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LETTERS FROM THE BOYS.

The boys at the front are developing into very good war correspondents. Their letters are interesting, to the point, and full of observations that show that they are wideawake and that few things get by them. What wonderful experiences they are going through. Think of our Western boys taking part in submarine battles, flying in the air on airplanes, climbing the masts of battleships, aiming and firing the big guns, working the wireless, manning machine guns and artillery and doing the thousand and one things that soldiers, sailors and marines are called upon to do. One cannot read these letters without feeling proud of our Oregon boys and being inspired with the same

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Rippling Rhymes

By WALT MASON

Change of Subject.



I talked of war and dead men's bones till all around were tired, and something else than grief and groans my weary aunts desired. So then I talked about the crops, the barley and the wheat, till people heard my soulful yawns the whole length of the street. I said, "I'll give them divers tunes, from this, my willing lyre," and so discussed the price of prunes, the cost of baled hay wire. I spied a while of art and song, of flowers that bloomed in Spring, and thus I chirped the whole day long, of this and t'other thing. And every time I paused to draw a deep, refreshing breath, the other fellow plied his jaw, and talked of war and death. When all the world is talking scrap, and blood and snickersness, there's no attention for the chap who speaks of buds and bees. I'd like to hand out cheery words of wisdom to the push, I'd like to talk about the birds that carol in the bush. I'd sing of sunsets in the west, that gild the crag and tor, but when I pause to take a rest, some chap brings in the war.

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patriotism which bubbles out of the letters that they write to the folks at home.

COMBAT SMUT.

County Agriculturist Spillman urges the farmers to combat smut. He recommends treatment of wheat with either bluestone or formalin before planting. These are said to be the only practical remedies. With wheat at a good price and in such great demand, the farmers will play on the safe side and no doubt follow Mr. Spillman's advice, thus protecting their investment.

A COUNTY FAIR.

The Wallowa County Fair this year has been a great success. The attendance has been good, the interest keen. There is no doubt that competition among the exhibitors, livestock men and farmers is a good thing, while the annual fair is a fine, social event. Union County should not be without its county fair. It should be revived. There is no question about it being a good investment for the county.

It has been reported that Rev. C. A. Edwards is not to leave La Grande as at first announced. It is to be hoped that this is confirmed by the higher officials of the church. La Grande could ill afford to lose Mr. Edwards at this time.

ALL THE SAME DAY.

The same day that Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin, was justifying the sinking of the Lusitania, the Government gave out the German ambassador's message to the Kaiser asking for more money to be used to influence members of Congress in favor of Prussian barbarism. Thus La Follette and the Kaiser's bribery fund worked toward the same end; kindred enemies of human liberty and freedom.—Enterprise Record-Chieftain.

ARCADE Monday Night



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William Durieux, Cellist

Your only opportunity to hear these great artists.

RESERVED SEATS NOW SELLING

Lower Floor, \$1.00; Balcony, 75c, 50c.

Curtain 8:15.

A Trip Around The Store

WITH A NOTEBOOK

You will find listed below some of the many offerings for Saturday — these will be on display at our store together with many others for Saturday

ANOTHER SHIPMENT OF FALL SILKS JUST IN

These new Fall Silks are just in—the newest patterns and shades, in stripes and plaids. Prices \$1.75 to \$2.25

Many pretty plain colors in Silks are just in. Blue, Cherry, Taupe, Rose, Gold, Canary and Brown are among the popular shades for Fall. Prices \$1.65 to \$2.00.

NEW IDEAS IN COLORED UMBRELLAS FOR FALL

Many pretty shades with Ivory, Amber and Bone Handles, Plum, Brown, Green and Blue are the popular colors. See them in our windows.



FALL MILLINERY

The New Fall Millinery is more charming than ever. If you have not visited our Millinery Department as yet, pay us a visit tomorrow. We have many new modes to show you—every shape—height, width that is correct for Fall is represented here.

LADIES' WOOL SWEATERS

We have just received a new shipment of Ladies' Wool Sweaters. New ideas predominate this fall—belts all around, color combinations that are new and distinct.

Hockey caps, toques, and caps and scarf sets in all colors—plain and combined, wool, silk and wool and silk knit.

Green, blue, red and orange are the leading shades.

See our display of sweaters and caps tomorrow.

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A splendid assortment of Furs are on Display here. Red Fox, Mink, 'Opossum, Hudson Seal, Cnet Cat and many others. Your inspection invited tomorrow.

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