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The Bull Moose have been on short grass so long they will not be able to get on the Oregon ballot at the coming election.

It is too laugh. The administration followers, through evil and good report, are charging that Chamberlain and Roosevelt have formed a close corporation.

With apples, prunes and potatoes of such quality as we grow here in the Willamette valley why should we worry about an occasional wheatless and meatless day?

The family circle of the Jefferson Review is evidently a large one. Under the head of "Home News" it discusses Senator Bill Stone, of Missouri, and his philippic against the immortal Teddy, and other happenings as far away as the North Pole.

N. D. Elliott, secretary of the Marion county Republican Committee who was down from Salem on business Saturday, was accosted as to the truthfulness of the statement that he was to be a candidate for the legislature and said there was nothing to it.

McMinnville has a goodly number of fellows enrolled in the service and headed for the trenches but evidently not all the scrappy inclined ones have departed from our county seat, judging from the incipient war clouds reported from the southwest. Should our friends have business to transact at the hub of Yamhill we advise them to do it by wireless for the present at least.

The many-times-exposed fraud, the chain letter, has appeared again. This time it purports to have come from Russia and the prayer is for victory for the allies. Of course the dire calamity that is to come to those who break the chain is attached, and evidently it is having its effect with some Newberg people, for copies are being mailed from this office. We thought this silly business had been exposed often enough to put everybody on their guard, but again we say, burn all such letters that come to you and forget it.

So far as our observation goes the merchants of Forest Grove and Hood River are the best newspaper advertisers in Oregon outside the big cities. For a long time the Hood River Glacier carried advertising regularly for every line of business represented in the town. While the record is not quite so good as that now, the merchants there are alert, and the columns of the Glacier are well filled all the year round with live, up-to-date advertising. Newberg has a few good advertisers among the business firms, but for a number of them no slumber robe is needed—they repose peacefully as it is.

The Benton County Courier is in a class by itself. It is different, as newspapers go, and that is why we always enjoy reading it, although it is often wild and woolly in the discussion of matters of public interest. The Capital Journal recently referred to the Courier as the paper with I. W. W. proclivities, which Mr. Brown took exceptions to and said the Courier was democratic. We are glad to have him classify the paper for hardly anyone else has been able to name it, so far as we know. Whether or not the democrats will resent the statement made by Brown we

are unable to say, but it is a safe guess that it is little he cares as long as people read the Courier. He is built that way.

The News-Reporter criticizes some of its exchanges for giving candidates what it terms free publicity by using their pictures in the news columns, and in the same issue does some free advertising for candidates on its own account by naming them and telling what they are out for—simply a distinction without a difference. The Graphic will give space for the picture of any candidate for an important office who will furnish an electro or halftone early in the race, feeling as we do that our readers like to know what such and such candidates look like, but after that any publicity they may desire will be treated as advertising matter and will be charged for at the regular rate.

ANOTHER GUESS REGARDING THE WAR

All are so anxious for the war to come to an end that all signs are watched closely by the people and opinions, spoken or written, are given consideration. The following is from "Jasper" in a recent issue of Leslie's:

It seems incredible, despite the predictions of military experts, that this war can last another year. It is too terribly exhausting. The spirit of revolution against it is in the air, not only in Russia, but among the peoples of all the contending nations. In Germany it is not apparent so much among the masses as among the classes—the great bankers, the heads of industries and of shipping. The revolution in Germany is likely to come from the top. When the bankers and captains of industry fully appreciate what the isolation of Germany means they will be driven to demand overtures for peace. Whether the Kaiser can resist these powerful influences may be questioned, but without money he cannot continue the dreadful conflict. I believe the end of the war will be in sight in 1918. Peace may come as unexpectedly as the war did.

The lion and the lamb act is apparently making havoc with party lines among the newspaper brethren out south. Recently the rock-ribbed republican editor and publisher of the Cottage Grove Sentinel, Elbert Bede, made very favorable comment on the candidacy of W. H. Hornbrook, editor and publisher of the Albany Democrat, for a position on the national democratic committee, and now Mr. Hornbrook comes back in return as follows:

"Elbert Bede, editor of the Cottage Grove Sentinel, is slated for the republican nomination for joint senator from Linn and Lane counties. The republicans of this senatorial district could make no better selection. Mr. Bede is both able and honest, the two qualifications that go to make up a splendid public official."

This is so different from what has been termed the "Oregon style" of journalism which was introduced in the early days by the trio, Dryer, Bush and Adams, that it is worthy of comment, and doubtless the boys will file these complimentary notices in the family Bible where they can easily refer to them on Sunday afternoons when seated about their respective hearthstones.

ROAD LAW REPEAL

"I was honestly mistaken," said C. E. Spence at Corvallis when confronted with the facts in reply to his baseless accusation that specifications for state paving were so worded as to exclude all kinds of paving except one.

Yet he keeps on making the same charge, and is holding meetings throughout the state to get backing for an initiative bill to repeal the road bonding act.

At the State Grange meeting in Astoria, Master Spence urged the members to abide by the expressed will of the people; yet he has consistently campaigned to discredit the administration of the state highway commission.

He seems to be entirely confident that at the general election next November he can secure

the repeal of the bill by the people. The people, however, will not be fooled on the state highway situation. They want facts, and the record made by the State Commission will be before them all through the campaign. Also, there will be finished paving to see, and to the thousands who pass over it the paving and the improved roads will tell a story far more eloquent than even Mr. Spence's false accusations.—Oregon Voter.

ANNUAL AUTOMOBILE SHOW

Portland, Ore., Jan. 30—Special rates will be granted by the railroads to the coming big Portland Automobile, Truck and Tractor Show, which will be held in the new city Auditorium from February 7 to 13, inclusive.

The war has emphasized the economic importance of the automobile as never before. One of the main purposes of this automobile show will be to demonstrate the many ways in which the passenger automobile, the truck and the farm tractor can help business and industry and thereby add to the war resources of the Nation.

All the latest passenger car models will be shown, but the truck and the farm tractor, particularly, will have a place of honor at the show. The farm tractor has added tremendously to the agricultural efficiency of France and Great Britain.

In fact, farm tractors have helped so greatly to defeat the German submarine campaign by making possible the cultivation of increased acreage for food production, that the French and British governments have placed huge orders in this country for still more of them.

The United States government is encouraging the use of tractors and trucks to offset the growing shortage of man-power and horses, and to increase food production and business efficiency. Added to this is the fact that they are cheaper to operate than horses doing only a small part of the work.

A large attendance from outside points is expected during Automobile Show week. Special arrangements are being made for the reception of dealers and other visitors from outside of Portland.

RED CROSS BENEFIT A SUCCESS

The Civic Improvement Club is well pleased with the results of the Red Cross supper and entertainment given on last Friday evening, the total receipts being as follows: From the supper, \$61.50; fish pond, ice cream, cider and candy, \$23.22; entertainment, \$56.75; total \$141.47. After paying all expenses the club turned in to the local Red Cross Chapter \$120.75.

In behalf of the Civic Improvement Club I wish to thank, first, the members of the Odd Fellows for the use of their splendid hall, dining room and equipment; to the ladies of Vesta Rebekah lodge and the Women's Relief Corps who so kindly loaned us the use of their dishes and silverware we are indeed grateful; and to each one who took part in the entertainment we are grateful and proud that such splendid talent can be had in our own little city. From the flattering remarks that the writer heard expressed by people in the audience we are led to believe that Annie Peters might take her family album on a tour of the country and become world-famous; and to the various people and school children who donated articles for the fish pond, to the candy booth and for the delicious cider our club extends thanks.

I wish to thank the members of the Civic Improvement Club who each took the part assigned to her and carried it through to a successful finish.

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ure the Civic Improvement Club may accomplish many things.

And last we would extend our grateful thanks to the public of Newberg who are so generous to respond to the call of all public and patriotic work.

Grace Newell Morris,
Pres. Civic Imp. Club.

CHRISTMAS RED CROSS DRIVE COMPLETED

The Christmas drive for the Red Cross is ended and \$1500.25 was collected in Newberg and vicinity, as follows:

Newberg.....	\$970 00
Fernwood.....	103 00
West Chehalum.....	102 00
Rex.....	98 25
Springbrook.....	90 00
Chehalum Center.....	90 00
Mountain Top.....	15 00
District No. 74.....	20 00
District No. 92.....	12 00

Total..... \$1500 25

Springbrook has \$100 more to add to her credit. The membership is still open and any one who wants to help the Red Cross will find a receipt book at Evans Plumbing Shop. Remember that 50 cents of your dollar stays in Newberg and the other half goes to Portland Chapter.

The committee wishes to thank every one for their loyal support to this great cause.

Marie K. Evans, Chairman.

NOTICE TO FARMERS TO GET BUSY

Get ready for the crop and labor survey to be taken about February 11, 1918. Blanks will be mailed to every farm owner as shown by the tax roll; and you are expected to fill in the blanks and return for checking up with the tax roll. This is important, and it pains be taken will cover 1917 and 1918 labor and crop conditions. If your farm is rented take up with renter. Instructions will be enclosed.

W. M. Nickell,
County Judge.



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