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PEOPLE ASKED FOR FLOUR DONATIONS

Freewill Offering of Excess Stocks Is Requested.

MEN OVERSEAS NEED GRAIN

Plan Devised to Save Transportation and Time—Local Donations to Be Rec'd Locally But Release Equal Amount at Atlantic Seaboard For Immediate Shipment to Allies and Troops.

Opportunity is now offered, through Federal Food Administrator W. B. Ayer, for Oregon families and manufacturing firms using wheat flour, to make a voluntary personal sacrifice for the benefit of Uncle Sam's boys in the Army and Navy. Mr. Ayer has announced that any family, public eating place, or factory using wheat flour, such as bakeries and cracker factories, now has the privilege of directly contributing to the flour bins of the Army and Navy by turning back to the government, at the market price, such portion of their wheat flour allowance as they will patriotically refrain from consuming themselves.

Such gifts of wheat flour, while not going directly to France for the boys overseas, will be turned into the government commissary at the nearest point, and will release an equal quantity of wheat flour on the Atlantic seaboard for immediate shipment "over there." Under this novel plan when a patriotic Oregon family goes on a wheatless diet for a week or a month, or longer period, the wheat flour they save and turn back to the government actually represents an equivalent of wheat flour three thousand miles away, which immediately starts to move forward to the fighting forces. This arrangement has been made in order to save transportation across the continent.

"I am hoping for a splendid wheat saving record in Oregon" said Mr. Ayer the other day. "For I believe when Oregon families and public eating places in the state know that the flour they save will go direct to the boys of the Army and Navy they will not hesitate to respond in the usual patriotic Oregon way. I had a telegram from Mr. Hoover today in which he asked me for an estimate on what I thought Oregon could be relied upon to save under the new plan. I wished to be conservative, and I replied that my estimate would be 30 to 35 percent of the normal wheat flour consumption. This is a much lower estimate than other states had made, and I realize that it will probably be unsatisfactory at Washington. I am hoping that the people of the state will exceed this estimate by a generous margin. The county administrators have in hand the full details of the plan for saving wheat in this way for the needs of our fighting men, and any one wishing to personally contribute wheat flour should get in touch at once with the Food Administrator of the county in which he or she lives."

The wheat-saving plan announced by Mr. Ayer is a national one, and it is now operative in all the states. The states of Washington, Idaho and Oregon are now co-operating in an effort to make a big wheat-saving record for the Northwest. Federal Food Administrators R. F. Bicknell of Idaho and Charles Hebbard of Washington join with Federal Food Administrator W. B. Ayer for Oregon in the following announcement, which gives in detail the plan of handling the returned wheat:

"Mr. Hoover has wired all Federal Food Administrators that the excess stocks of flour held by public eating places, bakers, dealers and consumers may be voluntarily surrendered for the use of the Army and Navy and the Allies. This action has been prompted by the many voluntary offerings from different parts of the country.

"The practical method of handling such returned flour will be through the local merchant, who is hereby requested to receive all such flour and pay the holding consumer the actual cost of same, and then re-distribute it without any additional charge to the ultimate consumer. Where merchants accumulate more than their thirty days' supply and all hotels, bakers, etc., that have an excess amount that cannot be disposed of locally, they should immediately communicate with Mr. M. H. Houser, Grain Commissioner of the Food Administration, Board of Trade Building, Portland, and he will arrange for the transportation to the seaboard. All flour returned to the merchant that is resold to the consumer should be reported to Mr. Houser, in order that an equal amount may be released for shipment to the Allies.

"The whole object of the above arrangement is to provide a channel through which all excess quantities of flour may reach the Army and Navy or the Allied armies as a voluntary offering of the people of this country."

If you have a food conservation plan or recipe pass it on to your neighbors and your friends—be "in the service."

LEXINGTON QUOTA RAISED IN A DAY

Second War Fund Drive Found People Ready and Willing to Give Their Allotment to the Red Cross.

"There was no argument from anybody," said C. R. Pointer, chairman of the Second Red Cross War Fund Drive in Lexington, in speaking of the success in which the drive was put over. "It was just a matter of our various teams going around and making the collections. You see, we had made the allotments before the drive opened, and when we went out after the money a man would ask the amount of his allotment and, then paid it promptly."

Lexington went out to raise her quota of \$1500, but before the teams got fairly started an amount of \$2,090.25 had come in and more than \$1700 of that was cash, the balance being in pledges. Mr. Pointer is of the opinion that a large degree of the success of the drive belongs to the soliciting teams. S. J. Devine, B. S. Clark and Ben Brown were one team, W. P. McMillan and George Peck another, W. L. Holmes, Eph Eskelson, and Earl Warner, and C. R. Pointer and Gus McMillan still another. Karl Beach, E. L. Reaney, Elmer Slocum and W. O. Hill composed the team working the town of Lexington.

Mr. Pointer says the greatest praise is due the spirit which prompted the Lexington people to come so rapidly to the front and it is further evidence that Lexington is in the fight to back up the nation to her last dollar. The spirit with which the Irish people in the vicinity of Lexington donated their dollars was especially mentioned by Mr. Pointer.

Lexington Service Flag Will Be Unfurled.

The Christian Endeavor Service Flag will be unfurled Sunday May 26, at the Lexington Congregational Church at 7:30 p. m.

Dance to be Given for Benefit of Red Cross.

The Alpine-McDevitt school districts have planned a big dance which will be given at the Veerig house on Coyote Flat on Saturday night, May 25th. The dance will be under the management of C. A. Morey, Ralph Finley, Dan McDevitt and Con McLaughlin, and a big time is assured the people of the two districts. All proceeds from the entertainment will go to the Red Cross, as the music will be contributed, and all other items of expense cared for outside of the income realized. The ladies are asked to bring cakes and coffee and cake will be served as refreshments for which a charge of ten cents will be made. A liberal patronage is asked and it is expected that the Alpine-McDevitt districts will realize a neat sum to be turned over to the Red Cross.

Closing Exercises of Lexington Schools.

On Friday, May 24th, at 8:30 p. m. will occur the Commencement exercises when the following program will be presented:

- Solo, "America."
- Eighth Grade**
- Class History and Prophecy----- Wilma Leach
- Class Address-----Herman Hill
- Dedication of Service Flag.
- Solo, "Keep the Home Fires Burning"-----Gladystine Davis
- High School**
- Class Address-----Theodore Arthur Johnson.
- Piano Solo, "Woodland Echoes"-----Miss Dona McMillan
- Commencement Address-----State Superintendent J. A. Churchill
- Solo, selected-----Mrs. L. W. Holmes
- Presentation of Diplomas-----Karl L. Beach, Chairman of Board of Education.

Crops Coming on Well in Strawberry Flat and Finley Sections.

C. A. Morey informs this paper that the crops in his locality have been greatly benefitted by late rains, and the prospects for a good yield in the Strawberry Flat and Finley districts are good. Mr. Morey also reports that his brother, C. D. Morey, recently suffered a severe stroke of paralysis and for a time was in a very serious condition. He appears to be much improved now and hopes to entirely recover in the course of time.

Is Making Visit With Relatives in Washington.

Mrs. Chas. R. Pointer and three children are making a visit of two or three weeks with relatives at Walla Walla and Cheney, Wash. Mrs. Pointer was accompanied as far as Walla Walla by Dr. Leonard R. Purkey and wife of Heppner, and they traveled overland in the Pointer car. From the Garden City Mrs. Pointer expects to drive on to Cheney, where she has an aunt residing. In the meantime, C. A. and George are doing the honors about the home in Lexington.

Installing Pumping Plants.

Ben and Sam Brown, who recently purchased a farm northeast of Lex-

ington, are putting up a windmill and making other improvements about the place, preparatory to the harvest season which will soon be upon them. Crockett Duval, lower Sand Hollow farmer, is installing a deep well outfit. He has a 318-foot well on his new ranch and by putting in a pump and windmill he will be furnished an abundant supply of good water. K. L. Beach has been furnishing the outfits and doing the work.

Red Cross Notes.

The Lexington branch of the Red Cross wish to ask all the ladies in our community to bring in at least one dish towel or flour sack for hemming and as many as possible. Also any clean white rags they may have, as the boys at Camp Lewis are badly in need of them.

We want to thank the men for their good work in the drive, as well as the contributors. Lexington has again exceeded her quota.

Work will be kept up on the refugee garments until a new allotment is sent in at the work room. We should all enter as willingly into this part as the surgical and hospital work.

Taylor Brothers, well diggers, have just finished a 380-foot well for Frank Anderson at the head of Jack Rabbit canyon. They secured a good flow of water and Mr. Anderson is well pleased. He contemplates putting in a compressed air pumping outfit and will tap the well for convenient use of water at the house and barn. The Taylor boys have several other wells to put down just as fast as they can get at them.

Raymond White, son of Mr. and Mrs. George R. White, spent a 7-day furlough at the home of his parents near Lexington recently. He returned on Tuesday of last week to Bremerton, Wash., where he is a member of the band and in the service of Uncle Sam at the Naval Station of Puget Sound.

Stewart Valentine, son of Chas. Valentine, was recently called to Walla Walla owing to the serious illness of his mother.

Boys At Camp Lewis Receive the Best of Care.

The boys at Camp Lewis receive the best of care. This is the report brought back to Morrow county by Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barlow of Ione, who recently were called to the camp on account of the severe illness of their son Floyd.

Floyd has been sick in the hospital at the camp for three months, his first trouble being the measles. Later the young man was operated upon for the removal of mastoid growth and he is now rapidly recovering his health. Mr. and Mrs. Barlow spent two weeks with their son and during that time they took advantage of the occasion to see how things were done at Camp Lewis. Everything in the way of hospital service approaches perfection as near as is possible. When one of the boys gets sick the parents are notified at once.

Mr. and Mrs. Barlow met a number of Morrow county boys at the camp. Frank E. Cronan, formerly assistant cashier of the Bank of Ione, was sergeant of the mess supply for a time but is now taking special work which will fit him for a commission in the officers' training camp. Joe Mason, former Ione postmaster, still holds down a job in the postoffice department at the camp. Fred McMurray of Ione is head farrier in the mule shoeing department. In spite of the excellent treatment the boys receive, they are all anxious to get across to France, where they can put their intensive training into practice on the Hun.

"I never saw a finer bunch of men anywhere," said Mr. Barlow, "and they all look fit as a fiddle."

Rader Gets Second Degree.

According to the Canyon City Blue Mountain Eagle, the grand jury has returned an indictment against Fritz Rader, charging him with second degree murder. He was arraigned Thursday and remanded to the custody of the sheriff without bail. At the preliminary hearing before Justice J. W. White, he was held for manslaughter and released on bail of \$10,000. The charge which he now faces is not bailable.

Upon motion of his attorneys he was permitted to accompany them to the scene of the shooting. He will remain in the custody of Sheriff Howell. This was for the purpose of becoming familiar with the scene of the shooting.

Rader will be represented by Attorneys John Rand of Baker and Judge George E. Davis of Vale. Errett Hicks was retained as attorney but owing to typhoid-pneumonia, with which he is suffering, Judge Davis will assist.

District Attorney Ashford will be assisted in the prosecution by Judge Fee of Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Celsus Keithley left Heppner by auto Tuesday for Walla Walla where Mr. Keithley will be called a medical examination. He has been suffering from some sort of heart trouble for some time and goes to the specialist at this time to get relief.

Bowker's orchestra of Portland will give a dance in the Opera House Monday, May 27th.

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