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## HARNEY COUNTY PATRIOTISM PLEDGED

### Loyal Citizens Show Disposition To Go The Limit in Aiding War Measures. Committee Finds Splendid Sentiment.

The delegation that made a tour of the southern part of the county last week in the interest of war measures met with a splendid cooperation and enthusiasm from the big-hearted, liberty-loving people who live so far from direct contact with the conflict and who have to wait for days for any news as to the movements of our boys who are fighting across the water. The party hardly expected the spirit of the people to be so aroused to the urgent need of help or the generous manner in which they responded to every suggestion toward the success of our army. Nevertheless it was there in such genuine measures as to assure those conducting the campaign that Harney county will "Go over the Top" in every instance where its loyal citizens are depended upon.

The party consisted of James J. Donegan who is a member of the state Executive Committee of the Third Liberty Loan, having been appointed by the Federal Reserve Bank; Wm. Farre, as a special representative of the Harney County Chapter, American Red Cross; E. C. Eggleston, a member of the county Executive Committee of the War Saving Stamps; Julian Byrd, special representative of the county organization for the promotion of the sale of the "Baby Bonds".

The purpose of the tour was to perfect an organization in each community to look after war measures and drives as occasion may demand, thus making permanent committees to act until the close of the war on all matters requiring the assistance of patriotic citizens. Five were named in each locality visited to take charge of such work, the first being the coming drive for the Third Liberty Loan which will likely come the first of April. The committees are to work as a whole on each matter as it is presented, no one individual being especially appointed to represent any organization or drive, but they will work collectively on all measures as they may be called upon to aid. Some of the best and most energetic citizens of each locality have been selected for this purpose and they are fully awake to the necessity of their greatest efforts.

The party made the trip in Mr. Eggleston's Ford car. At first it was merely a "Tin Lizzie" but upon the homeward lap of the journey of over 350 miles without a mishap—not even a puncture—the car was christened "Liberty" with all the solemnity such an occasion demanded and with all sincerity upon the part of the occupants. The customary bottle of wine was omitted on this occasion as it was in dry territory and that brand of wet goods scarce and precious.

Since the party had to be its own press agent, there being no way of notifying the people in advance, the printer of the bunch was pressed into service for some small dodgers. These were distributed on the way down, the first stop being at Narrows where the people were given bills showing the itinerary of the touring party and that a meeting would be held there on the return trip. From that place the P Ranch was made for the night. It has been a good many years since the writer had visited that big ranch—the last time being when he was a boy and in company with Peter French. At that time the Blitzen Swamp was in really a swamp with tules covering it and so much water that stock could not be crossed except at certain places and then only during a period of the year favorable. Now this territory has been reclaimed and instead of tule swamp we have Grain Camp where many hundreds of bushels of grain are harvested each year and besides some excellent hay lands with pasture, the water having been drained off in a big canal, the reclamation being accomplished during the time when

William Hanley had charge of the property. Considerable change was noticed at the P Ranch after traversing the Blitzen country on the bank of this big canal.

The party was met by Mrs. Allen and Pat Donegan who made the bunch comfortable around a big fire place until supper was announced over at the big dining room. There Sam Burgess presided and gave the hungry wayfarers a feed that will be remembered. There were several at the P Ranch besides the usual employees of the ranch and the party went into the bunkhouse and discussed war with the boys. Every mother's son of whom seemed ready to do his might toward the common cause. Mrs. Allen also expressed her willingness to give such assistance as was in her power.

The next morning after a good breakfast the bunch started for Catlow and reached the Catlow post office in a couple of hours where F. G. Kelley made them welcome. He has nice stock of goods at this point and keeps the post office. When told of the mission of the party Mr. Kelley volunteered the information that there was to be a meeting of the North Catlow Progressive Club at the Benson school house on the following Saturday and one of the features of the meeting was a chicken dinner. The printer fell for that at once and it was immediately settled that a meeting would be arranged for that time and place. From Catlow the party went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Monroe, who also have a store, and there more dodgers were left and explanations given as to the object of the meeting. From here Beckley post office was next reached and a short visit made with Mr. Beckley, who had just received a consignment of material from the patent Chapter of the Red Cross, addressed to the auxiliary at Catlow Mr. Beckley wanted to be sure that this was intended for the auxiliary before delivering it as it had a tag from Holland & Musick's pool hall. When assured of the nature of the contents the old patriot waited only long enough to be rid of his visitors when he took it across the road to his wife and at once began the task of getting it in readiness for active work in the auxiliary. Blitzen was the next stop, but it was reached with a little difficulty as it had snowed recently and some slight drifts together with some sand which made it necessary that the boys earn their passage. At Blitzen the Stuart Brothers were ready to help in advertising the mission of the visitors and after getting a supply of gas the party headed for the Home Creek ranch of the Eastern Oregon Livestock Co., stopping en route to say hello to Chino and his wife. At Home Creek Donegan alighted from the car and made his way into the house without ceremony and after waiting awhile the others of the party decided he was not coming out to give any information or explanation of his continued absence and upon the writer entering the house and being greeted by Judd Wise and his estimable wife, formerly Julia McKenzie, he peered into the dining room to find Donegan busy with roast beef and a big chocolate pie right by his elbow. He hadn't waited any special invitation and had forgotten his traveling companions. After a hearty dinner and just before leaving General Manager W. H. Craven of the company and Tom Allen drove up from the Three mile Ranch and Mr. Donegan had an opportunity to discuss the object of the trip with Mr. Craven. He was a most cordial co-worker in the cause and assured Mr. Donegan of his hearty approval of the plan and of his personal support.

Up Long Hollow the party encountered some snow drifts and as it was nearing Denio, the "Oasis," one

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### LOCAL INSTITUTE AND COMMUNITY GATHERING AT HARNEY SATURDAY.

School Supt. Frances Clark had announced a local institute for teachers in this city next Saturday but upon learning that Harney had arranged for a community gathering on that date for the purpose of discussing community affairs and consolidation of schools, she decided to hold institute over there.

She has authorized The Times-Herald to announce that the teachers be present at 10 o'clock when the institute will convene and the program be shaped to conform to that of the balance of the day. All teachers within reasonable distance are expected to be present.

Rev. W. F. Shields will take an active part in the community program during the afternoon when matters of local interest will be discussed, including consolidation of schools. Principal Ralston of the Harney County High School will be one of the speakers and a man from Oregon Agricultural College has been invited to be present and discuss farm problems and kindred subjects.

The Rye Grass Grange has been invited to be present and will furnish a part of the entertainment.

The committee in charge of organizing the several communities throughout the country on war measures will be there and present this subject to the people of the vicinity and ask that a permanent organization be made to care for this important work. This will require but a short time however, and will not interfere with the plans of the meeting in any respect, in fact it is upon invitation of those in charge of the meeting that these men take part.

### HONOR GUARD GIRLS POSTPONE THRIFT DRIVE.

Because of there being a definite time designated throughout the state for special drives for the sale of War Savings Certificates, the Honor Guard Girls, of this city, who had been asked to make a special canvass on Washington's birthday, postponed it until the date set for the state, which is March 5 to 9. At that time the girls expect to make a house to house canvass in the interest of the "Baby Bonds".

### SOLDIERS GIVEN MORE TIME TO INSURE LIVES.

According to information received here Congress has granted 60 days longer in which soldiers and sailors may apply for insurance with the government. This was done because of many not taking advantage of the opportunity within the time prescribed and with the feeling that many more would want insurance when it was placed before them in the right light.

The insurance regulations were not fully understood in this vicinity at first and now those who desire it may have time to make full investigation before making application as the time is now extended until April 12.

### LAWEN RED CROSS AUXILIARY ENTERTAINS.

(Contributed)

A basket social was held at Lawen last Saturday evening, Feb. 16, under the auspices of the Red Cross Auxiliary which together with a baazar enriched the treasury to the amount of \$95.85.

The baazar was most successful and there were many articles made by the ladies as well as donations of chickens, pigs, etc., disposed of. A fish pond was an attractive feature that was well patronized during the entire evening.

A contest for the most popular lady and gentleman resulted in prizes going to Miss Josephine Slater and Dick Otley, the prize being a rooster to the lady and a hen to the gentleman.

Another amusing incident of the evening was the raffle of a pig donated by Lloyd Culp, the gentleman drawing the lucky number himself. He insists there was no "shenanagan" and to show his loyalty to the cause he has again donated it to be tonight.

A quilt made by the ladies was also raffled off, Mrs. Ted Hayes drawing the lucky number.

A masked ball is going to be held at the hall in Lawen on Saturday night, Feb. 23 and suitable prizes will be awarded to the best disguised couple.

### SOME GENEROUS RED CROSS GIFTS.

The people are always showing their war spirit and patriotism in some way or another in this section. The women are particularly active in their work toward the aid of the Red Cross and this is demonstrated frequently by their generosity. Three handsome gifts have been brought to the donation committee of the local Red Cross Chapter during the week.

Mrs. Henry Vulgamore brought in a very handsome pair of pillow slips which have hand made crochet insertion and lace which she has contributed for the disposition of the committee. They are pronounced some of the finest ever seen by the ladies who have inspected them.

Twenty ladies up the river from town have clubbed together and each furnished a block for a "crazy quilt" which now occupies a place on exhibition and which will be sold to best advantage by the donation committee. It is to be raffled off, the chances are being sold at 25 cents each of five for \$1.00. This is a nice comfortable quilt and has some original designs in its makeup with inscriptions. Every one will take a chance on that quilt.

Another gift is a beautiful hanger center piece presented by Mrs. Myrtle Irving-Thompson. This is one of the beautiful pieces that every woman wants who sees it. All these are going to be used for the benefit of the Red Cross and therefore will meet with ready response by those approached to buy chances. It is one way we have of keeping material necessary to continue the good work of helping to win the war.

### WHEAT SUBSTITUTES USED IN MAKING WAR BREADS

Corn meal, buckwheat flour, soy bean meal and potato flour are some of the substitutes that may be used to replace part of the wheat flour in war breads. The following U. S. recipe for potato bread is explained by the O. A. C. Home Economics staff as follows:

Potato flour is not generally available in American markets, but boiled mashed potatoes may be substituted for slightly less than one half the flour. (Boiled rice may be used with flour in about the same proportions). It should be remembered that one pound of mashed potatoes contains about 1 1/4 cup of water, and starch and other substances about equivalent to those in a cupful of wheat flour.

Use three pounds boiled potatoes, 2 1/2 level teaspoons salt, 3 level teaspoons sugar, 2 cakes compressed yeast, and 4 tablespoons water.

Clean and boil potatoes until soft. Pour off water, peel and mash while hot, leaving no lumps. Take 3 pounds—5 solidly packed half pints—of the potatoes and when luke warm add the yeast which has been soaked in the 4 teaspoons lukewarm water. Next add the salt, sugar and a scant half pint sifted flour. Mix and let rise till light. Add the remainder of the flour, kneading thoroughly into a smooth elastic dough. Add no more water unless absolutely necessary, as the water in the potato softens the dough while fermenting. Let rise until treble the volume. Divide into four loaves, mold and place in greased pans. Let rise to double the volume. Bake 45 to 60 minutes. Copies of O. A. C. bulletin, "War Breads and Cakes," free on request.)

### SAGEBRUSH ORCHESTRA CONCERT MARCH 8

Mrs. M. V. Dodge informs The Times-Herald that she will present her violin pupils in recital at the Liberty Theatre on Friday, March 8. This promises to be a musical treat. The children have been giving us concerts from time to time at the movies but this program is to be strictly their own with some good numbers that are not given in their every week renditions. Particulars will be given in our next issue.

### BIDS ASKED FOR MAIL ROUTE FROM CANYON

Kemp Hardisty was down from Trout Creek last night and informs The Times-Herald that he has it from an authoritative source that the recent bids asked for a mail service from Canyon to Silvies, have all been rejected and the Department is going to ask for bids for a service from Canyon to Burns.

## RAILROAD CONTRACT SIGNED BY MILLER

### Capitalist Ready to Perform His Part of Undertaking. Right-of-Way Being Secured and City Will Vote Additional Bonds Next Tuesday.

**KNIT! KNIT! KNIT!**

(Contributed)

"Duty and today are ours; results and futurity belong to God."

The above quotation is the motto followed by the noble band of knitters in Harney County.

That they have lived up to this splendid motto the following report will show:

Number of knitters in Burns and vicinity 91. Of those 16 are High School girls.

In each of the seven auxiliaries there are also knitters, who are turning in excellent work.

175 pounds of yarn have been used up to date.

We are pleased to state that our highly respected pioneer lady Mrs. A. W. Gowan, wife of Senator Gowan, and mother of Lieut. Frank Gowan, herself the champion knitter so far having furnished 7 sweaters, 16 pr. of socks, 1 muffler 1 pr. wristlets, 1 helmet.

Mrs. Mary Clingan comes second having furnished 8 sweaters, 4 pr. socks, 4 helmets, 1 muffler and 1 pr. wristlets.

Mrs. Dug Baker and Mrs. Lizzie Hanley hold the championship as sock specialists.

Of the younger knitters who have won the championship for perfect dimensions and workmanship in sweaters, are Ethel Whiting and Zella Baker.

The following finished garments have been shipped: 49 sweaters, 14 mufflers, 117 pairs socks, 15 pairs wristlets, 3 trench caps.

The committee in charge of the knitting wishes to express their deep appreciation of the loyal cooperation of all those engaged in this work, and most kindly recommend that all knitters make sweaters 25 inches long and sock feet not less than 11 inches long finished the same with the Kitchner toe. And above all things do not listen to any pro-German reports, that sweaters and socks are not needed. These rumors are persistent and do much harm, although they are of the "they say" variety.

One boy wrote to his mother that socks and sweaters were very acceptable on the frosty mornings when 5 o'clock rising time came.

A boy in an Eastern Camp wrote that he had worn out his sweater being forced to sleep in it to keep warm.

A boy in France wrote his mother for socks as they were hard to get there at \$6 per pair either in England or France.

Let us remember our motto, as above and knit, knit, knit.

### HELP! HELP! HELP!

(Contributed)

"Oh! what would the world be to us, if the children were no more, We would dread the desert behind us Worse than the dark before."

The women in charge of the Infant Layette Department of the Refugee work, wish to make it known to all the good women in Harney County, that the Red Cross makes provision for assisting in the work of clothing Refugee children from the ages of 2 years up; but no provision is made for funds to carry on the work for Infant's clothing. Therefore in the light of this fact, the Committee in charge of the "Infant Layette" work, respectfully and most urgently solicit any and all donations, such as butter, eggs, cheese chickens, etc., from all those who feel able to contribute the same to this great work of charity.

Those donations may be taken to the store of A. K. Richardson, where Joe Thompson has kindly consented to sell the same for the "Infant Layette" fund.

For Joe is right up and a coming. Where there's anything great to do; He is one of our very best fighters To keep the home lights aglow. So bring your eggs for the infants, Your butter and cheese by the pound And Joe will dispose of those products, To clothe the "wee babes o'er the pond.

Sam Mothershead received word early this week that Mr. Miller had put his signature to the railroad contract which he approved entirely as had been submitted and now the job of securing the right of way and other details necessary are under way. New agreements were necessary for this in keeping with the suggestion of Mr. Miller and they are now being signed up.

This important factor in the development of this portion of the Valley has been awaited with anxiety for some time. Now it is practically assured and with the coming of favorable weather there is every reason to believe active work will be witnessed.

The additional bonds that will be voted on next week are sure to carry and the people are optimistic as to the success of the undertaking. It is hoped to have everything in readiness for construction and the job completed in the quickest time possible. The coming of the railroad means other enterprises will follow of vast importance to the country.

### NORTH CATLOW PROGRESSIVE CLUB.

The writer had the pleasure of attending a meeting at the North Catlow Progressive Club on last Saturday. It was a gathering of intelligent, capable men and women who show their progressiveness by their work. We found the Club had recently purchased shades for the windows at the school house and also were providing for shelving for library books, etc. In conducting the business of the meeting there was every evidence of refinement; and general conduct, dress and actions proclaimed these people to be very desirable citizens.

It was gleaned from the reading of the minutes and allowance of bills that the Club had just received 57 volumes of fine books for a circulating library. These books cover a wide range and show excellent taste in selection in accordance with the personnel of the community. The writer was impressed with the spirit of the community upon such evidence and wants to state that he is glad to have the opportunity to meet with them and will avail himself of any future chance to be with them.

At this meeting new officers were chosen for the coming year. Mr. Kochensparger presided at the meeting with Mrs. Olive Lanfair as secretary, both of whom declined the honors for another term. Andrew Joquet was elected president, Mrs. Monroe, secretary; Mrs. Joquet treasurer; Roy Kiphart, sergeant-at-arms and F. G. Kelly as reporter for the coming term.

An excellent program had been arranged for the afternoon following the chicken dinner but the writer being with a party of men out on war mission could not remain for this although he was sure he would enjoy. Mrs. Merrigoli, who was among the friends at the gathering, was going to render a vocal solo and some of the young men present were going to enact a war scene.

Mr. Byram, W. H. Newton, C. Edwin Tulloch and his wife were present from Berdugo section of the Valley and very kindly invited us to their home for the night, there being a big masquerade there, but we were billed at other points and did not feel justified in leaving the patriotic work to associates for personal pleasure or benefit, therefore we had to decline. However, we hope at some not distant date to make another trip to Catlow and will go prepared to visit the entire neighborhood when other missions will not interfere. It is the intention of active members of the Red Cross to tour that section some time during the spring months and the newspaper man will be one of the party.

"Save the Waste and Win the War."