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THE ROLL CALL

Having in mind as its foremost task the completion of its obligations to American soldiers and sailors, and turning its attention largely to a program of domestic relief, the American Red Cross announces a membership roll call to begin November 2 and close November 11, the first anniversary of the world-war armistice.

A continuing obligation to certain sections blasted by the war is necessarily recognized by the Red Cross along with its appreciation of practical needs at home, and but for a congressional transfer to the Red Cross of a quantity of medical and supplemental army supplies in Europe, it would be urgent for the Red Cross to appeal for a large sum.

Fundamentally it is to be an American campaign in the interest of systematic preparedness for home service operations—a widespread home-nursing plan, and for emergency or disaster relief.

It is an American roll call—an honor roll of Americanism and humanitarianism, and it should be unanimous!

FINANCING THE STRAHORN RAILROAD

Touching the business of financing the Strahorn railroad the next step is action.

Representative Portland business men have come to a realization of the need of that road. It is clear enough that Portland should, by its financial aid, be identified with the enterprise. This must be so for Portland's good and for the good of the state at large.

The Chamber of Commerce has taken the matter up. A committee has been appointed. The next step is action. How soon is it to follow and with what earnestness, force and results?

In the inauguration of a policy of new relationship between Portland and the rest of the state the building of the Strahorn road from Klamath Falls to Bend offers the first great opportunity. It is more than an opportunity for investment in dollars, so far as Portland is concerned. It is an opportunity for

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AS TO THE I. W. W.

(By J. J. Montague)
If Big Bill Haywood ruled the land
With Aleck Berkman's artful aid,
They speedily would have things planned

So whaling wages would be paid,
And if the bosses didn't like
The mandates of these gentlemen,
All laborers would go on strike
And what would capital do then?
It couldn't do a thing, indeed,
But pay the wages Bill saw fit,
His orders it would have to heed
Or simply shut up shop and quit.

Attention to this maxim old
The writer humbly begs:
The golden goose, when dead
and cold,
Laid no more golden eggs!

If Haywood's gang could have its way
The poor, hard-working bolshevik
Would get his fifty bucks a day
With three days off, to loaf, a week.

And if employers didn't care
To come across with an advance
They'd soon be ticketed "unfair"
And be blown up with all their plants.

"We'll show them plutes," the lads
would cry,
With shouts of innocent delight,
"We'll send their factories sky high
If they won't treat us workers right!"

Yet I remember somewhere in
The Bible to have read,
When Samsoun stove the temple
in
It landed on his head

HUN PRISONERS RESTORING WAR HAVOC AT YPRES

DIXMUDE, Belgium, Sept. 25.—(By the Associated Press).—Scattered over the low-lying country between Ypres and Dixmude, scene of many a battle, are thousands of German prisoners under guard of British and Belgian soldiers as well as civilians, who have been called into the gigantic task of clearing up the battlefields and once more making it fit for habitation. They are stacking shells, recovering brass cases and burying the dead. There is a military efficiency about their work and the progress they are making is most gratifying for all the governments concerned.

One may still see the ruins of many British and Belgian tanks, caught in the German shell fire, now twisted and broken wrecks. Now they lie rusted and neglected, mere shells of the once powerful machines which went into action. Some of them are almost buried in the mud, others hang precariously on the edge of dilapidated trenches, while still others stand high in the fields where they were abandoned by such of their crews as survived. Many of them are torn and riddled as though their heavily armored sides were little more than paper.

Perhaps the most impressive feature of this dead and blackened landscape are the trees. Gaunt and stark, stripped of every limb and branch, they stand out against the skyline, so many lifeless sticks.

Whole villages have disappeared, ground by the big guns into mud or dust, without one vestige remaining to mark their location. This is true of Poelcappelle, whose former existence would not have been suspected had not a Belgian major volunteered the information that here his battalion had once held its main street for three days.

Many live shells still remain in the fields, and today as a party was passing within a few miles of Dixmude they were startled by the explosion of one of these "duds."

Reconstruction is going forward. Near the shack reared by one thrifty Belgian, who has returned to the site of his former home, is a disabled tank, a shell having ripped through its side and exploded in the interior. From one side of the tank to that humble shack stretches a clothes line, and on given days the family washing is hung out to dry.

Children of that family play in the broken tank, enacting, as they have often heard related, the grim story of the battle. That is, they play when they are not at work, for Belgium is using even its children to rebuild its homes.

GRAVE ROBBING ON THE INCREASE

BRUSSELS, Oct. 2. (By Mail).—Grave robbing in military cemeteries has become more or less frequent of late. The thefts of bodies are generally committed by persons hired by families anxious to have their dead brought to a particular cemetery or in the burial grounds of their home cities. Requests to remove the bodies have been refused by the authorities and the result is that these persons take the law into their own hands.

along without them holding on to me, but I would see that someone paid full for taking me. They took me to the City Hall and locked me up from 8:30 in the morning till 2:30 in the afternoon, then they came and told me that they had been advised by the Police Chief and the Mayor to let me out, and they let me go, but they did not take me before the Police Judge or make any charge against me while I was in the jail, although I asked them to do so.

If the patrolmen thought I used profane language, why did they not make a charge against me and have me fined \$25.00 like they did the Indian that was arrested and fined for using profane language.

I do not want any privileges for myself, but only my rights as a low abiding citizen and a resident of Klamath Falls for the last ten years, working at my trade. I have papers that show a clear record, and I have been in a Government office several years and know some of the rights and duties of policemen and of citizens, but not as a political office or through my relations.

Respectfully,
Tommaso Ambrogotti.

SOVEREIGN SERVES SOUP TO SCORES OF STARVING SUBJECTS

CIBIU, Rumania, Sept. 5.—(By Mail).—The picture of a king, with a linen duster covering his uniform, ladling out soup to his hungry people is one that will live long in the memories of the girls on duty at the American Red Cross supply depot here.

It was a busy afternoon, for the crowd of peasants seeking food was unusually large, and the small number of American girls were hard put to keep the line moving. The heat was intense and the little group of workers, who had been on their feet for hours, seemed about to collapse, when suddenly from the doorway came a man's voice saying:

"I am ready for work, girls. What can you give me to do?"

Bent over a barrel of cocoa, Miss Ruby M. Appleby, of Minneapolis, straightened up to see from whom had come this offer of much needed aid and beheld before her King Ferdinand of Rumania, who by this time had advanced into the room.

Kings meant little then when hungry people were to be fed, so Miss Applebee suggested that the king first try his hand at the salmon and jam. But the king as a distributing agent for the American Red Cross almost wrecked the proceedings, for his subjects could not quite grasp the idea of their king standing behind a counter and passing out canned goods. Seeing the confusion that resulted, the king suggested to an aide that the peasants dispense with all formalities, but it is certain that for ages to come some empty can that once contained an American food product will occupy the place of honor in many a Rumanian household.

"Why shouldn't he work," said one American girl that evening, "when his wife, Queen Marie, is the hardest worker the American Red Cross has here in Rumania?"

investment that will bring splendid profit in the future good-will of Oregon.

Building that Klamath Falls-Bend railroad means in the first instance a tremendous impulse of growth and progress to those two Oregon cities. Both of them are cities in strategical location and with the intercommunication which the Strahorn railroad will give, the advantage of their position will be made to redound greatly to the development of the eastern and south-central sections of the state.

The intervening country is tremendously rich in material resources. Timber and power and rich agricultural land all await the hand of enterprise, which needs only the means of transportation to be assured of its reward. This new railroad, we venture to say, more than any other built in recent years will mean a new Oregon.

And to start the ball rolling, to get into the path that leads to the realization of those things—the next step is action—Portland Telegram.

Letters From The People

KLAMATH FALLS, AND ITS OFFICERS.

To the Evening Herald and to Citizens of Klamath Falls, Oregon, what they believe to be in the United States where it is called free country instead of in a place like Russia or Turkey:

Answering the statement made to you by Patrolmen Duncan and Webber as published in the Herald of the 7th of October 1919, I shall say the statement is false and untrue in many ways; and the statement I made to you was not published completely. I did not curse or use any profane or bolsterous language. I really was not released by the Police Judge, because if I was arrested and locked up I was not taken before the Court at all.

On the morning of the 6th of October, 1919, while I was going along on Main street going to my work carrying my lunch under my coat, consisting of some bread and ham, I was passing in front of the Deer Head Grill, I was accosted by Patrolmen Durham and Webber and then Durham asked me brusquely what I had under my coat. I told him it was none of his business, and at the same time I asked him if he had any search warrant for me, and when I saw that he didn't have one I told him: "If you have no warrant for me you have no business to bother me, as I only have my lunch and am going to work." They insisted that they see the package and I showed it to them. I then went a little ways and I noticed they were following me. They asked me to stop which I did and asked them what they wanted. They said: "You think you are smart, don't you? We will show you if we have a right to search you are not, come with us now." Each one took hold of my arms. I asked them where they were going to take me. They said, "We are going to take you down to the City Hall and lock you up, where you belong." I told them not to hold me that I would come



CHUCK BROWN, HE THINKS HE'S AWFUL WISE, BUT I'LL BET THIS JACK-O OPENS HIS EYES. HE SAYS THERE AIN'T SUCH THINGS AS 'HANTS, JEST WAIT—I'LL MAKE 'IM JUMP OUITA HIS PANTS

RACE BETTING ON INCREASE

LONDON, Sept. 22. (Correspondence of The Associated Press).—There is more betting than ever on horse racing throughout England, according to one of the leading London bookmaking firms, as though every one was trying to make up for war-time period when racing as well as betting was suspended.

"It is not only that more people are betting," said the head of the concern, "but they are wagering larger sums. The small man who used to have his 'tenner' on a race now risks his shilling or half crown, while the clubman who formerly was content to wager a sovereign now bets a fiver."

"I have been in business for 35 years, and I have never made such books as this year over the Derby and other classics.

"Another point about present day betting," continued the bookmaker, "is the number of women whohack horses. Fifteen years ago I don't think we had a dozen women customers. Now we have hundreds. I don't know where they get their information, but some of the biggest checks we have drawn this year have been for women."

INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE SERIES

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 30.—Triangular debates between the University of Oregon, Leland Stanford university and the University of Washington, suspended during the war, will be resumed this year, according to Dean Priest, head of the University of Washington department of public speaking.

University women of Whitman college, the University of Oregon and the University of Washington will also meet this year, according to tentative plans.

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