

THE OWENSMOUTH GAZETTE

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When ordering address given... The Gazette believes in a World Democracy... Advertising Rates Made Known on Application.

RED CROSS TAKES HOME TO THE BOYS

The French soldiers have farthings which they send at home... The American Red Cross now has six of these homes in operation.

AMERICAN GIRLS BRING CHEER TO WOUNDED.

"My wound hurts the less, but I don't intend to pass this chance to talk to an American girl."

Experimental Red Cross Dairy... The American Red Cross has established an experimental dairy at one of the base hospitals in France.

Work for the Refugees... At Leghorn, Italy, there is a little shop factory, which is furnishing work for the refugee families who depend on the protection of the American Red Cross.

LEGAL ADVERTISING

NOTICE OF CONTENT... DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE

To Fred H. Jensen of 3115 Tabernash st., Los Angeles, Cal., Contestant: You are hereby notified that Paul S. Hoffmann, who gives 321 S. Grand ave., Los Angeles, Cal., as his good office address, did on Nov. 1918, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your Homestead, Serial 2666, made Jan. 6, 1916, for W5W/4, and S2N/4, Section 13, Township 1 South, Range 1 West, S. B. Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that Fred H. Jensen never established residence on said land, nor did he ever cultivate any portion of said land and said settler's abandonment of said land was not due to his enlistment in the military or naval service of U. S.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken as confessed, and your said entry will be canceled without further right to be heard, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically responding to these allegations of contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail.

You should state in your answer the name of the postoffice to which you desire truth notices to be sent to.

ALEX MITCHELL, Receiver. Date of first publication December 15. Date of second publication December 15. Date of third publication December 30. Date of fourth publication December 27.

We have on hand and can deliver at once a new 1918 five passenger Buick car, G. A. Huffner, Van Nuys, Calif. 14

Take your shoes and harness to the Electric Shoe Hospital for repairs.

GERMAN RETREAT BRINGS NEW WORK FOR RED CROSS

In France the retreat of the German armies and the regrouping of units... The German retreat will bring the systematic destruction not only of cities and villages, but of practically everything in the evacuated territory.

It will be necessary to provide at once for the housing of homeless refugees in the devastated areas and in the temporary reconstruction of villages... It is necessary to provide also clothing, cloth and dressmaking supplies, sewing machines, in addition to foodstuffs and medical supplies, throughout all this territory.

With the coming again of winter, the fight against tuberculosis must be taken up with renewed energy... The Red Cross has adopted as a slogan "I will every baby in France."

Shoes for Belgian Children.

Faced with the fact that Belgian children are in different ways... The American Red Cross, figuratively, has gone in the shoe manufacturing business at Limoges, France.

THE EVERLASTING MERCY.

"For the sins of men God gave them repentance and for their wounds a healing balm." "For the errors of men God gave them truth and for their sorrow a great consolation." "For the hate of men God gave them love and for their greed, the gift of mercy." "And for the war of man, which bring sin and error, will and greed, God gave them repentance and a healing balm, truth and a great consolation, love and the gift of sacrifice." "And the symbol of these is the Red Cross."

BUSINESS LOCALS

FOR SALE—Several tons of stock pumpkins. Inquire at postoffice.

TO LET—Pine alfalfa pasture. Plenty of water and prices reasonable. About two miles east of new reservoir on Norfolk street, two miles west of Zealok on Mendocino place. Address L. D. Tift, Owensmouth, California.

FOR SALE—Strawberry plants at Winnemac and Norfolk streets, Owensmouth, L. D. Tift, 1-52.

DAILY TIME SCHEDULE

Arrival and Departure of Cars Over Pacific Electric Railway

Table with columns for Arrival and Leave times for various stations like Los Angeles, Long Beach, etc.

Express and passenger combination car... Ticketing at all Stations.

GEORGE W. WEST, Gents' Furnishings Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes, Etc. OWENSMOUTH, CALIFORNIA

BUY LIBERTY BONDS FROM UNCLE SAM AND YOUR MEAT FROM US!

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FRED BALSTER, Proprietor

It Pays To Pay Cash!

BETTER GOODS FOR LESS MONEY

Our prices are right and the quality guaranteed. Let us quote you prices. Yours for business,

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Mt. Lowe Resort

Ye Alpine Tavern and Cottages

More than 5000 Feet in Skyland. 2000 Square Miles Before Your Eyes.

For your health's sake spend a week or week-end at the famous resort in the pure mountain air among the pines and oaks.

American Plan European Plan Housekeeping Cottages

Make Reservations at P.E. Information Bureau, Los Angeles

FIVE TRAINS DAILY 8, 9, 10 A.M., 1:30 and 4 P.M.

Pacific Electric Railway

W. E. Bechtelmeier, Agent, Owensmouth.

Hammered — on rock, sand and gravel by six Test Car Fleets, Goodrich Tires have been put to the supreme test of the road and PROVED. Get these tested tires from us.

Owensmouth Garage

C. F. RIDDLE, Prop'r

Free Maps and Touring Information

GOODRICH TESTED TIRES. A reputation and passenger combination car... Ticketing at all Stations.

CHURCHES CALENDAR

Epworth Community Church—Sunday school at 10 o'clock every Sabbath...

Cathedral M. E. Church—Sunday school every Sabbath at 10 o'clock...

BUSINESS CARDS

CHAS. B. SEXSMITH Fire, Accident, Automobile, Compensation And Life Insurance...

FREDN. ARNOLDY ATTORNEY-AT-LAW 636 N. Van Nuys Building...

L. L. WHITSON ROTARY PUBLIC CONVENTION VAN NUYS, CAL.

William W. Widenham GENERAL INSURANCE Fire, Auto, Contractor's Liability...

GATEPILLAR WORK Plowing, chiseling, etc. All kinds of team work. JOE McDONALD...

H. W. Allen PLUMBING and TINNING Irrigators' Supplies OWENSMOUTH, CALIF.

Owensmouth Bike Shop OLD WHEELS Bought, Sold and Exchanged. Full Line of BICYCLE SUPPLIES...

Will Appreciate Your PATRONAGE Otto Gschwind, Owensmouth

Holly Poultry Ranch Hatchery capacity 60,000. S. C. White Leghorn chicks...

Hogs! Hogs! Hogs! Big type Polands at Van Nuys. A few fancy girls...

If you are contemplating buying a new car, come in and talk it over. New Ford will soon be on the market again...

TURN THE BOYS' THOUGHTS HOMEWARD, SAYS FOSDICK, ASKING CO-OPERATION

Washington—(Special)—Just how loving for France is represented the demobilization activities of the great organizations...

"The problem presented by the great demobilization of some three to four million men...

"White the war was on our boys were fully occupied; they were still filled with the spirit of adventure...

"The \$170,000,000 raised to the recent extent by bridge over this period by providing recreation...

"Such letters will be a very necessary incentive to widowers because of some boys...

"We have raised the cleanest army to the world. We have kept it clean...

"This, as I have said, can best be rendered by means of letters which will help now at once...

HOME FOLKS MUST HELP. Washington—(Special)—The War Department Commission on Training...

"Don't give up the cows." On account of the efficiency and economy of the dairy cow will be called upon more and more...

TUBERCULOSIS FIGHTERS JOIN WITH RED CROSS. Fifteen hundred anti-tubercular societies in every state...

Suggestion for Mother's Letter. Ben of Milan

"They're sending you home to me at last. Through all those months of waiting and longing I've been wearing a star for you and holding my head high...

"When I wrote to you I tried to write cheerful, encouraging letters because I did not want you to go into bitter feeling...

"Perhaps for some of the boys who have stood with you as snugly through those trials the fighting is not yet all over...

"You, dearest boy, are just as human as your comrades and as tender as these may come to you...

"Many of the boys who will come home with you have no mothers to write them. Some of them may think that no one cares what they do...

"Help them to remember. Help them to come home clean and fine. Don't let them spoil everything now. They have so seldom...

Will Give Comfort Kits. Because of limited room on the transport kits from the personal baggage of soldiers...

Have your electrical contractor check inspect the lighting in your plant and advise you what is best to secure most efficient results.

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BAGS FOR SACKING

Egyptian Corn and Milo Maize FOR SALE BY MARIAN MILLING COMPANY At Marian Phone 3

OWENSMOUTH FEED & FUEL CO.

Hay, Grain, Wood, Coal POULTRY SUPPLIES

Lumber

Hammond Lumber Company GEO. M. JANEWAY, Manager Owensmouth, Cal.

Great Economy Lighting in Factory and Shop

Many factory owners have given little attention to their lighting requirements. Modern lamps and reflectors will completely revolutionize the lighting in many industrial plants.

The improvements in interior lighting methods have been so rapid, industrial plants that were modernly equipped four or five years ago, are today radically out of date.

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A Practical Christmas

The Government urges that Christmas giving be confined to useful articles—Give electrical appliances. The Government has ruled that no extra salespeople can be employed during the Holiday Season—SHOP EARLY

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON CO. Phone 45 Van Nuys, California

W. E. Bechtelheimer

Granny

In fine assortment of Fancy Boxes - and Chocolates, also a splendid assortment of Christmas and New Years Cards from 1c up.

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Let us have your Magazine Subscriptions

W. E. Bechtelheimer

His Berlin Film Business

MERE MENTION

Owensmouth is pretty thoroughly free from influenza.

We wish all our readers and friends a very merry Christmas.

D. Garcia is moving into F. B. Treloar's place, on Sherman way.

C. W. Johnson has been harvesting his oranges, and the quality of the fruit is excellent, leading from the sample left on the editor's desk.

The level grounds around Marian are conspicuous with the houses that are being turning the soil for future need. The ground is in excellent condition.

A. Poulsen, the transfer man, is now carrying on a daily service between Owensmouth and Los Angeles, according to the convenience of both merchant and rancher.

A goodly number of people attended the first tree planting at the Craft ranch last week, and many valuable lessons were explained to the benefit of all spectators.

Dr. Gundrum has prepared very neat and commodious office headquarters in the real estate building, at the corner of Sherman Way and Broadway, and is now very centrally and conveniently located.

There is good prospect of a raise in price and a better demand for all kinds of beans after the holidays close, in the opinion of F. A. Orton, manager of the Vancouver Produce. Let everybody take heed.

Na Hancock, who has recently purchased a ranch, just north of the grammar school, of Harry Chandler, has moved to North Emmett street, with his wife and son, where they will abide while he improves his place.

Putting a ban on the schools has closed the throttle of the social engine and while our readers may hunger and thirst after the home news, we must frankly say, to some extent, there is none to be had. This being the case, have all the forbearance you can for the editor.

Only five more days before Christmas, and the atmosphere of joy is likely to rapidly taking on the cheer of the season. Let us make it a sensible Christmas, one in keeping with the needs of the occasion. The giving of gifts that will bring pleasure and joy is a full appreciative sense.

Manager M. M. Gray of the Creamery and Ireland ranch, was invaded by high school students from the Jefferson school, Los Angeles, Monday, who came out to investigate the swine pens and the pens at the ranch. They were all members of the "Big club," and intend to make good this coming year.

W. E. Hyden received a letter from his home town, Campbell, Neb., this week, announcing the death of "Grandma" Cory, who had lived two months longer, would have been 100 years old. He was familiarly known as a few have, who speak of the wonderful vitality of the good old man. He always maintained a good countenance and was very temperate in his living, which accounts for his record of long life.

There is a petition in Bechtelheimer's drug store that everybody in this valley should sign. It is asking the city council to create an emergency fund for the care of the trees and shrubbery in the Line Sherman Way. It is a matter that the council refused to allow the \$1000 for valley trees and shrubbery. Therefore, petitions are being circulated requesting the council to act in this matter and they should be signed by every gardener, owner and resident of the community.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Your money bank and a new pair of shoes. Try it. If you find paper in your shoes, counters or heels of shoes, Peters Diamond Brand Shoes for Men, Women and Children at Davis Bros. store, No. 309 N. 2nd St.

A four-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Schaefer, residing southeast of Owensmouth, died Sunday, after a brief illness, which had lasted three months. The infant was also taken by death in the arms of his mother. The child was taken to San Fernando for burial.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Ida C. Neff, of Oleta, Cal., has been home guest of Mrs. G. W. Fryer this week.

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Holt will spend the holiday season in Kingsburg, Fresno county, visiting friends. They will make the trip by auto and expect to leave within a day or two.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Cross of Corcoran, accompanied by L. J. Murphy, arrived last Friday night in Owensmouth and spent the weekend with the Mitchell home. They made the trip by train, covering the distance of nearly 250 miles in seven hours.

L. F. Webster, of Carpinteria, Cal., has been the guest of his daughter, Mrs. W. E. Bechtelheimer, the past week. Mr. Webster attended a meeting of the walnut growers in Los Angeles while here. It may not be altogether known to all, that Mr. Webster and J. B. DeKostler had 300 acres of walnut planted orchard, west of here, beyond the Workman ranch. The trees are doing for.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

Zelah Tribune: Four carloads of cattle have been shipped from Zelah in the past two weeks. This week will be the greatest of Los Angeles county in the not far distant future.

Van Nuy News: It has been stated that the Los Angeles Creamery Company of Los Angeles has purchased the Orchard ranch and the Gross ranch on North Sherman Way, comprising 1300 acres, and are now planning to establish here one of the largest and most modern dairies in the state.

Lankenshi Laonic: With such gangs of workmen replacing new ties with the branch line of the Southern Pacific comes rumors that new rails will be laid in the next few months. If such should be the case, an effort will be made to have one of the best north-south trunk lines use this new track.

This branch would cover the following stops: Manoh, Lankenshi, Garney, Koster, Van Nuy, Echino and Owensmouth. It is being planned, but does not have passenger service.

GREAT SPORT IN LINE

KIDDIES CHRISTMAS

Every Saturday in the year is a Christmas Day for the kiddies of Venice, for Abbot Kinney donates his big pavilion, which has wonderful orchestras for their entertainment. On Christmas Day he extends his invitation to all the kiddies of the Southland and not only treats them to an afternoon of continuous pleasure, but gives to each youngster a Christmas tree to make glad the hearts of his favorites—the mothers of Southern California.

ROSE TOURNAMENT TO BE PEACE CELEBRATION

For the first time in its history the Pasadena Rose Tournament Association will on January 1st, be represented by an official entry in the great floral pageant, which will this year be the predominating feature of a peace and victory celebration. The association entry will not compete for a prize, but its indubitably will be one of the most beautiful ever seen at these annual floral festivals. The Rose Tournament idea will be carried out in the Pasadena show which will consist entirely of roses in various colors.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

UNITED LABOR WORK CAMPAIGN

The local committee has made arrangements whereby payments due the pledges to the United Labor Work Campaign can be paid. Subscribers are requested to bring their checks to the office, at 311 1/2 First Street, on December 22, 1918. One-third on January 15, 1919. One-third on March 1, 1919. The general committee will greatly appreciate payment in full whenever the subscriber can conveniently do so.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Christian Science Society of Los Angeles (Van Nuy), Cal., announces the following on Christmas Retrospect by Dr. Walter Hubbard, C. S. B., of Spokane, Wash., member of the Board of Lecturers of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist and Dispenser of Truth, will be delivered in the chapel, 312 1/2 First Street, Van Nuy, Cal., Friday evening, Dec. 27, at eight o'clock. The public is cordially invited to be present. No tickets required.

FOR SALE

I am offering 300 swans of breed for sale and in good condition, located in Dry Canyon, near Toiyaba drive. Here is a good bargain. Address John Holman, Owensmouth, Cal.

Ladies and gentlemen—Don't forget your souvenir at Bechtelheimer's Drug Store.

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- Married Men Attention!**
- A beautiful box of chocolates make a lovely present to your wife for Christmas. At Bechtelheimer's Drug Store.
- Fordson Tractors**
- Will soon begin to arrive. Place your order now so as to get yours early. Don't wait, come in and see us at once.
- G. A. Huffaker, Van Nuy, Fordson Distributor, San Fernando Valley.
- *****

Fine assortment of box writing paper for Christmas. Always acceptable. Bechtelheimer's Drug Store.

SERVICE ON WHEELS

In modern warfare there is much portable relief work done. Instead of carrying the wounded man to hospital and canteen, canteen and hospital are moved to him. The first thing that is done for a man after the shot is to give him something to eat. The American Red Cross has rolling canteens that take hot bouillon, coffee, tea, cocoa, lemonade and sandwiches right to the front line trenches. To the man who is wounded there is a mobile hospital brought to his very elbow. This is the "ambulance," a special motor truck that carries a complete surgical hospital to the front.

These are some of the things that the people of America are doing for the comfort and welfare of the boys over there by sending their money to the Red Cross Christmas Bait Club. The Red Cross button and the Red Cross Service Flag should everywhere be in evidence during the week of December, 10th to the 25th as outward symbols of this annual dedication to Red Cross service.

THE WORD "MELODRAMA"

It Originally Meant a Play in Which Music Was Introduced.

Nowadays "melodrama" is in general use as denoting a purely sensational play, with an all but impossible hero, heroine and villain among the characters represented. Formerly the word kept more closely in its signification to actual derivation. "Melodrama" is compounded of the Greek words melos, a song, and drama, action, a play, and was applied to two sorts of performances which in their first came into use.

It signified a play, generally of the romantic school, in which the dialogue was frequently relieved by music, sometimes of an incidental and sometimes of a purely dramatic character. On the strength of his "signification" J. J. Rousseau is credited with the invention of this style. Some of the so-called English operas of the older school, such as "Purcell's "Digger's Opera" and the once popular "No Song, No Supper," are in reality true melodramas.

In the second place, "melodrama" was applied to a peculiar kind of theatrical composition in which the action treated his part in a somewhat speaking voice, while the orchestral accompaniment amplified the situation and calculated to give its salient features into the highest possible relief. The merit of this description of wherby payments due the pledges to the United Labor Work Campaign can be paid. Subscribers are requested to bring their checks to the office, at 311 1/2 First Street, on December 22, 1918. One-third on January 15, 1919. One-third on March 1, 1919. The general committee will greatly appreciate payment in full whenever the subscriber can conveniently do so.

NOTICE

Strayed to my premises, two bay horses with stars in forehead; one is branded "C.H." Driver can have same by calling at my office and paying \$5 cents for advertising charges.

W. E. BECKSTEDT

LOST

First-class demountable rim and tire, 35x4 1/2, between Marian and Owensmouth on Sherman Way. Apply to E. Bristol, or leave at the Gazette office.

FOR SALE

Barley and oat hay. Inquire of H. H. Bristol, next ranch east of Chalk, S. 20 on Ventura road.

NOTICE

Found, one stray mare mule, all black, in color, colored on right shoulder, apparently aged. Same can be had by calling at Craig Bland's corner of Whisks and Roscoe streets.

For Sale at a Bargain

My seven-room 11 story modern house with bath and cellar, hot and cold water up stairs and down, and out buildings; also five building lots 50x100 feet, set to all kinds of fruit. This place is in the choicest part of the town of Owensmouth, Cal., in city limits of Los Angeles. House alone is renting for \$25.00 per month. Inquire of owner, Wm. McGeoch, Marian store.

Daily Service

Between Owensmouth and Los Angeles

I will make a specialty of all kinds of transferring such as merchandise, etc. Special attention given to ranchers.

A. POULSEN,
Inquire at the house.

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Thirty-five years of practical experience in California

CHRISTMAS'S GROCERY

We Specialize in

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Buy Thrift Stamps and War-Saving Certificates

The Government needs the money at once!

You get 4 per cent interest, compounded quarterly. For further particulars inquire at this bank or the Postoffice.

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Owensmouth, California

Fordson tractors

One carload has arrived and more on the way. Place your order now so you can get one when they arrive.

You can see these efficient and economical tractors at work in this Valley.

G. A. HUFFAKER
Fordson Tractor Dealer
Ford Agent Van Nuy, Calif.

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HORSE SHOEING Owensmouth, Calif.