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FRIGHTFUL BRUTALITY.

The peaceful citizen cannot conceive of the brutality that has been practiced upon the women of the conquered territory of France. Madam Sarah Bernhardt writes in Capper's Weekly that in the section of France occupied for two years by Germans, but from which they have been driven, that country "faces the problem with what to do with at least 100,000 children of violence—the babes of hated, brutal fathers and of desecrated maids and wives, and when the German is finally thrust from France there will be other armies of these children to be cared for." "In all the terrible pages of this worst of wars," she says, "there is none more tragic, more devilish than this that registers the brood of brutality and lust," and she asks what is to be the fate of these little ones, begotten by such brutes, borne by mothers who necessarily lived in an awful realization of their agony and who hated their offspring as they hated their lustful brute fathers.

This army of babes, she says, is one of France's greatest problems.

Perhaps a story like this will make the women of America realize why we are at war.

THE FINAL PAYMENT.

The fifth and final payment, or thirty per centum, of Liberty Loan Bonds purchased on installments is due on August 30th. According to the official statement of terms and conditions of the sale of Liberty Loan Bonds issued by Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo at the time subscription to the bonds was invited the payments must be made on or before that date.

Whether the Liberty Bonds were purchased from the Treasury or from the Federal Reserve Bank or through other banks or agencies it is important that this installment be paid promptly.

PENALTY FOR DISLOYALTY.

The following is taken from the Espionage Act recently passed by Congress:

Section 3. Whoever, when the United States is at war, shall wilfully make or convey false reports or false statements with intent to interfere with the operation or success of the military or naval forces of the United States or to promote the success of its enemies and whoever, when the United States is at war, shall wilfully cause or attempt to cause insubordination, disloyalty, mutiny, or

refusal of duty, in the military or naval forces of the United States, or shall wilfully obstruct the recruiting or enlistment service of the United States, to the injury of the service or of the United States, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment for not more than twenty years, or both.

GET A COUNTY AGENT.

Right now would be a good time for the County Courts in the twenty-four counties which have not employed them to engaged county agricultural agents. They are the most effective agents in stimulating farm production. Union county has one and knows it is a good investment.

WHO CAN MAKE THE MOST APPLE BUTTER.

Those canned vegetables and dried fruits will taste mighty good this winter. Why not start an apple butter making campaign? Where in the world can anyone make better apple butter than in this region? Every waste apple should go into apple butter, dried apples or cider. Send in a sample.

RECOGNITION.

The President of the United States writes: "Out of the depths of their patriotism, the farmers of the Nation gave an immediate and effective response to my appeal to increase production." This is gratifying. The whole country owes a debt of gratitude to the farmers. We hope that every class does as well by the country. There is no doubt of the loyalty of the farmers.

CUBA RECIPROCATES.

Cuba turns over four German vessels of 20,000 tons seized as war prizes when Cuba declared war on Germany. Thus does the bread cast up on the waters return. When we freed Cuba we never thought Cuba would be able to help us in a great world war.

It is good news that Fred. J. Holmes is exerting his energy and business ability to meeting the fuel situation in La Grande.

Hospitality Praised.

While it is not the usual part of the Medical Sentinel to discuss lay matters, and little is here being said of the detailed scientific work of the Editorial association, nor much specifically of the entertainment, including the picnic dinner under the trees extended so lavishly by the citizens of Joseph, or the supper and other features extended so lavishly by the citizens of La Grande, and the splendid tribute there to her former fellow townsman, our respected friend Bruce Dennis, we have felt that the late meeting at Pendleton, as a civic example to doctors as well as laymen, merited the foregoing special mention, even in a journal which for twenty-five years has been devoted to scientific medicine.—Medical Sentinel, Portland.

LA GRANDE IMPLEMENT COMPANY IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Warehouse Has 8640 Square Feet of Floor Space—E. S. Norris Is the Manager—Orders For Parts of Machinery Will Be Filled.

The La Grande Implement Company, E. S. Norris, manager, is now open and ready for business at 1529 Jefferson street, occupying 8640 feet of floor space. Mr. Norris is well known in this county, having been a prominent rancher for many years and being a prominent granger and a leader in all farmers' movements.

Mr. Norris announces that the La Grande Implement Company has secured the agency for the following concerns:

Samson tractors.
The Litchfield Spreader.
Waterloo Boy one man tractor.
The Milwaukee binders, twine, reapers, chain drive mowers, knife grinders, gear drive mowers, hay tedders, hay rakes, sweep rakes and stackers, corn binders.

The Powerful Smalley silo fillers and alfalfa machinery.
Peoria Drills, discs, drills.
The Indiana silos.

The Shand Centrifugal Pumps.
King of the Woods drag saws.
Birdsell wagons.

Rock Island light tractor plows.
Johnston machines and implements.

Mr. Norris also announces that he will be prepared to fill all orders for parts, etc., so that it will not be necessary for farmers to patronize the eastern mail-order houses, as he will be prepared to fill all their needs.

THE OLD KICKIN' FARMER IS HEARD FROM

When the County Grange met at the Union experiment station in 1916, there were, as usual, some speakers from Corvallis, one of them in his opening remarks expressed his pleasure at meeting so many farmers but regretted that he couldn't get an opportunity to talk to the "kickers" who always stayed at home. The idea en-

tered M. L. Carter's head, "why not furnish them a 'kicker'?" so he composed the "Kicker Piece" and it made a great hit at the County Grange meeting this year. It follows:

These farms they have a purpose
For to make experiments,
They're not a livin' bit o' good,
But makin' of expense;
They always have a lot o' land
The finest in the state
There's farmin' tools and stock and barns

And everything ter date;
Some college chaps they run the thing,
Who thinks they're mighty bright,
But credits they be might slim

And debts pile out a' sight;
Then every year them regents come
And do a sight o' blowin',
While we dig up the deferit

To keep the thing a-goin'.
Now that's Jim Jones, who sent his boy

To that 'ere farmer skule,
To learn the thing from A 'ter Z
Do ev'rything by rule;

The boy kum home ter run the farm,
Jim thought that he war blessed,
And movin' famerly ter town
Prepared to take a rest;

Wa'n't a thing in that boy's head
But these experiments,
He hadn't larned a mite o' sense
'Bout figurin' up expense;

And after he had blowed in
Everything the old man had,
Never'd larned a thing o' farmin'
Only how ter plant his dad.

And now they've got another graft
This Agri-sculp-tur-ist
To peddle to us fellers

All the farmin' pints we've missed;
They didn't have so many pests
Ter fight when I was young,
I b'lieve this agriskulkerist's—

The very chap that brung—
And scattered these pestiferous things
The farmer man to rob,
A-causin' all this trouble, jist

Ter git himself a job;
I caught him getherin' worms and bugs

You bet I made him git,
For I know he wants ter send 'em
Where they haven't got 'em yet.
They never ax us who we want

To do the job—but rub
It inter us by humerin'
Some town commercial club,
Who votes the road bond millions

For a sport road to the sea,
But they're mighty shy on votin'
For a penitentiary;

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That's ter fight Old Kaiser Bill,
As shortage in the food supply
Is really alarmin'
The town kids they're to come and show us
How ter do the farmin'.
M. L. CARTER.

Born, Aug. 21st to Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Bussard of Seattle a baby boy, Rev. Bussard has been pastor of Zion's Lutheran Church here for the past three months.

Nobody is seriously alarmed at the continued flow of gold to Japan so

long as Japan is sending real wealth in exchange for it.

AUTO STAGE La Grande - Hot Lake

Leaves Red Cross Drug Store
7 a. m. 5:30 p. m.
1 p. m. 9:45 p. m.

Leaves Hot Lake
8 a. m. 6:30 p. m.
2 p. m. 10:30 p. m.

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