

MANY SURPRISES WILL BE STAGED IN VICTORY WEEK

The people of the Rogue river valley have many causes for rejoicing. The boys are home or coming home from the battle scarred fields of France and from the cantonments, there never was better prospects for good crops than this spring and the farmers are buying tractors to supplant old Dobbin, and new and better autos. Business is better in all lines and having been so bounteously blessed the merchants of Medford are going to celebrate with a Victory Week, May 5 to 10, to open with a big lollification on the streets Monday evening. Lots of music by the band as well as community singing, drill by the national guard, street dance, and a good time generally.

The business section will be appropriately decorated for the occasion and the first semi-annual window display, will be given by the merchants, with prizes for the best windows in the different lines, the object being to carry out the patriotic ideas as well as displays of merchandise.

At 9 o'clock Medford will be transformed from a city of brilliance to one of deepest gloom. For a minute the streets will be shrouded in dreary blackness equalled only by the justly famous Egyptian night, then the lights will flash on again and there before our eyes and the eyes of our neighbors will be displayed Medford at its best.

Then will start the parading of the street, the gasps of astonishment and delight as each new bit of originality and cleverness is unfolded to us. The journey down the densely populated sidewalks will be one of pleasure from start to finish.

Victory week bids fair to be a big success and everybody in the county should be in Medford Monday night.

During the week all Medford merchants will offer special bargains to their customers.

On Wednesday afternoon Geo. L. Trechler will have a parade of all the Dodge cars in the county he can get and will offer prizes for the best appearing Dodge cars of each year from 1915 to 1919 inclusive.

There will be a baby show in the park Friday afternoon at 2 p. m. Prizes of \$5 each will be offered for the best boy and girl babies under six months and between six months and two years. Also prizes for the best Japanese baby.

The week will close with a grand

Constance Talmadge at the Page, Friday and Saturday



Mrs. Arabella Cadenhouse is a very young widow who has begun to sit up and take notice, and to think of the dear departed as her "first." She decides that the man she now will marry must give her romance—mystery—thrills—must sweep her off her feet.

Arabella sees absolutely no sense in Aunt Effie's advice that she marry Bill, a clean-cut, attractive young man. Why, she has known Bill all her life. There wouldn't be any romance in that.

Bill is determined to marry Arabella some day and decides to cure her of her desire for romance, when she loses her head over Harry Atteridge, a big, crude westerner. He supplies a counter-irritant in

finale on Saturday night, when the band will play and the city will be turned over to the fun-makers. All fools night has been changed from Monday until Saturday when everyone is asked to mask and there will be a prize for the most unique costume and the best imitation of any national or international character.

There will be another street dance, properly conducted by merchants. Everybody is asked to bring horns and other contrivances to make a noise. Confetti will be thrown and in fact it will be a regular carnival night.

Other attractions may be added and announced later.

Every merchant is asked to offer some special bargains for the week.

the person of Claude Estabrook, a cubist, faddist and believer in the ideas of the ultra modernist school. Arabella readily loses her heart to him. He is so romantic! When Bill notices that Claude and Arabella are getting too interested in each other he supplies another counter-irritant in the person of Peter, a very young boy, who is romance himself. It does not take long before she becomes strongly attached to him. And then it's another—and then another, until she has become thoroughly disillusioned about romantic men. Then Bill steps in and she decides that he is the right man after all.

This is the story of "Romance and Arabella," in which Constance Talmadge will be seen Friday and Saturday at the Page.

CALL CONVENTION TO RATIFY COVENANT

NEW YORK, May 2.—Conventions for popular ratification of the League of Nations covenant will be held in 15 eastern and central western states during the last two weeks of May and the first week of June, it was announced today by the League to Enforce Peace.

William H. Taft, president of the organization; President Lawrence A. Lowell of Harvard, are among the speakers.

WOMEN TIED TO MACHINE GUNS IN CHURCH TOWERS

H. W. Scott, an electric gunner of the U. S. navy, gave a second interesting address to the high school students and teachers early in the week. Mr. Scott wears the French croix de guerre, which he won during the battle of Chateau Thierry by phoning to headquarters for help for the boys after the Huns had scoured the range of their gun and had sent over a shell which stunned and injured his comrades. Thus were seventeen boys rescued. But Mr. Scott himself was badly gassed as a result has lost his sense of taste.

Perhaps for the first time has it been presented to those who listened to Mr. Scott, that the treatment of our returning heroes is not all that it should be—that we take things too much for granted. That on the return from these battles from which they bear all sorts of scars, we offer them nothing, sometimes even discrediting their stories. The speaker told of a boy in Bandon, once a sort of ne'er-do-well there, but who lost his fingers as a stretcher bearer in France. His home town people question the voracity of his story saying in scorn that he cut off his fingers in order to be sent home. Is that Americanism?

Mr. Scott described vividly in all

its horror the battle of Chateau Thierry. He told of the action from June 14 to August 8, in which 27,000 sailors and marines participated. As one man sees very little of the battle at the time of action, Mr. Scott said his story was a summary of what he had gathered from being in a hospital for many months after that engagement. There is a grim humor among those boys in the hospital, directed especially toward the ways in which they will earn their living in the future.

Life in those trenches must have been nauseating as it was pictured by the speaker. Think of using your coffee for shaving or cleaning your teeth, of the smell of decomposing human flesh, and of no water to drink but of that caught in helmets as it fell from the heavens.

Moving of the big guns thru hub-deep mud was a gigantic task and sometimes it was necessary to coerce the boys by telling them there would be no "cats" or sleep until a certain distance had been covered.

Perhaps some of the listeners had heard of the church in this region of Chateau Thierry, where snipers operated a machine gun from the tower after the town had fallen into our hands. The our boys found it "too hot" to climb those stairs and stop the sniping they did ascertain that those guns were operated by women chained to them. It was a shell fired from a gun manned by our friend, Mr. Scott, which wrecked that tower and stopped the sniping.

It is regrettable that more of our citizens could not have heard Mr. Scott tell his personal experiences for he was very interesting in picturing conditions "over there" and his appeal to "buy Victory bonds" and finish it was timely.

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