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Miles City Has Gone Stark Mad

ANOTHER QUOTA OF FIFTY CALLED TO COLORS

A week from next Saturday, or in other words, May 25th, another quota of young men of Sheridan county will leave Plentywood to join Uncle Sam's Army at Camp Lewis, Washington, where they will train for several months before following the colors across the sea to do their share towards helping the forces of democracy to defeat the vaunting aspirations of autocracy.

There were called to register, altogether, sixty-two, but it is expected that about fifty will be inducted into the service, the other twelve being exempted for one cause or another.

The Plentywood Home Guard are arranging to give the boys a rousing farewell and preparations are now under way for a splendid celebration on the evening before the soldiers depart, viz, Friday evening, May 24th.

Arrangements are not yet complete, however it is given out that that will be a grand ball at the Orpheum Theater, and a general invitation is extended to every one to task be present and help make a merry evening, one that the boys will remember even when they are in the trenches far over the sea.

Following is a list of the boys who go to join the colors:

| Order No. | Name | Address |
|-----------|---------------------|----------------|
| 21 | Johnson, G. H. | Fredrick, Wis |
| 22 | Halvorson, Clarence | Willmer, Minn. |
| 23 | Jorgenson, Anton | Scobey |
| 24 | Christ Nelson | Minneapolis |
| 25 | Boydton, Bryant | Sioux Falls |
| 26 | Kirklog, Lloyd | Williston |
| 27 | Peterson, Joseph | Culbertson |
| 28 | Sjol, Olaf | Medicine Lake |
| 29 | Grancher, Ed P. | Downs, Ill |
| 30 | McGowan, P T | Redstone |
| 31 | Thompson, Wm G. | Great Falls |
| 32 | Blake, Lester E. | Deer Field |

ATTORNEY GENERAL ASSAULTED BY MOB

All Defendants in Kidnapping Case are Dismissed--McGlynn Held Incommunicado.

Great Falls, Montana, May 14, 1918.

Producers News, Plentywood, Montana.

By Wire

Kidnappers of McGlynn trial held yesterday at Miles City. The Case was dismissed on motion of the defendants.

Officials are drunk with power.

People in Court Room yelled, stamped, and cheered, crying, "Put the skids under FORD, go get MISS RANKIN, etc."

One of the defendants struck Assistant Attorney General, knocking him down and breaking his glasses.

The officials joined in and encouraged lawlessness.

They grabbed all League Organizers present and threw them in jail, the charges are not known. I just barely escaped the mob myself.

Attorney Palmer's house was painted yellow last night by mob.

The jailer refused to let McGlynn come to phone today. Letter follows.

D. C. DORMAN, State Supt. N. P. L.

SOLDIERS HOME ON SHORT FURLOUGH

Sargt. W. R. Paske, former deputy Clerk and Recorder for Sheridan county and Jack Lounsberry, of Dooley, returned from Camp Lewis, for a few days furlough which they will spend attending to business affairs and visiting friends and relatives in Plentywood and Sheridan county. They expect to return to Camp Lewis on Tuesday of next week.

THE COUNTY BREAD BAKING CONTEST IS ON TODAY

The County Bread and Garment Contest is being held today at the Court House, in the Court room, under the supervision of Miss Antonette Olsen, County Home Demonstration Agent and Miss Mina Ogilvie of the State College at Bozeman. Representatives have been sent from Froid, Medicine Lake, Redstone, and Westby. The contestants are competing for a trip to the State Fair at Helena. Last year the county sent four children to the fair, and this year it is expected that at least that number will complete the work in the different clubs, and we hope to have even more county winners to send.

The club work is a national movement, and the government is spending thousands of dollars each year to further the work among the children. It has been said in Washington that the work of the boys and girls in the different clubs saved the food situation this year. In Montana alone it was estimated from the reports sent in that the market value of the food produced by the children amounted to more than \$93,000.00. So it pays in dollars and cents to encourage the boys and girls to take up this work. The clubs included are the Garden Club, Canning Club, Potato Club, Poultry Club, corn club, and others. They are planned primarily, just at present to help out the food situation.

The children must be encouraged by their parents and teachers in order to succeed. Very few boys or girls will carry on the work unless encouraged by those older than themselves. Do your part to help make our boys and girls helpful, capable citizens of the United States. Our country and their country.

MINNESOTA CANDIDATE DISCUSSES DISLOYALTY

Speech Made by Charles A. Lindbergh, Candidate for Governor, Endorsed by the Nonpartisan League, at Rochester, Minn., Thursday, May 9th.

Every decent citizen in the United States is convinced that our war aims are absolutely just and that the President's peace program must prevail and every decent citizen in the United States is behind this war and willing to make every sacrifice to carry it through to victory.

Modern warfare, however, is not alone a question of military might. Every productive resource of every belligerent nation is being strained to the utmost and the nation which first falters beneath this strain will be defeated, even though its armies seem victorious.

Production on the fields and in the factories at home is just as important as fighting on the battlefields abroad.

Production is an economic problem and we must solve this problem to the best possible advantage before we can win this war. To participate in the solution of this problem is the duty of every patriotic citizen. Our boys are holding firm in the trenches abroad. We must play our part at home by supporting them with promptness and efficiency.

After bitter experience, England, France and Italy, found that private ownership with its inevitable profiteering had failed and these governments were forced to take control of the essential industries. Russia failed to take such a step, with the result that the nation's economic structure collapsed and today Russian armies are practically out of the field. The lesson ought to be plain to the people of the United States. Our Government will be forced to control the basic industries and any delay in this matter is simply prolonging the war. We need not go abroad for object lessons. Private profits have delayed and handicapped our own war program. The Hog Island scandal is still fresh in the nostrils of the people and more recent revelations show that our aeroplane construction program has been seriously interfered with by the unconscionable greed of private selfish interests.

The railroads broke down under wasteful and inefficient private management and the President was forced to take them over to prevent a disastrous congestion. Profiteering in the coal mines tied up our shipping through a lack of fuel. The production of copper was curtailed and curtailed deliberately so that higher prices might result. The millers and packers are exploiting the people at home by excessive prices. Our national efficiency is shackled by profiteering and wastefulness in many lines of industry.

There is only one remedy and that is to have the government conscript industry just as it has conscripted men. This is not a political question as to the advisability of public ownership. It is a question of winning the war and all true patriots should forget politics and unite in demanding speedy action toward this end. To refuse to take this step is to court defeat and the interests of a comparatively few profiteers should not be allowed to jeopardize the fate of democracy.

The National Nonpartisan League is unequivocally pledged to carry out this program. It was the first political organization in America to demand war control of industries and it is the only organization in America today that is backing up President Wilson in his fight with the politicians and profiteers to carry out this

program. That explains why the Nonpartisan League has been attacked by the supporters and newspaper apologists of these profiteers. That also explains why garbled extracts of my books are used in an effort to show that I, too, am disloyal.

These interests fear to meet a discussion of the facts. They know that they can neither deny nor defend their unpatriotic exploitation at a time when every true citizen is sacrificing for his country's good. Therefore, these profiteers and their political henchmen dodge the real issues and bring fake charges of disloyalty against others. They do this to divert attention from their own nefarious practices which will not stand the light of day. They are trying to hide behind the flag, but it is my deliberate judgment that those same profiteers are the real disloyalists in this crisis and that if there should be any firing squads here in America they should first seek out these traitors who gouge the government and exploit the people at every turn.

Once more I say that the American people are united to win this war. The man who says otherwise is lying for political effect and these lies themselves tend to divide the people and carry aid and comfort to the enemy. The only "Huns Within our Gates" that I know of are the men who stand at the cross roads of commerce in this crisis and extort a robber toll when our nation needs every pound of food and every dollar. These same interests that are thus handicapping our fight against autocracy abroad are themselves openly fighting democracy at home. They would even suspend the rights of free speech and peaceable assembly, because they know that at meetings like these, their disloyalty will be exposed even though their subsidized newspapers do remain silent.

RED CROSS BENEFIT AT THE ORPHEUM

A play will be presented by the Dramatic Club at the Orpheum Wednesday evening for the benefit of the Red Cross. An up-to-the-minute tone is given the play by the introduction of popular songs and patriotic readings. The Red Cross and the khaki costumes add to the effect. Following is the cast of characters for "Rebecca's Triumph":

Mrs. Rokeman, an aristocrat
Mrs. Delaine, a dear, good soul
Rebecca, a waif
Meg, an outcast
Katie Connor, with a love affair
Gyp, a dusky diamond
Clarissa Codman, on the matrimonial market
Club Girls
Dora Gaines
Sadie Morrell
Jennie Woodman
Mellie Dunbar
Grace Greenwood
Gussie Green
Emma Stevens

Minnie Carlson
Mrs. L. E. Hein
Alice Melquist
Mrs. Chas. Garner
Mrs. T. W. Greer
Laura Duffy
Mrs. Geo. Tilton
Mrs. E. W. Savage
Bertha Harris
Beryl Humphrey
Mrs. Grace Hoster
Clara Helland
Cora Holdal
Ollie Svoboda

Act I—The Cooking Club at Mrs. Delaine's
Act II—The picnic. The old letter in the hollow oak.
Act III—The Club at Mrs. Rokeman's. Mystery is cleared.
Under the direction of Mrs. Ed Gray. Lillian Holdal at the piano.

THOMAS P. JUNKIN IS UNDER ARREST

He Came West to do up the Nonpartisan League--Fell Down on Job.

St. Paul, Minn. May 11.—A complaint was issued today by the county attorney charging Thomas P. Junkin, member of a local publicity bureau, with a violation of the contract practices act. It is alleged that Junkin was published assailing A. Lindbergh, Nonpartisan candidate for governor.

Junkin was formerly employed on one of the large dailies at Detroit, Michigan, coming west to work on Bacon's Grand Forks Herald, located at Grand Forks, N. D., under guarantee to kill the Nonpartisan League in North Dakota. Noting good he lost out on the Herald, afterwards going to St. Paul, where he fell in with big business interests opposing the League and operating an advertising bureau, sending out the famous questionnaire to newspapers of Minnesota, at the time he promised large advertising contracts providing that they supported the League and published a slander furnished by his

TO DOOLEY SUNDAY.

Ball team are scheduled to play Dooley next Sunday as well as Home Guard band. The game will be played at that time and will be for the benefit of the Red Cross, to which the proceeds will be turned over. Citizens who are going over to the ball player please no smoking.

POPULAR YOUNG DOCTOR ENLISTS

Will Entrain June First for Camp Lee, Petersburg Virginia.

The Local Draft Board for Sheridan County received instructions Thursday to accept by voluntary induction, one Veterinarian, for service in the United States Army, before May 20th, to entrain for Camp Lee, Petersburg, Virginia, June first, and the same afternoon, Dr. E. S. Mohr, the popular veterinarian of Plentywood enlisted and will close his business soon.

Dr. Mohr will leave many friends both social and business, in Sheridan county which he has made during his residence at Plentywood and practice in his profession in the county, who wish him a successful army career and safe return to Sheridan county at the end of the great conflict.