SANTA CLAUS IS WELL STOCKED WITH WAR SAVING STAMPS FOR ALL MONTANA POINTS

BOY SCOUTS WHO ARE BOOSTING THE THRIFT STAMP CAMPAIGN.

"By licking a thrift stamp we can help lick the kaiser," is a slogan adopted by the school children of Deer Lodge and is also a motto of the Boy Scouts of Butte. The lads are extremely active in their efforts to aid the government in raising $2,000,000,000 by securing the small savings of the people of the United States. The lads shown in the picture have decorated an automobile with thrift stamp slogans and are making daily trips through the city and suburbs in support of the savings stamp campaign. They are left to right: William Beardsley and Arthur Rowlands, Troop 1, and Donald Sweet, troop 3.

War savings stamps for Christmas presents will be given away by the thousands today, according to Harry Turner, state director. Telephone calls from all parts of the state this morning notified Mr. Turner that the sale of stamps will be beyond expectations.

"Three hundred and sixty-two banks in the state have sent letters in declare their willingness to co-operate with the idea of giving war savings stamps for Christmas presents, said Mr. Turner. "These banks advised their agents of the movement and several results will mean many thousands of dollars into the fund.

"Yesterday I telephoned to every social club in the state. Three organizations have each year given presents to employes. This year most of them will give war savings stamps.

"News from Great Falls this morning brought the report that 37 firms had agreed to give war stamps to employes. I believe this Christmas will bring much money in the fund."

School children in Deer Lodge are lined up against the Kaiser, according to Mr. Turner. A slogan has been adopted by the boys of the Deer Lodge schools which reads as follows:

"Every time we lick a stamp, we help to lick the kaiser."

Mr. Turner has suggested that all employers contemplating gifts to employes, buy war stamps as presents.

The boy scouts are still at work with their advertising scheme to boost the sale of thrift and savings stamps. The decorated automobile manned by the scouts is making trips through the streets of the city. Centerville, Walkerville, Meaderville, and Utah city.

UNDERTAKERS

REGISTRANTS WARNED TO RETURN FORMS PROMPTLY

Questionnaires Mailed on Dec. 15 Must Be Back in Hands of Boards Tonight to Save Registrants From Trouble. Draft Executives Will Not Work Tomorrow and Legal Advisers Will Not Work Night Shift Tonight. Name Attorneys for Wednesday's Work.

Questionnaires mailed on Dec. 15 must be returned to the city or county draft boards tonight by 5 o'clock to save the registrant from liability to punishment and immediate induction into the military service. Questionnaires mailed from the office of the board on Dec. 17 must be returned next Wednesday afternoon. Failure of registrants to return the questionnaires within the time limit set by law subjects them to a fine of $1,000, to the loss of valuable rights under the government and to immediate induction into the army.

A large majority of the forms sent out on Dec. 15 have been returned, but a few still missing may cause their owners some trouble. There is no provision in the law whereby the boards may accept excuses from men who are tardy in returning the questionnaires.

Draft board members today said that but few men have been finally placed in Class One. While the Class One men are few, it is pointed out that men who have received questionnaires to date are mostly men who were called in the first draft and either rejected or exempted. As soon as the county and city begin receiving questionnaires from men who were not included in the first draft, the percentage of Class One registrants will quickly increase. Physical exemptions will begin as soon as a number of men large enough to warrant a day's work have been classed in the first division.

There will be no board session tomorrow, neither will there be any legal advisory board at work. Tonight being Christmas eve, the advisory board has been excused from a night shift. Night shifts will begin on Wednesday night.

Only a few questionnaires are being returned to the boards from the postoffice with the sign "undelivered" written across them.

ARKLANDER—The remains of the late Elmer Arklander have been removed to his late residence, 68 Wall street, where the funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment in Mount View cemetery.

QUINN—The remains of Joseph Quinn are at Sherman & Reed's parlors. Notice of funeral will appear in later papers.

MAY—In this city Dec. 24, William Michael May, aged 42 years. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Della May; three sisters, Mrs. Charles Prior, Mrs. Julia O'Neil of this city and Mrs. James Ross and his father, Thomas May, of Winters, Wis. Announcement of funeral will appear in later papers.

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JANE—Willie T., the 16-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Jane, died early yesterday morning at the family residence, 147 Missouri avenue, where the funeral took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. H. A. James officiating. Interment in Mount Moriah cemetery.

TREVASKIS—Mrs. Frances Trevaskis, aged 37 years, wife of George Trevaskis, died this morning. The body was removed to Richards' parlors. Announcement of the funeral will appear in later papers.

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SHINNERS—The funeral of the late Thomas Shinners will be held at the Daniels & Bilboa funeral chapel on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, and will proceed to St. Ann's church, where mass will be celebrated. Interment in Holy Cross cemetery. Automobiles.

COLLINS—The arrangements for the funeral of the late James Collins have not been completed. The remains are at the Daniels & Bilboa undertaking parlors. Funeral announcement will be made later.

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WORK OF Y. W. C. A. AT AMERICAN LAKE

Hostess House is a Great Institution at the Cantonment.

The Y. W. C. A. Hostess House at Camp Lewis, dedicated for the use of soldiers and their visiting women relatives and sweethearts last Saturday afternoon, is filling a need in the lives of the soldiers of the cantonment quite beyond the expectations of the builders.

Budded with the idea of furnishing a place where the mothers, sisters and "best girls" of the drafted men might come and have their soldier boys meet them, the hostess house is immediately proving the utmost success in its intended mission.

But to the surprise of the hostesses who are looking after the institution, the big house, with its spacious parlors, its rest rooms and its cafeteria, is ministering to the soldiers in another manner, which, after all, may prove its greatest claim to success. It is furnishing the means of keeping alive in the soldiers the memory of an appreciation for "home." It is, in fact, stirring thousands of men's hearts with a love for the beauties and comforts of home life, which before they have felt but lightly, perhaps lightly to the point of neglect. It is instilling in thousands of men the inspiration of what "home" can be made, which will go on down with them during the remainder of their lives and exert an immeasurable influence on their futures.

The strongest outward manifestation of this deep stirring of the home instincts of the soldiers of Camp Lewis, as they enter and sit about the hostess house, is their appreciation of color, of flowers and of the little touches about the rooms that only feminine hands can give.

"They have all got to see the nursery—these men learning to fight," said Mrs. McBride, one of the secretaries in charge. "It all started, seemingly, from some one or two soldiers coming here to see their babies and finding them in the nursery. Those first one or two went back to their barracks and told others that we have a room for 'kiddies.' They evidently were not able to convince their friends, for they brought in five or six doubters each. Then the doubters, made to admit the truth, have been coming back with other doubters at their heels. That children's room seems to have a wonderful attraction for them all."

The hostess was right. A group of men in uniform approached with more or less abashed countenances and a leader asked if he might show his friends where the "kids" were put to sleep or play while their mothers were visiting their husband-soldiers. The party was led to the bright, clean room, filled with four trundle beds, high chairs, "unbreakable" dolls and simple toys.

"What did I tell you?" asked the leader, turning to his followers.

"You win," said one of the party. "What do you know about this?" His eyes traveled greedily around the room and at the two sleeping children occupying two of the little beds. "Well, you weren't joshing after all," admitted another. "Even got the kiddies fixed out." "Why, they must feel right at home in here," exclaimed another. "We'd better get out before we wake 'em up," cautioned another, with a waking sense of nursery properties. The group, looking just a little embarrassed at their own interest, withdrew to the great main parlor, where they allowed themselves the treat of looking about at flowers and blazing logs in the monster fireplace and cushioned settees before going out again to the duties of the soldier.

The women of the hostess house have sent out word that soldiers do not need to have a woman companion with them to enter the big cheery house, but are welcome alone at any time. They have set aside one large parlor, with a fireplace in one corner, for a smoking room, and are encouraging the calls of the soldier who longs for color and the touch of woman's hand about the house. They believe that the influence of these things is going to exirt a control on many a soldier's life that will hold him to the finer things of life or cultivate in him a liking for home.—From Trench and Camp, the paper published by the soldiers at Camp Lewis.

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KAISER SAYS LORD HIS AVOWED ALLY

In Talk to Soldiers, Hohenzollern Praises Deeds of His Troops.

Amsterdam, Dec. 24.—Emperor William visited the front north of Verdun on Friday, according to a Berlin dispatch, and in an address to the troops thanked them warmly for their efforts.

"But for the calm and heroic warriors on the western front," he said, "the enormous deployment of German forces in the east and in Italy never would have been possible. The fighter in the west has exposed heroically his body so that his brothers on the Dvina and the Isonzo might storm from victory to victory. The fearful battles on the bloody hills around Verdun were not in vain, they created new foundations for the conduct of the war.

"By long preparation the enemy has collected unheard of technical means and masses of ammunition and guns in order to make his entry into Brussels over your front as he proudly announced. The enemy has achieved nothing.

The Gigantic Feat.

"The most gigantic feat ever accomplished by an army and one without parallel in history was accomplished by the German army. I don't boast. It is a fact and nothing else. The admiration you have earned shall be your reward and at the same time your pride. Nothing can in any way place in the shade or surpass what you have accomplished, however great and overwhelming it may be.

"The year 1917 with its great battles has proved that the German people has in the Lord of Creation above an unconditional and avowed ally on whom it can absolutely rely. Without Him all would have been in vain.

"Every one of you had to exert every nerve to the utmost. I know that every one of you in the unparalleled drum fire did superhuman deeds. The feeling may have been frequent with you: 'If we only had something behind us; if we only had some relief.' It came as the result of the blow in the east, where it is seen that the storms of war there are at present silenced. God grant that it may be forever."

KAISER WANTS PEACE IF HE CAN DICTATE TERMS

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tion in the west the Germans hope to drive the Italians back to the Adige, anticipating that such a reverse would have a very disintegrating influence throughout Italy.

"It is apparent that the Germans have not given up all hope of bringing about a social upheaval in Italy, as they did in Russia after their victorious campaigns of 1915.

"No matter how intensive this new subversive propaganda may be, nevertheless we can confidently rely on the fighting morale of the Italian people.

"It would appear that as a forerunner to the German offensive heralded to be launched in the west an intensive peace propaganda is to be initiated.

"Careful examination of the situation reveals that the enemy is preparing 'peace before victory.'

Pose as Dictators.

"Information from various sources confirms the reports that the Germans would have the world believe that the military situation is such that they are able to dictate the terms of peace. They therefore threaten unless this dictated peace is accepted by the allied powers and ourselves, the German forces now being concentrated on the western front will break through the allied line into the west.

"In considering the general military situation in its true light, it must be understood that the Germans realize that within a short time our armies will form the principal body of fresh strategic reserves remaining available for action on the battle fields of Europe.

Kaiser Knows He Can't Win.

"Thus, no matter what superiority in men and guns the enemy may for the time being be able to bring to bear on the west and even admitting an eventual modification of the allied line in his favor, nevertheless, he knows that in so far as it is humanly possible to foresee, his effort will inevitably result in merely a local success, which can have no determining influence on the final outcome of the war.

"For the first two years of the war France bore the brunt of battle which Great Britain was preparing.

"Since the defeat of the German forces in front of Verdun England and the British dominions have taken over an increasingly large share of the burden of the war.

"Italy has, to the limit of her forces, also assumed a considerable share of this burden.

America's Task.

"When, as a result of the defection of the Russian forces, the weight of Austro-German pressure was directed against Italy, France and England united in coming to the rescue of their ally and are today aiding the Italian armies.

"It is our duty, therefore, in looking to the future, to realize that if we are to fulfill the pledge we made on entering the war, if we are to fight this war to a successful conclusion, we must assume the full responsibility which rests upon us. We are the freshest in the struggle; we have the reserve man power and the reserve mechanical power."

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JOSHERS TAKE CHEER INTO HOMES OF CITY

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it was often 16 hours long, but there was no whimpering, no complaining. There was a smile on every face and every voice that answered the call on the headquarters' telephone was one that assured the party on the other end that friends were ready to render every possible assistance.

This year the Joshers' box contained more substantial foods and more of them than in the past. The war had probably something to do with this. There were some homes where the absence of a boy or perhaps two in the army or navy fighting the battle of democracy for Uncle Sam, caused finances to be rather thin at the present time. Into such homes the Joshers' very quietly were of cheer and good w

An idea of the w box may be obtained the various things w They were as follows: Three cans of oys Four pounds of tu Two pounds of ch Two sacks of nu One pound of pa Ten pounds of or Twenty-four pounds Eight pounds fresh Fifty pounds of po Twenty pounds of turnips and cabbag

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