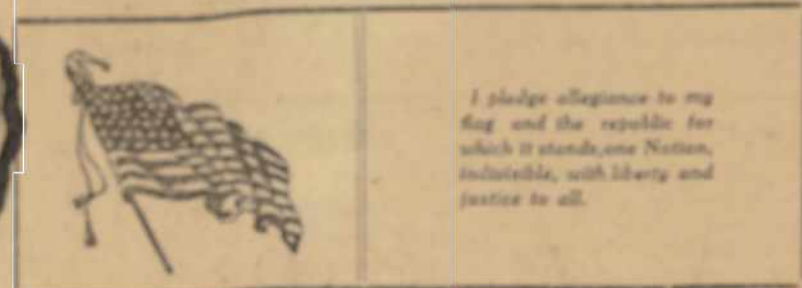


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The Salem School Board has preemptorily fired German language instruction from the Salem school, effective from the minute of the resolution, which is both patriotic and sensible under existing conditions.

Oregon's official quota for the Third Liberty Loan has been reduced to \$18,495,000. Washington must raise \$29,391,000, California \$133,894,000, Idaho \$7,930,000, Utah \$10,315,000, and Nevada \$2,582,000.

The Salem Journal wants the work of paving the Pacific Highway to begin at Salem, and if a gap must be left it should be on the less important north end. The Journal, like the Salem hog, assumes that everything the state does is and should be for the benefit of Salem alone. The Pacific Highway is in no sense a local road, and Salem local traffic should receive no more consideration than that of any other place. The Highway is a trunk road of which every part should be built as soon as possible without reference to these alleged local claims.

In the town of Sandy, Clackamas County, a German Lutheran school has been holding sessions five days in the week, teaching German in the forenoon and English in the afternoon, and running in opposition to the public schools and greatly reducing its attendance. Sandy merchants and others in Sandy who have protested against the operation of this enemy school in their midst, have been notified in a round-about-way that if they continue their opposition to the school they will be boycotted. This is a condition that should not be tolerated. These hot-beds of Hun propaganda should be closed forthwith and without argument. Patriotic reasons demand that not only these propaganda schools be closed, but that our own public schools should discontinue the teaching of German. The best American sentiment favors this action throughout the nation.

We must not forget that our country is engaged in a struggle that demands constant vigilance and activity of the part of every loyal American. No matter what happens today, tomorrow, next week, or next month, the war will go on, for upon our winning it depends the whole future freedom and happiness of our children and all who

live after us. The efforts of today, tomorrow and every day will all help to bring the end nearer. We must help in many ways. Some can and must serve in peaceful capacities. Others can and must provide the money, each according to his ability. We can work and save. We can buy Liberty Bonds and War Stamps. We can help the Red Cross and other patriotic activities. We can and must continue doing them, upholding them every possible way. No man can be an American unless he earnestly does these things.

The failure of the potato crop in some states is reported on account of poor potato seed, infertile soil and untimely cultivation. They all made for poor crops. Many of the "war gardens" failed for the same reason. Famine stalks in France and Italy, in every land of the allies, except England. The world feels the need for the deliberate mobilization of American farms and gardens.

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Devitalized physique invites pneumonia. Overheated, crowded, badly ventilated rooms, cars, shops or other places should be avoided. Too many persons in this world are too much afraid of fresh air, especially if it be a bit cold. As a rule they would much rather breathe over the air that someone else has already breathed. If you have any doubt about this, just try to open the ventilators in a crowded street car on a cold day and see what happens to you. Nutritious food is harder to get, for a price, than it used to be; but fresh air does not cost any more now than it did before the war.

The first wooden vessel of the new merchant fleet building for the government was launched at a Pacific port. She is a ship of 4,000 tons dead weight, 290 feet over all, and was constructed in what is said to be the world-record time of 120 days. A good beginning. Now for maintaining the prestige thus established!

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**CALL FOR BIDS (To Furnish Wood)**

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the Board of Directors of joint school district No. 23, Marion county and 303 Clackamas county at the office of the chairman of the board or at the residence of the clerk at Aurora, up to 5 p. m. Thursday, April 11, 1918, for the delivery of the whole or part of thirty five cords of wood at the school house in Aurora, as follows:

- 15 cords second growth fir.
- 15 cords old fir.
- 5 cords oak.

The wood must be good, sound, dry wood, well and closely piled in four foot length, ricked up in good shape to be measured just outside the basement window. Delivery to be completed by the first day of September 1918. Bids will be received for each kind of wood separately, or for all as the bidder desires. The contract will be let to the lowest responsible bidder, but the Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Dated this 26th day of March 1918.  
J. M. Will, Chairman.  
Henry L. Bents.  
B. F. Giesy.  
C. S. Wescott, Clerk.

**EXECUTOR'S NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the undersigned, by an order of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Marion, duly made and entered on the 26th day of March, 1918, was appointed Executor of the Last Will and Testament and Estate of Karoline Siebert, Deceased, and that he has duly qualified as such Executor. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified as required by law, to said Executor, at Aurora, in Marion County, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice. Dated this 4th day of April, 1918.  
JAS. G. HELTZEL, MAX GEHLHAR, Attorneys for Estate,  
LOUIS SIEBERT, Executor,  
Aurora, Oregon.  
First publication April 4, 1918.  
Last publication May 2, 1918.

**NOTICE TO VOTERS**

The registration books are now open and voters not already registered should apply for registration in order that they may be qualified to vote at the primary election, May 17, 1918. Voters who have not voted during the past two years, or who have changed their residence to a new precinct must register again.

Voters living outside incorporated cities and towns, are required to give the range, township and section where they live. Naturalized citizens must exhibit their papers. Registrar's office at the Aurora Observer Office.  
Mrs. C. S. Wescott.

Hop contracts, deeds, mortgages, bills of sale, satisfaction of mortgages and similar legal blanks for sale at the Observer Office.

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| Total received                               | 93.06   |
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