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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 TIME LOYALTY

This war is so vast and momentous a struggle that it demands the most complete support of every citizen. Passive loyalty—the loyalty of peace times—is not enough. Active support—fighting and working and saving and lending, one or all is the demand of the hour that America may emerge victorious from the conflict. Most of us cannot enter the fighting ranks; neither can most of us enter the war industries, but all of us can show our government and prove to our neighbors that we have the right brand of loyalty and patriotism, by economizing in those materials needed to win the war, by producing to the extent of our ability, by lending to the government all we can. These are practical expressions of our loyalty, freed of evasion, camouflage and lip service.

It may be pointed out that there are now more than 2,000,000 men in the Army and Navy, and that before fall there will be 3,000,000 with a steady increase from then on. These men not only cease to be producers but they become consumers on a vast scale. By heeding the government injunction to produce to our maximum capacity, consume only what is essential to maintain health and strength and national morale, we shall prove our militant loyalty—the kind that stamps us as willing to do our part in backing up the government with all our heart and soul. That is real loyalty.

DISGRACEFUL CONDITIONS

A. L. Mills, president of the First National Bank, of Portland, having heard that many shipyard workers of that city are living in unsanitary dwellings, decided to see for himself. He made a thorough investigation of their housing and living conditions, and the description he gives should arouse the rich public-spirited men of Portland to the seriousness of the situation which Mr. Mills describes as follows:

"It would astonish lots of citizens of Portland to see the squalor in which some of our citizens live; the utter lack of sanitation and ventilation and the utter disregard of health in which people who inhabit such sections live. Why, some of the places were veritable ratholes, filthy beyond description, without light, as dark as the black hole of Calcutta, of which we have read. No citizen who has the love of Portland at heart should rest easy with the knowledge that we permit some people who come to Portland to work in our industries to be treated as worse than criminals. We owe it to those who come to help in the industries to see that all places where they are permitted to live while doing the important work of industries are sanitary, with healthful surroundings, God's sunlight and fresh air to see and feel and breathe."

Fourteen Oregon shipyards are building wooden ships and five, steel ships. Over 41,000 men are employed, with a payroll of \$4,000,000 per month. Over 545,000 tons of shipping have been launched already. Contracts aggregating \$200,000,000 have been let.

Various school districts of this county are preparing for "fundless" school fairs this fall, in which honor ribbons will be awarded instead of cash prizes. Aurora should not let the school fair spirit die. Under the above plan, the local school fair can be maintained at almost no expense. Is it not worth while to keep the school fair idea alive?

Close estimates by Mr. Hoover indicate that 1,600,000 tons of sugar is the total supply for the next six months in the United States. Direct rationing of householders would cost \$5,000,000 and require the services of 100,000 people to carry it out. It is believed that the voluntary co-operation of the people can save this expense and compulsory rationing can be avoided.

With the government about to assume control of the telephone companies throughout the country, the merger of the Pacific States Telephone Co. and the Northwestern Long Distance Telephone Co. and the Portland Home Telephone Co. will probably be one of the first acts of the government in the northwest. It is not probable that government control will affect farmer lines or small town companies, except that they will be required to obey all rules laid down by the government.

Oregon's quota for the Fourth Liberty Loan, due in October, will be about \$47,000,000. On the same basis as the Third Loan, Aurora's quota will be about \$47,000. In other words, Aurora must lend \$1,000 for each million of the state's quota. This time, it is announced, there will be no parleying with the money slackers. Everyone must come through. It is intimated that the list of slackers, instead of purchasers, may be made public in the next bond campaign.

After August 1 the license fees for automobiles will be but one-half the yearly fee. Many were under the impression that the reduction took place July 1. From January 1 to August 1 full price is charged. From August 1 to December 31, the cost is reduced one-half. The secretary of state points out in a recent letter that when a person buys a new automobile he cannot lawfully transfer the license numbers from his old car to his new car. The license plates should remain with the car for which they were originally issued.

The Y. M. C. A. needs 4000 men for service in France before September 1, and 5000 more before January 1. Here are the qualification demanded. These men must be Good mixers. Over draft age. Not a pacifist or slacker. Willing to go under shell fire. Broad-gauged and willing to go where sent. If you can measure up to these requirements, you can go to France at once as Y. M. C. A. secretary. Can you fill the bill? Don't all answer at once.

If America has anything to regret it is that she allowed the allies alone to hold back the Hun tide that threatened to engulf us while we, unaware of the danger and the criminal intent of the Germans, prospered while the allied nations bled and died. To the unconquerable French, to the grim and uncomplaining British, to the valiant and suffering Italians and above all, to the ruined Belgians, the bravest of all the sons and daughters of men—to all these America owes a great debt, which she will pay on that great day of victory when the world shall stand redeemed from the menace of the Huns.

Sunday, July 14, was Bastille Day, the great French holiday, which celebrates the fall of the Bastille on July 14, 1789. The Bastille was a castle or fortress in Paris, built in the fourteenth century, and used as a prison, especially for political offenders. Its bad repute as an instrument of despotism in the days of Louis XIV and his successors made it the object of popular hatred. The storming and demolishing of the Bastille by the infuriated people of Paris was the beginning of the French revolution which powerfully influenced the social, political and intellectual progress for the next century, and laid the foundation of French freedom.

Loads of Bibles.

One hundred and twenty-five cases of Bibles arrived at Ebu Overri, Africa, it requiring 125 African porters, each with the regulation load of 60 pounds on his head, in single file, to take these Bibles to their destination through the bush. There were 25 Bibles to each tin-lined case, making a total of 3,100 copies, which, it is believed, will be sold to the natives within the year.

Beginning of Shipbuilding.

The first buoy was several logs lashed together and anchored by a stone. Man was just venturing upon the waters. Rafts ready made by nature were bestowed upon him in the jetsam of the storm. Man built better and better rafts. His old ones anchored by rattan-held boulders came to mark his landing place and home. Whence came the habit of harbor buoys.

Exercise That Rests the Mind.

Perhaps the best way to rest your thought mechanism is to indulge in muscular exercise, by which means you concentrate your anatomical movements and indirectly rest your mind. To focus the attention upon muscular movements or upon some phase of physical activity is to relax the muscles which are concerned in the generation of thought and ideas. Relaxation is a better word for some sorts of rest.

Tit for Tat.

A showily dressed woman was sitting in a car when a quiet looking soldier in getting in accidentally trod on her dress. She talked to him for about ten minutes and wound up by saying: "A gentleman would have apologized." Saluting the young man bowed and said: "A lady would have given me a chance."

It is not enough to take off your hat to the flag—take off your coat and roll up your sleeves, and having made these preparations, do something useful for America and her cause.

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.

MARRY IF LONLEY; best and most successful "Home Maker"; hundreds rich wish marriage soon; strictly confidential; reliable; years of experience; descriptions free. "The Successful Club", Mrs. Purdie, Box 556, Oakland, Calif. 7-1 9-15

FOR SALE—Ice made from pure water. Hubbard Creamery Co., Hubbard, Oregon. to8-15

FOR SALE—Black horse 8 years old, weight 1400, work single or double, Hong Kee, Route 3, (near Boone's Ferry.) (8-1f)

FOR SALE—A seventy-five dollar Rotary Edison Mimeograph, practically new, for sale or trade for anything from War Stamps to junk. What have you? Write the Observer Office, Aurora, Oregon.

FOR SALE—New double barrel Steven's shot gun, 12 guage, weight 7 1/2 pounds, top lever. Cost \$27.50, will sell for \$20. War stamps same as cash. Inquire at Observer Office, Aurora, Oregon.

FOR SALE—Sweet and sour cherries, 2c a lb. Black driving mare, 8 years old, weight about 1000 lbs. H. W. Watkins, R. 2, also Duroc Jersey Sow, 1 year old, (due to farrow July 20.) 16

For Sale—Davenport roller bearing wagon, truck wagon, Deering mower, peg tooth harrow, spring tooth harrow, buggy. John L. Snyder, Aurora. 18-2t.



Alexander Hamilton
First Secretary of the Treasury



When eleven years old he was put to work as errand boy in a bank. By study,

industry and thrift he learned the business, saved enough to make profitable investments, became prominent, fought in the Revolution, signed the Declaration of Independence and was first Secretary of the Treasury.

If you are ambitious to get ahead in the world, begin by saving a part of your regular earnings, for money paves the way to the desirable things of life.

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The BEST Offer

The yearly Bargain Days for the Oregonian are over until next November (1918.)

The regular price of the Daily Oregonian is \$6.00 per year; the Daily and Sunday combined is \$8.00 per year, and of the Observer \$1.25 per year, but until further notice these papers will be clubbed at the following prices:

The Daily Oregonian and The Observer Boh One Year \$6.25

The Daily and Sunday Oregonian and The Observer, Both one Year \$8.00

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The Aurora Observer
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.

WANTED—About a ton of hop wire, sizes 6, 8, or 9, in good condition. Write the Aurora Observer, or call at Office, Aurora, Oregon. (17)

Fine Sweet Cherries for Sale—Louis Racette, Route 3, Aurora, (Aurora Mutual Telephone.) 15-1f

Marry, if lonely. For speedy marriage, try my club, very successful, best, largest in the country, established 11 years; thousand wealthy wishing to marry at once. Confidential descriptions free. Reliable Club.—Mrs. Wrubel, 732 Madison St. Oakland, California. 12-7-1917