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CONGRESS IS COMING

Congress has adjourned and
gone home to listen to the words
of the voters according to an edi-
torializing radio broadcaster. That
is perhaps true for congress, of-
ten does that very thing. Perhaps,
also congressmen like and need a
little rest and a bit of visiting
with home folks after a session
of the mental football indulged in
back there.

Congress has cut down the tax
bill to a mere two billion because
the members feel that too much
money is being spent anyway and
one way to keep down spending is
to curtail appropriations. That
is, that is one reason given. Real
reason: fear of election year. Con-
gress is wrong: more taxes should
be raised now.

Congress, or at least the house
end of it, has voted to stop sub-
sidies. There is an argument here.
Subsidies are a bad form of in-
creasing the price of food or any-
thing else. We have long had sub-
sidies in the form of tariffs. Present
subsidies are called farm
subsidies. They are really sub-
sidies to hold down the price of
food for workers to keep the union
in line for the coming election.
Recent increases in wages
are as inflationary as cessation of
subsidies would be. No one in the
administration so far has been
able to administer subsidies with
enough intelligence to make them
acceptable.

Congressmen may want a word
about soldier voting, it is assumed.
While it is never democratic
to prevent any citizen from vot-
ing, it is never sensible to cause
citizens to vote who have no op-
portunity to inform themselves of
the reasons for voting pro or con.
Boys in the front line are not
going to have either time or
inclination to read the arguments
for or against anyone. Besides it
is a state matter.

Congressmen may also get an
ear full of rural reaction to bu-
reaucracy. Farmers who were
feeding stock when the adminis-
tration raised the price may be
vocal. Farmers who have been ur-
ged to produce a crop and then
find the price jerked out from un-
der them might have a word to
say (what an understatement)
and ordinary folks who hear a-
bout the farmers' inability to
produce food under ceilings and
who are short of points may wish
a few minutes alone with a
congressman.

In all, it appears that congress-
men will have their ears full
when they go back January 10.

RAILWAY STRIKE

Probably few persons really
expect the railway workers to
strike, despite the strike vote.
The record of the railway unions
is that they are among the
most dependable and less radical
of unions with a higher plane of
conduct than striking over mat-
ters not absolutely essential to
their welfare.

Although the head of the OPA
Bowles, has said that the cost of
living was the same as it was
eight months ago no one who has
been buying things lately will
believe him. And even if his
statement were correct the qual-
ity of goods offered is so poor as
to be barely comparable to pre-
war materials.

It is probable that if the rail
workers are to retain their posi-
tion in relation to other workers
they will have to have a raise.
This is truer of the non-operative
employees than others.

One sometimes suspects that
the strike threat is being played

for its full effect on the public
as was the coal strike. This was
of nerves on citizens does them
no good when they have a war
to think about.

Because the railway unions
have so good a reputation for
not striking in times of stress
and because the administration is
so anxious to raise wages when-
ever possible, it seems that dan-
ger of a strike is not very great.
Probably, however, it will not
be decided until the last minute.

The Soviets have a new nation-
al anthem, thereby discarding the
old internationale, the revolu-
tionary song of the reds since
Karl Marx. A comparison of the
Russian government with the
idea set forth by the said Mr.
Marx leads to the conclusion that
were he here he would be the
first to suggest the need for
change.

Trial balloons for Dean Wayne
Morse of the University of Ore-
gon law school have been sent up
this week but have failed to star-
tle. Dean Morse is teacher of law,
has been new deal labor board
appointee, well considered by la-
bor unions. Been in Oregon 12
years, hardly enough to enable
him to have wide knowledge of
Oregon. Has no wide acquaintance
to make him formidable candi-
date against Holman, who may be
able to capitalize on his haters.

With the shortest day past, a
couple weeks would see a brighter
morning. That is, if rulers would
quit playing Joshua and leave
the sun alone.

Probably no Christmas has oc-
curred in all the histories of that
day when so large a part of the
world was at war.

In Other Days

From the Observer, Dec 25, 1914
Born to Mr and Mrs W C Todd
a lusty baby boy on December 23.
Dr. Poley attending.

The girls of Moro high school
have made a large twenty pound
box of home made candies which
they donated to the boys and
girls aid society in Portland.

J W Forbes cut his right knee
cap Friday evening while split-
ting kindling with a hand ax at
the E E Barnum farm. Dr. Poley
reports that the chances of a
stiff knee joint are slight.

The city has purchased a nine
horse electric gasoline engine and
pumping jack with which to lift
water from the drilled well into
the Goffin well and the city main.
An engine house will be built to
house it, close to the well.

From the Observer, Dec. 23, 1904
Col. C A Buckley made a
frenzied drive to The Dalles Mon-
day. He left Grass Valley with
his own team, changing at the
Blue Barn here.

John McDermid and wife who
spent much time traveling in the
east and visiting St. Louis fair,
are now again comfortably fixed
at home.

Judge Wm. Rudolf and D W
Garfield are building a two-story
store building and lodge hall in
Kent. Mr. Garfield will carry a
furniture stock and Mr. R. a
stock of confections, etc.

District Attorney Frank Men-
fee was up from The Dalles last
week, attending to legal business
in connection with the probating
of the last will and testament of
P W McDonald, deceased, W N
Froeb, executor.

From the Observer, Dec. 26, 1924
E. H. Moore is making slow
recovery of his normal health
since his accident on the Colum-
bia highway at Thanksgiving time.
He was moved from the Roy Pow-
ell home to his own home on the
farm, south of this city, last Sat-
urday.

F. D. Flatt has bought the
Fortner acreage property sur-
rounding the F E Fortner home,
part of the orchard, barn, chick-
enhouse, and a frontage on Main
street location later in the spring.

The night before Christmas
was the coldest of the present
season. The government gauge
at the experiment farm register-
ed eleven below. Even at that
Moro was not the coldest spot in
Oregon, at Juntura it registered
46 below.

Seven new radios have been
sold in Sherman county homes
during the last ten days by Foss
and Co. who sell Atwater-Kent
radios.

Kelly's Column Grass Valley
Leave For East
To Visit Son

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liquor industry to determine the
cause of the shortage of whiskey
—one by the committee of house
members and the other by a Dis-
trict of Columbia grand jury. The
latter is certain, the former has
been proposed. Under the law the
internal revenue tax on whiskey
is not collectible until the liquor
is released from bond. It was as-
serted in house discussion of the
subject that the distillers are hold-
ing whiskey in bond an undue
length of time to avoid paying
this tax and that this practice is
responsible for the shortage. The
distillers insist that the shortage
is actual because the entire capac-
ity of their plants is devoted to
the production of industrial alco-
hol for war purposes. The truth
should be revealed by the grand
jury probe even if the house does
not proceed with its plan for an
investigation.

The G.O.P. high command were
very jubilant when the battle
broke out between Senator Guf-
fey, Democrat, of Pennsylvania
and the conservative anti-admin-
istration Democrats of the south
over the soldiers' vote bill. The
big-wigs of the Republican party
thought the battle would split
the Democrats wide open, which
would give them a chance to
capture some of the southern
states for the G.O.P. in next
year's presidential election. How-
ever, they don't think so now.
While the anti-new deal Democ-
rats will continue to holler their
heads off against "that man," they
will still stick and vote the Democ-
ratic ticket.

Greens Good, Not
Green Goods

If someone will just find out
how to make Oregon's many
healthful garden greens, more pal-
atable to children, the rural
youngsters of this state will be
better fed from the standpoint of
balanced nutrition.

This conclusion can easily be
drawn from the results of a scien-
tific study of the nutritional sta-
tus of rural youth in Marion coun-
ty made by Gertrude Hoppe, re-
search assistane, and Dr. Marg-
aret J. Pincke, professor of foods
and nutrition at Oregon State
college.

Iron deficiency is apparently
in the normal range. The tests
showed that the rural youth are
deficient in vitamin C, on the other hand,
as shown in the blood plasma,
showed a far from satisfactory
condition, the nutritionists report.

While 60 mg. is the lowest level
of vitamin C in a given amount
of blood plasma recognized as
adequate by a national committee
in this field, all age groups 12
years and above tested in Marion
county showed average levels
ranging from .51 down to .35.
Children less than 10 years show-
ed a more satisfactory average
of .76.

A study of what these same
children ate showed a direct re-
lationship existing between the
number of servings of citrus fruits
and tomatoes, and raw fruits and
vegetables, and the vitamin C level.
Those who made the study
however, add that green leafy
vegetables other than lettuce and
cabbage were poorly represented
in diets, while such excellent
sources of vitamin C and other
necessary food elements as kale,
chard, green broccoli, mustard
and turnip greens, and Brussels
sprouts were omitted almost en-
tirely.

Mr and Mrs V. B. Eakin left
recently for Washington D. C. and
on to North Carolina to visit their
son, S-Sgt. Owen Eakin, at Camp
Sutton.

Miss Dorothy Ball came home
Saturday from La Grande, where
she is attending Eastern Oregon
College of Education to spend
the Christmas holidays with her
parents, Mr and Mrs Ted Ball.

Bruce Alley S K-2 and wife
left Wednesday for their home in
Portland and on Friday left for
Fort Humana, California where he
will be stationed. They spent sev-
eral days here visiting his par-
ents, Mr and Mrs Ed Alley.

Don Smith left Monday for the
induction center in Portland re-
turning home Tuesday. Mrs Smith
met him in The Dalles.

C W Fields and Mrs Elma Ray-
leigh were shoppers in The Dal-
les Saturday.

The Baptist Mission society met
at the home of Mrs John Eng-
strom Wednesday afternoon. Af-
ter a Christmas program refresh-
ments were served.

Mrs Edison Sutherland went to
The Dalles Saturday to meet her
husband who came from Hanford,
Wash., to spend the week end
here visiting at the home of Mr
and Mrs Art Bibby.

Miss Myrtle Helyer came up
from The Dalles Saturday to take
her mother, Mrs E M Helyer to
Hood River as her mother was
taken to the hospital with a heart
attack.

Mrs C R Anderson was a busi-
ness visitor in The Dalles Tues-
day.

Art Bibby and Edison Suther-
land were business visitors at
Tygh Valley Sunday.

The barn dance sponsored by
the Grass Valley Rebekah lodge
held at the Odd Fellow hall Sat-
urday night was well attended and
all report a very good time.

Mr and Mrs Joe Bibby went
to Portland Monday for several
days on business. Mr and Mrs
Edison Sutherland accompanied
them as far as The Dalles where
Mr. Sutherland returned to Han-
ford, Wash., and Mrs Sutherland
visited her father, O M Fraley
returning here Tuesday evening.

Mr and Mrs Arzell Lemley went
to Portland Tuesday on business
and to visit her brother in law
and sister, Mr and Mrs Hubert Hutch-
croft and family, returning here
Thursday.

Mr and Mrs Frank Pike were
business visitors in The Dalles
Thursday.

Mr and Mrs Wren Hogue were
business visitors in The Dalles
Friday.

Mrs Ted von Borstel went to The
Dalles Friday. Her son, George,
accompanied her home to spend
the week end with his parents.

Bill Roth, First Lieutenant Wil-
helm Roth now, sends Christmas
greetings to his Sherman county
friends from China. Burma, In-
dia, which may be a bit indefi-
nite but probably the best Bill
could do.

Want Ads

STRAYED: 4-yr. old Polled Here-
ford bull, branded circle open A
on left hip. Reward for informa-
tion about him. J. L. Davs
Kent, Oregon 6-8p

FOR SALE: 30 Gas "Cat",
445, Wasco Oregon 618p

TAKEN-UP: White faced year-
ling steer, branded — over W.
John Beuther, Grass Valley 618p

EATING is a daily performance,
a habit almost universal, praise be.
BUYING FOOD is almost so.
You need a constant, steady, handy
source of supply where the larder can
be replenished with good food at good
prices. That means
Zeigler's Quality Store Grass Valley

A Christmas program, in charge
of Miss Vivian Fritts, Miss Em-
ma Jean Scholl and Miss Harriet
Cole was given at the Baptist
church Sunday by the Sunday
school classes. Rev. Lloyd T.
Anderson of The Dalles delivered
the Christmas message.

Frank Lemley went to Walla-
Walla to visit his brother, Oscar,
at the McCaw general hospital
before returning home Saturday
evening. He spent several days
in Portland visiting relatives.

Friends and neighbors went to
the home of Mr and Mrs Robert
Holmes Sunday evening and char-
tered them.

Mr and Mrs Ted Kelley are the
parents of a son, John Ray, born
Tuesday December 21 at The Dal-
les hospital.

AAA MEN GIVEN MORE
LOCAL AUTHORITY

Elected AAA farmer committee
men in the counties have been
given greatly increased responsi-
bility for many important war-
time agricultural functions as a
result of a memorandum issued
jointly by Marvin Jones, war food
administrator, and Claude Wick-
ard, secretary of agriculture, ac-
cording to R.B. Taylor of Adams,
chairman of the state AAA com-
mittee.

The memorandum involved the
reassignment of certain duties per-
formed by state and county war
boards to the agencies themselves
represented on these boards. Un-
der the new understanding "the
primary functions of the state
and county war boards shall be
to coordinate and facilitate con-
certed action among the various ag-
encies... and to administer or
perform such programs or func-
tions which are of such a nature
as not to come under the jurisdic-
tion of a particular line agency."

The jobs given AAA previously
assigned to USDA war boards
include production goal work, in-
cluding livestock, poultry and
dairy goals; facilitation of trans-
portation and distribution of feed-
stuffs; rationing and allocation
of farm machinery, equipment
and supplies; issuance of farm
slaughter permits; farm transpor-
tation programs, including issu-
ance of certificates for tires, gas-
container away as soon as desired
oline for trucks, and off-highway
quantity is measured. Make a
practices and tractor fuels; certifi-
cation of vegetable crop-butter
away first when clearing
Other changes involved the re-
assignment of certain duties to
the Forest service, Extension ser-
vice and to other agencies work-
ing with AAA. Taylor views the
transfer of responsibility as a tri-
bute to the committeemen system
of farm operation, by which far-
mers choose their own represen-
tatives to administer the program.

Taylor, who is also chairman of
the state war board, says the new
responsibility gives added impor-
tance to the annual community
committee elections now under
way. He emphasized, however, that
the transfer is no reflection on
the effectiveness of the war boards
which will continue to meet regu-
larly. For the present, war
boards will continue to work with
selective service on agricultural
deferments.

R. G. JOHNSON RETURNS
FROM CHINA TRIP

R. G. Johnson, professor of
animal husbandry, who has been
in China for the past year as a
special representative of the state
department, has returned to the
campus. He is preparing a detail-
ed report of his year's activities
to be delivered personally to the
state department, probably in
March. After taking his annual
leave, he will then resume his
position here.

While in China he travelled exten-
sively, studying ways to im-
prove the livestock industry there
and to get up a system of edu-
cation for that industry.

BUY WAR BONDS

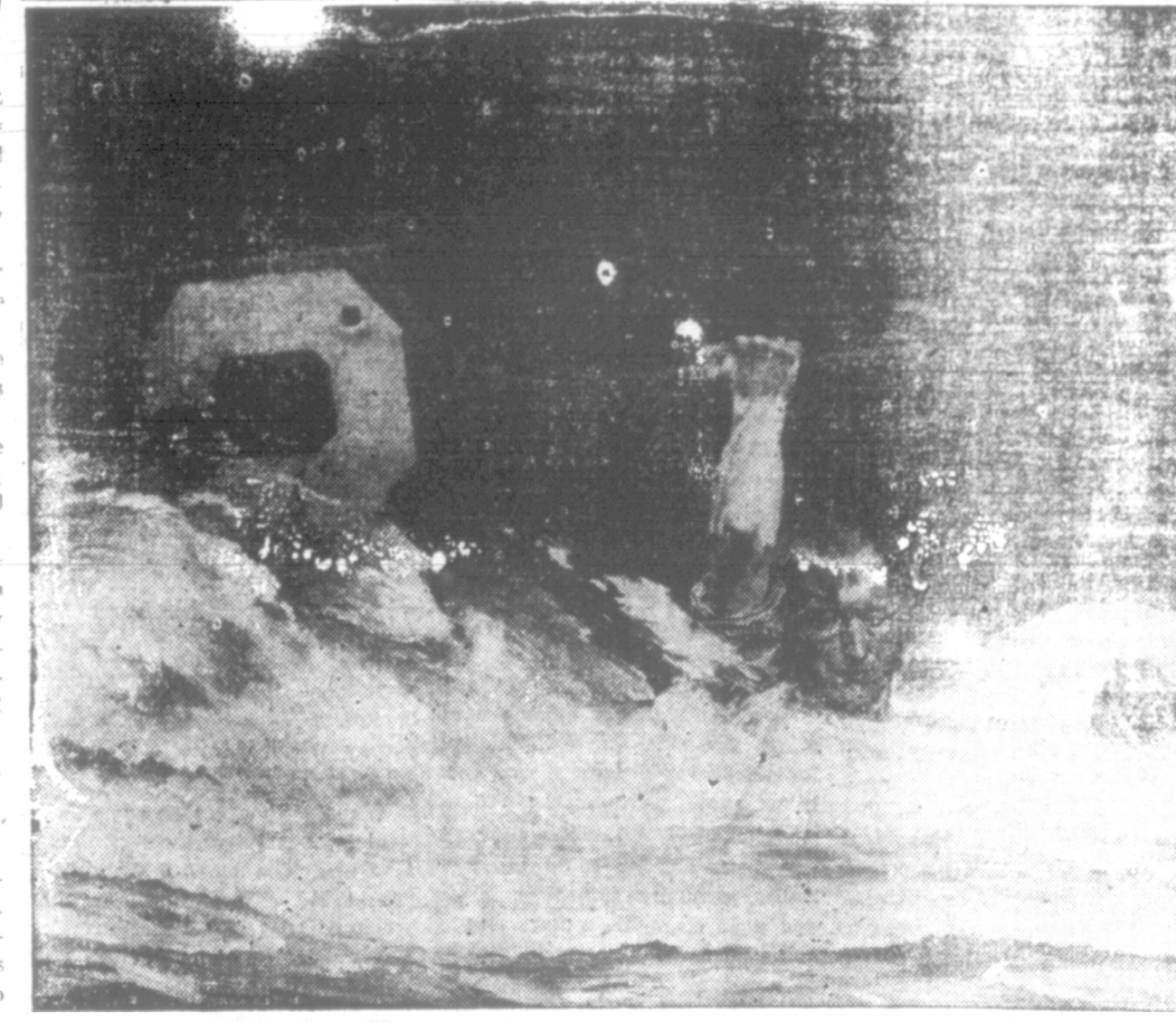
Hi-WAYS TO HEALTH
by ADA R. MAYNE
OREGON DAIRY COUNCIL

Although there are laws which
almost regulate every step in the
production and distribution of
milk, there is no way to compel
the consumer to take adequate care
of it. Milk does not keep well if
carelessly treated, and now that
we are called upon by the govern-
ment to conserve it every home-
maker should know the simple
every day practices that will keep
milk safe and which will prevent
any waste of it. Really, the over-
all rule is it must be kept clean,
covered and cold. Preferably,
it should be stored in a refrigerator
which maintains a temperature not
higher than 45 degrees.

A few simple rules should be
followed in order to take the best
possible care of milk.
(1) Take in the milk promptly
as soon as possible after deliv-
ery, and as soon as possible after
opening or putting it in the refrig-
erator. (2) Wash the top of the con-
tainer and cap before opening or put-
ting it in the refrigerator. (3) Place
the milk in the coldest part of the
refrigerator. (4) Keep the milk in
the refrigerator. When cooking put
milk in a covered container as soon
as desired. (5) Measure quantity
of milk, cream and butter as desired
before using. (6) Clean and dis-
infect all milk processing equip-
ment and containers. (7) Clean and
disinfect all milk processing equip-
ment and containers. (8) Clean and
disinfect all milk processing equip-
ment and containers. (9) Clean and
disinfect all milk processing equip-
ment and containers. (10) Clean and
disinfect all milk processing equip-
ment and containers.

See that all members of the
family have a near the recommen-
ded amounts of milk as are avail-
able. For adults—two glasses or
more daily and for children—3 or
4 or more glasses daily to drink
combined with other foods, in ice
cream and cheese.

Should there not be enough to
go around, remember that some
members of the family necessarily
have priorities. Expectant and
nursing mothers, children and in-
valids have first claim to the fam-
ily milk supply.



"Take her down!" With these words, Commander Gilmore signed his own death warrant. Rather than risk losing his boat and crew, from enemy fire, the wounded Commander ordered his submarine to submerge—with himself outside.

How much is "duty"?

WHEN A SOLDIER charges up
a newly established beachhead
bulletless of the shells and machine-gun
bullets ripping around him... that's
duty.
When a sailor stands at an anti-
aircraft gun fiercely firing at an enemy
plane, disregarding the bombs and lead
falling from the skies... that's duty.
A soldier or a sailor has duty clearly
defined for him.
But how much is "duty" for a
civilian?

There is no clear definition. But
there is one job which every man and
woman of us must consider duty if he
would like to see the war shortened and
our fighting men back with us.
That's—Buying War Bonds. Not
just a few. As many as you possibly
can afford!
For your own sake... for the sake
of your fighting men... for the sake
of your country... Boost your buy-
ing through Payroll Savings!

KEEP ON BACKING THE ATTACK!

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