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OREGON WEATHER

Rain west portion; rain or snow east portion. Warmer tonight south and east. Strong southerly winds.

MERCY

Since the cessation of fighting the Red Cross has turned from making surgical dressings to sewing upon clothing for the ill-clad little folks in Europe. One department has in charge the making of infant layettes. Certain ladies of a certain city in the east, presumably human ladies, reported as was their custom at Red Cross headquarters to sew, but when given the tiny garments to work upon coldly refused. When the director in charge asked the reason, they replied that these garments were intended for illegitimate children and that decent women should not be called upon to labor in such a cause. Controlling her indignation, the director carefully explained that these layettes were not destined to make the path of the wilfully delinquent girl easier, but to help out what little they might in caring for the babies of those innocent young French and Belgian girls who had been victims of German officers. Repeating that this made no difference, the women went home.

Such heartlessness, such failure to understand the simple principles of humanity, is well nigh incredible. If these women only knew it, they, not the pitiful ruined children whom they scorned, are a disgrace to their sex and to that great society whose watch-word is "Mercy."

JUVENILE GARDENS

There is a little girl in Fairbanks, Texas, who raised enough vegetables last season by her own efforts, in a half-acre garden, to put up 1,080 cans of tomatoes, 150 cans of beans, 60 cans of peas, 78 cans of tomatoes and okra and 50 cans of sweet potatoes, making 1,418 cans altogether. They were of such fine quality, too, that they won praise and prizes in a county fair.

There is a 14-year-old boy in Berea, Ohio, who has won the reputation of being the best potato grower in the state. He raised 47 1/2 bushels of "spuds" on one-tenth of an acre of ground. He made a profit of \$78. That would mean 477 bushels an acre, and a profit of \$780 an acre.

The grown-up gardeners and farmers certainly have to look to their laurels these days. The rising generation seems to know more about raising food than father and grandfather ever did.

SOCIALISM AND AUTOCRACY

The European war has made it

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very clear that there is a very close affiliation between the working out of socialism and autocratic government, says the Coast Manufacturer.

Of course, government ownership and paternalism require centralized and autocratic power because they work from the government down to the people.

A republican form of government under the democratic theory of representatives chosen by the people works from the people up through delegated power.

The great argument for rejecting the California plan of social and health insurance that carried weight with the people was that it was too autocratic.

It was compulsory on the free citizen whether he wanted to accept it or not, and the popular form of German socialism is highly autocratic.

The most highly developed form of socialism in our country, the non-partisan league, is willing to take the farmer's money, but not willing to let him vote.

The delegates to its national convention in St. Paul just held were the executive committee and delegates named by the national executives, not chosen by the farmers.

They are nearly all prominent in socialist circles and advocate state and federal socialistic schemes but all practice centralized power.

KEEP THE BONDS

Carter Glass, newly appointed secretary of the treasury, finds it necessary to issue a sober warning to the holders of Liberty bonds.

"Some people," he says, "seem to feel that they are under no further obligation to retain these bonds and they are selling them and using the money for unnecessary purposes or exchanging them for other securities or doubtful value. So long as the United States needs to sell bonds, those who hold the present issues should not dispose of them except under the spur of urgent necessity. They have invested in the best security in the world and it is both to their own interest and to that of their government that these securities be retained."

Some argue that Governor Withycombe is easily led astray by designing ones and that he is not "firm." However, the governor could not be prevailed upon to pardon a lot of criminals at Christmas time, as a Christmas gift as it were, solely upon sentimental reasons. Withycombe rightly goes on the theory that if a person is entitled to a pardon he should not have to await until Christmas to receive it.

President Wilson's action in first

explaining the meaning of his 14 points to France and England verifies the old adage that if you would learn the news go away from home. Wilson, apparently, takes foreigners into his confidence, but not his own people. Even our senators and congressmen have little or no idea of the meaning of the 14 points, or of what is going to be "sprung" by Wilson at the peace conference.

Twelve spies were shot in London during the war. Two women spies—not Edith Cavill's, but real spies—were sentenced to death, but the sentences were never carried out. Berlin, of course, will never understand why.

"I raise my glass," said President Wilson in concluding one of his speeches in France. That's all right, but what the prohibitionists want to know is, what was in the glass?

The American who is very sorry for Germany's present plight is not only a forgiving nature, but he is entirely too forgetful.

The Red Cross announces that its operating expense is only two cents on the dollar. All the rest goes into actual relief.

AT THE MOVIES

Under the auspices of the United States government, the committee on public information, of which George Creel is chairman, will offer at the Joy theater on Friday and Saturday, the first official United States, war film entitled "Pershing's Crusaders" in eight reels. This feature film has been photographed by the United States signal corps, navy photographers and cameramen of the French general staff. It shows how every man, woman and child is helping Uncle Sam, with interesting scenes showing the progress being made in ship building, aeroplane construction and gun and ammunition making as well as interesting phases of cantonment training. The big feature of this picture, however, is that portion which gives the very latest news of what our boys are doing in the front line trenches in France. There will also be shown in this film a number of stirring scenes which have been taken for the governments of France and England covering phases of American activities abroad. As all of the war pictures now being made are controlled by the committee on public information, this official film will be the first to show the true conditions prevailing where Americans were on the fighting line. There will be a matinee Saturday at 2:30.

Surrender



At the Churches

Baptist Church

Sunday school meets at 9:45 a. m. and preaching service at 11 a. m. with sermon by Rev. J. M. Powers. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m.

Presbyterian Church

Sunday school at 10 a. m. to which all are invited. No preaching service Sunday. On Thursday at 7:45 regular mid-week prayer service.

Church of Christ

All regular services Sunday. Morning sermon subject, "Inventory in the House of God." Evening service at 7:30. Remember the hour and be on time. Subject, "A Superior Inheritance." This will be a continuation of the study of the book of Hebrews begun last Sunday. A cordial welcome to all. Chas. R. Drake, minister.

Newman M. E. Church

At 11 o'clock service the topic will be "Facing Forward at the New Year," and at 7:30 the topic will be "My New Year's Resolutions. Special music at these services. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Come and worship with us. Melville T. Wire, pastor.

Catholic Church

Masses on Sunday at 7:30 and 9:30 a. m. Rev. Father J. G. Vien.

First Church of Christ Scientist

Christian Science services are held every Sunday, in the W. O. W. hall, at 11 a. m. Wednesday evening meetings at 8 o'clock. The subject for today is, "Christian Science." Reading room is open from 2 to 4 p. m. daily except Sundays and holidays. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and to visit the reading room.

St. Luke's Episcopal

Evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p. m. Rev. P. K. Hammond, of Ashland, vicar in charge. An invitation is heartily extended to all.

NEW TODAY

JOS. MOSS AGENCY—Fire, insurance, plate glass liability insurance. 204 1/2 Sixth street. 5f
FOR SALE—3 burros, cheap if taken at once. Red Front Stable, Grants Pass, Ore. 52

AL, CORN FED, dressed pigs for sale. Weight, 110 pounds, at 18 cents if taken at once. Call 610-F-14 or C. C. English. 52

BARGAINS—317 acres of Rogue River land to trade for California property; also 160 acres of good wheat land in Idaho to exchange for Rogue River property. Insurance of all kinds. Isaac Best. 53

DISH WASHER wanted at Oxford Cafe at once. 52

FOR SALE or TRADE—80-acre homestead near Takilma, Ore. Address Geo. L. Allen, Takilma, Ore. 56

WOOD—Laurel, oak, fir and pine and dry pine at \$2.75 per tier delivered. R. Timmons, phone 533-J. 51f

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the county court will consider bids for medical attention of the poor of Josephine county, Oregon, for a period of one year from January 1, 1919, according to certain terms and conditions, to-wit:

All bids must specify the exact amount per month. The successful bidder to provide all necessary medicines, etc., and to furnish necessary medical attention not only to those in the County Home, but to those within a radius of one mile from the city limits of Grants Pass, for the same price.

All bids must be filed on or before ten o'clock a. m. of the 6th day of January, 1919.

The Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids or award the contract according to the best interests of the county.

By order of the County Court of Josephine county, Oregon. E. L. COBURN, County Clerk.



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