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CHRISTMAS ROLL CALL RED CROSS MEMBERS

Campaign for Universal Membership in Organization. It is Hoped to Add 100,000 New Members in Oregon. No Further Campaign for a War Fund. Membership Fee \$1 Year

The coming Red Cross Roll Call preceding the holidays is one of universal membership. There is no further drive for War Fund the Red Cross, the work being carried on entirely upon the membership of \$1.00 in future. Remember this when you are approached to join. The organization merely wants American people to become members.

Another thing should be remembered: There is to be no official receipt issued. Your receipt will be the 1919 button. Each adult of the country is to be solicited to become a member and the Honor Roll which each member will sign to headquarters and be made a permanent record.

Every adult citizen in Oregon is asked to join the Red Cross or renew his membership during the Christmas Roll Call, which will be the week before Christmas, Dec. 23.

Membership in the Red Cross costs a year. There will be no receipts given this year, the proof of membership being the wearing of the 1919 button. Red Cross leaders wish every member of a Red Cross 1919 button to wear every non-wearer: "Where's your button?"

There are over 248,000 Red Cross members in Oregon. Everyone, it is expected, will renew membership. It is hoped to add 100,000 members.

There will be no quotas issued. The aim is to enroll every adult. It means that the aim in view for every city and town is at least one of every three men, women and children in the community.

Hubert E. Coman is state chairman for Oregon for the Red Cross Roll Call and Hermon E. Witham, Manager, Miss Gotta Wasserman, Executive Secretary, is introducing a novelty in the campaign by having an exclusive Coman organization from the top down to the last worker.

Because of the campaign there will be a public sale of Christmas seals every year. Instead every Red Cross member will be given 10 of the seals, \$2,500,000 will be given by American Red Cross for the 1919 seal association, this being the total of the sale of Christmas seals last year. This money will be turned towards the eradication of typhoid.

President Wilson has sounded the note of the campaign with his appeal to the comradeship message.

The campaign slogan is the single word "Join."

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.

CONSERVATION PLEDGE

The food supplies of the world have been steadily lessening. It is the specter of this shortage which is knocking at every door in the States.

Hold it in our power and ours to keep the wolf from the door of the world. This duty is more than war—it is as wide as our country. Herbert Hoover.

Hunger is defeated but Hunger is in Europe. In Poland and Serbia a child is left alive. Fields are choked; those who killed are on a hundred battlefields. The childless women are left to care for the aged and the dead. But at last each violated door is open to our succor, and we must not fail.

MUST SAVE OR THEY WILL DIE!

Save our soldiers and American people in food and materials of

NOW WANT TAFT IN SPORT FIELD



"Let Bill do it" promises to be an all-American phrase, if the activities of former President William Howard Taft continue. A movement has now been started to make Mr. Taft boss supreme and the last court of appeals in running American major league baseball. One news item tells how Taft may be a possible member of the United States peace delegation—another tells of him jumping to sport fields—truly William is a versatile chap.

Our President?



The calling of President Wilson for the peace conference in France creates a situation in governmental affairs which has stirred up considerable comment. It is pointed out by some legal minds that Vice President Marshall must of necessity be at the helm of state affairs, due to the ranking of his office. This is the first time in history that a president has sailed to Foreign Ports during his term of office.

which to mate their best mares and only efficient horses which are capable of giving the service required of them and which consume less valuable feed for the amount of work performed. Such horses have a ready market and always bring good prices. It is imperative that the breeder who proposes to compete with the domestic and foreign demands after the war should begin now to stock up his stables with desirable better-bred horses.

INFLUENZA SITUATION REPORT—ED IMPROVING

The Times-Herald made inquiry today in connection with the influenza epidemic and found from the doctor and nurses that there had been no new cases reported in this city since the first of the week and all patients are reported getting along fine with the exception of Wild Drinkwater, who still has considerable fever but has not developed pneumonia. All the cases at the hospital are convalescing.

WINTER ON THE FARM.

One of the city's pleasing fictions about the country is that there is nothing to do on the farm after Thanksgiving.

The harassed city worker, who drowns by steam heat, and goes to work on a heated car, and labors in a well lighted, warmed, ventilated shop, store or factory; who has his fuel delivered to his back door, or else piped through his home, imagines that the farmer hibernates from November to February; that he holds himself up with a red checked apple in one hand and a copy of the almanac in the other, and only emerges on fine days to let the light of the sun play in his whiskers.

The truth is otherwise. Sixteen cows to milk before daylight, in a barn with a below zero temperature.

Every stick of wood for four stoves

to hew out from the woods and drag to the shed, and cut up bit by bit. Snowdrifts to tunnel through.

Chickens and hogs and calves and lambs and colts to care for in the open, no matter what the weather, or the acuteness of the rural chilblains.

A trip to the store; a peril like unto an arctic adventure.

The doing of the family washing each week, on the average eastern farm, provides 10,000 candidates for the American roll of female martyrs.

Winter on the plain American farm, from the western mountains, across the great, blizzard-swept plains, to the white hills of New England, is an adventure, and like most adventurous undertakings all the pleasure of it is in retrospect.

The husking bees and sleighing parties and skating carnivals and trimmings are about as much a routine part of the winter farm holiday dinners and other poetic program, as the summer circus is the underpinning of haying, or the county fair of threshing.

FORMER BURNS TEACHER DIES.

Mrs. I. H. Holland received a telegram from Tacoma Thursday from Miss Lillian Hendricks announcing that a baby girl had been born to Mrs. Vera Hendricks-Gay on that day. The telegram stated the mother quite low and upon Mrs. Holland inquiring for further information by wire she received the sad news that the lady had died at midnight on the 5th. Mrs. Gay was formerly a teacher in the schools of this city and was well known to the people of this county as she spent her girlhood days at Lawton. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Hendricks and a sister to Mrs. Wm. Gray who lives at Crane. Mrs. Gay was a capable young woman and had many admirers and friends in this section who regret her untimely death. Their sympathy goes out to the bereaved relatives.

LOOKING TO LAND DEVELOPMENT OF STATE

Oregon Chamber of Commerce May be Result of Proposed Convention in Portland Next Week. Plans to be Submitted to Government Officials at Washington by Representatives

(SYDNEY B. VINGENT)

Looking to the intensive development of the resources of Oregon, a state-wide movement for the organization of what, in effect, will be an Oregon Chamber of Commerce, promises to mature at a convention of interested persons to be held at Portland December 12th, 13th and 14th, when citizens representing every section of the state will meet in the Oregon metropolis for the purpose of perfecting such an organization.

The movement for the organization of the Oregon Chamber of Commerce had its inception at meetings held at Albany and Salem some time ago, when resolutions were adopted, calling upon the Portland Chamber of Commerce to develop plans for the formation of such an organization. The Portland Chamber, through its Development Bureau, gladly undertook the work.

Every commercial organization in the state has been communicated with, and in localities where there is no formal organization to handle community affairs, representative citizens were appealed to. The general plan was set forth, and the hopes and aspirations of such an organization were carefully presented. The result of the pre-organization campaign was most gratifying, the responses from the various sections of the state indicating strongly the necessity for some form of state-wide association.

It is expected that the convention will be attended by the representatives of about forty communities.

Problems affecting the development of the country are being considered to a greater degree than ever before. Many states are working upon plans for attracting settlers, and the Interior and Agricultural Department of the Federal Government are working upon plans for the employment of our returned soldiers. Naturally the tendency of these departments is toward land development, and the western states, with their large areas of unutilized land, are being scrutinized as never before.

Oregon, with her vast areas of logged-off lands and burned-over and arid sections, her recently developed irrigated districts, offers advantages not excelled by any other state.

A thorough survey of the burned-over and logged-off lands in Oregon shows 830,675 acres suitable for agricultural purposes when cleared, and 1,336,090 acres which could be used as pasturage. This does not include the many thousands of acres of tillable cleared land now idle and upon which settlers could be put at once. Some of these lands are owned by individuals and held at prices in excess of their true value, but which the Government might acquire through honest and fair condemnation proceedings, and cause to be immediately cultivated by returned soldiers, the Government providing funds for the purchase of necessary farm equipment, stock, buildings, etc.

The irrigated sections of Oregon are now ready for a large number of farmers, as well as certain sections of logged-off and, so called, "arid" lands.

The Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Oregon Land Settlement Commission and the Oregon Agricultural College have outlined a plan which will be presented by Whitney L. Boise, representing the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Oregon Land Settlement Commission and H. D. Seudder, representing the Oregon Agricultural College, to the officials at Washington, D. C. within a few days.

In that this is a question of im-

mediate interest to all sections of the state, the subject will be a prominent one before the State Chamber of Commerce Convention. Other matters of no less importance, affecting industrial developments, will be carefully considered at the convention.

COUNTY COURT FINISHES WORK.

Because of the indisposition of Judge Levens during the fore part of last month the regular term of county court which should have convened the first Wednesday in November did not convene and was adjourned from time to time until he was able to attend to the business. He and Commissioner Hass are going it alone at present and it takes them both to constitute a quorum. They met for a short time last week on some urgent matters and adjourned again until the first of this week when the business of the term was completed.

One important matter that had their attention was the budget for the coming year. This appears in another column of this paper.

Commissioner W. H. Robins having removed from the county sent in his resignation which was accepted. Had Commissioner-elect Jap McKinnon been available no doubt he would have been immediately appointed to fill the vacancy but since he is absent in Missouri the other two members had to assume the work. Mr. McKinnon will likely be back to be sworn in at the January term and take part in the deliberations of the board.

Viewers on the Critchfield road made a report and it was accepted and ordered opened.

The same action was taken on the A. W. Walters road and the Stoten and Huffman Bros. road.

The former contract with Chas. King for keeping the county poor was extended to cover next year.

The clerk was ordered to pay the annual dues of this county to the Judges and Commissioners Association.

An order was also made to refund the 1917 taxes on the rabbit bounty.

IRRIGATION SCHOOL AT ONTARIO

Special phases of irrigation and drainage development of interest alike to farmers, water masters, ditch riders, irrigation company officials and development promoters will be taken up at the irrigation and drainage school to be held at Ontario Dec. 13 and 14 under the auspices of the Oregon Agricultural College Extension Service and the Ontario Commercial Club.

Among the leaders of the conference during the two days will be Percy Cupper, newly appointed State Engineer; John M. Lewis, former State engineer; Professor W. L. Powers of the O. A. C.; L. R. Breithaupt, formerly of Burns and other authorities on irrigation and irrigation farming.

The school as arranged at Ontario is a direct outgrowth of the similar meeting held at Redmond last year which proved so successful that it was made an annual event and visitors from Baker, Umatilla and Malheur counties have arranged with the Extension Service to hold a series of meetings this year the second of which will be the Ontario School. The Ontario Commercial Club has appointed committees to care for local arrangements and entertainment and will furnish a banquet on the second day of the meeting.

President Wilson is even willing to face sea-sickness in the interests of peace.

OPEN SEASON NOW ON

FURNACE DOORS

FAMILY POCKETBOOKS

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