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I pledge allegiance to my flag and the republic for which it stands, one Nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice to all.

A War Stamp a day will keep the Kaiser away.

It is now about time to quit talking about "doing our bit" and begin doing our best.

Mondays and Wednesdays wheatless; Tuesdays and Saturdays porkless; one wheatless, one porkless meal every day. This is the schedule of every good American. Have you got it straight?

According to information received in Washington, butter is selling in Berlin at \$2.25 a pound, sugar at 56 cents a pound, ham and bacon at \$2.11 a pound, and Ivory soap at five bars for \$1.12.

The people of Poland are eating bread made from ground barks and pussy-willow pads. Is any American going to complain because Hoover wants us to mix twenty per cent of other grain flours with our wheat?

The Department of Agriculture estimates that only one-third of the marketable surplus of the potato crop had been moved by January 1, 1918. Last year's potato crop was the largest ever produced in the United States.

Germany plants more than twice as great an acreage in potatoes as the United States. Germany gets more than twice as many bushels per acre, and she eats three times as many potatoes. Germany's wise use of potatoes helps hold out against the Allies. Hoover calls the attention of the American people to these facts and asks everybody to eat potatoes. Are you eating your share?

Attorney General Brown has handed down an opinion that two United States Senators are to be elected next November—one to hold office from the day of the November election 1918 to March 4, 1919 to fill the part of Senator Lane's unexpired term which Senator McNary does not fill, and the other for the long term of six years from March 4, 1919. Hence, in the primary election next May both the Republicans and the Democratic party will each nominate two candidates.

Somebody is going to tell on you if you do not pay your income tax. Congress has fixed it so that somebody must tell, whether he wants to or not. One section of the War Income Tax Law, exhaustively comprehensive in scope, requires every person, without exception, and every corporation, partnership, association, and insurance company, in whatever capacity acting, who paid \$800 or more to another person, corporation, partnership, association, or insurance company, as interest, rent, salaries, wages, premiums, annuities, compensation, remuneration, emoluments, or other fixed or determinable gains, profits, and income, to report the name and address of the person, corporation, etc., to whom the payment was made, together with the amount of the payment, to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue at Washington on or before March 1, 1918.

The Turner Tribune says it has absolutely refused a penny of R. N. Stanfield's millions for advertising space, because it would rather lose a few dollars than to injure a man it loves and respects—meaning Senator McNary. It is the only newspaper in Marion county which says to itself that Stanfield is trying to purchase editorial support by using advertising space. Stanfield probably knows well enough that scarcely a newspaper in Marion county will support him, but he also knows that if he wants to reach the mass of people who vote that he must use the advertising columns of the newspapers. And any newspaper which refuses to sell him space is not only unfair but is pursuing a mistaken business policy. A newspaper should have no more right to refuse any honest and lawful advertisement than a railroad has to refuse to sell any decent citizen a ticket. The attitude of the Tribune is not only silly and unfair, but also absolutely injurious to the candidacy of Senator McNary.

The Food Administration estimates the total number of ocean-going vessels now afloat at 30,000, having a gross tonnage of 45,000,000 tons. Losses of shipping during the war have totalled about 8,783,080 tons, and the supply of ships is about 20 per cent short of normal. Shipbuilding in France has been at a standstill since the beginning of the war. England's output is less than normal; Japan is hampered by lack of material; the American ship supply is only beginning.

Manufacturers of and dealers in livestock, cattle and hogs must obtain a license from the Food Administration by February 15, 1918. Hay, shelled and ear corn and other feeds intended for use as feeds or as in the home. The only exceptions are for mill dealers in coarse grains, who have been licensed under Food Administration license should be addressed to the Food Administration, Washington, D. C. The license of the business to be licensed.

The tremendous effective work of the schools and school children of the county is being availed of as fully as possible in every department in its work. In a great many parts of the county Loan clubs have been organized and have been purchased by individuals. The county's campaign is endeavoring to establish in every school in the county and individual effort is to be secured. Secretary McAdoo has said that the schoolhouse in the United States is the best place for patriotism and loyalty are taught. The school as a medium to reach the people is of especial value.

MACKSBURG.

Miss Pearl Miller is staying for the present with her sister Rachel at Woodburn.

Mrs. John Duarschak is staying in Oregon City to be near the hospital where her little son is being treated for a serious illness. We are happy to say that Mrs. Duarschak is receiving great encouragement to hope for the little boy's ultimate cure.

Evangelistic services are being held by the congregation of Mennonites at their different places of worship. With a very few exceptions all of the usual worshipers at the Bethel Chapel went on Sunday to their parent church, the Zion Tabernacle where the service is almost entirely choral and is so effective that a crowded house is sure to be the result.

Rev. Fr. Lucas is still in California seeking restoration to health. His entire congregation here seems desirous of having him find his parish in most encouraging condition upon his return. The new Lutheran Sunday School at the Eby school house is thriving in a way that must show it to have been faithfully cared for during the pastor's absence.

The spring of 1918 gives promise of being the busiest one ever known in our history. Besides the added work in producing more than ever from our soil, there is the Red Cross work in which few can refuse to join. Scarcely a home is to be seen which does not display their bright emblem of a member, blessed institution, so great, so far reaching in extent and so benign in purpose the mind can not estimate the good that is certain to follow in its wake. Time that was wont to be consumed in idle conversations as amusement is now employed by the Red Cross.

Wants, For Sale, Etc

LOCAL AD RATE.

A uniform and invariable charge of 5 cents per line is made for all advertising notices of every description in the news columns of this newspaper. This rate applies to for sale, for rent, lost, found, card of thanks, "want ads," and to all kinds of similar notices as well as to all notices of entertainments, fairs, socials, shows, etc. No reductions or discounts.

FOR SALE CHEAP

One bay mare, weight about 900 lbs; one 2 1/2 inch wagon complete, good as new; one work harness; one buggy and buggy harness; one Durham cow; one Holstein heifer, fresh in March.—W. F. Prahl, Route 3, Aurora, Oregon.

FOR SALE

Holstein Friesian bulls ready for service. Also a few calves from good producing dams. Buy them while they are young and have them grow into money.—Ernest Werner, Rt. 2.

For Sale—Feed Barley, Barred Rock eggs for hatching. Wanted—Young pigs. H. W. Watkins, R. 3. 47-1f



On Sound Basis After the War

Soon after the civil war President Grant put this country on a sound financial basis. On his recommendation congress passed an act "to strengthen public credit," and specie payments were later resumed.

These are prosperous days in this land, and wise people are banking their surplus cash.

Bank your money today and be prepared for any eventuality.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

January 15, 1918.
Having requests from all over the county to make the run for State Senator, I hereby announce my candidacy

for Senator on the Republican ticket for State Senator, subject to the votes of the voters of Marion County. Having been a resident of this county for 58 years it is not necessary to tell the people about my past record and occupation, for I think they all know it, and that is the platform I am going to run on.

—A. M. LAFOLLETT.
(Paid adv)



L. J. ADAMS, OF SILVERTON

Mr. Adams is a Candidate for County Judge. One of the Silverton newspapers in commenting upon his candidacy, says:—"He is a thoughtful, honest, sincere American. He has been a successful business man, with much experience in public affairs. He knows the needs of the people whom he will serve, and when a man of his ability offers himself to the people of Marion county it would be a serious mistake to reject the offer."