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The Secret of wholesome Bread that Mother makes


Nothing tickles the palate and makes glad the "department" of the interior like delicious, nutritious home-made bread. Desire for home-made bread never ceases but constantly increases. This has been brought about to a great extent by the Universal Bread Maker and the American Bread Mixer. One hand on the

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Our Market is Clean and Cool
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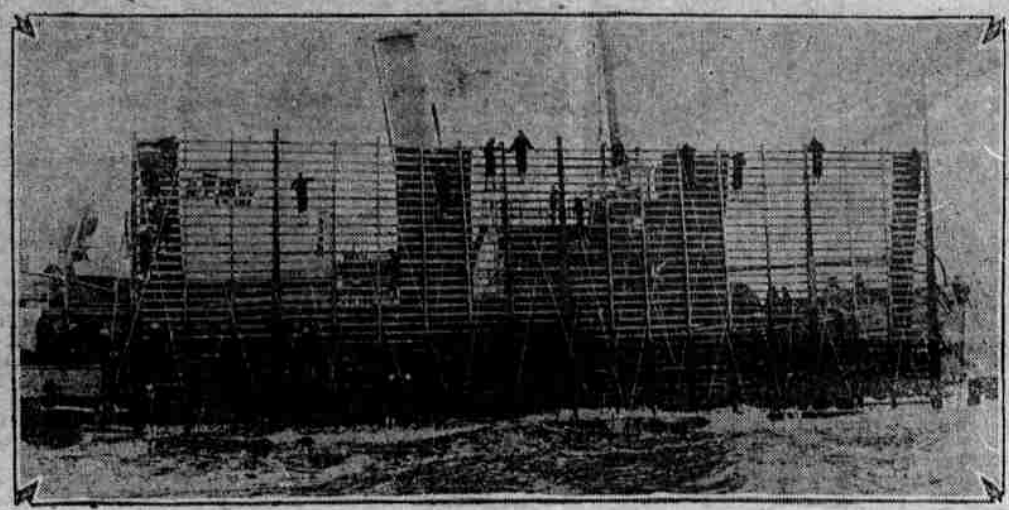


Photo by American Press Association. Sailors scrambling up one of the big naval targets, preparing it for gunnery practice for new recruits on our big warships, "somewhere on the Atlantic."

PRESIDENT ASKS CHILDREN TO HELP

President Wilson has issued a proclamation calling upon the school children of the Nation to do their part in the war by joining the Junior Red Cross to assist in the mercy work of the organization.

The proclamation follows: "To the School Children of the United States: "A Proclamation—The President of the United States is also president of the American Red Cross. It is fit these offices joining in one that I wish you a word of greeting at this time when so many of you are beginning the school year.

"The American Red Cross has prepared a junior membership in school activities, in which every child in the United States can find a chance to serve our country. The school is the natural center of your life. Through it you can best work in the great cause of freedom to which we have all pledged ourselves.

"Our Junior Red Cross will bring to you opportunities of service to your community and to other communities all over the world, and guide your service with high and religious ideals. It will teach you how to save in order that suffering children elsewhere may have the chance to live. It will teach you how to prepare some of the supplies which wounded soldiers and homeless families lack. It will send to you, through the Red Cross bulletins, the thrilling stories of relief and rescue.

And best of all, more perfect than through any of your other school lessons, you will learn by doing those kind things under your teacher's direction to be the future good citizens of this great country which we all love.

And I commend to all school teachers in the country the simple plan which the American Red Cross has worked out to provide for your co-operation, knowing as I do that school children will give their best service under the direct guidance and instruction of their teachers. Is not this perhaps the chance for which you have been looking to give your time and efforts in some measure to meet our national needs?"

SPECIAL SESSION OF LEGISLATURE

By the unanimous adoption of a motion, offered by William F. Woodward and vigorously seconded by Mayor Baker, the Members' Council of the Portland Chamber of Commerce at its weekly luncheon requested Governor Withycombe immediately to convene the Oregon Legislature in special session for the purpose of enacting appropriate legislation for the financial assistance of the dependent relatives of the soldiers and sailors who have enlisted from this state.

The luncheon was attended by about 100 men prominent in the business and professional life of Portland. E. L. Thompson was chairman of the day.

The subject of caring for the needy relatives of enlisted men came before the council on the report of a special committee that had been named previously to investigate and report a feasible plan.

The members of the committee did not agree on a plan. A. F. Flegel and William F. Woodward advocating immediate action by the state through its legislature, while Rufus C. Holman, the other member of the committee present at the meeting argued that the problem could be met and solved satisfactorily through the organization already available.

Mr. Holman's chief objection to the state aid plan, which would involve a meeting of the State Legislature, was the expense of such a course, but when assured that under the plan proposed the cost of holding the legislative session would not exceed \$5000, he supported the motion of Mr. Woodward.

After speaking of the matchless sacrifice woman makes in giving husband or son to her country, Mr. Woodward, who led the argument for a legislative session, recalled his experience as a member of one of the exemption boards when 11 candidates examined, only one did not claim exemption because of physical disability, dependent relatives, or by reason of his industrial or agricultural pursuit. He predicted that unless the dependent relatives of enlisted men were taken care of in a divorce of the next draft, the problem would be more serious than ever.

Rev. D. E. Baker
Who will arrive Monday, October 1st, to take charge as Pastor of the Athena First Baptist Church. He desires to meet all members and friends of the church at next Wednesday evening's prayer meeting.

FIRST FOOD SURVEY RETURNS COMING IN

Even before the final date set for returns on foodstuffs held by commercial firms, for the federal food survey, reports from more than 130,000 dealers were in the hands of the bureau of agriculture, United States department of agriculture, which has been charged with carrying out the provisions of the law requiring the survey. Officials conducting this war emergency measure say that they are greatly encouraged over this showing.

Even with the excellence of the early returns, the department calls attention to the fact that all firms called on are required to fill out and return the schedules, and to do so promptly. The law providing for the food survey is mandatory and in order to carry out its intent and purpose, the bureau of markets is insisting upon 100 per cent response. While officials say that they would regret invoking the penalties provided for in the law, they point out that delays can not be permitted to defeat the purposes for which the legislation was enacted, and that they will not hesitate to employ all the powers which the law confers to combat negligence.

In no case will wilful refusal to make returns be tolerated. The department does not expect to have to resort to compulsion, but it is prepared to do so if it should become necessary. Firms handling any of 19 specified items are required to report, under such classifications as grains, grain food products, meats and meat products, fish, dairy and related products, vegetable fats, sugar and canned goods. They must give quantity on hand and in transit from the reporting firm.

Rifle May Replace Cue

David William Thompson of Denver will surely serve Uncle Sam in the European trenches if his wife's request is heeded. The following letter from her was received by the exemption board:

"Kind Sir: I am writing you in regard to my husband, David William Thompson, whose address is 1419 South Acoma street. He may try to put in some exemption claims on my account, which he cannot do, for he does not do a thing toward supporting me or the baby, and I had to leave him and go back to my folks for support.

"He seems always to have money to play pool and bragged of being such a good shot that I thought maybe he would be as good a shot shooting bullets at the Germans. Put him to the front and try him out."

Moscow Cow Does Share

P. L. Smith's Red Poll cow, on the Smith ranch, 11 miles south of Moscow, Idaho, has produced the fourth set of twin calves, the oldest pair being a few months more than three years. The first pair were heifers and each of these had two calves, a yearling and one of a few months. The second pair were bull calves and went to the butcher. The third pair were heifer calves, now yearlings. The last pair, five days old, were bull and heifer.

FLOUR FROM WESTERN MILLS FLOOD EAST

New York not only is assured of abundant flour supply, but soon will face the problem of how to take care of the surplus which is being shipped from Western mills, according to a statement issued last night by Julius P. Barnes, president of the Food Administration Grain Corporation.

"Flour price is asserting itself rapidly from the wheat price," the statement said, "showing reduction of flour price generally throughout the country and even in New York the bakery trade is beginning to adjust itself. There are stores already selling a 30 ounce loaf of bread for ten cents, which is at the rate of 7 cents for the ordinary loaf.

"The facts are that the primary marketing of wheat is increasing steadily; that mills are producing greatly in excess of flour consumption; that more flour is arriving every day in New York than New York can possibly consume; that railroads as the Frisco are beginning to report scarcity of cars because of heavy country movement of wheat and flour; that the whole marketing movement is now under way about three weeks later than usual, partly because of uncertainty as to what action Congress would finally take, which threw the winter wheat machinery out of gear, and partly because Northwestern farmers are preparing the ground for next year's crop instead of rushing wheat to market, being assured of a steady price."

Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern Railroad, in a statement, declared the great trouble the farmers in the west have had to contend with is the scarcity of labor.

Annual Library Report

The secretary-treasurer submits the following annual report of the Athena Public Library Board, from Sept. 1st 1916 to Aug. 31st, 1917:

Adult books circulated—	
Fiction	2,241
Non-Fiction	161
Juvenile	1,135
Magazines	1,648
Total	5,185
Books added by purchase	142
By gift	44
Financial Statement.	
Bal. f'wd from 1916-17	\$ 64.48
Received from city	150.00
From Dance	78.47
Total	\$292.95
Expenditures.	
Rent	\$ 69.85
Janitor	23.00
Coal	5.38
Magazines	11.45
Incidentals	36.10
Building Fund	50.00
Total	\$185.78
Bal. on hand	55.64
Rental col. from 1916-17	11.53
From Sept. to Sept. 1st 1917	59.23
Total	70.86
Disbursement	68.59
Cash on hand	1.96
Fines f'wd from 1916-17	2.35
Col. from Sept. '16 to Sept. '17	17.81
Total	20.05
Disbursement	10.83
Cash on hand	9.23

Roseburg To Feed 7,500

Roseburg will have the distinction of supplying meals to the largest number of troops between Ashland and Salem from September 29 to 25, the number allotted for that city being 7500 men. Arrangements have been perfected whereby the hotels and restaurants will serve meals to the troops, the Government not allowing 50 cents for each meal, 10 cents of which will go to the local Red Cross fund. From October 3 to 8 approximately 10,000 more will pass through Roseburg and be fed there.

Farmers Big Borrowers

Up to the close of business Monday 869 farmers of the Northwest had borrowed approximately \$2,000,000 through the Federal land bank at Spokane. Virtually all of this amount represents Eastern money by the land bank for agricultural development through sales of bonds of the Spokane bank.

GOVERNOR ASKS WHITE TO STAY

Governor Withycombe has telegraphed Secretary of War Baker a protest against allowing Adjutant General George A. White, of Oregon, taking up his assignment in the Army until such time as work on the second draft has been cleaned up.

"I have just returned to the Capitol to find that my Adjutant General has asked for assignment in the Army and the Militia Division is sending him to North Carolina," the Governor telegraphed. "I heartily disapprove his action and the action by the Militia Division until the draft work in Oregon, of which he has direct charge, has been completed. In view of these facts I strongly urge that the order of the Militia Division be postponed, as we are just about to commence on the second draft."

Governor Withycombe spoke highly of the manner in which Adjutant General White handled the work under the first draft and of the efficient manner in which his office has been taken care of.

The Adjutant General was in conference with the executive and requested that no steps be taken to try to secure a countermand of the order assigning him to service in the Army as a Major.

Civil Service Examination

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that the following examination will be held as follows: Stenographer and typewriter, male and female, field service, Sept. 29th, 1917.

General helper, male, Puget Sound Navy Yard, Bremerton, Washington, wages \$3.80 per day, time and a half for overtime work, 100 vacancies to be filled at the present time. File application at once. Transportation will be advanced, where necessary, where persons sign a contract to work six months.

Subinspector of field artillery ammunition, male, \$3.00 to \$5.00 per day, machinist experience required. Employment, State of Washington.

Skilled laborer, munitions, male and female, \$2.00 to \$3.50 per diem, for employment in the State of Washington.

Mechanical engineer, artillery ammunition, male, \$3,000 to \$3,600 per year.

Mechanical engineer, experimental work, \$2,500 to \$3,000 year, male.

Mechanical draftsman, male, \$1,000 to \$1,400 year.

Apprentice draftsman, male, \$480 year.

Inspector of artillery ammunition, male, \$1,500 to \$2,400 year.

Inspector of field artillery steel, male, \$1,800 to \$3,400.

Inspector of ammunition packing boxes, male, \$3.52 day to \$1,800 year.

Inspector and assistant inspector of powder and explosives, male, \$1,400 to \$2,400 year. Inspector of ordnance equipment, male, \$1,500 to \$2,400 year.

Assistant inspector of cloth equipment, male, \$30 to \$125 month.

Assistant inspector of leather, male, \$100 to \$125 month.

Assistant inspector of small hardware, male, \$30 to \$125 month.

Assistant inspector of textiles, male \$30 to \$125 month.

Assistant inspector of leather equipment, male, \$100 to \$150 month.

Clerk qualified in business administration, male, \$1,200 to \$1,500 year.

Index and catalogue clerk, male and female, \$1,000 to \$1,200 year.

The Government urgently needs men for the work above indicated, and qualified persons are urged, as a patriotic duty, to apply for examination.

Address: Herbert F. Ward, District Secretary, Room 301 Postoffice Building, Seattle, Wash.

Col's Hst Blast Heaters make a big reduction in your coal bill—see their advertisement and guarantee.

TO THE HOUSEWIFE

Last week we showed the men and boys where we could save them money on their fall and winter supplies. Below we quote you prices that we invite comparison with any of our competitors or any Mail Order house in existence. Look these prices over carefully and see where you can get the most of the best to be had for your dollar.

Dress Gingham	12 1-2 15	"Suburban" Bleach Muslin	10	Pequot tubing 42 inch	25
Shirtings all colors	12 1-2	Hope Bleach Muslin	11	Pequot tubing 45 inch	27 1-2
Calico	10 1-2	Special Bleach Muslin	12 1-2	Cotton Batts 1-2 lb.	15
Percales	10 1-2 13 1-2 16 1-2	Fruit of Loom Bleach Muslin	15	Cotton Batts 1 lb.	25
36 inch percale fast color	16 1-2	Lonsdale Bleach Muslin	15	Cotton Batts 3 lb.	83, 88
Galatia all colors	22 1-2	No. 60 Berkeley Cambric	18	Bleach toweling	10 to 23
Apron Gingham	10 1-2	Lonsdale Cambric	21	Unbleach toweling	18 1-3 to 18
"Renfrew" table damask	59	No. 100 Berkeley Cambric	24	Cotton Blankets	69 to 2.98
Bleached table damask	69 to 1.98	8-4 Pepperill Sheeting	35	Woolnap Blankets	2.49 to 2.98
White Outing flannel	12 1-2 15	8-4 Pequot Sheeting	38	Wool Blankets	3.50 to 7.50
Colored outing flannel	12 1-2 15	9-4 Pepperill sheeting	37	Indian Robes in a large assortment of patterns	3.90 to 10.00
Oilcloth all colors	20	9-4 Pequot sheeting	40		

If you can't come, send us your mail order and if merchandise is not satisfactory we will refund your money.

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