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FOREIGN NEWSPAPERS IN AMERICA.

About the first thing this government should do to set itself right for a better class of American citizenship would be the suppression of every newspaper published in foreign language in this country.

The opportunity for spreading unfavorable propaganda in this country through means of a foreign press is not conducive to a stable and sound government, but on the contrary opens an avenue whereby much unfavorable thought and information can be carried to the immature mind and there instilled to react against good, sound and wholesome government for all the people.

This grand old country has no peer among the nations of the earth. With all its minor faults no other empire has reached that degree of standing among the nations of the world as these United States and it should be the aim of every true, red-blooded American to stand firm in the declaration that nothing be done to detract from this enviable position.

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Looks like some one time prominent man might take a great fall before the investigating committee in congress gets his oil record summarized.

The congressmen are trying to listen to the voice of the people, but it is difficult to hear the same while the orators are making so much noise.

The higher mathematics may formerly have been considered unpractical for some people, but that was before they had the income tax.

Opinion is held by many students that college education would be a fine thing if it were not for the studies and examinations.

The girls are advised to look before they leap on leap year, but many of them have been looking so long they are tired of it.

The modern murderer moulds the bodies of his victims in solid concrete. But even then, murder will out.

PRUNE PICKIN'S BY BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS—The following editorial, branding ye of Prune Pickin's as a "poor deluded soul," is taken from the NACHRICHTEN, a German publication, published in German in Portland, Oregon, by A. E. Kern and Co.

A friend of our paper sends us the "Roseburg Review," of Roseburg, Ore., of Friday, January 18, and marks for us the following verses, which were printed in a column next to an appeal of the mayor of Roseburg for contributions to the Allen Fund for the feeding of German children.

GOOD EVENING FOLKS— Yes, we do feel sorry for those poor little German kiddies who are starving and who also feel a pang of pity for those darling little Belgian boys and girls who were maimed for life by those squareheads who thought no more of ravaging a woman or chopping off the tiny hands of an infant than we would of swatting a fly.

What shall one say to such outpourings in an American paper five years after the close of the war? The question is, does the author still believe that the Germans in Belgium cut off children's hands, or does he know better but for some reason chooses to keep on poisoning the minds of those of his readers who do not know better?

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LEST WE FORGET

AFFIDAVIT I, Bert G. Bates, being duly sworn, state that I have personal knowledge of the facts contained herein in reference to atrocities committed during the late World War by German soldiers, on their march through Belgium, and that the cases narrated below came to my personal attention during my stay in Limoges, France, while serving with the 65th Artillery Corps.

I visited the Belgium rest camp in Limoges, which was under the supervision of the American forces. These refugees, many of them suffering from hardships and cruelties inflicted upon them, had been brought back from the front by American military police, and during their time spent in the refugee camp, were cared for by the American Red Cross.

NOTICE TRUCKS FOR SALE—Just the thing for hauling broccol, make me an offer. L. R. Chambers, Ice Plant.

the Germans were the cause of this suffering. One woman in the camp, a middle aged lady whose child had died during the trip from the front, owing to lack of nourishment, was just recovering from a terrible wound inflicted upon her by German soldiers.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of January, A. D. 1924. LEON E. MCCLINTOCK, Notary Public for Oregon.

MELROSE ITEMS Vincent Preschern and George Crain were delivering dressed hogs in Roseburg last Tuesday.

Ben Zenor of Cleveland, passed through our midst one day last week in his new Ford.

C. R. Hohnquist entertained several of his friends at his home in Elgarose last Friday evening, the 18th. A crowd gathered at the home and appraised him of the fact that he is growing old, and that the 18th was his birthday.

We were pained to know of the death of our friend and neighbor Geo. W. Kruse. Mr. Kruse's life was one worthy of imitation.

Dewey Kruse of Portland spent several days in Melrose recently. He was called home by the serious illness and death of his father.

We are pleased to note that the family of C. E. Fredericksen who has been ill are very much improved.

A social dance and box supper will be given in the new club house, near the junction of the Umpqua next Saturday evening.

Monte Spalding is hauling lumber and building a house on his homestead.

Miss Della Swearing, who has been attending school at Elmire was called home on account of the illness of her mother.

About 75 guests were present at the party given by Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Cox. All report a very enjoyable time.

The body of Mrs. T. P. George was buried in the Elkton cemetery Tuesday, January 15.

The Christian Hancock family has moved onto the Harry Smith ranch at Redden Bluff.

The body of Jim Beckley was sent to Elkton for burial Tuesday.

Dick Moore has visited here.

MINE EXPLOSION IS FATAL TO 30

Sixty Are Entombed in Lower Levels—376 Were Working in Mine.

BODIES ARE RECOVERED

Explosion Burned Bodies Badly and Clothing Torn to Shreds—Manager Was a Victim.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) JOHNSTON CITY, Ill., Jan. 25.—Thirty miners were killed, two probably fatally wounded and eight others seriously scorched in an unexplained explosion late yesterday on the main level of the McClintock coal mine here operated by the Great Clinch coal company.

Approximately sixty of the 376 miners at work were entombed in the lower levels of the mine, but a few of them escaped.

The bodies brought up bore mute testimony as to the force of the explosion. The clothing had been almost torn away, and all were badly burned, even the hair being scorched away.

The men near the entrances escaped easily, but earlier on January 9, 10, 11, and 12 locked in the depths, where the actual explosion occurred, were farthest from possible means of escape and the men there suffered the full terror of the terrific blast.

The dead include Herbert McCullough, mine manager and his assistant, Jesse Ford. In several cases, two members of the same family, father and son, were killed.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) JOHNSTON CITY, Ill., Jan. 25.—Two more bodies were brought from the east mine of the Great Clinch coal company this afternoon, bringing the number of known dead in yesterday's explosion to thirty two.

SAVE ON SHOES—W. L. Douglas shoes. Former prices \$5.00, \$5.50 and \$6.00. Now \$3.55, at the ROSEBURG BOOTERIE.

BORN PRITCHETT—To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pritchett, Dixonville, a boy, Sunday January 20, 1924.

DAVIDSON—To Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Davidson, Dillard, a boy, Wednesday, January 23, 1924.

NATIONAL GUARD DRILL Regular drill every Monday at 7:30 p. m. sharp. Recruits invited.

APRON SALE AT CARR'S Special group of bungalow aprons, fancy and plain percales, light and dark grounds, also gingham checks.

SAVE ON SHOES—Ladies satin slippers that formerly sold up to \$8.00, now \$5.35 at the ROSEBURG BOOTERIE.

BUILDING PLAN Stone-Tile service offers you plans for a wide variety of homes. Stone-Tile hollow concrete brick in your building construction will save money for you in first cost, reduce fire insurance, cut upkeep expense and protect your investment from depreciation.

Classified Section ALL NEW ADS ON BACK PAGE

WANTED CAPABLE girl wants work of any kind. Phone 212-J. WANTED—Men in cut wood, also to slash brush. Boyer Bros. Phone 14F14.

LOST AND FOUND LOST—In Roseburg Wednesday, pretty colored brooch with sets. Finder please leave at News-Review.

MISCELLANEOUS GAR OWNERS—Don't forget to call 553 when in need of auto parts. Sarr's Auto Wrecking House.

FOR RENT FOR RENT—Furnished apartment, 428 Pitzer St. GARAGE FOR RENT—Inquire for Bill at Jitney 6.

FOR RENT—Furnished housekeeping rooms, 816 Winchester St. Phone 170-Y.

FOR SALE—Used player piano rolls, 50c each. Phone 370. FOR SALE—Fir block wood. Boyer Bros. Phone 14F14.

FREE Public Lecture "The Rich Man In Hell" Come and hear the parable—the rich man in hell, being in torment, and seeth Lazarus in Abraham's bosom.

MOOSE HALL, Sunday, Jan. 27 AT 7:30 P. M. Speaker E. T. Richmond Auspices International Bible Students Assn. Seats Free No Collection