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My Country 'Tis of Thee, Sweet Land of Liberty.

ANNA HELD IS DEAD.

Death has claimed another personage of world-wide distinction. It is Anna Held. As an actress, Anna Held came in world prominence, and the stage has lost a wonderful character. From coast to coast life has been made happier and people gladder because of Anna Held.

PRONUNCIATION OF NAMES.

American soldiers have been advancing their lines in France so fast that those who "fight the battles at home" have not been able to keep pace in the pronunciation of the names of towns in the captured territory. For the benefit of those who want to know, herewith is presented a list of the towns that figure in the war news these days and others that promise to figure in the near future, with their correct pronunciation:

- Aisne, ain. Amiens, amee-on. Artois, artwa. Beauvais, bovay. Belleau, bellow. Chateau Thierry, shah-toe teery. Bethune, baytun. Chaulnes, shone. Croisilles, krawwil. Fismes, feem. Fere-en-Tardenois, fair-on-tardy-wa. Fresnois-en-Woevre, frain-on-wouvy. Haumont, ohmon. Le-Quenoi, lur-wainwah. Ligny, leenyee. Maroing, Warkwah. Mauver, movah. Mesiers, mayzyr. Neule, nail. Neully, nyuee. Nismes, neen. Oise, was. Oureq, oorl. Pierrefonde, Peeayrfon. Poitiers, pwahteeyn. Pont-a-Mousson, pwan-tah-mo-zon. Quatre-Bras, katr-brah. Roerot, rokwh. Roulers, roolay. Roisel, rwahzel. Roubaix, roolay. Roze, rooyay. Saint Die, san deay. Senlis, san lee. Soissons, swas-on. Solesmes, solaim. Suippes, sweep. Thiaucourt, teeo-koor. Thiel, teelh. Tongres, tongr. Toucoing, toor-kwan. Verwin, vervan. Vesle, veil. Vosges, vozsh.

Early American Diplomats.

The first American minister to France was Thomas Jefferson, who represented this country under the Confederation and during the revolution before the Constitution was organized. After the adoption of the Constitution, the United States was first represented in France by William Short as charge d'affaires (1790) and then by Gouverneur Morris (1792) as minister.

WITH THE SCIENTISTS

Electric lights that can be used for signaling are included in policeman's helmets that have been invented in England.

A steel for safes that breaks the best bits and defies hydrogen-acetylene blow pipe flames has been perfected in Europe.

By treating young chickens with high frequency, high voltage currents of electricity a London experimenter has made them grow more rapidly.

A highly nutritious bread has been invented by a European scientist who replaces milk and eggs with beef blood, blanched, sterilized and deodorized with hydrogen peroxide, which itself is a substitute for yeast.

MUCH IN LITTLE

Lying is in the East an art more than a vice.

Germany is trying a new style of locomotive capable of a speed of 68 miles an hour. It is to be used for heavy passenger service on the Breslau-Dresden and Breslau-Berlin lines.

The bureau of standards has found that better glass melting pots can be made of clays found in the United States than the clays imported from Germany, heretofore considered necessary.

House movers rolled Max Brodow's dwelling out in the street in Minneapolis, Minn., and struck for more money. Brodow appealed for police protection until the movers came back to work.

A market for electric light plants could be developed in South China if American products can be sold as reasonably and give as great satisfaction as British plants, which have been recently installed.

Francis Jones, New York negro subway porter, threw a bucket of water on what he thought was burning paper and went back to work. When he discovered it was a bomb he fell down a flight of stairs.

To remain beautiful eat an onion, half a pound of cabbage or spinach, a grated turnip and a handful of cranberries daily. Mrs. Anna Peterson, domestic science lecturer, told club women in St. Paul, Minn.

WITH THE SAGES

Pythagoras desired to be called not wise, like those who preceded him, but a lover of wisdom.—Quintilian.

Put oil on the wound and it will heal; be meek and the anger of thy brother will abate.—Pursee Bannerman, 1708.

Born for a very brief space of time we regard this life as an inn which we are soon to quit that it may be ready for the coming guest.—Seneca.

Old age is the consummation of life, just as of a play from the fatigue of which we ought to escape, especially when satiety is super-added.—Aeero.

The days are ever divine. They come and go like muffled and veiled figures; but they say nothing; and if we do not use the gifts they bring they carry them as silently away.—Emerson.

Obstinacy is will asserting itself without being able to justify itself. It is persistence without a reasonable motive. It is the tenacity of self-love substituted for that of reason and conscience.—Amliel.

WORDS OF WISE MEN

There is a vast difference between information and ideas, and the man of information may be useful like a dictionary, but may never be a force in the community.

Great men not only know their business, but they usually know that they know it, and are not only right in their main opinions, but they usually know that they are right in them.

If you desire not to be too poor, desire not to be too rich. He is rich, not who possesses much, but who covets no more, and he is poor, not who enjoys little, but he who wants too much.

He who thinks that he can find within his own breast that which may enable him to dispense with the whole world is much mistaken, but he who thinks that the world cannot do without him is still more mistaken.

THINGS WORTH KNOWING

By lifting three floor planks in a new motor-truck seats are formed upon which 38 men can be carried comfortably.

A wire clip to hold a cow's tail against one leg when she is being milked has won a patent for a Michigan inventor.

As a less-expensive substitute for an electric hair drier, an electrician in Europe has invented a device for warming combs.

Some Satisfaction.

Another reason why it is better to be an aviator than a motorist is because if your hat blows off the other aviators don't run over it.

Observer advertising will bring results.

QUIT WHITE HOUSE JOBS TO FIGHT



Charles Swen (on the right), the only stenographer who has taken the president's dictation since Mr. Wilson was first elected, and Warren Johnson, personal stenographer to Joseph P. Tumulty, the president's secretary, have joined the army. Swen, who has a wife and a child, will go into the aviation service, while Johnson will be assigned to some other branch. Both have been anxious for some time to get into uniform.

OVER THE NORTHWEST

Portland people are calling for the saving of all tin foil, which comes around tobacco packages, candy, etc., for the benefit of the Red Cross society. Receipts have been placed in many prominent places, and Red Cross agents make the collections. In this work they are assisted by many transfer companies. This tin foil is valuable to the government in making certain classes of war munitions.

In La Grande it has long been the custom to save tin foil for the use of the Red Cross, and there are receptacles in almost every prominent place in the city.

SALEM, Aug. 10.—George F. Rodgers, shipbuilder of Astoria, and former mayor of Salem, wants to use convicts to build ships. In a letter received by the state of board of control today Rodgers states that he is satisfied that free labor would not object to convicts working in the yards, and he states he is willing to give full pay for their services.

At least five days ahead of the official date of launching under the contract, the steamer Western Plains was floated by the Columbia River Shipbuilding Corporation at 4:15 o'clock Friday afternoon in Portland, making the ninth of the 8800-ton type to leave the ways there, eight of which were set afloat since January 1, the corporation keeping up its record of one each month.

R. E. Clanton, master fish warden of Oregon, was chosen president for the year of the Pacific Coast Fish Hatchery Association at its session in the Imperial Hotel in Portland Friday. Other officers named are: Vice-President, J. A. Talbot, fish warden-at-large in Oregon; secretary, H. C. Mitchell, superintendent of the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries; treasurer, J. N. Peters, of the Clatskanie hatchery. The following executive committee was elected: Professor W. H. Rich, chairman; John Ledgerwood, J. W. Barrian, James S. Bailey, I. H. Wilson, Dennis Winn and F. W. Smith.

Wheat production in Washington this season, as estimated on the condition of the crop August 1, promises an increase of 3,117,000 bushels over last year, according to the monthly crop report of the bureau on crop estimates of the department of agriculture here, made public tonight by E. T. Marchetti, the field agent. While winter wheat shows a falling off from last year of 1,435,000 bushels, spring wheat shows a corresponding increase of 4,552,000.

This season's entire wheat crop for the state is estimated at 32,345,000 bushels, of which 9,435,000 is winter wheat and 22,910,000 spring wheat.

Some one has made a mistake that bids fair to cost the people of Pendleton a considerable sum of money, whichever method is followed. At the time the new gravity system was completed and had been, as it was thought,

fully proven to be up to expectations of the people, the rating bureau for the insurance companies announced a reduction in the insurance rates of the city of from 10 to 25 per cent. This reduction was made with the understanding, either implied or understood, that the gravity system and the former pumping system would be used in conjunction for fire protection, and not because of the gravity system only.

As time went on the council permitted the pumping system to fall into disuse, and recently the electric motor, which was the property of the Pacific Power & Light Co., was taken out and sent over to Pasco, Wash., where this company owns the water plant.

Giving as reasons that fire conditions in the forests are extremely hazardous and that every available man is needed for war industries and for harvesting the crops, timber workers and lumber operators have asked Governor Withycombe to suspend the hunting season until climatic conditions make disastrous fires impossible. The season opens August 15.

Shippers of exhibits to the state fair will be allowed to transport them in one direction free, under a concession received from the railroad administration, through Senator McNary, according to announcement made by Secretary Lea, of the state fair board. Heretofore the Southern Pacific has transported the exhibits free both ways, and with that exception, the concession granted places the shipments on the same basis as they have been in the past. The railroad administration recently issued orders forbidding all shipments for state, county or city purposes free. This also covered shipments for charitable and exhibition purposes. Shippers of purebred animals also may ship them at release valuation, rather than at full valuation, Mr. Lea stated.

Women Soldiers in China. China had women soldiers long before they were known in Russia. During the 'Tao Ping' rebellion, 1850, women as well as men served in the ranks. In Nanjing, in 1853, an army of 500,000 women was recruited. They were divided into brigades of 13,000 each and were commanded by women officers.

Poet's Many Qualities. The poet must alike be polished by an intercourse with the world as by the studies of taste; one to whom labor is negligence, refinement a science, and art a nature.—Disraeli.

Human Machinery. We have headaches and colds, not at all realizing our body is in need of some good, pure oxygen.

Mechanics take much better care of their machinery than they do of their own bodies. They know that unless the machine is cleaned, oiled and rested occasionally it will not run properly. How often do they think of the importance of caring for their human machinery? They run it at the highest tension, feed it on stale air and improper food and then become surprised if it runs down.

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PAULINE LEDERLE

WHERE IS YOUR GAIN

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