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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.

SAVING AND COMFORT

Higher rates of wages paid during the war has opened to workers the choice of various new standards of action—they cannot all be called standards of "living."

The near-sighted have used their usual wages to indulge in all sorts of extravagance which gave little real satisfaction and contributed nothing to permanent family stability. Where they are not harming themselves, they are cultivating tastes which they cannot hope permanently to gratify.

Others, the far-sighted ones, have used their increase in wages to improve their comfort up to the full efficiency point for themselves and their families, and are thinking carefully before they spend their surplus. Many are investing wisely in homes or working other well-considered investment-purchases.

The wisest of all are putting a large share of their earnings into War Savings Stamps or savings banks to provide for necessities that may arise, and particularly to establish a "turn around" fund that will enable them to meet more comfortably any changes in business or employment that may result from post-armistice conditions.

These far-sighted people have taken the war, and its unusual opportunities for earning, very seriously; just as they did not expect the war to last always, they have not banked on war conditions in employment enduring indefinitely. They are ready for the future. If wages keep up, they are still so much ahead of the game.

The weak point of the grange-market roads joint committee's plan to raise paving funds by taxation is that the roads to be paved are not designated. No special tax for road paving will carry in this section unless the local roads to be paved are definitely named. The same is doubtless true of a bond issue. It is not sufficient that the court accept (or adopt) a system of market roads laid out by the market road boosters. Such action would not be binding. The personnel of county commissioner's courts changes. Resignations, the recall, change of residence, death make tenure of office uncertain. Any action taken by the commissioner's may be rescinded by succeeding commissioners unless forbidden by law. Any market road system adopted by the court, but not paved, may be overturned by their successors, unless the roads are designated upon the ballot and by the people at the same time the funds are voted.

Those who fear the competition of Europe during the next few years may draw "comfort" from the following facts: England's war debt is 30 per cent of her entire wealth, that of France is 50 per cent; of Germany 45 per cent; of Austria 65 per cent; of Italy 30 per cent. In each case they must pay as interest every year a sum larger than their entire national government expenditure before the war; and in every case, sinking funds must be established to pay the debts. Yet some Americans seem to fear that this great nation cannot hold its own, industrially, with stricken Europe. Ought not our thoughts and our efforts to be directed to aiding the people of Europe to get on their feet again that they may contribute their full share to the world's dividends of useful commodities?

The teachers of Oregon (and the Nation) by their daily contact with their pupils who are to be our future citizens have done much to influence them in good citizenship, and in habits of wise spending and intelligent saving and investment. Their work has a permanent peace-time value, aside from its immediate value in meeting the financial needs of the government in war time. Because of this permanent value, school authorities everywhere should incorporate permanently in our school curriculum the teaching of these habits of thrift and patriotism.

Why not organize a "Community Council," as requested by the government, to help to carry out "re-construction" measures and better all after-the-war-conditions. It is our opportunity to assure the men who have served in the armed forces of our country that our assistance and co-operation, AS A COMMUNITY, is their without asking.

All the neighboring papers are welcome to clip copy from the Observer, with or without, credit but it looks a little better to the fraternity to acknowledge the source.

The house mouse and three kinds of rats—introduced into the United States from Europe—cause a \$200,000,000 loss in this country every year, according to the department of agriculture. Some of these "alien enemies" are found in practically every house, barn, mill, storehouse and elevators over most of the United States. The enormous waste they cause may be greatly reduced through systematic and organized campaigns against them. The bounty system affords no permanent relief and is very costly, compared with the use of poison and traps. The department of agriculture has developed practical methods of exterminating these pests. It invites inquiries from anyone interested.

It has long been universally expressed that any supporter of Germany or disseminator of Hun propaganda in this country should be sent back to his native land. And while we are deporting why not send those native born Americans who never can say a good word for their home town, its enterprises or its organizations which are continually striving to build up. The time has come when there must be a show down in this particular.—Canby News.

RED CROSS GIFTS \$400,000,000

War Council on Retirement Announces Cash and Supplies Contributed.

WORKERS WILL "CARRY ON."

Five Big Societies in World Wide Plan. H. P. Davidson Heads International American Red Cross Commission. Dr. Livingston Farrand Permanent Leader of Peace Organization.

Washington.—(Special).—Henry P. Davidson as chairman issues the following statement on behalf of the War Council of the American Red Cross:

"To the American People: "The War Council of the American Red Cross appointed by President Wilson on May 10, 1917, to carry on the work of the American Red Cross during the war, at their request and by vote of the Central Committee, ceased at midnight, February 28.

"Immediately the armistice was signed the War Council instituted studies to determine when the strictly war work of the organization would have been sufficiently matured to enable the direction of affairs to be resumed by the permanent staff. Henry P. Davidson, being in Paris when the armistice was signed, summoned a conference there of the heads of all the Red Cross Commissions in Europe to canvass the situation. After considering all the factors it was concluded to make the transition on March 1. The very fortunate choice of Dr. Livingston Farrand as the new chairman of the Central Committee, and thereby the permanent chief executive of the Red Cross, makes possible the consummation of this plan under the most favorable conditions.

Accounts Audited by War Department.

"Detailed reports to Congress and a complete audit of its accounts by the War Department will constitute the final record of Red Cross activity during the war. Although it has been the rule to make public all expenditures when authorized and to give detailed information relative to all work undertaken, the War Council in turning over its responsibilities to Dr. Farrand and his associates desire to give a brief resume of Red Cross war time activities to the American people, to whom the Red Cross belongs, and whose generous contributions have made possible all that has been accomplished.

"During the past nearly twenty-one months the American people have given in cash and supplies to the American Red Cross more than \$400,000,000. No value can be placed upon the contributions of service which have been given without stint and oftentimes at great sacrifice by millions of our people.

"The effort of the American Red Cross in this war has constituted by far the largest voluntary gifts of money, of hand and heart, ever contributed purely for the relief of human suffering. Through the Red Cross the heart and spirit of the whole American people have been mobilized to take care of our own, to relieve the misery incident to the war, and also to reveal to the world the supreme ideals of our national life.

"Everyone who has had any part in this war effort of the Red Cross is entitled to congratulate himself. No thanks from anyone could be equal in value to the self satisfaction everyone should feel for the part taken. Fully 8,000,000 American women have exerted themselves in Red Cross service.

Has Over 17,000,000 Adult Members.

"When we entered the war the American Red Cross had about 500,000 members. Today, as the result of the recent Christmas membership Roll Call, there are upwards of 17,000,000 full paid members outside of the members of the Junior Red Cross, numbering perhaps 9,000,000 school children additional.

"The chief effort of the Red Cross

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LOCAL AD RATE.

Local notices and classified column advertisements of every description are 5 cents per line, but no "ad" will be inserted for less than 25c. This rate of 5 cents per line applies to for sale, for rent, lost, found, want ad, card of thanks and all similar notices, as well as to all notices of entertainments, fairs, socials, shows, etc., which charge an admission fee or are given to raise money for any purpose. Copy for local reading notices must be in not later than Wednesday noon.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
STATE OF OREGON, FOR
MARION COUNTY.

Levi M. Webb,
Plaintiff
vs.
Susie Webb,
Defendant.

SUMMONS

To SUSIE WEBB:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court and cause on or before the 3d day of April, 1919, said day being six weeks from the date ordered for the first publication of this summons, and if you fail to appear and answer said complaint by said date, plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in his complaint, to-wit: For a decree dissolving the marriage contract now existing between plaintiff and defendant above named, and for such further relief as appears equitable to the Court.

You are further notified that this summons is served upon you by publication thereof in the Aurora Observer, a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in Aurora, Marion County, Oregon, pursuant to an order of the Hon. Geo. G. Bingham, Judge of the above entitled Court, said order having been made and entered on the 17th day of February, 1919; that said summons will be published for six weeks, commencing on the 20th day of February, 1919, and that the date of the last publication will be April 3, 1919. SMITH & SHIELDS, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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