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CLEAN-UP DAY, APRIL 8TH

The Commercial Club is organizing for a successful Clean-up Day April 8th. No argument was required to convince the members of the Club that a clean-up was necessary. The streets and alleys are littered with paper and trash. Vacant lots are covered with weeds and debris. Nicely kept lawns and carefully tended premises are hidden by the ugliness of the neglected lots and streets adjoining. A visiting official of the State Chamber of Commerce recently stood up before a meeting of the Commercial Club and praised our fine trees, enterprising men and beautiful women, and they roared us quite heartily for the ugly, neglected appearance of the city. With the great change being wrought by the street and sidewalk work a good thorough clean-up will make Hermiston look quite different.

Every man in the city should keep the date open and enlist in the good cause. The ladies of the Community Club will serve a lunch to the workers and there will be a breaking of ranks only long enough to satisfy the inner man with the repast provided. A captain will be appointed for each block and he will lay out the work and organize his forces to effectively clean-up his district. This is arbor day in the schools and the children will join effectively in the campaign. One of these occasions where all join in a cooperative effort to do a good thing.

It is rumored that some men have urged their women folks to early efforts around the place, hoping thereby to escape service on April 8th. They will be disappointed. There will be a day's hard work in store for them on that day.

All you need is a little civic pride and some sort of an implement of grace.

IS THIS A SQUARE DEAL?

The war department and certain civilian agencies are fostering a plan to establish a series of citizens' military training camps in this country. It is understood that the government will furnish transportation, subsistence and uniforms, while the students would be required to devote his time free of charge. The main object of these camps would be to educate the public up to the necessity of universal military training, which congress has so far refused to sanction.

On the surface of this would appear to be a praiseworthy move. But is it? The rich man's son and the young man in comfortable circumstances can afford to devote a month of his time to attending these camps therefore be in line for a commission in the army at once in the event of war.

The young man who is poor, who can not afford to lose the time from his business without compensation, has no hope of attaining such a camp no matter how many natural qualifications he might possess that go into making of an acceptable army officer. Buck private in the ranks is the prize that awaits him. Yet he must pay his proportion of taxes for the purpose of maintaining these camps for the benefit of those who are more fortunately situated. If it is necessary to maintain training camps in order to educate men for responsible positions in time of war there should be no favoritism shown. The transportation, uniforms and subsistence furnished by the government are paid by all the people.

If congress desires to be fair in the matter, it will pay each man who attends a reasonable sum to compensate him for the time he loses from his business—at least, an amount equal to the pay of a second lieutenant, the lowest commissioned grade in the army. Then the privilege of attending the camps should be apportioned out to several states and counties in proportion to population, the local authorities to make the selections from those who apply.

If congress is not willing to do this, or something equally fair, then it should do nothing at all and there should be no camps, unless private individuals desire to conduct them entirely at their own expense. To give the subject a purely local application, how many young men are in a position to give a month of their time free of charge for the purpose of providing greater security for all of the people.

This country is not out of the woods of war. It will need defenders for many years to come. It will need many men competent to step into commissioned ranks. But in organizing the camps that produce these officers we should give every section and every class of our citizens

an equal opportunity and a square deal.

If congress will add the item of compensation to the appropriation for these camps, together with provisions for an apportionment of attendance the plan would be ideal and patriotic, and would meet with popular approval. But to spend the money of all the people for the benefit of the more fortunate ones is undemocratic and un-American.

LANSING FLAYS LEAGUE

Robert Lansing, former Secretary of State, until dismissed by President Wilson for calling meeting of the cabinet when his chief was physically unable to do so, has given his honest opinion of the peace treaty and league of nations covenant as recorded in his diary in Paris and just published. He says:

The terms of peace were yesterday delivered to the German plenipotentiaries, and for the first time in these days of feverish rush of preparation there is time to consider the treaty as a complete document.

"The impression made by it is one of disappointment, of regret and of depression. The terms of peace appear immeasurably harsh, and humiliating, while many of them seem to me impossible of performance.

"The league of nations created by the treaty is relied upon to preserve the artificial structure which has been erected by compromise of the conflicting interests of the Great Powers and to prevent the germination of the seeds of war which are sown in so many articles and which under normal conditions would soon bear fruit. The league might as well attempt to prevent the growth of plant in a tropical jungle. Wars will come sooner or later.

"It must be admitted in honesty that the league is an instrumentality of the mighty to check the normal growth of national power and national aspirations among those who have been rendered impotent by defeat. Examine the treaty and you will find peoples delivered against their will into the hands of those whom they hate, while their economic resources are torn from them and given to others; Resentment and bitterness, if not desperation, are bound to be the consequences of such provisions. It may be years before these oppressed people are able to throw off the yoke but as sure as the day follows night the time will come when they will make the effort.

"This war was fought by the United States to destroy forever the conditions which produced it. Those conditions have not been destroyed. They have been supplanted by other conditions equally productive of hatred, jealousy and suspicion. In place of the Triple Alliance and the Entente has arisen the Quintuple Alliance which is to rule the world. The victors in this war intend to impose their combined will upon the vanquished and to subordinate all interests to their own.

"It is true that to please the aroused public opinion of mankind and to respond to the idealism of the moralist they have surrounded the new alliance with a halo and called it 'the league of nations,' but whatever it may be called or however it may be disguised it is an alliance of the Five Great Military Powers.

"It is useless to close our eyes to the fact that the powers to compel obedience by the exercise of the united strength of the five is the fundamental principal of the league. Justice is secondary. Might is primary.

"The league as now constituted will be the prey of greed and intrigue; and the law of unanimity of the council, which may offer a restraint, will be broken or rendered the organization powerless. It is called upon to stam; as just what is unjust.

"We have a treaty of peace, but it will not bring permanent peace because it is founded upon the shifting sands of self-interest.

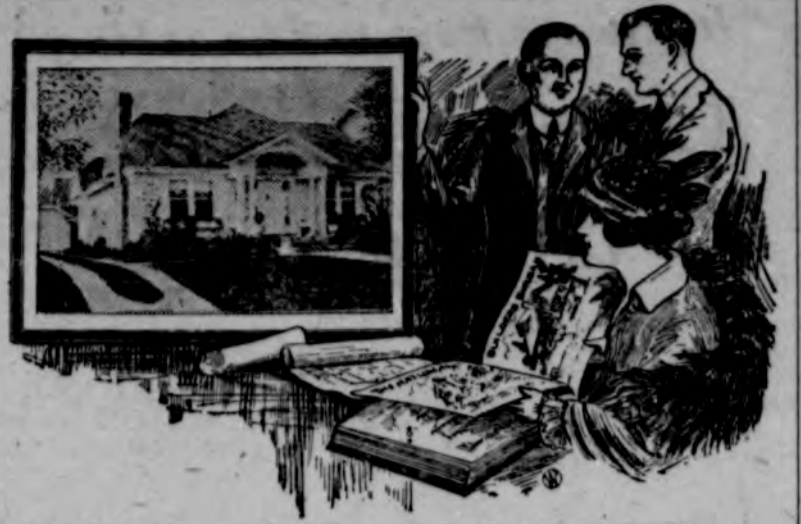
"The obnoxious things in the treaty were due to secret diplomacy. The President should have stuck rigidly to his principles, which he has not."

The man without an idea hasn't the room in his head to hold those of others.

There is no occasion for hiding your smile, brother. It is not subject to the income tax.

Any man can acquire the habit of saving if he has anything to save.

The person who keeps a record of his successes and failures is generally the one who has the least failures to record.



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