

REDUCE DRAIN ON FOOD SUPPLY BY RAISING RABBITS

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Rabbits, which have proved a valuable source of food in Europe during the present war, may well be raised more extensively in America by way of reducing the drain on the ordinary meat supply, according to biologists of the United States department of agriculture. The business of growing rabbits, the specialists point out, can be carried on by youths and adults not engaged in military or other national service, or in regular industrial employment. The animals may be raised in back yards of cities and towns as well as on farms.

Belgian Hare Favored.
The Belgian hare, says a statement by the United States department of agriculture, breeds rapidly, matures quickly, and produces a palatable and highly nutritious meat. The cost of production is less than that of any other meat, not excepting poultry. The supply can be greatly increased within a few months, without requiring space that may be needed for the production of crops. Practical experience has demonstrated that rabbit meat can be produced in unlimited quantities at a cost of about six cents a pound; and by utilizing lawn cuttings and other vegetation that would otherwise be wasted, the cost can be made even lower.

The Belgian and Flemish giant rabbits are recommended for meat production, as the ordinary tame rabbit is smaller and develops more slowly. Stock of Belgian hares may be bought from breeders in nearly all the states at \$1 to \$3 each. They may occasionally be had from pet stock dealers. Fancy pedigreed stock is not required for meat production.

Are Easily Kept.
Rabbits are easily kept. They eat hay, grass, lawn cuttings, and green vegetation of many kinds. Females should be allowed to breed when 8 or 10 months old, and during the year should raise four litters of about six young each. Well fed, the young reach marketable size when 3 to 4 months old and average from 5 to 6 pounds live weight.

The department of agriculture has published a bulletin on raising rabbits which will be helpful to those who wish to engage in this pursuit.

DESIRES TO HAVE THE AIMS OF WAR STATED

AMSTERDAM, July 11.—The Catholic organ, Germania, of Berlin, says that the Catholic center in the reichstag has decided by an overwhelming majority to support Matthias Erzberger, who last week attacked the pan-Germans and advocated peace without annexations or indemnities. Herr Erzberger's object, the newspaper says, is to induce the reichstag to make a declaration of war aims in the sense that Germany has not gone to war with a desire for conquest, but merely to defend its freedom and preserve its territorial possessions.

In order to nullify definitely any impression on the part of the entente that Germany's peace terms would be dictated by the Prussian military caste, the reichstag is asked to set forth with clearness the German war aims. The entente would then realize, it is contended, that it is waging war with the entire German people.

The Germania adds that the chancellor had accepted the idea and that the formation of a coalition ministry is being prepared. Thus, it says, unity between the people and the government will be realized.

OBITUARY
The funeral of Mrs. J. Rachel Matthews took place at the home of her son, Joseph Maham, near Eagle Point, at 10 a. m., Tuesday, July 10. The services were conducted by the Rev. Paul S. Sandy. Interment at Central Point cemetery.

The deceased was born December 22, 1854. Crossed the plains in 1872, coming to Jackson county with her parents by ox team, and has resided here ever since.
February 10, 1879, she was married to David Maham, and to this union were born eight children. The living are: Mrs. Bert Dowell of Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Roy Buckrum of Portland, Mrs. Rosa Woolley of Independence, Oregon, and Joseph and Johnnie Maham of Eagle Point. Three brothers and three sisters, twenty-one grandchildren, and one great-grandchild survive her.

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SEASON TO OPEN AT CRATER LAKE SUNDAY, JULY 15

The Crater Lake season will formally open on July 15, next Sunday, when the daily auto stage service will be started. This announcement was made last night by Alfred L. Parkhurst, president and general manager of the Crater Lake company.

"While there is considerable snow yet in places, some drifts ten feet deep, we will have the snow all moved out of the way by the fifteenth and the roads will be in fairly good condition, the wet in places," said Mr. Parkhurst last night on his arrival from the park in the city.

For the first time two new national park sight seeing auto stages will be used on the Crater lake route. One of these seats 21 passengers and the other 12.

Mr. Parkhurst will call upon County Judge TouVelle in the next few days to endeavor to enlist the court's support in bettering the road to the lake and in keeping it in good condition. Mr. Parkhurst says that this is a matter of great importance to the business interests of Medford, for if the roads are not kept in good repair the inevitable result will be the loss of Crater lake tourist business thru the Medford gateway.

"Something should be done soon with the section of the road which was cut thru the pomice hill be-

yond Trail near the Mansfield ranch," says Mr. Parkhurst. "This section is even now in very bad shape, and if the weather continues dry and hot with the heavy tourist travel it will soon be cut to pieces. Then the disgusted tourists will pass the word around the country about the bad road in to Crater lake from this side." "A little inexpensive work done now will save this situation. If the road is scraped and then kept sprinkled frequently it will remain in condition all summer and fall.

"This is a matter of dollars and cents to Medford's business community and I am not speaking from a selfish point of view, because anyone can see that for every dollar spent by a tourist up at Crater Lake, a dozen or more are spent in Medford and the valley."

WOODMEN INITIATE TWENTY-ONE CANDIDATES

Twenty-one candidates were initiated into the Woodmen of the World order last night in the I. O. O. F. hall by Medford Camp No. 90. Most of the candidates were from Medford and Phoenix and some were from Ashland. The degree team of the Medford camp put on the initiatory work.

There was a large attendance of Woodmen from various parts of the valley. District Manager J. W. Kennedy was also present. A banquet followed the initiation. It was the first meeting in the I. O. O. F. hall, which has been leased by the Medford camp which will meet in this hall every Wednesday evening.

ASTOR WIDOW GOES TO FRONT AS NURSE



MRS. AVA WILLING ASTOR.

The widow of John Jacob Astor, who died on the Titanic, is in London and will go to France as a Red Cross nurse, to be with the American troops when they get to the front.

RURAL SUNDAY SCHOOL GROUP MEET JULY 22

The first "group gathering" of this season as conducted by the American Sunday School Union, will meet at Reese Creek, just above Eagle Point, Oregon.

The Trail, Deroz, Laurel Hill, Reese Creek and Eagle Point Sunday schools will be well represented and will take part in the exercises of the day. Speakers and singers from Medford and other nearby cities will participate.

Everybody is welcome and cordially invited to come and make this a glorious meeting. Bring your basket dinner and prepare to stay all day.

There will be songs, recitations and a discussion of Sunday school methods in the morning. After lunch hour there will be addresses and special music.

Plan to be at this meeting. People who attend services in the morning can easily reach this place for the afternoon services. Any one having accommodations for one or more persons, can greatly assist some people who desire to attend.

For information call 217-X, or see G. C. Griffin, 336 S. Riverside St.

D. P. Gibson arrived in the city today from Eugene to spend several days here on business.

EVAPORATING AND COLD CANNING TO BE DEMONSTRATED

Miss Anna M. Turley of the Oregon Agricultural College will be in Jackson county from Saturday, July 14 to Wednesday, July 18. Miss Turley and Claude C. Cate, county pathologist, will hold public meetings in different parts of the county and demonstrate the best known methods of canning and evaporating fruits and vegetables. Demonstrations will be given with a small evaporator that is suitable for home use for drying both fruits and vegetables.

The people of Jackson county have done their part in planting and growing food products, but it is of more importance to preserve these food stuffs, and interested people should make a special effort to attend these demonstrations. Plans and specifications will be furnished for making home evaporators and the cost is very small. Each step in the process of drying and canning will be carefully demonstrated and any one interested should be able to turn out a first class article at a very small expense.

The first demonstration will be held at the public market on Saturday, July 14, at 2 p. m., Medford.

Announcements will be made in tomorrow's paper for the demonstrations on Monday and Tuesday, which will take in the towns of Talent,

Phoenix, Central Point and Eagle Point.

On Wednesday, July 18, demonstrations will be held in Lithia Park, at Ashland, at 10 a. m.

The Rogue River encampment of the I. O. O. F. will have installation of officers at the I. O. O. F. hall Friday evening.

Grape-Nuts

Made from choice whole wheat and malted barley, this famous food retains the vital mineral elements of the grain, so essential for balanced nourishment, but lacking in many cereal foods.

From every standpoint—good flavor, rich nourishment, easy digestion, convenience, economy, health from childhood to old age—Grape-Nuts food.

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Special prices on Summer goods in all departments. We are giving values absolutely unmatchable-combining as they do a special lowness coupled with present advance prices, this sale means economy to you.

Ladies' Waist Sale



- \$8.50 to \$10 Georgettes\$5.98
 - \$7.50 Georgettes\$4.98
 - \$6.50 Georgettes\$3.98
- Big assortment of V. V. es, fancy trimmed, all sizes
98¢, \$1.25, \$1.50

Aprons and House Dresses

- 1 lot49¢
 - 1 lot69¢
 - 1 lot98¢
 - 1 lot\$1.19
 - 1 lot\$1.50
 - 1 lot\$1.75
 - 1 lot\$2.00
- These mean a saving of 10 to 15 percent.

Middy Sale

- \$1.25 Middies98¢
- \$1.75 Middies\$1.25

Sale Men's Underwear

- 60c Men's Blue Balbriggan45¢
- 60c Men's Brown Balbriggan45¢
- Munsing Union Suits\$1.25
- Best Porosknit Union Suits\$1.25

We carry a big line for boys and girls.

Hosiery Sale

- 1 lot Children's Hose15¢
- 1 lot Men's Socks15¢

Wash Fabric Sale

We are giving reductions on every yard of Summer Wash Goods, Sport Skirtings, Waistings. These goods can not be bought today wholesale for the prices offered.

- 40-inch Fancy Voiles42c, 49c, 63c
- 36-inch Sport Skirtings49c, 63c, 75c



Muslin and Domestic Bargains

Here are values that are absolutely unmatchable, combining as they do a special lowness in price coupled with the most dependable qualities. As our space is limited, we cannot mention hundreds of underpriced offerings that abound thruout this section. Prudent housekeepers will not fail to economize by purchasing liberally.

Slips, Gowns and Srikts—Perfectly finished, Neatly Trimmed Garments. All sizes Regular-ly \$1.25 to \$1.50 at **98c**



THE COMBINATION SUITS are made of high-grade nainsook, crepe and longcloth. They are shown in a variety of styles, including the popular knickerbocker, princess or plain circular styles. They come with either corset cover and drawer. Neatly trimmed with dainty laces, insertions and Swiss embroideries. Shown in all sizes from 34 to 44.

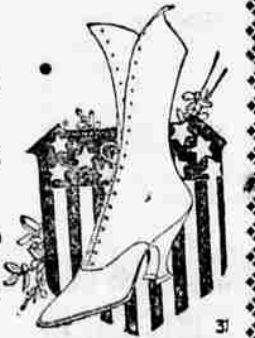
THE GOWNS are made of fine nainsook and crepe and are shown in either slipover, high or V-neck styles with laces, insertions, embroideries and ribbons. They come in good length and fullness. This assortment also includes a few Gowns in pink and blue colors.

THE PRINCESS SLIPS are made of high-grade nainsook and crepe and are neatly trimmed with fine laces, insertions and Swiss embroideries. They come with deep flounce or plain hemstitched hem, also scalloped embroidery edge.

THE SKIRTS are shown in all this season's attractive styles and are made of fine nainsook and crepe. They are neatly trimmed, with dainty laces, embroideries and insertions. They come with trimmed flounces; others plain and tucked or scalloped embroidery edges. These garments sell regularly from \$1.25 to \$1.50. Your choice at this sale for only **98c**

Shoe Sale

- 1 lot Ladies Shoes **\$1.59**
- 1 lot Ladies Oxfords **\$1.98**
- 1 lot Children's Oxfords **\$1.49**



The store that saves you dollars on shoe leather.

Lace Curtain Sale

- LOT 1—Values to \$2.00 priced at, the pair **\$1.19**
- A great many styles to select from in Serim, Madras and Scotch Lace. They come in white, cream and ecru and from 36 to 50 inches wide. All are 2 1/2 yards long; broken lines in \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 qualities, clearance sale price **\$1.19**
- LOT 2—Values to \$2.50, priced at, the pair **\$1.79**
- Very attractive are the styles shown in this fine lot of Serim, Cable Net and Scotch Lace Curtains. They come in white, cream and ecru and from 38 to 50 inches wide; 2 1/2 and 3-yd. lengths in \$2.25 and \$2.50 qualities, at, the pair **\$1.79**
- LOT 3—Values to \$4.00, priced at, the pair **\$2.95**
- Exceedingly fine Serim and Madras Lace Curtains in 2 1/2 and 3-yard lengths and from 38 to 50 inches wide. This season's styles in white, cream and ecru. Regular \$3.50 to \$4.00 qualities, clearance sale price, the pair **\$2.95**
- LOT 4—Values to \$5.00, priced at, the pair **\$3.49**

The finest of high-grade Curtains of Serim, Madras, Lace and Cable Net. Included are the best styles in white, cream and ecru. They come 2 1/2 and 3 yards long and from 38 to 50 inches wide. Regular \$4.50 to \$5.00 grades, clearance **\$3.49**