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THIS ILLUSTRATES OUR IMPROVIDENCE.

The forest service reports having sold to the Corvallis Lumber Manufacturing Company recently 8,608,000 board feet of timber in the Santiam National forest, and only a short distance comparatively from Salem. This timber, the report says, is contained on 170 acres in sections 8 and 9 in township 10 south and range 6 east of the Willamette meridian, which is within a few miles of Detroit, the terminus of the Corvallis & Eastern, on the Santiam. Of this there are 7,746,000 feet of Douglas fir priced at \$1.35 a thousand, 460,000 feet of western hemlock at 50 cents per thousand, 389,000 feet of western red cedar at \$2.10 per thousand and 13,000 of western white pine at \$1.35. The company pays for the timber before cutting in sums of not less than \$2,000.

Attention is called to the sale not on account of its size, for it is not large, but to point out how wasteful we have been with the great territory our good Uncle Samuel gave us when we reached our majority and took our place among the brotherhood of states, a full fledged member of the glorious family. This vast tract, much of it covered with the finest timber in the world, we have literally given away—or worse. Most of it has been sold at \$2.50 per acre.

A short session with your lead pencil will show you that this tract of 170 acres was sold at the rate of \$65.50 per acre, and besides the government still owns the land when the timber is removed.

The state would have received for this tract if sold as its school lands were, \$425. What the state lost by its improvident methods was the difference between \$11,155 and \$425, or \$10,730 on each tract of 170 acres of its lands covered with timber, and it lost the land besides.

THE RIGHT OF SEARCH BOBS UP.

According to the dispatches yesterday the English did a very foolish and dangerous thing. The British cruiser Lancaster held up the Dutch West Indian mail steamer Commewijne and took from her 27 alleged German reservists. England can do that with Holland but she should not forget that 102 years ago she got in trouble with our good Uncle Samuel for doing that very thing. She was told then this country would not stand for the right of search, which England claimed, and in the interest of humanity it is hoped she will not have to be taught that lesson over again. If she takes or undertakes to take any person from a vessel bearing the United States flag, there will be trouble on her hands that will make her present one seem like a picnic. Uncle Sam will starve her to death if he gets mad at her.

Whatever else may result from the European war, it has been clearly and emphatically demonstrated that the war correspondents and censors of all parties to the war are not inferior to any, even Americans, when it comes to doing effective work without knowing there is such a thing as truth in the world. Ananias and Sapphira were tyros compared to these modern prevaricators. About the only real reliable thing any of them has told is when they said the other fellow was lying.

Imports have fallen off about one-half at New York, but exports are increasing rapidly and are now within about 15 per cent of what they were a year ago. As ships are available these exports will grow, as Europe wants everything we have that can be shipped in the way of food, even though it is not the very best. Austria might even be tempted to accept Hobson, as she needs fighters as well as men.

All the warring nations want Uncle Sam to act as umpire, but as they would not be bound by his decisions he very properly refuses to act. In this case the umpire would be in as much danger of getting swatted as anyone else, as whoever did not like his rulings would take a shot at him. The old man may not be a good umpire, but his acts show he is a wise man.

Dr. Withycombe said Tuesday evening at the Portland Commercial Club banquet that he "believed the standpat

Republicans made a great mistake when they turned down that great statesman, Taft." The doctor may be right, but if it was a mistake there can be no recriminations, no blaming it on the other fellow, as the turning down was practically unanimous.

So long as congress levies the taxes necessary to overcome the deficiency caused by the falling off of customs receipts on luxuries, and keeps them off the everyday things humanity needs, there will be no serious kick at the tax, no matter what luxuries it hits.

Maybe the figures about the European armies are all right, but somehow they have, or seem to have, a flavor not in evidence since the Populists were at their best, and were making estimates about what that best was.

Arbitration is better than mediation for the former can come before the black eyes are in evidence. However, mediation is a great thing, especially from the standpoint of the fellow who is getting the worst of it.

If Colonel Roosevelt has called all his reserves to the colors, there are many who are not responding. The Progressives so far as numbers are concerned are apparently progressing backward.

Austria having started the war can certainly not be blamed for claiming the privilege of being the first to stop it, especially as it does not want to travel the way she started it.

While discussing the atrocities alleged to have been committed by about all sides of the dispute in Europe, is there any greater atrocity mentioned than the war itself?

Ammunition as well as food is said to be getting higher in price daily. If it would get beyond reach of all the belligerents, the balance of the world would rejoice.

It is easy to pray for peace, but there are few who will not also color their plea with a preference as to which side should get the better of the peace terms.

The poems about the war are such that the readers, if there are such, will naturally regret the authors were not sent to the firing line among the first.

About the only thing cheap in Europe just now is human life. The warring governments hold the price down on that as well as on other things.

If bubonic plague has broken out among the Turks as claimed, the sultan will have no trouble in maintaining neutrality.

Germany's preparations for war were thorough, only she used poor judgment in picking out her allies.

THE ROUND-UP

The Daily Capital at Grants Pass will celebrate its fourth anniversary tomorrow by accepting yearly subscriptions at \$4 instead of \$5, the regular price. The cut rate will be for one day only.

Work on the Nehalem jetty is progressing satisfactorily. The Recorder says that during August 500 tons less rock were dumped on this project than on the Tillamook bar contract. The jetty is now out to water from 20 to 30 feet deep.

The Gazette-Times is urging Corvallis people to provide work for students of the Oregon Agricultural College. It is urged that the college is a people's school, and students should have a chance to help pay their own way during the school year.

The Madras Pioneer says that John Thomas, an old resident of Crook county, who has hauled water ever since he located there, now has a well 100 feet deep with eight feet of water. Only a short time ago, says the Pioneer, farmers thought they could not get water without going very deep for it, the cost of wells being thought prohibitive.

A bunch of potato experts from the department of agriculture of Holland and Germany, Professors H. S. Jackson and F. D. Bailey, of O. A. C., will have charge of the party while in Oregon.

Lillian Hendrickson, 17 years old, was shot and probably fatally wounded Thursday by August Pesola, a cannery workman. He then shot at another workman, after which he shot himself in the abdomen. He and the girl are in the hospital, both in a critical condition.

When the books at the registrar's office at U. of O. closed Thursday afternoon 625 students had been registered, a 20 per cent increase over last year.

Eutaw took the first prize at the Clackamas county fair Thursday for the best community exhibit.

Burglars forced an entrance into the Twin City Lumber Company's office at North Bend Wednesday night and blew the knob off the safe, but so far as known failed to open it, as the owners are unable to open it either.

For the second time Melrose grange took the grand prize at the Douglas county fair at Roseburg for the best display of farm products.

The eighth annual Linn county fair opens at Seio Wednesday next with a longer list of entries than ever before.

At the home of Samuel Britt, near

LAFFERTY WOULD LIKE TO SPEND MORE COIN

The campaign manager for A. W. Lafferty, independent nominee for congressman, was informed by Secretary of State Elliott today that a candidate for office could spend 25 per cent of his annual salary for campaign expenses but only 10 per cent of this after the nomination was received and prior to the general election. A provision of the statutes is that 15 per cent of the annual salary may be spent before the primary election and 10 per cent afterward and before the general election for any nominee of the recognized parties. Mr. Lafferty maintains that his friends nominated him for the office at no expense to himself and that he should have the right to spend 25 per cent of his salary regardless of the division. Mr. Lafferty was defeated for the nomination on the republican ticket and chose to run as an independent candidate.

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(Signed) GEO. M. BATES.
(Above abbreviated; more on request.)

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SITUATION AS SIZED UP LAST NIGHT

London, Sept. 18.—"The situation at the front is practically unchanged," announced the war office at 8 p. m. today, referring to the battle of the Aisne.

"The allies' cavalry has been very active but without definite results. The lines have been maintained practically

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unchanged for the past 36 hours."

This confirmed the previous belief that the conflict has settled down to a test of strength between the allies' and the Germans' artillery.

It was admitted that the allies had failed in all their attempts to take the German positions by storm.

The Kaiser's trenches are marvels of ingenuity and the allies have lost fearfully in charging them.

Accordingly, it appeared, the decision was reached to reduce the tenuous defenses with artillery before hurling infantry and cavalry forces against them again.

The Germans, it was fully recognized, would not permit themselves to be annihilated in this way without a desperate resistance, and as their cannon, like the allies', is wonderfully effective, an artillery fight such as the allies have never witnessed before was looked for, beginning Saturday and continuing no body could guess how long.

THE CHURCHES

St. Paul's Church, Episcopal
Robert S. Gill, rector, Holy Eucharist, 7:30 p. m. Matins and address, 11:00 a. m. Evensong and address, 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.

W. C. T. U.

Rev. B. W. Shaver, pastor of the serene church, will deliver the great temperance address at Ramp Memorial hall Sunday at 4:30 p. m. A welcome to all.

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