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STRATEGY SHOWN.

The bulk of the war news now comes from the Bulgarian front, where the Serbian offensive is represented as making great progress. This activity in a new quarter shows the well-arranged plan of keeping the enemy busy at all points and in the localities where heavy attacks are the least expected. There is a probability that large demands have been made on the enemy forces in this part of the war zone to assist against the encroachments against the lines in French territory. Just as the forces are depleted to a proper cbb, a heavy smash comes that cannot be resisted and another big chunk of territory is wrested from the invading foe.

There is small chance of sending aid to the Bulgars as it may be reasonably assumed that all the available men are now in use to protect the retreating forces of Wilhelm.

It is part of the strategic plan to keep the whole outfit on the move and if the German military didn't know it already, the reports from Salonika will show that the Greeks, French and Serbians are also on the road to secure some of the glory in the victory-pointed smash.

It is the least of wonders that there is a cry for a consultation on the subject of peace.

GERMAN DEMANDS SHRINK.

German peace demands shrink as American armies grow. No sooner does Black John Pershing step in with the First American Field Army and reduce the St. Mihiel salient than Germany finds it can do without any portion of France, or even of Belgium.

Simultaneously it is decided in Potsdam that the indemnities to which Germany, "compelled to defend itself from strong enemies," is entitled, may also be postponed with a condition to a peace negotiated immediately.

Wilhelm, creating the curious spectacle of yelling vociferously for peace almost from the first day of the war of conquest he began, has deceived himself and his people with delightful German thar, outburst. No other highwayman has ever been more willing to make peace than Wilhelm, his pockets full of loot from France and Russia and his boots on the neck of Belgium. No one but a highwayman would have expected to have his "peace offers" heard.

Allied refusals to consider his various offers to resume a peace status without emptying his pockets on punishing him for the mistreatment of Belgium must be spoiling Wilhelm's faith in human nature. When Wilhelm begins to talk

about refunding the enormous force of payments he has wrested from Belgium; renouncing the Brest-Litovsk treaty and restoring the Russian lands he has over-run, making recompense to Belgium and France for the wanton destruction wrought, then will he find the allies beginning to take interest in his conversation.

The Kaiser will never announce peace terms acceptable to the allies until he is "leading" his routed armies back to Berlin.

ZOOLOGICAL TREATISE.

Various Opinions Given As To The Yellow Dog.

As an example of how the Yellow Dog appears to the public the following Zoological Treatise has been composed from expressions of opinion voiced in the thousands of communications addressed to Henry Irving Dodge, founder of the Nation-wide movement to suppress the spread of enemy propaganda. Mr. Dodge defined the thoughtless American who circulated Hundred lies as Yellow Dogs and his description of the two-legged monster patriot has been amplified by the members of the Anti-Yellow Dog Clubs that have been formed in practically every city in the United States.

What is "The Yellow Dog"?
He is a very peculiar animal.
He is a camouflaged dachshund.
He is changeable like a chameleon.

He is a low, white-livered skunk.
He is a snake in the grass.
He carries a tale of woe.
He snaps at the American eagle.
He would destroy the bluebird of happiness.

He lives on the bone of contention.
He is spotted with kaiserism.
He would harass the English lion.

He sneers on the lily of France, and the chrysanthemum of Japan.
He has the fangs of a serpent.
He has the hide of a rhinoceros.
His bite spreads the rabies of "kultar."

His mouth foams with Hun-hatched propaganda.
He bites the hand that feeds him.

He is a zebra marked with the stripes of the Wilhelmstrasse.
He is a cat who when trouble comes seeks the nearest hole.
The Yellow Dog is a hound of hell.

He is a porcupine who shoots his quills of hate in all directions.
He is a parrot who jabbars only the doggerel of kultar taught by his master.

He is a bannicle who would lay the ship of state up for repairs.
He is a whale who spouts his omission of Teutonism.

He is an owl who with slimy slipperiness wiggles out of the clutches of the law.

He is an owl who feigning wisdom, looks at all things wide while.

He is a moth, dazzled by the flame of Prussianism, who stands ready to dash his foolish head against the wall.

He is a tick, who would make miserable the trusty oxen who are bearing the yoke of the war.

He is a wasp, who adding no sweetness to the world, stings his way through life.

He is an ostrich who sticks his head in the sands of time, and thinks because he can not see the light of humanity that none can see his dastardly deeds.

The Yellow Dog is a cow who kicks over the bucket of milk of human kindness.

He is a bull maddened by the sight of red, white and blue.
He howls the hymn of hate night and day.

He is a wolf in sheep's clothing.
He wears the collar of the Hohenzollerns.

He is from the kennel of Kaiserism.

SHEEP ON FARMS

Eastern Practice Should Be Adopted In The West.

In the Mississippi valley states and in other parts of the eastern country almost every farmer keeps a few sheep. The big extensive range and the herds of thousands are unknown, because such a condition is an impossibility. The state of Ohio produces more wool than some of the Pacific Coast states that consider the sheep business one of the greatest industries. This big output in the east is made up by thousands of owners, instead of by thousands of sheep belonging to one man.

It should be just as easy to own sheep in small lots by farmers in the west as in the east. The average western farm has more room and a greater amount of forage than that found further east, and for this reason a few sheep as a side line should be as practical here as in the countries where the small flock is the rule. The advantage ought to be with the west, because sheep would be the means of destroying a vast amount of growth that can well be spared, even without the consideration of profit in the sheep themselves. It is a possibility that Grande Ronde would soon be rid of a class of noxious weeds, such as wild morning glory, mustard and many other species that are making the fields less and less productive.

In any event it is a venture that is worth while to try.

PRESS COMMENT

All Papers But New York Times Opposed To Peace Talk.

While the New York Times stands practically alone as an advocate of taking the Austrian proposal seriously, that paper further says:

"For the actual and moving cause of the proposals we must look to the battlefields of France. The French, British and American troops, under command of Marshal Foch, the advancing and victorious legions directed by Haig, by Petain and by Pershing, have brought about this complete change in the minds and in the attitude towards the war of Vienna and of Potsdam.

"The reflux current that began to bear the Germans back from the Marne on July 18 and has never ceased its irresistible sweep, extinguished their last hopes of victory; St. Mihiel comes as an admonition of impending and irretrievable disaster."

Must Not Stop War Plans.
The Times declares all belligerents desire the end of the war, but said: "It would be the worst of blunders for us or any of the entente allies to abate war preparations now."

Commenting on what might be forced from the central powers, the newspaper said:

"A peace that left Germany master of the East would be a crime against ourselves and our posterity. Control of vast regions where she could renew her now diminished might she must now and for all time renounce. The restorations and reparations to be decreed in the west are equally indispensable but reiteration has made them familiar."

Other Papers Oppose Plan.
Other New York newspapers declared the proposals must be rejected as they now stand.

No one but a German or a vassal of Germany could imagine that with the responsible leaders of Prussian militarism almost as false and boastful as ever, a peace by negotiation is possible," the World said.

"The awful tragedy of this war is not to be thus adjusted. No lie is to come triumphant from the fields where so many brave men have perished."

The Tribune asked: "Do we believe what we say about this German thing—that it is frightful beyond redemption, that it has no faith to pledge, that it has betrayed the very principles of civilization, that it cannot be lived with and that it must be utterly destroyed?"—and then pointed to the crimes which have been committed. "Germany has lost this war," it continued. "The peace offensive is now her most dangerous weapon. Let it break itself upon the text 'he that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity, he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword.'"

BEST KNOWN BREEDERS OF SECTION TO ENTER CATTLE AT STATE FAIR.

In discussing the representation to be made at the State Fair next week, County Agent Spillman said this morning:

"Union County Shorthorn have been exhibited at the various fairs in the northwest, but not at the Oregon State Fair in recent years."

"At the present time W. J. Townley of Union and G. W. De Lay of Hot Lake have a carload of cattle which they have shown at the Walla Walla Fair, and which with the addition of another carload sent to the State Fair at Salem will make a good showing. These two breeders have been the most extensive advertisers of their cattle in the county. They have been making the south-eastern Oregon, southern Idaho and Pacific International circuits with their cattle during the past several years, and this year have also shown at the Walla Walla County Fair."

"The exhibit made at the Walla Walla Fair did not consist of a complete show herd, consequently, they were shown at a disadvantage, but the exhibit they will make at the Salem Fair will consist of a complete herd which will give the cattle a much better opportunity to compete with other entries as an incomplete herd does not give the breeder a chance to compete in all the different classes. The competition will be keen at the State Fair as the best herds of the Pacific Coast will be shown, and any animal which will win in the Shorthorn class will have to be a good one."

Union County horses have for several years set a pace in their classes at the State Fair, and our cattle will make an equally enviable reputation."

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS HAVE BOOTH AT STATE FAIR.

The Christian Scientists of this State, as has been their custom in past years, propose to establish and maintain a Christian Science Booth at the State Fair at Salem, Oregon, to be held September 23 to 28. This will be in the nature of a reading and rest room where free Christian Science literature will be distributed and where visitors will be made welcome to spend a quiet hour reading or resting.

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ALFALFA SEEDING.

Charles Playle of Alceel is trying out a new method of seeding alfalfa, and from present indications it looks as though it would be successful under conditions such as exist on his farm.

In the latter part of August, immediately after the first rains, he seeded 30 pounds of forty-fold wheat and 10 pounds of alfalfa seed to the acre on summer fallow. At the present time both the alfalfa and the wheat are making a splendid growth and from all indications the alfalfa will be far enough advanced to withstand the winter, when cold weather sets in. Of course, this method of seeding must have favorable weather conditions to make it a success, such as this year's. Much of the alfalfa is already six inches in height, and as the land on the Sandridge does not have very readily these plants will undoubtedly come through the winter in good shape. However, this remains to be seen.

FALSE RUMOR SPREAD.

No Known Cases Of Nurses Sent Home Mutilated.

A hotel guest at Ashbury Park, N.J., has heard the following story from a chance acquaintance, who declared he had been told it by an eye-witness.

"While traveling on a ferry from New York City, he noticed a young man and woman standing at one end of the boat. The woman was wrapped in a large blue cloak. At intervals, the man would take out his handkerchief and wipe the lips of the woman, who seemed to be shivering at the mouth. The people began to gather around the couple, and the man, becoming humiliated, drew the cloak from the woman, who turned out to be a nurse, and whose tongue had been cut out. Later it developed that the young woman was just returning from France, where she had been on duty as a Red Cross nurse."

Stories of this sort have been put in circulation in all parts of the country since the call went out for Red Cross volunteers for service in France. All the stories that were pieced enough to be investigated have been found to be false. No mutilated American nurse has been returned to this country and none has been reported in France. The reports seem obviously designed to discourage nurses from volunteering.

The correspondent who reports the picturesque lie from Ashbury Park unfortunately did not ask the name of his "chance acquaintance" or inquire who was the "eye witness," who had vouched for the yarn. Loyal citizens are asked to obtain correct names and addresses in all such cases and send the information to the Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.

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