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PATRIOTISM

It is only a matter of months since the spirit of patriotism, stirred to a white heat by the ugly appearance and threatening mean of the war god, filled the hearts of every one of us. Only a matter of months, but already there is apparent a spirit of apathy as regards our patriotic impulses. It was only a few days ago that a body of persons in Portland passed resolutions condemning the United States for its stand in the late war and in fact condemning our country for almost everything imaginable. This is not surprising for we have always known that there were those whose sympathies were with our enemies, but what is surprising to us is that the statements were given wide spread publicity and yet no counter attack or defense was essayed on behalf of the loyal patriots. The charges and statements are allowed to stand as a black smirch against our country.

There are many good citizens in our country who came from those countries which were our enemies in the late war. Men and women, who realizing that their mother country was in the wrong and that they owed allegiance to the United States, took the right attitude during those hostilities. All honor to them. But for those who did not and who still hold rancour in their hearts toward the nation which is supporting them to-day, all shame. It the United States is good enough for their place of business and livelihood, it should command their respect and allegiance. If they still feel that the place of their birth is the best and demands their allegiance, then they should return to that place. America must become a nation of and for true Americans and we cannot afford to take to our bosom the poisonous reptile of alienists who do not propose to become American.

In a few more days we will be celebrating the natal day and every person who lives beneath old glory's folds should be inspired by the thought that they are privileged to live in this land of the free and home of the brave. Our history and our government stand unchallenged before the world. We are and should be proud of them. Let's see to it that on this Fourth of July special emphasis is laid upon true patriotism and let us try to inculcate within the hearts of everyone, that loyalty and respect for our country, which she so justly deserves.

We believe that the Fourth of July

should be a sacred day to every American and that its celebration should be an inspiration rather than a mere jollification. To the small boy, it is a day for noise and fireworks, but even to him it can be more and the noise of the bursting firecrackers and the flash of the skyrocket across the sky should not be allowed to dim the real purpose in the day's celebration.

The time honored custom of the reading of the declaration of independence and the address of the orator of the day should be the important parts of the day's events. They should impress upon the minds and hearts of our people that love of country and respect for her flag and institutions which she must enjoy if she would continue to maintain her place among the nations of the earth. Who can look upon the red, white and blue, knowing all that she has done for us in the past to make our lives secure and free, and not feel a real stirring of pride and affection. It is our flag and our country and it is our duty to see that her wonderful history of the past is not blemished in our generation. Down through the generations of the past, the flag and the history of country have come to us unblemished and with great honor. We take them thus and we must keep them thus. Let us see to it that America remains the land of the free and the home of the brave. That her history continues unswayed and that she continues to hold her exalted place among the nations of earth. This is our heritage and our duty. We must not, cannot fail.

IN REPLY TO MR. BRADSHAW

In answer to the query of C. W. Bradshaw in another column of this paper, we would say that the Berrians is purely a booster organization and that so far as we are concerned the constitution need never be changed at all in that respect. At the same time the Berrians would undoubtedly agree with us that there are many ways of boosting. We see no reason why it should be necessary for the constitution to be altered in order that the organization might enter into the work of helping the farmers market their berries. Anything which will help the farmers will boost the community and the constitution states very clearly that the purpose of the organization is to boost Newberg and the farming community surrounding it.

Mr. Bradshaw implies in his article that there has been an effort on the part of those who originated the Berrians to restrict its activities to nothing more than impractical activities. As one of the committee who drafted the original constitution which was presented to the meeting of citizens of the community for adoption, we feel that we know the inside history of the inauguration of this movement. In drafting a constitution, it was felt that it would be impossible to enumerate all of the various branches under which booster work might be taken up and so the simple statement that this should be a booster organization was al-

lowed to stand. This does not in any sense preclude the organization's taking an active interest in marketing and other very practical methods of boosting the community. In fact it has been the intention of those with whom we have conversed and who were instrumental in organizing The Berrians, that this should be an organization which would do these very things. Without attempt at self eulogy, the writer would say that he probably had as much to do with the original organization as did any one person and that his feeling has always been that The Berrians offered the community a wonderful opportunity for cooperating in practical ways.

We do not agree with Mr. Bradshaw that city and country interest are basically opposed. On the contrary they are basically correlated. Each depends to a large degree upon the other and the success of the one will ultimately mean the success of the other. We admit that there are those both in the city and country who persist in adopting this view of the matter and their persistence in this attitude makes it more difficult for the others to cooperate as they should. In this connection, it might be pointed out that there have been a few persons who have taken an antagonistic view of The Berrians from the first and who have consistently refused to become members because they stated that it would not be of any benefit to the farmers. If the farmers do not join the organization and make use of it, of course it will be of no benefit to them but if they do become members and enter into its activities and let the organization know wherein it can be of assistance to them, then The Berrians will be of the greatest assistance to the farmers. We do not believe that there is any very large number of either the farmers or the city people who take any but the right view of the situation and it is indeed gratifying to note that a large percentage of those approached have joined the organization and are taking an active interest in it.

Mr. Bradshaw closes his article by urging the farmers to help put this over and we would add our hearty amen to this. If they will help the Berrians, then The Berrians can and will help them. It is co-operation.

The Telephone-Register laments the fact that Dayton, Newberg and other sections of Yamhill county failed to vote the bonds for the Sheridan-Williamina highway. Doubtless there were many things which entered into the voters' consideration of the matter besides the question of the county's need for good roads. The Graphic does not doubt that the people of Williamina and Sheridan need the improvement, nor that they are entitled to it, and had we been privileged to cast a vote at the last election, we should probably have cast it in favor of the bonds, but McMinnville cannot get away from the fact that it has been a real fight on the part of any other section of the county to get money for improvements which would not directly benefit the county seat town. This is a bad policy. As the Telephone-Register points out, we should have a better spirit of cooperation between the various sections of the county than exists at present and whenever McMinnville wakes up to the fact that she is not the whole county, we may have it. We believe that all of the smaller places of the county could easily get together on these matters, but unfortunately McMinnville sets tight.

Newberg, for instance needs to have the strip of road between the city limits and the Willamette river bridge taken care of, but the county cannot see that it would benefit them to take care of this stretch of road which is at present almost impassable. Many sections of the roads about Newberg are almost impassable during the winter season, but it is useless for the people living on these roads to put their case before the officials for they get no help or at least very little. McMinnville cites the fact that Dayton got her highway, but she does not say that McMinnville was afraid of losing trade from that place to Newberg unless she did give way to Dayton and put through the highway between Dayton and the county seat. These petty jealousies should be overcome, and whenever they are, there will be a better chance for community cooperation throughout the county in the effort to get better roads in the various communities.

If you don't have a "Berrian of Newberg" sticker for your windshield you may get one at the Graphic office free of charge. The Berrians have had another quantity of these attractive stickers printed and want to put one on every auto in the community. You cannot advertise Newberg to any better advantage. If you have had one of these and lost it or had it ruined by the rain get another and keep one on your auto all the time.

The Graphic feels just a little pardonable pride in the fact that out of eighty papers competing for the honors of being adjudged the best rural newspaper of the state, we were awarded one of the seven prizes. Of course it would have been a greater honor could we have won the first prize, but perhaps failure to do so may be accounted for in the fact that some of the papers competing entered copies especially prepared for the contest while the Graphic simply took a sample copy from its back files sending in its issue of April 28. The newspapers of Oregon are doing a greater service for the farmers of the state than is generally realized. They devote large portions of their space to rural news and various phases of rural activity. Almost without exception, the weekly papers of the state are vitally interested in the success of the farmers and are striving to do everything in their power to aid them. The Graphic is laying special emphasis upon farm life and farm news and hopes in this way to build up the best country newspaper in the state. In doing this we ask the cooperation of the farmers. If you have any suggestions or ideas along this line, don't fail to let us hear from you.

The new postmaster general has decided to greatly curtail the aerial mail service. This will no doubt prove a popular move for the aerial mail service was dangerous, expensive and impractical. Many lives were lost through its use and heavy expense was entailed to the service with practically no compensating improvements of service. The only thing which could have been urged in its defense was that it was an aid to the teaching of aviation. But this was almost entirely nullified by the use of improper planes, resulting in loss of life and property.

Merely an extension of the policy advocated by the Graphic for weeks past is the cooperative marketing plan adopted by conferences at O. A. C. during Farmer's Week. Under this plan all marketing organizations of the state will be brought together and a real cooperation is to be established which will make for a more perfect organization on the part of the grower and producer of the state.

McMinnville voted adversely on the matter of taking in additional territory at the special election recently. Doubtless the people in the territory to be taken in felt that the compensation of having a larger population in the city would be outweighed by the increased taxation which they might have to pay by being part of the city.

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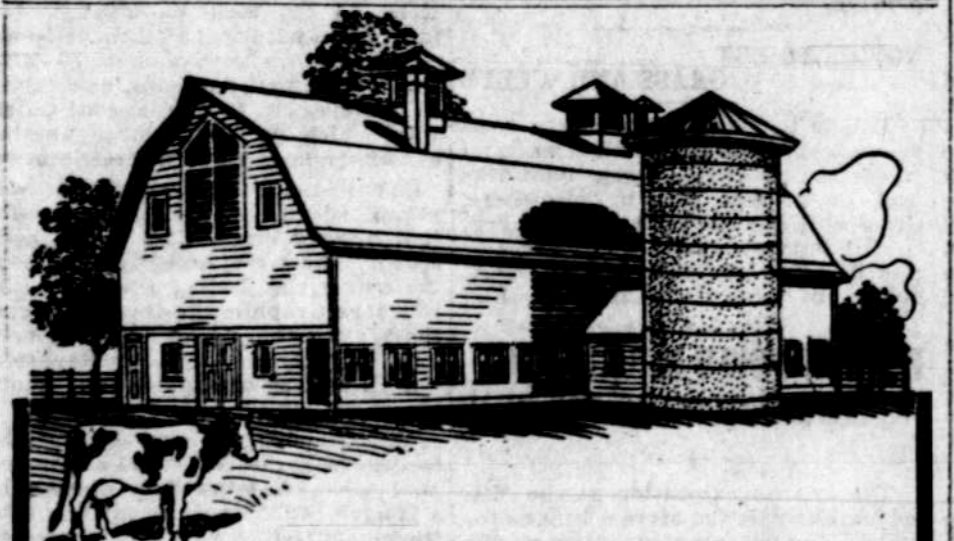
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