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heretofore that she is not fighting a war of conquest, was the message delivered to Britain's Trades Union and labor congress today by the laborite leader, Arthur Henderson. The session was specifically called to discuss war aims. Henderson moved adoption of President Wilson's outline of the war aims in full. "The war," he declared, "becomes a struggle of old and new systems of government. Secret diplomacy and compulsory military service should be rendered unnecessary. "The allies must renounce their intention of creating an impenetrable barrier against the German people. Germany's autocracy must give place to democracy. Militarism must be universally discarded." Declaring his complete support of President Wilson's war aims for America, Henderson said: "The American people are fighting for a league of nations more than anything else. And yet this moment has been selected by Sir Edward Carson to treat that proposal with scorn and contempt." Henderson outlined Carson's recent speech at Portsmouth in which he declared that "not speaking lightly, we knew Austria and Turkey did not want to continue." "Aren't we justified," Henderson continued, "in concluding that Austria and Turkey are ready for a settlement, provided the government is prepared to deal with them as Germany is dealing with Russia? Wasn't a similar course pursued, especially with regard to Turkey, by us? Did we prefer to take Jerusalem forcibly? Is it surprising that neutrals, Russia, even America, can suspect us of annexationist designs? "Labor must demand a clarification of Britain's position, if the workers are called for further sacrifices. "This does not mean the white feather. Labor does not desire that

AMERICAN SOLDIERS KILLED IN AIR RAID

Wood Cutters Were Victims of Aeroplane Bombs Dropped on Camp

By J. W. Pegler With the American Army in France Dec. 28.—Two American soldiers, members of a wood cutters' division, were killed on a recent moonlight evening when a German aviator dropped bombs on their camp. Both victims of the raid were privates. Recent nights have been ideal for raiders. A brilliant moon lights up the snow covered country like a midnight sun. Last night it was possible to read a newspaper out of doors in the reflected light. Preparations such as extinguishing all lights in the American camps and villages are scant protection when the moonlight shows the camps and men sharply outlined on the white snow. Aeroplane motors are occasionally heard all over the American one. For the most part, the Sammies boyishly hope for a visit from the raiders, just to relieve the monotony of every day drills.

Germans Make No More Attempts to Assault French Lines at Verdun

Verdun, Dec. 28.—German forces beyond Verdun did not again attempt today their assaults against French lines, but Germany was admitted to a league of nations while intoxicated by her military triumphs, but the allies should make it clear that the struggle will continue only for principles and ideals and not for conquest. "Labor asks an opportunity to ascertain how Germany is prepared to accept the laborite peace proposals." Accept Terms as Basis Amsterdam, Dec. 28.—Russian peace negotiators have accepted Count Czernin's German terms as the "basis" for general peace discussions and will renew the conference at Brest Litovsk Wednesday next, according to word from that city received here via Berlin today. Czernin asked for an immediate negotiation of matters affecting Russia alone. France Will Not Consider Paris, Dec. 28.—France will refuse to negotiate any German-contrived peace such as the definite terms announced by Count Czernin provide, Minister of Foreign Affairs Pichon declared today in the chamber of deputies. His declaration was received with great applause.

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UNEARTH PLOTS TO DESTROY THE MILLS

Evidence Secured That Carlton Fire Was First Overt Act of Conspirators

State Fire Marshal Wells and his deputies have obtained evidence which indicates a plot to destroy mills and warehouses from Gaston to Sheridan and from there to Salem. Federal authorities have been notified and the evidence placed in their hands. The discovery was made in the investigation of the fire at Carlton which damaged the Johnson mill and contents to the extent of \$20,000. The losses included 4975 bushels of wheat, 469 bushels of oats and 20 tons of chopped feed. As the safe in the office had been drilled it was thought at first the fire was caused by burglars, but as witnesses say the fire started in that part of the mill most distant from the office it is concluded the drilling of the safe was only a blind in another warehouse in Carlton a man's coat was found and in its pockets letters that gave evidence of a plot to destroy mills and warehouses in the places above named. The letters intimated there are plenty of warehouses in the valley that are easy prey, and suggested that with a speedy auto, that "could go like hell," they could be easily destroyed. All warehouse and mill men are cautioned to keep a sharp watch, for it is expected the gang will try to carry out the plots outlined.

ELKS TAKE CHARGE OF RED CROSS DRIVE IN PORTLAND TODAY

One Thousand Members of Portland Lodge Pledge 2500 New Memberships

Portland, Or., Dec. 28.—Once more is the Red Cross membership drive working towards a successful conclusion New Years eve. The total in Oregon to date is 192,115 of which Portland has contributed 67,966 and the state outside 124,149. The renewed campaign in Portland is gaining momentum every minute, 450 workers campaigning the city yesterday while it is estimated today will show fully as great a total. By a bare margin of one per cent Morrow county jostled Umatilla out of first place this morning. Morrow has 2016 memberships exceeding its quota of 516, percentage 124, while Umatilla's percentage 133, although Umatilla has ten thousand members. Klamath, Grant, Baker counties are now over 100 per cent. Elks lodge takes charge of Portland campaign. New Years eve, promising 25,000 members. Jefferson, Columbia and Marion are not past the half way mark. Columbia is reported unofficially to be heading towards the full figure, although headquarters has not yet learned this is the case, while Marion county is reported to be quitting. Campaign leaders are urging Marion to make a final rally, fully realizing that its position is worse even than was the case in Portland before the revived campaign took full hold in this city yesterday. The percentage of a majority of the counties is around 60 to 80 percent and C. C. Chapman, state chairman, believes that all in this class will succeed in making their allotments. The Portland lodge of Elks last night agreed to turn in twenty five thousand members for the Red Cross by means of a mammoth New Years eve drive, lasting four hours. They promise to have 1000 members on streets and have absolutely guaranteed this total. They assert that the drive will be the most spectacular the city has ever known. Mayor Baker has promised cooperation of police and fire departments. The Multnomah guard band, police band and Elks band will make the night a continual fiesta. The Elks promise to duplicate the success of their 1912 convention. Chairman C. T. Haas of the Elks committee, established headquarters at the Elks' lodge and committees are meeting there continuously. contented themselves with shelling Carriers wood, today's official statement reported. In Lorraine, around Veho, an increasingly intense bombardment throughout the night was reported. Italians Repulsed. Vienna, Dec. 28.—Italian troops attacking west of Monte Asolone and east of Solarolo were repulsed, it was stated by the war office today. Increased Firing. Berlin, Via London, Dec. 28.—"Increased firing" on the Asinge plateau around Tobna ridge throughout the day, was reported in today's official statement. East of Lunville the war office reported capture of French soldiers by reconnoitering German forces. Haig Reports Nothing. London, Dec. 28.—Field marshal Haig reported "nothing special" from the British front today. Italians Successful. Rome, Dec. 28.—Minor advantages were gained in a series of actions by the Italian troops, according to today's official statement. "Enemy patrols were driven back in the Guadicarie and Lagariva valleys and an advanced enemy post was captured west of Canovisotto," the war office announced. "The enemy was forced to evacuate an aviation camp in the vicinity of Congignano."

258 OPEN FORUM THE KERR SALARY GRAB Woodburn, Or., Dec. 27, '17. Editor Salem Journal: Are the people of the state of Oregon going to allow Dr. Kerr of the Oregon Agricultural college to put such a raw piece of graft over them as the late successful attempt to graft \$1400 from them? Will the great Portland Oregonian, the paper that claims to stand for only the highest ideals be a party to such a downright steal. Has it been duped and is it too cowardly to acknowledge it, or is it a party to plan to have Kerr work a certain great scheme along educational lines? What is the matter with the Oregonian and the Portland Journal? This is the first time they have ever worked together. It is a disgrace to the state to have a man that will work such a scheme, at the head of a college that is supposed to teach high ideals both by precept and example. If Kerr really had an offer from the Kansas board, why does he not name the party who made the offer or produce a statement from him, as that would settle the business immediately. Both ex-Gov. Hoch and Mr. Mason, the committee, deny that they had ever offered Kerr the place and it is looked upon as a great joke by the Kansas people and when they see how "easy" the people of Oregon are, they will smile still more. What does this Chapman of the Oregon Voter mean by fathering such a palpable graft? Why does he not explain this? Does he think we taxpayers are going to swallow this? We shall demand in the next legislature that a committee be appointed and the whole matter exposed. Sincerely yours, M. C. CARMAN.

OUR GOD, OUR COUNTRY AND OUR FLAG

Let us see if we cannot find God at the present time turning all the works of man to his own account and proving his word at the hand of man ever and over again as of old. Truly it has well been said, "History repeats itself." We might begin with the Pilgrim Fathers, and liken them unto Abraham and his household. God might have said to them as well, "Get thee out of the land unto a land that I will show thee; a land flowing with milk and honey." And so the Mayflower was launched and they set forth. Over waters it may be said they almost perished but persevered, praying incessantly to God for help and he answered their prayer. Then was brought about the first Thanksgiving morn, when all with one accord thanked God for his goodness and mercy. But as time went on the enemy, as if ever on the alert to destroy, brought them into bondage, and they were made to feel to the fullest extent what it was to be under a harri man's power. Then it was that a Moses sprang forth in the man, George Washington, and brought them triumphantly out from under the yoke that held them down. Truly George Washington was and is the Father of his country and he lived to rule the grandest land the sun ever shone upon, and saw it on the road to prosperity and happiness. Era he was gathered to his fathers. One might think we could leave them there, but no. In this world of wickedness we must ever watch and pray for we lived to see the day this beautiful land of ours was about to be divided against itself and fall and here on the verge of ruin and disaster Abraham Lincoln was brought forth and what shall we say of him? He was the Savior of his country Can you not see God all along the way, for just a little farther on we can see a resemblance of Abraham Lincoln's work to that of our Savior's, for just as his work was finished he suffered a terrible death at the hand of those he rescued and saved; sacrificed, it would almost seem that his country might live. Truly God is in it all, for what have they christened this land of ours? It is known the world wide as "The glorious land of the free" and people are flowing in from all nations to partake of its blessings, for liberty is its motto. Enter thou into the perfect liberty of the gospel of Christ and enjoy the blessings he has in store for you. All these men, we are told, were men of God, and although they could found a nation and save it they could not save themselves or of themselves come out from under the bondage of sin, and because of this they accepted the way God had prepared for them and were saved by "The Blood of the Lamb." Gods substitute for sin. Truly God is in it all, turning man's very works to his own account and proving by them that he is just. For although these men were fighting for life and liberty, lay doctors and family in county. Also use of office for examinations. Leaving Saturday night. — Ralph A. Foster, Captain, M. R. C." In accordance with the above all physicians desiring examination for service should report to Captain Foster on Saturday December 29th. Rooms have been provided for in the court house and the examinations will be conducted there in the afternoon and evening. There will be a luncheon at the Marion hotel Saturday noon to which all physicians interested are invited. All doctors under 35 are eligible for service.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

One marriage license was issued today the parties being Henry Gustavus Butterfield and Gladys Carrie Smith. The county court meets tomorrow at 10 o'clock for the purpose of hearing suggestions as to the county budget. At that time the question of the appointment of a county agriculturist will be threshed out. Many remonstrances have been received within the past few days and more are coming in every day. At the same time it is reported many petitions have been circulated and these will be presented in a bunch. What the outcome will be is guess work, but the consensus of opinion is that the appointment will not be made. The advisory board for registrants is keeping the courthouse a busy place. The work is well in hand and is being kept up so there is but little delay. Judge Kelly will be here Friday and Saturday of next week holding court on those days for the purpose of disposing of motions, but the regular term of court will not begin until Monday the 7th. At that time a grand jury will be drawn and the work of trying jury cases begun. The honor roll in the war registration board today is Barbara Bouck, Lillian Griffin and Lina Heist. Physicians Notified by Dr. Steeves to Prepare For Examination Saturday Dr. B. L. Steeves, chairman of the local committee of the medical council of national defense has received following telegram: "Medical examination board arrives Salem eleven Saturday morning. Request committee to arrange luncheon meeting Saturday noon. No. 258 Are you buying baby bonds for the babies?"

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war is a terrible thing, leaving death and destruction in its path, but we are told to fear not that which kills the body, but rather he which is able to destroy both soul and body. And if there must needs be wars and rumors of wars, God grant that truth and righteousness may win and liberty and freedom be granted all mankind. And in closing I would say, the Stars and Stripes floating in the breeze is a fitting emblem for this land of liberty loving people and might be said to bear a double significance: The Red representing the blood of those gallant men which flowed so freely that their country might live; the red and white as we course its way, even from one end unto the other, showing by whose stripes we were healed; the stars, as they were added one by one, pointing the wise men of the east to the birth of another state, upholding life and liberty to all who seek its shores and the white mingling with the blue proclaiming "Peace on earth, good will toward men." The whole, as we tarry in our onward march to give up its beauty, carrying our memory back to the Babe of Bethlehem, and marking his course from the cradle to the grave, by the virtue of which He is risen from the dead and proclaimed of God to be the Savior of the world. I would that you should especially note that the enemy spoken of above has reference to no one nation, but rather to that spirit or principal that enters into the minds of men and causes them to seek dominion over the universe. It of necessity must be subdued. Hence President Wilson has said in substance: It is a spirit or principal of "love, joy, peace, long suffering" against which there is no law and for the upholding of which our nation is at war. May God in his infinite mercy so guide and direct our ship of state that it may ever be found upholding those principals of liberty and love to which we owe our national existence and for the establishment of which God has been working through his spirit, his servants and his people since the foundation of the world. —MINNIE B. PROBLEY.

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