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## 13,000,000 MEN GO ON RECORD

Registration Day in Nation  
Brings Immense Rally to  
Cause of Liberty.

OVER 200 REGISTER HERE

Entire Absence of Men Between Ages  
21 to 32 Shows Wonderful Effec-  
tiveness of Former Selec-  
tive Drafts.

Well, it was some day.

From early in the morning until evening a continuous stream of men in the wool Americans filed into the City Hall in Springfield and thousands of other cities, towns and hamlets in our broad land, and went on record again the Kaiser and for Uncle Sam until the Teutonic menace of freedom—the baby-killers—the women-violators—the crucifiers—the slayers of the helpless wounded and the bombers of the "Greatest Mother of Them All" shall be hurled into everlasting perdition.

Thirteen million blue tickets to Berlin were issued.

Thirteen million American hearts beat a little faster as that blue pledge of loyalty was safely tucked away. There was scarcely a thought that its possession would keep its owner out of jail. The dominant feeling inspired was one of national pride—the pledge of unbounded fealty to a "government of the people, for the people, and by the people."

Thirteen million! A prefix that is a symbol of bad luck for those foolish enough to fly in the face of it.

That's the number, Kaiser—"Thirteen"—go up against it if you want to!

They'll be ready a long time before you are.

### Springfield Registration.

Up to press hour, Registrar Kessey, assisted by his deputy, John Edwards, had registered a little over 200 men. Some peculiar features were indicated in the classification of ages. Ages 37 to 38 totaled seven and eight registrants respectively, while age 39 leaped in the spotlight with a total of 14.

An index of the thoroughness of the combing process of former drafts was revealed in the entire absence of registrants between the ages 21 and 32. All of the best fighting material have gone, but there is a lot of good stock to be culled out from the following ages:

Ages	Registrants
18	8
19	10
20	7
21	1
22	3
23	13
24	14
25	11
26	14
27	7
28	8
29	14
30	7
31	8
32	7
33	18
34	9
35	12

### Sidelights.

One registrant, upon being asked the name of his nearest relative, said that his father worked in the hop fields and his mother was in Portland.

Dan Crites expressed an ardent desire to enlist in the Woman's Relief Corps.

Ronald Roberts was in town from North Bend to register.

Ray Howard, of the State Military Police of Portland, also came home to register.

### GRIFFITH ON BATTLE SCENE

Eugene Theatre to Show "Hearts of the World."

A photograph showing David W. Griffith, the motion picture director, and two of the monks in a little French village in Picardy is perhaps one of the most interesting pictures thus far to reach the United States from the devastated regions of France. Little did Mr. Griffith or his two companions know when this photograph was taken nearly two years ago that this very spot on which they

stood would today be the center of interest in the world war. In the little village of Ham, too, there has been encounter after encounter within but a few short weeks. This section also was visited by Mr. Griffith and his band of players in their work of securing scenes for "Hearts of the World," Mr. Griffith's great drama of the war, coming to the Eugene Theatre.

It has been just nineteen months since David W. Griffith first set foot on French soil to begin the taking of the 120,000 feet of film that he secured for his latest screen triumph. The entire province of Picardy was visited again and again in the various tours of the Griffith party and the blood-soaked ground of the village of Ham is the exact locale where many of the most important scenes were enacted for "Hearts of the World." Lillian and Dorothy Gish, great favorites among the movie "fans," and Robert Harron, another popular player for the films, accompanied Mr. Griffith on all these tours.

### FOUR SONS IN SERVICE

Albert Wachanuth, Born in Germany,  
Has Service Flag to Be Proud Of.

Albert Wachanuth of this city is a native of Germany, but came to this country at the age of 6 years.

There is a tendency upon the part of a few people in this country to hate everything that is German, but when we think of a man like Albert Wachanuth, now an American in spirit and truth, and then think of some nativeborn Americans whose Americanism consists principally of systematically plundering their countrymen at a time when they need every dollar they can scrape together to finance their government, we are inclined to doff our hat as a mark of respect to Mr. Wachanuth, regardless of time or place.

All that Mr. Wachanuth holds dear has been pledged to America—his four sons—three already fighting in France, and the fourth soon to be there.

This ration can bless the day when it lifted the bars of immigration to an alien friend like Albert Wachanuth.

### PAYS FOR KILLING HORSE

A. B. Mathews of Thurston Kills Own  
Horse and Has Self Arrested.

A. B. Mathews of Thurston made a special trip to Eugene last Friday to have himself arrested on a charge of cruelty to animals because he killed a balky animal belonging to him, and paid a fine of \$10 to Justice of the Peace Jesse G. Wells.

He states that he was hauling hay and the horse balked. He picked up a board and hit the animal over the head and he laid down and died. He says that he knew the humane society would be after him, so thought that he would get the thing straightened up at once. The son of Mathews and a farm hand witnessed the incident.

### SOCIAL EVENTS

ENTERTAIN GUESTS  
AT DINNER.

A party of motor guests arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McDonald at their home on Fourth and C streets, and were entertained at a dinner Tuesday evening. Twenty-nine were present at the dinner. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pegraw and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McDowell and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Tracy and family, all of Idaho; Mr. and Mrs. S. A. McDowell and family of Irving, Miss Lucille McDowell and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McDowell.

### LITTLE MISS HAS BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Miss Callie Belle Byrne was the hostess of a delightful birthday party at her home, "The Pines," at Glenwood, West Springfield, last Saturday afternoon, when she was four years old. The afternoon was spent in outdoor games and a dainty luncheon, with a huge ribbon birthday cake, dear to all childish hearts, was the crowning glory of the lunch, with four tiny candles surrounding it on the table. Those who enjoyed the pleasant afternoon with Miss Callie were Milma Wolverton, Rea Signor, Gladys Collins, Angeline Fischer, Grenilla Proctor, Paul Perfect, Basil Wolverton, Wilton Proctor, and their little hostess, Callie Belle Byrne.

Take the News for the news.

## In the Back



German "Efficiency" has never reached a higher plane than in the foul desecration of the Red Cross emblem in the bombing of plainly marked hospitals in the allied lines.

"Here are many allied officers and men," says the Kaiser. "If they were not wounded, they might dodge our glorious airplanes as bombs are dropped. Being wounded, they cannot move, and so they are killed in their beds or in the air as their beds are blown out from under them."

"Gott being with us, let us blow up all the Red Cross hospitals we can."

So the "Greatest Mother in the World" remains a shining mark for the "Superbeast's" efficient elimination of his enemies.

Since Allied airplanes have become regular visitors to German cities, the Kaiser has discovered such bombing to be a violation of international law.

Your subscription to the Fourth Liberty Loan will mark the earnestness of your approval of the building of great fleets of American airplanes to bring their frightfulness home to the Hun.

## WILL HOLD BABY CLINIC NEXT WEEK

Parents Urged to Bring Their  
Infants for Physical Ex-  
amination.

In response to a call from the government, the Woman's Committee Council of National Defense will hold a baby clinic next Thursday afternoon in the basement of the Methodist church.

The examinations will be in charge of Mrs. Dr. Rehman, assisted by Mrs. Bertie Walker.

It is estimated that there are 122 babies in Springfield of such ages that are most desired by the government for examination.

The examinations, which have been held throughout the country, have been requested by the government as a result of the revelations made by the medical examining boards in the U. S. Army, in which it was shown that a far too high percentage of rejections for physical disqualifications in young men prevailed out of the total number examined for army service. In most instances there were directly traceable to improper care during infancy and young childhood, and investigations since made revealed an appalling number of minor defects in babies and young children that are neglected and upon the boy reaching young manhood, these defects have evolved into chronic physical disabilities of one kind or another.

It is hoped through these examinations, when minor defects are thus shown, that the parents of the little ones will be aroused to a sense of responsibility that will lead to the correction of these ailments, and "nip in the bud" the tendency to serious physical disability in later years.

Cards will be distributed to Springfield parents the early part of the week, which will facilitate the making of convenient engagements for Thursday and avoid any congestion during the examining hours.

It is hoped for the sake of a duty to children, as well as the nation, that mothers everywhere will respond cheerfully.

## SCHOOLS TO OPEN MONDAY, THE 23D

N. A. Baker, City Superintendent,  
Hard at Work Starting  
Educational Ball Rolling

N. A. Baker, Superintendent of the Springfield schools, came in from his vacation Tuesday to make arrangements for the opening of schools on Monday, September 23. Both school buildings are being thoroughly cleaned and disinfected before school opens.

A number of families are already moving to town in preparation for putting their children in school.

The course in the high school will be adjusted to meet the needs of boys who may expect to enter active service at the front within the near future. Military work will be continued as before, with more advanced work for those who are prepared.

It is hoped that all pupils will be ready to enter school on the first day in order that none may be handicapped with a late start. This is especially true of the primary pupils.

### J. S. RAUCH MAKES RECORD

\$1,200 Will Be Paid Deer-horn Farmer  
for Evergreen Berries.

The war has made people think of many ways of earning money besides the set methods. Mr. Rauch, a farmer living near Deerhorn, has trimmed the evergreen bushes on his farm, and the sale from the berries will aggregate a trifle over \$1,200. Mr. Rauch has given the evergreen berries his earnest attention and the results are encouraging other people to do the same. His berry patches are so thinned that the pickers have easy work.

John Seavey will also market about \$500 worth of berries from his farm on the Willamette river. Roy Chelper of Ferguson will be able to market about \$375 worth of berries before the season closes. Many families are averaging from \$12 to \$15 per day picking berries.

The harvest shows a much larger increase than formerly. Mr. J. W. Shumate, who purchases large quantities of berries, expects a large yield.

### Mill Operating at Night.

The Booth-Kelly mill will run nights for a week or so in order to catch up with extra work. Operations began Wednesday night at 11:00 o'clock. Not a very large crew of men are at work.

### Accepts Position as Manager.

F. W. Scobert of Eugene has accepted the position as manager of the grocery department at the Cox & Cox store. Mr. Scobert succeeds Newman Beare, who is to take military training at O. A. C. Mr. Scobert may move his family here soon.

### Glenwood School Opens Monday.

The Glenwood school in West Springfield will open next Monday, September 16. Miss Grace Male of Springfield will be principal and Miss Nina Boesen of Springfield and Miss Zimmerman of Eugene will be employed as teachers.

### Injures Eye.

O. W. Johnson, truck driver for the Booth-Kelly Co., while standing and watching the big saw in operation, had the misfortune to have a small piece of flying bark or stone from the saw lodge in his eye. The injured member was dressed by a local physician and at present he is forced to wear dark glasses.

### Home on Short Furlough.

Floyd Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Thompson, who is stationed at Newport, Oregon, was granted a short furlough last week-end, which he spent with his parents and sisters, Miss Avis Thompson, Mrs. Grace Roberts and Mrs. J. J. Bryan of this city. He is a member of the surveyors of the spruce division.

### Assistant Cashier Chosen.

At a meeting of the directors of the First National Bank of this city an assistant cashier was chosen, Miss Florence Coffin being selected for the place. Miss Coffin has been in the employment of the bank for about seven years. Officers of the bank now include Charles Scott, president; E. E. Brattain, vice-president; L. G. Hullin, cashier; Miss Coffin, assistant cashier.

### Oregon State Fair.

"Oregon's State Fair for 1918 over the Top."

This is the slogan of the board of directors of the fair, who are leaving nothing undone that will help to make the Fifty-Seventh Annual Fair the biggest and best ever held. Oregon has an enviable reputation for always being just a little ahead of every state, and her State Fair is to be no exception. Secretary A. H. Lea announces many new features of an interesting and instructive nature in the way of exhibits and programs, and as President Wilson has advocated the continuance of fairs this year, despite the terrible crisis confronting the country, it is expected that the attendance will be very large.

Art as a factor in all industries—a fact that is usually overlooked—will be stressed in the large and comprehensive art department of the State Fair. Mrs. Alice M. Weister, director of the department, recently said in this connection: "No state in the Union has ever succeeded industrially unless it made a special point of its art in its state and county fairs and in its public schools. There is absolutely nothing produced but what has as its very foundation art of some sort, because it must first be designed. In fact industrial art is one of the vital factors in the progress of a city, state or nation, because without it there can be no industries. It is for this reason that I am especially desirous of bringing together at the State Fair not only specimens of decorative art, but of industrial art, and I hope the people will respond by sending whatever they have in either line, for by so doing they will be performing a patriotic act, for everything that tends toward industrial success is a factor in winning the war."

Cash prizes and diplomas will be awarded by competent judges. Included in the art department will be oil and water color paintings, portraits, miniatures, pastels, drawings, charcoal sketches, posters, cartoons, clay modeling, decorated china, arts and crafts work in metal, wood and textiles, basketry, inlaid work and weaving. Send to the Oregon State Fair Board, Salem, for entry blanks and books. Articles should be sent to Mrs. Weister, care Art Department, State Fair, Salem, so they will reach there by September 20. All articles will be carefully packed and returned to owners.

## GREAT AMERICAN OFFENSIVE IS ON

Pershing's Forces Advance on  
Twenty-Mile Front and  
Take Ten Towns

8000 PRISONERS ONE DAY

One Hundred Tanks Batter Concrete  
Defenses to Pieces and  
Then Infantry Drives  
Forward.

America's big drive has begun. Yankee bayonets, pointing straight at the heart of German autocracy, have flashed across the battle line of the valley of the Moselle, and her fighters are surging forward on long prepared lines to strike straight at the heart of Germany's greatest fortress, Metz. It is likely to be the first real step on the road to Berlin.

Today's blow was carried out by the first army under the direct command of General Pershing. The French assisted toward the right, also toward the left.

The Americans have captured ten villages and advanced several kilometers on a 15-kilometer front (about 10 miles).

The greatest number of American troops and artillery yet involved in any single operation is engaged in the attack.

The Americans and the French also attacked on the western side of the St. Mihiel salient, pushing the enemy back in the region of Frennes (at the northern base of the salient).

The French are on the attack on the salient, keeping pace with the Americans, pinching in the sides.

More than 100 tanks, manned by Americans, aided in smashing the powerful, concrete reinforced first line of the enemy in the region of St. Remant (12 miles east of St. Mihiel).

The tanks drove forward at sunrise, behind a dense smoke screen.

The town of Montrev (seven miles east of St. Mihiel) was kept shrouded in a smoke screen all morning long to prevent effective German observation. The allies have complete mastery in the air.

The attack followed four hours of the most terrific artillery preparation, starting at 1 a. m. There was rain during the night and the flashes from hundreds of guns concentrated around the salient brilliantly lit up the storm clouds.

Everything within the salient's 20 kilometer arc was under fire. In addition to the artillery bombardment, airplanes dropped bombs on all railroad centers, bridges, hangars, and munitions supply centers in the salient, which is one of the strongest fortified points on the western front.

American infantry attacked behind a heavy rolling barrage fired to go forward 100 meters every 40 minutes.

Artillery and tanks so smashed the powerful enemy first line that little infantry resistance was encountered. Prisoners indicated they had been expecting an attack, but did not know when or where it would be. The first village was taken by the Americans within 45 minutes. Woods and other strong points were enveloped.

The first army's air reserve, working with the French, assumed the offensive with the infantry. At 9 a. m. they reported not a single Boche plane in the sky. American observers and bombers worked unimpeded under the escort of chaser planes.

### SCHOOLS WILL GET SUGAR

Department of Domestic Science Will  
Be Furnished.

Sugar in the domestic science departments of the schools and colleges will be permitted to use what sugar is necessary, according to F. M. Wilkins, federal food administrator of Lane county.

This announcement came as a result of many inquiries, asking what provision would be made for this branch of work in the schools, as large quantities will be needed in class instruction. W. B. Ayer, state food administrator wrote to Miss Minam, head of the domestic science department, at the Oregon Agricultural College asking her opinion and received a reply that the products were sold in canteens and were not wasted, and since lessons in conservation were taught that the sugar supply should not be held from the schools.