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THE UNITED WAR WORK DRIVE COMES NEXT WEEK

Monday morning will see the opening of the United War Work campaign in Umatilla County, as well as in all other parts of the Nation, for the raising of the biggest gift fund in the history of the Nation is \$170,500,000 and Umatilla county is asked to contribute \$45,000.

The quota set for Hermiston is \$875. The quota set for Umatilla is \$1150.

Umatilla county's part of the state fund during this drive is only \$34,200 but the Patriotic Service League has included in the budget for this drive several other quotas assigned to this county, in order that separate drives may not be necessary. The league borrowed \$1500 last spring to meet the Y. W. C. A. quota without a drive and obligated itself for \$1980 rather than conduct a separate drive in September for the Salvation Army. The county yet owes \$200 for mileage books and the league anticipated that its quota for the Armenian-Syrian relief fund in January will be between \$5,000 and \$7,500.

The prospects of early peace do not lessen the needs for this fund. Even though peace were declared today it is estimated that it would take fifteen months to get our army out of France and during that time the work of the war relief agencies would be most necessary. The organizations included in the drive are: Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Salvation Army, Knights of Columbus, Jewish Welfare Society, American Relief Association, War Camp Community Service and Armenian-Syrian Relief.

Although the drive in this county will begin Monday and last all week, Hermiston will endeavor to go over the top in one day, and that will be next Wednesday. The rating committee has fixed the amount which each is to donate and the different chairmen of committees are making preparation for the drive.

Old Couple Beat "Flu"

P. F. Ward this week received a letter from his father and mother, who reside in New Mexico, in which is conveyed to him the good news that they had just recovered from a severe attack of influenza. The couple are 70 and 69 years of age, and they attribute their recovery to a remedy prescribed by their family physician, the principal ingredient of which is laxative quinine, together with camphor ice in the chest. They said that all those who persisted in eating apples during any period of illness from the disease are dead, five having passed away from this cause in their immediate vicinity.

No New Cases

There has been no new cases of influenza during the week, and indications now are for an early raising of the quarantine. Should there be no more cases develop within the next week it is probable that schools now closed on the project will open a week from Monday next.

The daylight saving plan saved 250,000 tons of coal to the nation, according to the U. S. fuel administration. This saving has been mainly in Eastern cities. For exact figures are available for Oregon.

NARROW ESCAPE WHEN CAR TURNS TURTLE

Four of the luckiest young people on the project are alive and well, thanks to a kind providence that saved them when a Ford touring car they were in turned bottom side up on a curve in the road just this side of the Butter Creek bridge over the Umatilla river last Sunday night. In the party were two young men and two young ladies, and all attribute the accident to defective lights, which caused the driver to miss the curve and climb a steep side hill. All were under the car after it turned over except the driver, who lay half under and half out. In trying to extricate himself he managed to get a leverage with his knees and in this manner raised part of the car sufficient for the other young man to get out, and then it was an easy matter to liberate the frightened ladies.

"All is well that ends well," it has been said, and therefore we withhold the names of those who went through the thrilling drama. But in doing so we issue a solemn warning, not alone to them but to all other young motorists, to at all times keep both hands on the steering wheel—lights or no lights.

CITY TICKET WINS WITHOUT OPPOSITION

There was not much interest shown in the city election on the part of voters Tuesday, the state ticket being the luring object. That it was that only 31 votes were cast, but they were sufficient to put back in the mayoralty and aldermanic chairs six members of the present council, with B. F. Knapp added as the seventh member. He was elected in place of A. L. Larson, who in turn was elected treasurer to succeed F. A. Phelps. Several ladies were honored with complimentary votes, there being ten of the 31 scattered around thusly.

The personnel of the newly elected council is as follows: F. C. McKenzie mayor, J. D. Watson, H. M. Straw, C. S. McNaught, E. P. Dood, F. C. Woughter, B. F. Knapp, councilmen; C. M. Jensen recorder and A. L. Larson treasurer.

COME ON WITH FRUIT PITS TO SAVE THE BOYS

How many of the readers of this paper have a brother, a son, or a relative in the army? Nearly all the readers have. Do you want to see him choke to death or burn his lungs out as a result of a German gas attack? No, not if in your power to prevent. All right then, it is within your power to prevent, says M. S. Shrock, county agricultural agent.

The American army gas mask is the most effective mask made. No deaths have resulted when masks were promptly applied. It is the shortage of the material with which to make these gas masks that prompts this appeal to you.

Charcoal made from coconut shells was formerly used as an absorbent for the poisonous element. But the gas defense division have used up all the available supply of coconut shells. They must resort to other hard nut shells. Walnuts, peach and prune pits are the things they must have if we are to continue to supply our boys the protection we have promised them.

Peach pits, prune pits and walnuts seem unimportant things to us at home, but to the boys in the trenches and to the war department they are vital. Gather all you can and bring or send them to the Red Cross headquarters here or at Pendleton. Do not send in peanut shells, almond shells or acorns, as they have no value.

This is an appeal to every citizen. This appeal has been renewed because the response has not been what was expected.

Mrs. J. Graves and daughter Bettie are guests this week at the home of their friend, Madam Belcamp, out in Columbia district.

The maximum temperature for the past week was 63 degrees, the minimum 39 and rains!! .51 of an inch.

Scrapped by the Allies



Confronted with the menace of a power which knew no law but its own bestial pleasure, America had no course but to add its strength to the battle which should establish for some centuries that might is not right. On no other basis will peace last.

YANKS ENCOUNTER FIERCE FIGHTING

With the Allied Forces in Flanders—The fighting which one American detachment encountered at Spitaals boschen wood, southeast of Waerghem, in Belgium, was probably the hardest it has experienced in the months it has been in France.

This unit of westerners had come from a section of the line where it had seen some bitter engagements, but the major who was leading the battalion which was outflanking the wood or the north, and who was wounded stated that the early stages of the battle were heavier than anything his men had been through.

This forest, which covers a considerable tract, was literally a network of barbed wire entanglements, among which there were great numbers of machine gun nests dominating the American line in front of it.

Into the advancing forces rapid fire poured a vicious fire from concealed positions in the woods. Every farmhouse and haystack along the way—and there were many—contained its machine gun, which was chattering rapidly. Each of these had to be surrounded and subdued in turn as the Americans moved forward.

The wood was taken after several hours of fierce fighting and all the Germans cleaned out.

TURKISH SURRENDER TOTAL

Dardanelles and the Bosphorus to Be Opened.

London.—The armistice accepted by Turkey amounts to "complete and unconditional surrender." This statement was made by Lord Robert Cecil, as assistant secretary of state for foreign affairs.

The terms of the agreement include the free passage of the Dardanelles to the allied fleet, and also comprise the occupation of the forts of the Dardanelles and Bosphorus necessary to secure the passage of the allied war ships through the Bosphorus to the Black sea.

U. S. Troops in Terrific Fight

With the American Army on the Sedan Front.—Bitter fighting is taking place along the Meuse river. American patrols again have succeeded in crossing the river at Brielleux on a pontoon bridge constructed under fire. The town of Pouilly, in the bend of the Meuse northwest of Stenay, was captured by the Americans operating west of the Meuse. The west bank of the river now is held in its entirety as far north as Pouilly.

Must Convert Bonds Before Nov. 9

Washington.—The privilege of converting 4 per cent bonds of the first Liberty loan and 4 per cent bonds of the second Liberty loan into 4 1/2 per cent bonds expires on November 9. Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo announced.

Either the United Press or the Associated Press are lying on war news.

ANOTHER LIBERTY LOAN IS COMING

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo has announced that, no matter what the results of the pending overtures for peace may be, there will be another Liberty loan. To use his expression, "We are going to have to finance peace for awhile just as we have had to finance war."

There are over 2,000,000 United States soldiers abroad. If we transport these men back to the United States at the rate of 300,000 a month, it will be over half a year before they are all returned. Our army, therefore, must be maintained, victualled, and clothed for many months after peace is an actuality.

The American people, therefore, having supported the Liberty loan with a patriotism that future historians will love to extol, will have an opportunity to show the same patriotism in financing the just and conclusive victorious peace whenever it comes.

Not for a moment, however, is the U. S. treasury acting on any assumption that peace is to come soon. Until peace is actually assured the attitude of the whole United States government is for the most vigorous prosecution of the war, and the motto of force against Germany without stint or limit will be acted up to until peace is an absolute accomplished fact.

One more Liberty loan, at least, is certain. The fourth loan was popularly called the "Fighting Loan;" the next loan may be a fighting loan, too, or it may be a peace loan. Whatever the conditions, the loan must be prepared for and its success rendered certain and absolute. Begin now to prepare to support it.

BUTTER CREEK ITEMS

Hay baling is over for the Tillamook Co. as they finished M. E. Martin's place Saturday.

Flu has few the creek, so it seems; at least no new cases have been reported.

I. D. Basey returned from Monument Saturday and says the country looks fine to him for fall weather, and he is thinking of locating there next spring.

Mrs. Chas. Kunze returned Saturday from Tillamook and is glad to say that her daughter is better.

Marion Marks is going to Pendleton soon to buy that long delayed marriage license. Now everyone look out, for the lady will soon appear.

The ditch work is progressing rapidly, the camp at present being at the Gowen place.

James Ware has been hauling wood from the Umatilla river.

Alton Basey has been digging his potatoes on the Hinkle place.

Henry A. Hooker was in town yesterday proving up on his homestead in Columbia district. With him were his witnesses, W. A. Leathers, J. H. Reid, H. A. McKee and F. P. Phipps.

OREGON RETURNS McNARY-- WITHEYCOMBE RE-ELECTED

WAR END CELEBRATION ALL OVER THE NATION

Here, as elsewhere through the United States, a glorious celebration over the news of the acceptance by Germany of the terms of peace as set by the allies for that belligerent nation to follow and the signing of an armistice was held Thursday afternoon. The ringing of the fire alarm brought out the crowd in a hurry, and soon the streets were black with people and automobiles. Every available instrument was brought into use to make a noise. A procession formed, and after celebrating loudly here for an hour the whole bunch went to Stanfield and Echo. In the evening auto loads from the two towns above named returned the compliment, and after another celebration here the three towns joined in a procession and went to Umatilla, where they made merry for a half hour over the glad tidings with the inhabitants of that city.

But the following morning all were befuddled when the morning papers arrived from Portland, the Oregonian claiming that the nation was the victim of a heatless hoax and that the armistice report was utterly false, while on the other hand the Journal of that city had flashed across its front page in glaring headlines that the war was over. So there you are.

But there is one thing certain, and that is if it is not over it will be for a certainty within a few days, and then we can have another celebration.

Miss Todd in Canteen Service

Miss Virginia Todd, formerly of Pendleton, and active in all war activities while here, is now in Seattle awaiting word from Washington, D. C., to go to France in the canteen service. Miss Todd has passed the physical examination and has been vaccinated for smallpox and typhoid fever. She is expecting to go across any day. Cessation of hostilities will probably not affect her departure as the need for canteens will continue. Miss Todd has been assisting in the Red Cross work rooms in Seattle while awaiting her call. She is a guest at the home of her aunt, Mrs. F. W. Keys.—East Oregonian.

FEAR CONDUCTIVE TO CONTRACTING THE FLU

If the truth is contained in a dispatch from Des Moines, Iowa, to the Christian Science Monitor, handed us the other day by a party in this city, then fear of the disease has a great deal to do with people contracting it. "A course in common sense and the basic ideas of Christian Science, and an editorial policy for newspapers directed against fear," the dispatch says was urged at a meeting in the above city recently. The fact was cited by speakers that officers and soldiers at Camp Dodge who are Christian Scientists have not been affected by the epidemic.

Dr. Witte of Des Moines, in addressing the gathering, said: "There is no question that by a right attitude of mind these people have kept themselves from illness. I have no doubt that many persons have contracted the disease through fear. People can deceive themselves into thinking they have any disease on the calendar, and doubtless many of them have thought themselves into their graves."

Whether one does or does not believe in the faith, it must nevertheless be admitted that there is some sound logic in the above assertion that through fear of a possibility of contracting disease or becoming ill many have brought on themselves an early demise. So let's start a campaign to banish this dual enemy, fear.

The state of Oregon by its vote Tuesday has returned McNary to the United States senate, Sinnott to congress and put the stamp of approval on Withycombe by re-electing him governor. Like Oregon, nearly every other state in the Union has cast a strong Republican vote, and indications now are that Republicans will have a majority in both houses at the national capital.

Umatilla county, as always, showed its strong Republican tendency by electing E. P. Dodd and Cyril Brownell to the state house of representatives, and Dunning for county commissioner ran away ahead of his Democratic friend McIntyre nearly two to one. There is no change in the personnel of the county offices, all of the present incumbents having been re-elected.

Quite a little interest was shown in the state election here at home and as a result voters turned out to the polls fairly well. In the two Hermiston precincts, Nos. 53 and 54, a total of 297 votes were cast, 122 being polled in 53 on the west side and 175 in 54 on the east side. Columbia precinct No. 55 had a total of 88 votes. Of these Dodd received a total of 212 votes in the Hermiston precincts and Brownell 118. In Columbia precinct both led their Democratic opponents.

The neighboring town of Umatilla, which gained much fame two years ago by electing a full woman council, has again elected a woman to the mayoralty chair, the lady being Mrs. R. F. Paulu. The balance of the council will be composed of A. B. Stephens Jr., R. L. Merrick, Mrs. Zella Brownell, two year term, and Mrs. Iona Stephens and R. F. Paulu, one year term. For the other member of the council a tie vote is to be decided between Frank Cline, Robert Brownell and Agnes Fallen. Mrs. Bertha Cherry was elected recorder and Mrs. McKenzie treasurer.

HERE'S NEW ONE FOR THE GOPHERS

A new poison bait for the eradication of gophers has just come to light, according to Prof. Sykes of the O. A. C., which farmers can try or leave it alone, just as they see fit. About once a year regular, generally when the gophers are "holed up" for the winter, a new treatise on how to get rid of the pest is discovered by some professor or other person with a highfalutin' prefix to his name.

But laying all jokes aside, this might be just the right dope, and as it does not cost much to prepare—just a half cent for each gopher—it might be well for the local ranchers that are troubled with the rodents to try it on them next spring. The prescription is a mixture of dandelion and strychnine with Irish moss spreader, and the proper amount of each of these ingredients to mix up a batch and place it properly is given in an instructive bulletin that can be had free from the above college on request. Anyone who tries it will please let us know how it works.

Make use of the dampers in regulating the furnace.