

SUPPOSE FRANCE COLLAPSES? WHAT OF U. S. TROOPS?

"Suppose France should collapse as a result of the lack of food, due to the unwillingness or neglect of America to make the necessary sacrifice to supply her soldiers and citizens, what would become of the rapidly growing American army at the French front?"

This is one of the disquieting possibilities of the food shortage mentioned by Dr. W. J. Kerr, president of the Oregon Agricultural college, in his series of talks on food and the war, which he is giving in Oregon as a representative of the United States government.

Dr. Kerr will speak in Medford, Page theater, Sunday morning, May 26, at 11:00 o'clock. This is a special union service and is in honor of the G. A. R. Dr. Kerr will speak in Ashland, Chautauqua auditorium, on Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. A special band concert has been arranged for the occasion, the concert beginning at 2:30 o'clock. These meetings are under the auspices of the Red Cross campaign committee, county council of defense, county food administration, county agricultural council, Ministerial association, Commercial club, and other patriotic organizations. These organizations urge a large attendance, and expect all who are interested in winning the war and desirous of obtaining more definite information as to what each can do to help win, to attend this meeting.

How America, and especially Oregon, can best respond to the demands for increased food production, insuring the food supplies essential to the successful prosecution of the war, will be dealt with in the most practical way by Dr. Kerr, who has just returned from Washington, where he went over the entire question of increased food production and conservation with the officials of the department of agriculture and federal food administrator.

The wheat shortage in the allied countries is 624 million bushels. Their only source of supply is the United States which has a normal consumption of approximately the amount produced. French rations have been cut down one-half. The effects of the shortage are disclosed in a statement from the French commissioner, Andrew Tardieu:

"France has reached the limit of sacrifice and suffering behind the lines. Unless America, by similar sacrifices, comes to her immediate aid, when she does arrive with her full military strength she may find the conditions upon which victory depends entirely changed. Unless every farmer, shopkeeper, hotel man—every citizen, co-operates with the profits, England and Italy, as well as France, will face a state of depletion that will undermine the morale of the people."

Many working people of England are on a diet of only one-third normal. And England is combing the country for the last 600,000 effectives. America should uphold and sustain them now, for if England falls France and Italy are gone, and America must bear the burden alone. It is so much easier to help now, and it is felt that if only the truth were known loyal American citizens would be willing to make all necessary sacrifices to increase the food supply by growing more food materials, saving more, and relinquish profits.

Dr. Kerr is directly representing the government and is delivering the message of the nation to its loyal citizens. All who have the welfare of their country at heart are asked to come out to the meetings and help create a sentiment for saving for victory in this war wherein the liberty of mankind is at stake.

CITIZENSHIP OF I. W. W. CANCELLED

PORTLAND, May 22.—Citizenship papers previously granted to Carl Swelgin, an I. W. W. organizer, were revoked by Judge C. E. Wolverton in the federal court today, on the ground that Swelgin had procured citizenship through fraud and deceit. Swelgin was taken to Seattle at the close of the hearing, where he will be interned as an alien enemy.

In rendering his decision, Judge Wolverton said of the I. W. W.

"It advocates lawlessness and constructs its own morals, which are not in accord with those of organized society, its adherents are anti-patriotic."

Of Swelgin, he said: "He made a vow which was not in his heart. He is a disbeliever and is opposed to organized government."

INDIAN MUSIC BY ACADEMY PUPILS MUCH ENJOYED

"Wasn't it splendid?" That was the question heard on all sides as a large and thoroughly delighted audience left the Rialto theater Tuesday night after enjoying a concert consisting of Indian music given by the students of St. Mary's academy.

It was something new and entirely different in the line of music and opened for the listeners the gate to the soul of the American Indian, and showed that therein there lie rare hidden jewels of culture and art, and yet not largely known or appreciated by the great majority of American people.

Although beautifully harmonized, the value of the selections rendered did not lie so much in their length or brilliancy as in the Indian characteristics which they portrayed. Each piece was chosen to set forth some mood—of victory, disappointment or yearning hope of the Indian. The young ladies taking part were well trained, and so skillfully did they interpret the various numbers that the audience had not the slightest difficulty in following the changes of theme, from the driving hoist of the "Big Chief" to the plaintive strains of the Indian maiden's lullaby, or the mourning song of a tribe for a departed warrior.

The stage was cleverly decorated to suggest an out door Indian abode, and the costumes added an elaborate touch of reality to the scene.

HALF TON COUPLE DEFY CUPID'S DARTS

The little god of love does not seem to have an arrow in his quiver long enough to pierce the hearts of Bert Gillespie, the 513-pound movie actor late of the Keystone comedy company, and the young lady known as Nellie, the human plum pudding. When Nellie joined the Foley and Burk shows last week, with which Gillespie has been all season, the show people predicted that romance would weave its magic web around the half-ton couple and that there would in time be a "swell" wedding. In "broad" life, which is somewhat different from high life. But the matchmaker's scent no orange blossoms as yet. In fact, Bert and Nellie do not get along very well together and "spat" on every occasion, as a result of professional jealousy. Nellie will ask Bert if he is sick, remarking that he looks pale and thin. Bert will come back by saying that he has gained two pounds and that he would weigh more if he pilled on the paint and powder like some people he knows—and the war is on. Major Joe Leising, who is 50 years of age and only 29 inches tall, threatens to pull Gillespie's nose if he doesn't stop "picking" on Nellie—and everybody is wondering.

These interesting people will be in Medford next week with the carnival to be given for the Greater Medford club's patriotic fund. Nine distinct shows, numerous rides and 50 other carnival attractions will make the event one of unusual interest and it is predicted that huge crowds will be in attendance.

SEISMOGRAPH SHOWS HEAVY EARTH QUAKE

WASHINGTON, May 23.—A heavy earthquake occurred this morning centered at a point not yet determined. The shocks were just dying down at 8:45 a. m. and until the seismograph records have been removed from the machines definite data will not be available.

DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION FOR O. & C. LAND SURVEY

WASHINGTON, May 23.—A deficiency appropriation of \$36,263, for resurveying public lands in Colorado and the classification of lands involved in Oregon and California railroad forfeiture suit has been asked of congress by the interior department.

Nutrition-Conservation Economy—all meet in Grape-Nuts Ready to eat No Sugar required NO WASTE

REIMER TO TALK TO FRUIT GROWERS OF TRIP TO CHINA

Next Saturday, May 25, at 3 p. m. at the Medford public library, Professor Reimer will lecture on his remarkable trip to the Orient. Last year the government sent Prof. Reimer to the Orient to make a thorough investigation of the numerous pear species in the far east and to collect seeds and scions of all of these. In the work of the Southern Oregon Experiment station several new species of Chinese pears were found which possess remarkable resistance to pear blight. Prof. Reimer went to China to investigate these and many other types. This work took him into various parts of Japan, Korea, Manchuria and China. Some excellent lantern slides have been made of these various types, and these will be shown. Every fruit grower should make a special effort to attend this lecture.

This lecture will also be of interest to the public generally. On a trip of this kind the various types of such strange people becomes of supreme interest. Since Prof. Reimer's work took him into the cities, villages, and also the wildest and most remote regions of the Orient, he had an opportunity to see oriental life from every angle. He had many of the strangest and most remarkable experiences that probably ever befell a traveler. If you want a true picture of Oriental life, its strange people, remarkable customs and superstitions, come to this meeting.

While this is the annual meeting of the Farmers and Fruit Growers League, it will be a public meeting and everybody is invited.

NO ASPHALT FOR BUILDING ROADS

WASHINGTON, May 23.—Petroleum, asphalt, or tar products wanted for the construction, maintenance, or reconstruction of roads will be delivered only after approval of the application by a committee representing the United States fuel administration and the office of public roads of the United States department of agriculture. This announcement was made today by officials of the two federal agencies.

State highway departments, to which notices of the restrictions have

SELF DEFENSE

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Many people in this section have suffered from rheumatism and kidney trouble and have found Anuric to be the most successful remedy to overcome these painful and dangerous ailments.

The lucky people are those who have suffered, but who are now well because they heeded Nature's warning signal in time to correct their trouble with that wonderful new discovery of Dr. Pierce's called Anuric. You should promptly heed these warnings, some of which are dizzy spells, backache, irregularity of the urine or the painful twinges of rheumatism, sciatica or lumbago. To delay may make possible the dangerous forms of kidney disease, such as Bright's disease, diabetes or stone in the bladder.

To overcome these distressing conditions you should take plenty of exercise in the open air, avoid a heavy meat diet, drink freely of water and at each meal take Dr. Pierce's Anuric Tablets (double strength). You will, in a short time, find that you are one of the firm believers of Anuric, as are many of your neighbors.

Send Dr. V. M. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y. 10 cents for trial package.

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PORTLAND, OREGON.—"Doctor Pierce's Anuric Tablets gave me great relief after eight years of suffering with kidney trouble and dropsy of limbs and feet. Anuric is certainly good."—Mrs. J. Caswell, 417 Stephens Street.

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176 acres, two sets of buildings, full equipment of machinery and stocked with sheep, horses, hogs, etc. 75 acres in alfalfa.

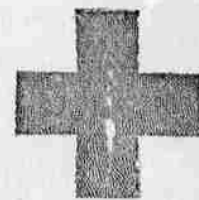
For rent—6 acres in garden, grain and alfalfa, under irrigation.

been sent, are required to pass upon all applications for highway work in their territories involving the use of those materials. Applications are then to be sent to L. W. Page director of the office of public roads, Washington, D. C. Mr. Page is chairman of the committee which will consider the necessity of the material being supplied and will make recommendations to the oil division of the fuel administration, which will issue permits in accordance with the recommendation when the material is available.

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"A great net of mercy drawn through an ocean of unspeakable pain"

THERE is only one way to give to the Red Cross—give till your heart says stop. A little contribution is only a salve to pride.

This is not to say that contributions of only one dollar, or even of only one nickle, are not desired—and needed.

For you to give \$5 when you can give \$25—for you to give \$25 when you can give \$100, or to give \$100 when you can give \$500—is to dodge the heaviest obligation that this war has laid upon you.

For remember, this is not a charity—this is a duty.

This is not a time to give because others give. This is a time to give because others need.

No man can tell you how much you ought to give. Except this: that "Over There" the need is so great that only by cutting to the quick, only by giving all that you think you can give and then more—only by giving not a little of your excess but much of it—only by taking from your own children and from your wife and from yourself, can the needs of the men who are fighting for you and the needs of the children of the men who have died for you be met.

Ask your own soul how much it should be!

Every cent of every dollar received for the Red Cross War Fund goes for War Relief.

The American Red Cross is the largest and most efficient organization for the relief of suffering that the World has ever seen.

It is made up almost entirely of volunteer workers, the higher executives being without exception men accustomed to large affairs, who are in almost all cases giving their services without pay.

It is supported entirely by its membership fees and by voluntary contributions.

It is today bringing relief to suffering humanity, both military and civil, in every War-torn allied country.

It plans tomorrow to help in the work of restoration throughout the world.

It feeds and clothes entire populations in times of great calamity.

It is there to help your soldier boy in his time of need. With its thousands of workers, its tremendous stores and smoothly running transportation facilities, it is serving as America's advance guard—and thus helping to win the war.

Congress authorizes it. President Wilson leads it. The War Department audits its accounts.

Your Army, your Navy and your Allies enthusiastically endorse it. Twenty-two million Americans have joined it.

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