell, split as it fell, broke off ten or fifteen feet above the stump, kicked back, one part caught Clifford as it fell, crushing the life out of him. As one of the neighbors expressed it, "he never knew what hit him." The funeral was Friday at two o'clock at the Dora cemetery. Clifford Laird was a good boy, nothing of the "smart Alex" about him. He was a man's boy. The loving sympathy of the whole community goes out to the father and mother and family.

A recent letter from Massachusetts says, "There are two little children in Worcester, who came from Belgium and they have no hands, only stumps as Germans cut off their hands." Billie 2 don't cut off babies' hands in the United States of America, nor "tank" the dead for grease, fertilizer and pig food. Do you hear that? Some folks were afraid that Billie 2 and his kind would be called names. If you had all the language of earth and hell, you could not find a name to fit. So just call them Germans and let it go at that.

R. A. Easton.

OUR WORK APPRECIATED.

Red Cross Committee Hands Herald A Small Bouquet.

It is such marks of appreciation as are contained in the following letter which make the life of the poor editor even endurable and to say that we appreciate them is expressing it very mildly:

The Coquille Herald, Coquille Ore. Gentlemen—The undersigned Executive Committee wishes to express its appreciation of the generous space accorded the Red Cross in its recent drive for funds. By your liberality you have contributed in no small degree to the success of this work, and it gives us great pleasure to issue this word of appreciation.

The response of our people has been generous in time and money. This is largely due to the knowledge and understanding they have of the Red Cross and its needs gained through the columns of your paper, not only in the space donated for the publicity work, but also in the generous news reports concerning the work of the various committees of the organization.

We feel highly honored to have been selected for this great humanitarian work, and the commendation which we are now receiving we hasten to pass along to the patriotic co-workers who made the splendid success possible.

Very truly yours, L. J. Simpson, Chairman, Charles Hall, Geo. E. Dix, Hugh McLain, J. T. Brand.

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