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STORES TO CLOSE EARLY MONDAY

Next Monday, June 10th, the patriotic stores of Medford will start closing at 5 o'clock all days except Saturdays which closing hour will be 8:30.

This action is in accord with previous announcements and complies with the efforts being made by our country in the conservation of time, and the condensing of business into shorter hours.

Time is as valuable as foods and by cutting one hour from the shopping period each day millions of hours will be saved for other lines of service.

There is no question but every person can supply their needs in eight hours instead of nine, as has been the custom in the past.

The public in general greatly favor these new closing hours and while there are a few stores that perhaps will ignore this patriotic move still it is pleasing to know that the majority will co-operate in their country's service.

Plan your shopping hours accordingly and you will be helping much in the new order of things.

JOSEPHINE DRAFT QUOTA IS DRAWN

GRANTS PASS, June 6.—The following is the list of Josephine county men drawn for the June draft quota to be sent to Camp Lewis, Wash., within the five-day period beginning June 24, 1918:

Paul A. Lorenz, George Henry Ferren, Clarence Frederick Farleigh, Frank Dennis Clark, Ernest Earl Caid, Ardell Bailey, Met Everet Blalock, James Robert Fretwell, William Elery Stone, Truman Charlie Nutt, George Albert Brock, Herbert Chester Tate, Henry Thomas Haswell, Allen Carlyle White, Albert F. Culp, Haskell Fenton Wyatt, Herbert Woodberry, John William Reed, Henry George Alvis Steger, Frank Oscar Goings, John Francis Hale, Clarence Elmer Hutchens, Ord Crow, Charley Isaac Sowell, Frank Adam York, Robert John Boswell, Lester John Darneille, Francis Speake, Earl Slifton Best, Benjamin Jasper Brooke.

Alternates called in the event that there should be any deficiencies in the quota: Nels Gerhard Rosen, Donald Lee Calvert, Oscar Theodore Powers, Ernest Ross Moore.

COUNTY ORDERS ROAD WORK STOPPED

The county court at its monthly meeting today, ordered all road work in the county stopped, except necessary repair work, until the first of August, to release men and teams for harvest work. There have been many complaints from farmers on account of the shortage of labor and the court's action is to relieve the situation.

The court discharged the special booze deputies guarding the Siskiyous and ordered the sheriff's office to look after the situation with its regular deputies. A motorcycle cop was ordered to patrol the roads and enforce the road laws against speeding and glaring lights.

PROHIBITION SABOATAGE.

REV. L. MYRON BOOSER of Grants Pass has started a single handed campaign against Hoover and the food administration, claiming that the government has no right to ask the people to refrain from eating wheat so that the allies can be fed, unless the breweries are closed and the use of grain in making beer ceases.

War time prohibition is coming fast, but not fast enough to satisfy prohibition fanatics, like Mr. Booser, who seek to take advantage of the war to revolutionize the personal habits of humanity to conform to their own narrow viewpoint, going so far as to threaten sabotage.

The use of wheat in alcoholic beverages ceased a year ago when distilling was stopped. No wheat is consumed in the manufacture of beer. Barley, not wheat, is consumed by the breweries. The consumption of foodstuffs in brewing has been reduced 30 per cent and will be further reduced as necessity demands—as it has been in England. The alcoholic content of beer has been reduced to 2¾ per cent. This is true temperance—stopping the manufacture of strong drink and cutting down the alcohol in mild drinks, if it is not prohibition. As the supply of manufactured strong drink is gradually exhausted, only mild beverages can be supplied.

There is almost as much foodstuffs used in the manufacture of soft drinks as in beer. If one is cut out, the other should be. But this foodstuff is not needed for the allies or ourselves as yet. When it is, there will be time for action. Mr. Hoover, who would like to see the use of foodstuffs suppressed in all drinks, hard and soft, objects to the efforts to force prohibition on the country by a subterfuge, giving the following reasons:

"We stopped distilling a year ago. There is a long supply of whiskey, gin and other 20 percent to 40 percent distilled drinks in the country. We have reduced the consumption of foodstuffs in brewing and reduced the alcoholic contents of beer. If we stop brewing the saloons of the country will still be open, but confined practically to a whiskey and gin basis. Any true advocate of temperance and of national efficiency in these times will shrink from this situation, for the national danger in it is greater than the use of four million bushels of grain monthly by the breweries. If the American people want prohibition it should prohibit by legislation to that end, and not force the food administration to that end for an orgy of drunkenness. It is mighty difficult to get drunk on 2¾ percent beer. It would be easy enough if we force a substitution of distilled drinks for it."

The practical effect, however, is the least concern of your fanatic, who in his intollerance wants everyone to conform to his own two by four standard.

There is no excuse for such sabotage as that preached by Mr. Booser, for the wheatless regime is a state affair, and there are no breweries in Oregon or the northwest. The wheatless regime is the patriotic response of the people to the request of the food administration to and the winning of the war through going without wheat needed by our soldiers in France and our allies.

AUSTRIA A GERMAN VASSAL

THE text of the military convention forced upon Emperor Charles of Austria by Kaiser Willliam of Germany shows that Austria-Hungary has become merely a German vassal and that subjects of the dual empire are merely slaves to work the autocrats will.

The agreement is for the period of 25 years and as it becomes generally known in Austria and Hungary, will intensify the dissatisfaction and discontent, fanning the smouldering embers of revolt. The allied nations are to "devote all their care" to preparing their armies for future war and war is to be the chief aim of the Pan-German allliance.

Section 2 provides that "All the male inhabitants capable of bearing arms shall receive proper and thorough military instructions. Special formations, moreover, shall provide for all auxiliary services in connection with the production of arms and ammunition."

Organization, instruction of troops and their employment are to be left to Germany, the forces being merged in one army, under German initiative. Armament is to be on a uniform basis, and supplies drawn from a common stock. Preparations for future wars shall be made on a common understanding between general staffs, all preparatory economic measures to be taken in advance. Strategic railroads are to be built on a uniform plan.

Germany has thus completely incorporated the Austro-Hungary army with her own and begun plans already for future wars of conquest to dominate the earth. Austria is in a perpetual allliance for a perpetual cycle of wars to satisfy the German mania for blood.

German success in the present conflict means simply a preparation for future wars—and war will be henceforth the sole object of life. That is why there can be no peace on earth until Germany is decisively and soundly beaten and medieval German autocracy thrown forever in the discard by civilization.

LOCAL BANKERS VISIT BEND CONVENTION

William T. Tait, president of the First National bank, John Orth, cashier of the Medford National, and Vernon Vawter, cashier of the Jackson County bank left Wednesday to attend the state bankers' convention which convenes at Bend on June 8th.

At the district convention of the State Bankers' association held at Ashland last Tuesday, the main speaker was W. H. Gore, president of the First National bank of Medford, whose subject was "Banking Problems During the War." The following officers were elected: W. T. Tait of Medford, chairman; V. H. Vawter, of Medford, secretary; and W. N. Smith of Ashland, vice chairman.

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JACKSON COUNTY YOUTHS REGISTER

The county exemption board will not know until tonight, when the outside towns and country reports are received, just how many young men of 21 years old registered yesterday. Thirty-five men registered in Medford and 21 in Ashland.

It will probably be a week or more before the board will have prepared the list of Jackson county's quota of the state's 2,000 men called in the June draft. The board has been busy with other matters and with the registration arrangements of the men who have become 21 years old since June 5, 1917.

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MYSTERY VIELS ARREST OF SUSPECT

There is considerable mystery about a man who gives the name of H. Van Catz and who has been held by the authorities in jail at Jacksonville for several days awaiting the arrival of a presidential warrant under which he will be arraigned before United States Commissioner F. Roy Davis. It is known that the prisoner, who is evidently not a working man and is about 45 years old is suspected of disloyalty, at least.

Early in the week he first appeared at the office of Mr. Davis under the pretense of being interested in taking up Oregon-California railroad grant land. Remarks he made at that time aroused Mr. Davis' suspicions, but he made no move to have him apprehended at that time, preferring to give him a little more rope, as he felt sure the man would return to the office.

Next day Van Catz appeared at the Commercial club and his remarks and actions aroused the suspicions of Mrs. Satchwell, the acting secretary, who notified Chief of Police Hittson. The chief, after subjecting him to questioning placed him under arrest and notified Mr. Davis.

Van Catz claims to have come to this city from Klamath Falls and from his talk had apparently been in Portland, Seattle and other places recently. When the was visiting at the Commercial club just before his arrest he refused to sign his name and address on the visitor's register when requested to do so by Mrs. Satchwell.

COMMUNICATION.

To the Editor: In reading the several communications of the last week objecting to the Sells-Floto show appearing in Medford, I agree with them, and as one of the Red Cross workers can't keep still, as this is the most critical time so far, for us in this great world-wide slaughtering of humanity, and perhaps, it will be at its worst, at the date this jubilee wants to appear here, so I hope that all of the Red Cross workers will join in with Mayor Gates to do all we can to discourage this company from traveling around in such an unpatriotic occupation and grasping every dollar that our boys in khaki need every minute. I don't believe there is a member of the Red Cross that will tolerate such a performance and I wish that we could discourage any one that has an idea of attending. I hope that every one that steps up to the ticket box to buy their ticket at the show grounds will think as they pass over their change: There goes a bullet thru my best friend, will he have medical care? Yes, if there is enough to go around.

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WAGNER CREEK WOMEN HELPING TO WIN THE WAR

While we all are doing "our bit" to win the war, Jackson county can well be proud of the Wagner Creek district.

The Junior Red Cross, together with the Women's Auxiliary, have been doing their part from time to time, but on last Saturday evening, June the first, a program was rendered which brought exceedingly good results. The program consisted of a play, entitled "The Country Post Office," and given by the local people. Altho this is a busy season, nearly every evening of the past two weeks was spent in practice. The scene was taken from a country post office, where gossip is plenty, still we know that lasting impressions were made, which are applicable for today. Everybody had a good laugh and we know that everybody was well pleased.

At the close of the play, announcement was made that a hen and seven chickens had been raffled off, and the drawing was to take place at once. The hen was purchased from the proceeds of the sale of some junk which the Junior Red Cross had gathered up. Then the school children each brought an egg, and the hen was set. She hatched nine chicks and raised seven. They were fed with crumbs from the children's lunch pails. The proceeds from the raffle amounted to $28.41. Miss Edith Anderson of the Talent Mercantile company, drew the lucky number, but very kindly donated the hen and chickens back to the Red Cross for auction. Mr. Goddard acted as auctioneer, and the hen and each chick were sold separately, not only once, but the bidders turned them back for other bids. The chickens are now enjoying a peaceable rest at the home of G. C. Griffin, Medford. The auction sale amounted to $11.25, making a total of $39.66 to the credit of the hen and chickens. $15.40 was received from admissions to the play. In all $55.06 was the amount given to the Red Cross.

For several reasons no special exercises were held for the 8th grade graduates, so at the close of the Red Cross meeting, Mr. G. C. Griffin, in the absence of the principal, Mr. Pheeler, made a few kind remarks and presented the diplomas.

Mothers of Oregon Prepare for Trouble!

When a girl becomes a woman, when a woman becomes a mother, and when a woman passes through the changes of middle life, are the three periods of life when health and strength are most needed to withstand the pain and distress often caused by severe organic disturbances. Many thousands along the Pacific Coast would testify just as do the following:

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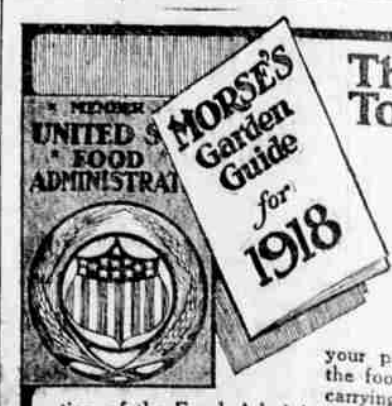

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