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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.

War activities should make us not forget that "clean up" time is here. Clean-up day will probably soon be named. Clear up the trash, clean the yards, plant the flowers, and the vegetable garden, make the home lot a better, cheerier place for the family. Don't wait! It will soon be late.

German propaganda revelations now make it very well understood that the study of the "German language" in American schools has been part of a deliberate plan of the apostles of German "kultur" to make America a vassal of Germany not only economically industrially, but educationally and politically. This treacherous plan is not more surprising than the foul attempts of the German ambassador to influence congress and intimidate our government. But it is surprising that Americans allowed themselves to be so easily deceived. The German government believed as late as 1914 that failure of our government to stop munition shipments to the allies would result in a great German revolt here. Only the existence of hundreds of German language newspapers, hundreds of German language schools, (and the teaching of German in thousands of our public schools), of thousands of clannish German societies, and of a widespread German propaganda—only these things could have led the war lords of Germany to believe a German uprising possible in America. At the beginning of the war German was a popular language in America. Today no argument can make it so, and few are left bold enough to demand its continuance in our public schools. A few school boards insist that German shall be taught, but thousands of schools have wholly abandoned instruction in German, while in others thousands of patriotic American pupils—more discerning than their elders—can not (knowing the Kaiser as they do) reconcile the study of his language with loyal Americanism and a clear conscience. Today wherever in America the language of the Hun is taught there is exhibited disloyalty to American ideals—either openly or hidden in the hearts of the German sympathizer.

Marion county has to raise \$829,000 for the Third Liberty Loan—which is less than the people are called upon to pay in taxes for the year 1917.

B. F. Ramp, of Brooks, father of the notorious Floyd Ramp of Roseburg, is the socialist candidate for governor. Young Ramp is now serving 2 year's sentence at McNeils Island for sedition.

These are days of enlarged spheres of usefulness. Even the hen feels it. Formerly it was the hen's chief business to lift the mortgage off the farm. Now many farmers' wives are using their egg money to buy War Savings Stamps.

Marion county's people this year must pay a total of \$984,220.52 in taxes—almost a million—in state, county, municipal, school and road district taxes. The fellows who promise every two or four years to reduce taxes, please take notice!

The Sandy German Lutheran school has discontinued the teaching of German announces Rev. Mr. Jobberfuhr, the Sandy pastor and principal of the school. He promised sheriff Wilson and assistant United States Attorney Latourette of Oregon City that the school will be 100 per cent American from now on. Next!

The big Socialist meeting at Chicago Saturday having resolved itself into a patriotic demonstration, the pro-Huns are deprived of another source of consolation. socialist leaders declare the Kaiser and the junkers to be the arch-enemies of socialism, lauded Abraham Lincoln, praised the president, cheered the flag wildly, pledged themselves to support the war and urged the purchase of liberty bonds. Local pro-Germans who were about to throw themselves into the arms of the socialist party now will draw back with horror.

Hot-air Harley, mayor of Astoria, continues his gas attack on the Oregon delegation in Congress for their failure to get aeroplane contracts for Oregon. He asks if it is not wise policy to build aeroplanes in Oregon where all the spruce is found. In like manner why not grow bananas and yams at the Astoria city hall where hot-air abounds? Mayor Harley's tirades all resolve themselves into a covert attack upon Senator McNary and campaign material for the millionaire sheepman of Stanfield who is trying to break into the United States Senate.

The United States grants religious freedom to all sects but it does not release the individual of any sect from their duty to the government and the nation under whose laws they live. The mere fact that certain sects like the Mennonites are not required to serve in the trenches but only as non-combatants does not clothe them with any vested rights. The power that grants may take away. The government must have money to carry on the war, and it is no long step from voluntary loans to conscription of property. Conscientious objectors want the protection of the government and laws under which we live but some of them refuse though abundantly able to support the government with loans which will be repaid with interest. Such individuals are not good citizens because they want much for which they are not willing to sacrifice a single penny in return. They will neither fight nor buy war stamps. They are slackers who deserve pitiless publicity and universal contempt.

FOOD ADMINISTRATION FACTS

One ounce less of meat each day for everyone means a saving of 4,400,000 meat animals a year. Save your ounce. The sacrifice is small, but the result for your country is large.

1,185,000 tons of sugar will be saved the first year if each of us uses one ounce less each day. This will keep sugar plentiful and cheap.

The Allies are all in the same boat, a long way from shore and on limited rations—and Uncle Sam is running the relief ship. It's up to us to save the cargo.

Reduction, Production—the 1918 watchwords.

Food will win the war. Save it. Produce it.

If you run your household on three pounds of sugar a month per person, when fall comes the grocer won't have to hang up the sign "No Sugar."

The second helping is getting to be bad form.

There's lots of money to go round, but bacon, beef and wheat can't make the circuit. Save your share.

Waste and want are twin sisters and neither beautiful.

Potatoes for Patriotism.

By eating potatoes instead of wheat the people of the United States can help win the war. We have not enough wheat for the Allies and ourselves. We have an abundance of potatoes. Wheat flour is a concentrated food and therefore good for shipping; potatoes are bulky and are consequently not suited for limited shipping space, nor are the Allies so short of potatoes as of wheat. Next to cereals, potatoes have been in this country the mainstay of starchy food, which supplies energy.

The more potatoes we eat, the less wheat we need. A medium-sized potato, weighing about 3½ ounces, supplies about as much starch as two small slices of wheat bread one-half inch thick. In other respects also, the potato measures up well with wheat bread and even has the advantage over it in supplying certain salts which the body needs to counteract the acidity resulting from the use of such foods as cereals, meat and eggs. By exercising her ingenuity the housewife can prepare potatoes in many different attractive ways, thus increasing their proportion in the family diet and conserving wheat and other staples needed for shipment abroad. An important use of potatoes, also, is in the mixing of breads, in which mashed potatoes up to fully ten per cent may be used without detracting from its appearance or taste; in fact, many persons hold that potatoes properly mixed in bread, improves both appearance and flavor.



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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, tf.



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