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We told these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created free and equal; that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Declaration of Independence.

The Power of Song

Columns uplifted high,
Or living bronze,
Or stone carved skillfully,
Fame's clarions—

Never to men can give
Their deathless mead,
Like song that makes to live
Each noble deed.

If poets had not come
To grace their name,
Virtue herself were dumb
And tongueless Fame,

And dead the memory
Of Hector's worth,
But winged with song they fly
Throughout the earth.

—Pierre de Ronsard. Translated
by Curtis Hidden Page.

PREPAREDNESS

The old adage, In time of peace prepare for war, assuming war to be inevitable, a state of which the recurrence may always be anticipated, is the expression of a fundamental axiom. But granting the truth of both the premise and the conclusion, we have still to ask ourselves the question. What is preparation?

To some minds this question admits but one possible answer. To them, preparation means armies and navies. They think only of certain material instruments of warfare to be used on land or sea, in the depths of water or in the heights of air. So they vote millions in money and are ready to devote millions of youth to training in the art of destruction, they are ready to break the backs of the taxpayers of today with the burden of preparation for the battles of tomorrow.

But these people fail to grasp the idea that the progress of time and the course of human events are fast relegating the approved machinery of war to the junk piles of antiquity. The day is close at hand when the battleship and the siege gun will be as obsolete as the trireme and the crossbow.

Of instruments of defense and aggression there remain but men and money, the fundamental bases of peace and war.

That government makes the best preparation for war which devotes its energies to the task of promoting the contentment of its people and the payment of its debts. The best provision for the war to come is not to be found in battleship construction but in bond redemption; not in maintaining armies but in raising men who have reason to love their country.

We need not fear so much that the dread alarm of war shall find us without the immediate implements of war as that it shall find us burdened with a load of debt incurred in past wars.

The National debt now totals twenty one billion dollars. The U. S. Treasury has arranged for the payment of five hundred million dollars annually on the principal of this debt. If this policy is carried out, in twenty years from or in 1945, the U.S. will still have outstanding bonds to the amount of \$10,000,000,000.00 with an annual interest charge of above \$400,000,000.00; the annual interest is now \$940,000,000.00; or \$8.39 for very man, woman and child in the country.

Nearly one billion dollars of this load of debt is a legacy entailed upon us by the Civil War.

Statesmen are not inclined to

FLOUR SHIPMENTS

Intercoastal shipments of flour during the first twelve days of March amounted to 1,500 tons compared with 1,870 tons during the entire month of March, 1924. This means greater shipments to almost all of the intercoastal cities and particularly is this true to ports in the South Atlantic. An instance of this is shown in Charleston to which port last year there were shipped 280 tons of flour. So far during the month of March shipments have amounted to 294 tons or more than for the entire year of 1924. Besides this however, shipments of 192 tons were made in February and 527 tons in January. This makes four times as much flour as was shipped during last year. Another example of this is to Mobile. During 1924 shipments amounted to 1,728 tons and during February one shipment to this city was made amounting to 933 tons and in January shipments amounted to 343 tons making nearly as much during these two months as for the entire previous year. This is made possible by the regular and frequent service between Portland and the various Atlantic ports.—Port of Portland.

INFLUENZA

While we do not think there is cause for serious alarm, there is no question that influenza is more prevalent than it has been for some time in Oregon. Reports from other parts of the United States show that there are many cases of the disease. Notwithstanding the great amount of study that has been devoted to influenza, we are still unable to prescribe measures for its complete control. It is impossible to classify this disease properly until more studies have been made by the clinical bacteriologist.

That Million Dollar Motor

Mr. Long, one of the traveling salesmen of the Durant Motor Co. called at the Independent office Monday, and took the devil out for a little trip over the hills. Incidentally he gave a demonstration of the power of the million dollar motor by climbing one of the roughest and steepest roads he could find, in high and at a speed of fifteen miles per hour.

Early Ohio and Irish Cobbler seed potatoes 4 cents per pound, cash.

BERT MASON

the payment of debts when postponement is possible and if the people do not force the issue, the year 1975 will find the people of these United States still paying interest on the cost of the war with the Imperial German Government in 1917

Clean-up at Arlington

Let's everybody do some one thing this spring to make our yard, or our place of business more attractive to those who stay with us this summer. Plant a tree, some flowers, a garden, paint, clean up and make some added improvement if you can. And remember when you plan these improvements, than your own home town merchants can supply your needs.—Arlington Bulletin.

Clean up Day at Wasco

Wasco will soon have a Clean-up Day. Pursuant to action taken by the city council, Mayor J.P. Yates has issued an official proclamation, setting aside Thursday, April 2, as the date upon which the citizens of the community are to rest from their usual pursuits and work together to beautify this city.

Wasco News-Enterprise

THE DRUNKEN DRIVER

The Drunken driver is a distinct menace to every body, himself included. He has been fined long enough. It doesn't work! Send him to jail where he belongs, if convicted after a fair trial in which his defence has been heard.—Condon Globe Times.

It is easier to keep clean than to clean up.

When wheat drops so rapidly in the Chicago pit regardless of indications that the world crop will not be big there is every reason to suspect an organized raid is underway. Within a few months the farmers will have some wheat to sell and the bears are preparing for the occasion.—East Oregonian

Considering the caliber of some congressmen, that \$10,000 salary bill should be listed as a pension measure.—Indianapolis Star.

THANK YOU

I take this means of acknowledging the return of the mirror advertised in a recent issue of the Independent.

Mrs. Anna Ross.

Lodge Directory

IONE LODGE No. 120. A. F. & A. M. Meets every first and third Wednesday of each month. W. M. B. Walker Sec. L. E. Dick.

LOCUST CHAPTER No. 119. O. E. Meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. W. M. Mrs. Myrtle Walker; Sec. Mrs. Nina Biddle.

IONE LODGE No. 135. L. O. O. F. Meets every Saturday evening. N. G., Frank Young; V. G. Bergen Le better; Sec. Earle A. Brown; Treas. E. J. Bristow.

BUNCHGRASS REBEKAH No. 91. L. O. O. F. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month. N. G. Ruby Engelman; V. G. Arvilla Swanson; Sec. Verda Ritchie; Treas. Etta Bristow.

Church News

Notes of Interest to All Local Denominations.

Mrs. W. O. Livingstone, accompanied by Miss Downey, one of the field workers of the Missionary work of the Disciples church was a passenger on the down train, Wednesday morning.

Miss Downey has her headquarters at Atlanta Georgia.

Mrs. Livingstone reports the work at Hood River prospering. The Union C. E. meeting next Sunday evening will be held at the Baptist church.

The Junior Endeavor meeting will be held as usual. Ellen Ritchie leads.

Saturday, April fourth the Dorcas Society of the Congregational church will hold their annual pre-Easter sale.

New valley tin was placed in the roof of the Congregational church this week. The work was done by Chas. Allinger and Paul Balsiger.

Don't forget the food sale of the ladies of the Disciples church next Saturday.

Mrs. W. O. Livingstone and Miss Downey of Atlanta, Ga., conducted a meeting at the Disciples church here last Monday evening in the interest of Missions.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. W. W. HEAD, Pastor
Services
11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Prayer Meeting Thurs. Evening
Services
10:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School at 10:00 A.M.
Junior Endeavor at 5:30 P.M.
Prayer meeting Thurs. 7:30 P.M.

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PAUL G. BALSIGER
Ione, Oregon

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