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POLICY.

With this issue the new editor of the News takes up a burden that a number have laid down (or laid down) on of guiding the destiny of the paper.

But it must do its part faithfully, honestly and energetically.

We will try and do that. We will endeavor to merit the appreciation and support of the people our mission is to serve.

But a newspaper without a definite policy is like a ship without a rudder sailing uncharted seas.

We are new to Springfield and Springfield is new to us, but we are not so new in the newspaper game but what we don't know enough to avoid the things that impair and destroy the usefulness of a newspaper.

We hope to make the career of the News from now henceforth, one that spells progress. We intend to deserve your support and we ask you for it insofar as your means will justify.

"VENGEANCE IS MINE!"

We republish the following from the press dispatches:

With the American Armies in France, July 29.—(Night)—In a village taken and retaken several times, finally remaining in American hands, our boys found several comrades who had been bayoneted and killed by the Hun as they lay wounded and helpless.

If a civilized or even a semi-civilized people had no other evidence of the existence of an Almighty God, the conviction that there is one would be born out of the fact that there is no human agency powerful enough, adequate enough, to devise a punishment to fit a crime like this.

"Vengeance is Mine; I will repay!" thunders across aeons of Time into the endlessness of Eternity.

THE NEWS WANTS NEWS.

The News has a mission to perform and intends to step right out and perform it. Its mission is one of laudable simplicity—that of serving the locality in which it lives, and moves and has its being.

up to ACTION right now, and the News wants every line it can obtain that spells action. Last week we published a notice of a homesteader who filed upon a piece of land in the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section something-or-other. It was dry, uninteresting reading as news goes, but it spelt ACTION—the action of one man, with perhaps a loyal helpmate, who had the backbone to step into a wilderness and hew for himself and set another milestone in the development of Oregon.

Will you please apply for the job of chronicler of action for the News.

If a lot of us would stop and think what a couple of million of young American boys are doing these days, they would have a little higher conception of what the word Duty means in its broad, literal sense.

"Truth is stranger than fiction," and the recital of the deeds of valor of our boys in France makes the most heroic tales of the knights of old seem like a game of ping-pong in comparison.

Kaiser Bill's funny story, "America Won't Fight," is being suppressed by the U. S. males. Aah!

The Eagle's Eye.

The widely advertised motion picture, "The Eagle's Eye," is one of the best pictures showing the work of the German spy system which was in our country.

Baby Clinic Opens in Eugene.

A baby clinic for the examination of babies in Lane county under the age of six years is being conducted this week at the Eugene Chamber of Commerce at the request of the United States government.

The work of organizing Lane county for the weighing and measuring all the children under 6 year of age is being carried on by a committee, of which Mrs. Herman Clark of Eugene is chairman and Mrs. L. L. Ray secretary.

G. A. R. Encampment Planned

Great interest is being manifested throughout the Northwest in the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic which is to be held in Portland, Oregon, August 19 to 24.

LOANS TO OUR ALLIES.

With another credit of \$100,000,000 to Italy and \$9,000,000 more to Belgium the credits advanced by the United States to our allies now total \$6,000,000,000.

A Message to Our Friends

Beginning with the next issue of the News we shall discontinue the practice of sending the paper to subscribers who are delinquent in the payment of the subscription price.

But the dominating note in this new policy that we want to impress upon the friends of the News is that the paper shall be made worth real money to them.

The Grandoldope

And it came to pass that a certain scribe journeyed unto the city of Springfield in the land of the Lanettes and there laid hold on a record of the acts of the inhabitants thereof and was known to all peoples as the News, and he saw that the light of the News had become dimmed and shone not forth in the dark places as was its wont.

But when the scribe beheld their distress, he took compassion upon them and made a covenant with them that he would strive diligently in their behalf to trim the lamp that it might give forth its light upon the dark places once more.

But the scribe was a fearless man and heeded not the counsel of those who fain would have the grass grow in the streets of the city.

And the scribe was past the draft age, so when he waxed wroth at the Boche, and was exceedingly sore, he did proclaim in the News and sought to humiliate the Kaiser, the ruler of the Boche.

And he went, and found it was the land from whence he sprung, and sat himself down among the minions of darkness, and waited for the coming of Woodrow Wilson and John Bull to take it out of their hides.

But Woodrow had another date and no Bull was allowed on the styx.

And it came to pass that in the days the scribe held forth in the city of Springfield that many things came to pass therein and he beheld these things and did proclaim them round and about.

And he beheld a wooden highway over a shining river which flowed through the land of the Lanettes, and the length thereof was 600 cubits and the height thereof was some more cubits, and the highway had become old and did creak and groan beneath the

weight of the traveler as he rode across it.

And the traveler's heart was sore afraid, yea, it cleaveth into his mouth, and it getteth his goat, while over the shining river, and he rejoiceth within himself when his conveyance turneth the corner in the city of Springfield, and he wipeth the cold sweat from his brow and departeth at his corner.

And he beheld the scribe and besought of him the ministering of a physician unto a tooth that offended, and the scribe shewed unto him the News, and he beheld therein the proclaiming of one Richmond, a skilled and learned man unto his calling, and who maketh Painless Parker, an outcast of the elect in these days, look like thirty shekels, and who straightway healed the traveler and he rejoiced.

And he beheld a man of great stature and beaming countenance, and the height of the man measured seven cubits and the breadth was as great as the height thereof, and he marveled greatly. And he besought the scribe to learn the name of the man, and the scribe telleth him Barnett, and proclaimeth him a composer of sweet songs and dispenser of gasoline, and who playeth the lute in the band in the streets of the city, and sung tenor in the alleys thereof, and twang even so.

The editor of the News, after having made known his calling at one of the local banks, applied for a loan of \$7. He was refused on the grounds that he had "no visible means of support."

One of our citizens suggested to us that Springfield ought to have an official motto or slogan. Let's try this one for awhile—"It will never get well if you pick it."

Cholera Morbus

This is a very painful and dangerous disease. In almost every neighborhood someone has died from it before medicine could be obtained or a physician summoned. The right way is to have a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy in the house so as to be prepared for it.

Hinderburg Pops Up Again.

Amsterdam, July 29.—Official statements received here from Berlin declare the health of Field Marshal von Hinderburg is excellent. This official statement was undoubtedly issued to refute numerous rumors of his death and his illness which have been heard from time to time, and given circulation in this country.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior. U. S. LAND OFFICE. Roseburg, Oregon, July 23, 1915. Notice is hereby given that Arthur F. DeSautel, of Oakridge, Oregon, who, on July 15, 1915, made Homestead Entry, Serial No. 010042, for SE 1/4 Lot 2, SW 1/4 NE 1/4 Lot 2, E 1/2 SW 1/4 Lot 2, SE 1/4 NW 1/4 Lot 2, Section 4, Township 21 S, Range 3 E, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Three-year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before E. O. Immel, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, at Eugene, Oregon, on the 3rd day of September, 1915. Claimant names as witnesses: C. E. McClane, of Oakridge, Oregon; Walter Hamner, of Oakridge, Oregon; Charles Dunning, of Oakridge, Oregon; John McClane, of Oakridge, Oregon. W. H. CANON, Register.

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