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MORROW COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER

Every fireside in Oregon will be interested in the contest inaugurated by the essay contest section of the Victory Liberty Loan. The school children of the state are invited to write essays, the subject for which is "VICTORY; WHAT PRICE." School principals and teachers will furnish the children in the grades with full information and suggestions of the thoughts that are prominent in considering the matter. The essay will answer whether we can refuse to pay our war debts and whether the people of Oregon would enjoy victory if they are not willing to pay their share for its blessings.

Selections will be made by the County Superintendents of schools of the ten best essays submitted in each county, and the writers of these ten essays will each receive a silver pin. The County Superintendents will make their selections from the best essays produced in each room of the county schools, the decision in this case being made by the teacher. From the ten best essays from each county in the state, the final awards will be made.

The ten best essays in Oregon, won from each competing grade, will be selected by the committee. The authors of these will receive gold medals.

Of the ten best essays there will be one which will be adjudged the best essay in the state. The winner of the distinction will receive in addition to the gold medal, a genuine Prussian Officer's helmet which has been given by the war department for this purpose.

Every school child in Oregon except those in the first and second grades, is asked to compete. Essays of children in the third and fourth grades should not be longer than 200 words; of those in fifth and sixth grades not longer than 400 words; seventh and eighth, grammar grades and high school students should be not less than 600 nor more than 1000 words.

WOOL INDUSTRY ESTABLISHED.

The crisis in wool and sheep industry is passed in safety, and the trade is becoming normal.

The industry that has been under government control for two years is gradually being freed from restrictions.

The British wool administration has decided to act as merchants for the Australian clip at fixed minimum prices.

The wool council announces that Great Britain will require the entire New Zealand and Australian clip, selling none in America.

The policy of favoring British manufacturers with prices below the American level will be discontinued from now on.

The stabilizing of the British wool market means good prices for wool to the grower for the next two years.

The value of a bale of Australian wool is now about sixty pounds as against twenty pounds before the war.

Propaganda did not end with the signing of the armistice. The German secret service is supposed to have ceased operations, but there is an insidious, devilish sort of antagonism to the loyal duty of American citizenship that is seemingly actuated by the same spirit that was behind the German activities in the early part of the war. Reports are being circulated by word of mouth that the Victory Liberty Loans are to be issued only in large denominations; that the interest rates will be unattractive, and further equally ridiculous statements calculated to make more difficult the subscription of quotas.

While we have no official announcement as yet regarding much of the detail as to the forthcoming issue, ample assurance has been given by the Treasury Department that the investment will be more attractive than any of the preceding loans, and it is expected by bankers and financiers that the interest rate will be such as to prevent bonds going below par. Victory Liberty Bonds are the best investment in the world.

A GOLDEN PAVEMENT CHEAP.

What is a good Road worth? Ask the man who has fought with mudholes for 20 years, and who finally has a hard surface road to travel on.

Just now the nation is shelling out millions on millions for road improvement. Some of the money will be spent foolishly, ten cents worth of road for a dollar will be secured in many instances, but if five cents worth of road is secured it will be a good buy for the farmer.

No man who has not been up against the winter road problem can understand what a bad road means.

A bad road, the average American road, means that the farmer four miles out is marooned six months in the year.

A bad road means his wood and grain and his fruit and his stock are not transported to market when they should be, or else require an exorbitant expense for their moving.

The ordinary flivver will pull a two-ton load on a trailer on a hard surface road.

That same flivver couldn't negotiate half the winter roads of the country by itself.

A farmer on a road lives "close-in," if he is out 20 miles and has an auto.

A thousand years from now we may know as much as the Romans did 2000 years ago.

"When the German people have spoken whose word we can believe," said the President, "we shall be willing and glad to pay the full price for peace and pay it ungrudgingly." In response, Dr. Heinrich Albert is appointed as German member of the committee by the Secretary of State in charge of the Scancellery. He is the unchanged scoundrel who under a Red Cross mask was Bernstorff's financial agent in promoting strikes, fires, explosions and all manner of devilry in the United States while we were yet a neutral nation. "A spokesman whose word we can believe" —Harvey's Weekly.

THE NEXT PRESIDENT.

The democratic party will apparently be compelled to nominate Mr. Wilson for a third term. He is the democratic party. He is the absolute dictator as to its policies and its destinies. All admit the situation. All other aspirants have substantially faded in the shadows, Clark, McAdoo, and divers lesser lights.

Who, then, shall the republicans nominate to meet the Wilson issues? The campaign will soon be on, indeed it is already getting in swing. Unhappily the most of the active republican candidates belong to the conservative wing of that party. None of them is likely to be nominated. In this list are Harding, Watson, Lodge, Loudon. The party is overwhelmingly progressive. These merit will not do. Still they reflect the organization of their states, and they are states potent in conventions.

The rank and file of the party was for Roosevelt five to one. It is certain that the Roosevelt policies and

Roosevelt principles still dominate the republican electorate. It is also true that the nominee of the party must be reflective of Roosevelt sentiment, unless the party desires to remain out of power for another eight years. This is not an age of political reaction. The party must get in line with big Americanism, and nominate a man with vision.

One figure is outstanding. One figure overshadows all others in the mind and hope of the average voter —namely, the ablest soldier of the land, the most capable administrator of the republic, General Leonard Wood.—Pendleton Tribune.

Abundant rains this week are causing much rejoicing among the farmers and stockmen of Morrow county. Grain and grass is coming along in fine shape and the Heppner hills are taking on the beauties of early Spring, while the fruit trees are putting forth their blossoms. Some pretty heavy frosts the first of the week but no damage to fruit has been reported. Abundant yields of alfalfa and fruit are in promise and the stockmasters all report excellent production of lambs. Old Morrow county will come to the front in fine shape this year.

NEW REVENUE ACT FULLY EXPLAINED

Portland, Ore., April 7, 1919.—The Revenue Act of 1918 provides taxes on many articles of general use. On and after February 25, 1919, manufacturers of the following articles are required to pay a tax upon their product when sold: automobiles, motorcycles, automobile trucks, tires, inner tubes, parts or accessories for automobiles and trucks, pianos, organs, phonographs and records, tennis rackets, skates, base-ball goods and other sporting goods, chewing gum, cameras, photographic films and plates, candy, firearms and cartridges, hunting knives, electric fans, thermos bottles, cigar and cigarette holders and pipes, hunting and shooting garments and riding habits, articles made of fur, toilet soaps and toilet powder. The manufacturers of any of these articles should communicate at once with Collector Milton A. Miller to ascertain their liability. The tax on these articles does not apply to stocks in the hands of dealers, but only to articles sold on and after February 25, 1919 by the manufacturer.

Another section of the Act provides a tax of 10% upon sculpture, paintings, statuary and other objects of art, when sold by any other person than the artist. Therefore, any dealer handling this class of goods should apply for information as to his liability.

On and after April 1st, there will be a tax of 5% upon the sales of all articles commonly or commercially known as jewelry, including precious metals or imitations thereof, and ivory, watches, clocks and opera glasses. This tax is to be collected by the dealer upon such goods when sold to the user, and every store in Oregon handling any of these lines must collect this tax upon all sales made commencing April 1st, 1919. In order that a complete list of dealers in these goods may be com-

pleted, all such dealers should send their names to the Collector at Portland, stating the business engaged in.

On and after May 1, 1919, there will be a tax collected from the purchaser of ice-cream, soda water, and such other refreshments of this kind as are served at soda fountains and similar places of business. Owners of soda fountains and ice cream parlors should be sure to have their names listed with the Collector at once.

On and after May 1st, 1919, the luxury tax will be effective. This provides that a tax of 10% shall be collected by the dealer from the purchaser on carpets and rugs selling at over \$5.00 a square yard; picture frames, trunks, valises, purses, portable lighting fixtures, umbrellas, fans, smoking jackets, men's waist coats, men's and women's hats, caps, boots, shoes, pumps and slippers,

men's neckties and neckwear, silk stockings or hose, women's silk stockings or hose, men's shirts and women's pajamas, nightgowns and underwear, kimono, petticoats and waists. Practically every store in Oregon will be affected by this tax, which will apply to all that part of the price for which the goods are sold in excess of the price stipulated in the Act.

On and after May 1st, 1919, perfumes, essences and extracts, dentifrices and similar articles, as well as pills, tablets, powders and other medicinal preparations, will be subject to a tax of one cent on each twenty five cents, or fraction on this tax will be paid by stamps affixed to the goods by the seller. Other new taxes are on shooting galleries which will pay \$20.00 a year, riding

academies which will pay \$100.00 a year, "for hire" cars to pay \$10.00 a year for each car having a seating capacity of more than two and not more than seven, and \$20.00 for each automobile having a seating capacity of more than seven. It is the intention of the Internal Revenue Bureau to give wide publicity to the various provisions of the new Act, but it should not be forgotten that the taxpayer is supposed to ascertain his liability, and that ignorance of the law is not held by the courts to be a valid reason for not complying with the law.

Collector Miller will be pleased to furnish all information upon request, but obviously has no means of reaching everyone affected by the Act and notifying them individually of their liability.

WASHINGTON THRILL AT LATIN WEDDING



Washington has enjoyed the thrill of a dainty "Latin" wedding. Senorita Marie Amalia Bonillas, daughter of the Mexican ambassador to the United States is now the wife of Lt. Giuseppe Coppola of the Italian army, assigned to duty at the Italian embassy at the capital.



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Bust From Roosevelt Death Mask



James E. Fraser, the noted New York sculptor, is making a bust of the late Colonel Roosevelt from the death mask taken of the former president. Fraser was a close personal friend of "Teddy's," and formerly made a bust from life of the great leader. This bust, shown here in the making, is being produced from the mask at the request of the family. Fraser is best known as the designer of the "Buffalo" nickle and his statue—"The end of the trail."

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