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The News enters on its seventeenth year today. We want to thank our many friends for their patronage and cooperation in the past. Only through the support of the people in the territory we serve can we hope to achieve the best results for which we are striving. We feel that we have this support to a large degree. Plans are being made by which we hope to give our patrons and our own community better service and a better paper with each issue. A farm column will soon be added to The News, in which we believe the farmers will find much of benefit to themselves.

MAN WHO UNDERSTANDS THE WEST.

The presidential contest is not going to be strictly on party lines but will revolve much about the difference in eastern and western ideals.

In every great national crisis the eyes of the people have turned to a man of administrative and executive ability from the west. At the beginning of the Civil war the east and south were in the saddle. A western president and western generals restored the nation.

The man of the west stands for action and not for theories nor for mere reprsentation of wealth in national affairs.

It is in the west that true American push, enterprise and indomitable spirit of doing things still prevails.

We cannot dissociate our country from the part it took in the great European war nor abandon our country to a spineless policy.

There is one candidate who fills the imagination of the American people from the standpoint of virile western Americanism.

That candidate is General Leonard Wood, trained and drilled in active administrative functions, a man fearless and quick to act.

He took his army rank as surgeon but he never went into a campaign that he did not demand to be placed in active duty at the front.

Fighting the Apaches on the Mexican border, in the Spanish war, and in the Philippines he did not haunt the hospitals but fought.

In civilian training camps, at Camp Funston, in Cuba, in Porto Rico, at Manilla, he held no office sinecures but tackled hard jobs.

Everywhere he showed little respect for red tape but great respect for securing results, whether it was laying sewers or slaying fevers.

That kind of a president, without show of arms or rattling of swords, will command respect of all powers.

As an Indian fighter, an official, a soldier, an organizer, an administrator, a patriot, or a clean and can stand the piercing statesman, he is sound and searchlight of the American ideal.

As an army officer his formula for success was: "Do it and don't talk about it." At army headquarters in Washington he was always a thorn in the side of inefficiency, and the chaos and tangle of see-nothing, do-nothing.

In 1915-16 what little was done in preparation for the European war was largely due to the incessant demands of General Wood.

His work in establishing local government and sanitation of cities in the West Indies, in our oriental territory and at home has stood

As it was western governors who assumed responsibility in the recent coal strike, a western president would assume responsibility in the affairs of the world when American interests required action.

TURN LOOSE THE WHITE COAL.

Our country and especially the west is on the eve of the greatest hydro-electric development ever known in history

The electric era has been hastened by the coal strike and by the need of conserving coal resources.

Demands for oil products are growing faster than crude oil resources can possibly be developed.

Electric light, heat and power must come to the relief of the world and the west has the undeveloped power.

When congressmen quit waving the black flag of "conserving" our water powers which are wasting to the sea, and wave the American flag of advancing progress to the new era of electricity—relief will come.

A GREAT INVESTMENT.

No lover of his country can better invest his money for his country's future than to put it into the work of humane education. Lawlessness, violence, strife, strikes, lockouts, boycotts, class animosities, these symptoms of a diseased social order were never so common this side the sea as today. The war has been in part responsible for this. War never leaves behind it any higher ideal of civic righteousness than that which preceded it; rather does it pull down all the ideals with which men entered into it.

Leave out of our public schools a large part of what now consumes the time of the teacher and pupils and quicken in the hearts of the scholars the idea of justice, fair play, humanity, and human kinship, and not only would the future of the country be safeguarded but our children would be educated in things that are really fundamental and vital in character and life. This is humane education. Our Dumb Animals

BANK MONEY IS AT WORK.

The Muskogee Times-Democrat narrates a story about a certain Mrs. Murphy who went to her bank one day and found that someone had taken the savings of many years, to-wit $800.

The money in the bank was idle. It was out of circulation. It was rendering no service to anyone. It was as bad as hoarding food.

This case is much like the southern Oregon bank who put his money in an old shoe and during a house house fire the shoe was thrown into the river.

They prevented no sale, shoe money rather than put it into a bank where it would do others and itself a good. And in the end this [illegible]

There are hundreds of persons in every community who are handling money in the same foolish unproductive way.

Whatever is said about banks money placed in them is more safe and gives a basis of credit.

Bank deposits add to the credit of the individual, the bank and the community in resources and stability.

That is one of the many good reasons why money should be put in the home bank, where the benefit will accrue directly to the depositor and his own community.

Always a certain percentage of deposits are loaned out to carry on industries, business enterprises and to employ labor.

On top of this banks are reaching out to help the farmer enlarge his herds, improve his equipment and increase production. His home bank is the farmer's best friend.

POLITICAL CAR DISTRIBUTION.

The Corvallis Oregon Times-Gazette, a Republican paper in a lumber producing region, practically admits that under government operation of railroads, Republican states would not suffer from car shortage. It says:

Oregon and Washington lumbermen are complaining bitterly about the shortage of cars. Eugene alone is said to be losing $4,000 a day on this account. Seven hundred and fifty men in one mill have been thrown out of work there because there is no use cutting lumber that cannot be shipped. The loss to the northwest will run into millions. This is merely another demonstration of what the political control of railroads would always mean. Were the Republicans in power they would probably be doing just what the Democratic administration is doing now, except that they would be deflecting cars to the Republican states of the northwest instead of sending them to the soft pine lumber interests of the south. Public ownership of such a commodity as the railroads would be a calamity.

This may be a far reached statement but it is worth pondering over when considering political ownership of any industry. We have seen the same thing happen in distribution of post offices. It makes no difference what party is in power.

SIMS' REBUKE TO DANIELS

In his now famous letter to Secretary Daniels Admiral Sims said: "The commanding officer of a vessel that is sunk by a submarine should not receive the same reward as the commanding officer of a vessel which sinks a submarine." A direct and biting rebuke for Mr. Daniels who bestowed the distinguished service medal on his nephew, Lieut. David Worth Bagley, whose ship was lost during the war, while officers whose ships assisted in clearing the high seas of the enemy submarines, go on, "unhonored and unsung."

SMALL FRUITS THOROUGHLY TESTED.

Small fruit growing for dehydrating plants, jam plants, canneries, juice factories and evaporators has passed the experimental stage and is as stable as wheat or corn.

For over twenty years western Oregon and western Washington and northern California have grown berries and small fruits for market.

The first loganberry plants were set out in the Willamette valley twenty years ago; plants directly from the farm of the originator. The originator of this combination berry, a cross between the wild blackberry and the red raspberry was Judge Logan of Santa Cruz, Cal.

From this planting the cultivation of this small fruit was extended all over the territory east of the Cascade mountains, and still growing.

Crops as high as 13,200 pounds to the acre have been harvested and an average yield of about four tons to the acres was made last year.

Small fruit crops have become so important and profitable that the successful grower will have to give more attention to cultivation.

The use of lime fertilizer and sheep manure is recommended by men familiar with the business.

For a time after prohibition went into effect the tailors spent when taking measurements for a suit, which one presented, quart or quart pockets. Now they are even leaving off the hip pockets.

If the price of beef continues forward it may be necessary for the all or between prodigal sons in order to get the "fatted calf."

Keep Up the Morale.

The big chance in all battles is the struggle [illegible] the men and the [illegible] men lack the [illegible] to attain [illegible] It is some pretty tough when you [illegible] the winning side. The trouble begins to brew when things go wrong. And [illegible] a battle is [illegible] It's breaking the line that loses where strength, life and the other strength is the [illegible] of it. When the brain [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] Perhaps not for years that man's [illegible] has not suggested or the [illegible] on the problem of [illegible] to keep the head right. It is one [illegible] There are [illegible] of the foolish fellows who need the constant urging of right morale.

If money is worth having it is worth saving. Begin the saving habit now by starting an account at the First National Bank in Springfield.

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