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Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.—Matthew 6:21.

GOLD!

Gold rushes are becoming as frequent as political investigations. Canada has had two quite recently, the United States several, Africa and Australia at least one apiece, and now comes Mexico with one of her own, which—if reports are not exaggerated—is the largest and richest of the present crop.

The Mexican strike is said to be producing pay dirt worth \$149,000 a ton and to be making fortunes for the discoverers of the vein, a grocery clerk and his friend, and hundreds of Mexican peons.

If it is true that 33,000 claims have been staked out around the arroyo in which the first nuggets were found, the disappointed will far exceed the fortunate. For every one who comes away rich, thousands will slave and starve for days and weeks without finding their bonanza.

These gold strikes bring welcome news to the world in the face of a threatened gold shortage. It is hoped they will produce enough gold to supply the growing needs of the gold standard countries, which are now troubled to know what to do in the emergency of a gold shortage is brought upon them.

There may always be occasional gold rushes, but the Yukon, Klondyke and '49 days seem to be ended for all time. The magic cry of "Gold" no longer draws the treasure hunters across continents, although prospectors still answer the call from hundreds of miles and through desert and wilderness.

THE RECENT CATASTROPHE

At a distance of several thousand miles it is difficult to visualize the horror and havoc of the earthquake which destroyed Managua, capital of Nicaragua, a few days ago.

Not since 1906, when fire following an earth quake shock devastated San Francisco, has a catastrophe of similar proportions befallen this continent.

Buildings crumbled, more than a thousand dead, thousands injured and 20,000 homeless, fire obliterating the ruins, and the water supply cut off, Managua is a stricken city.

President Hoover is to be commended for his prompt action in offering all available relief to the unfortunate city. The United States has ever responded to a need like this.

Old Man Winter has seemed a very mild-mannered, quiet old fellow, but from reports coming from various parts of the country, he evidently likes to step out once in a while.

Man's energy is worth one cent an hour, declare scientists, when applied to generating electricity. But who wants to generate electricity for that salary?

Socialists declare that all the political parties are corrupt and grafting, and so they want to put all the industries into politics.

In Washington

By Herbert Plummer
WASHINGTON — No one believes more fervently in that age-old axiom that "we learn by experience" than do Uncle Sam's fighting men.

At the close of the Civil war, much effort was put forth by the army to assimilate and publish for future use the valuable lessons learned in that conflict.

Now the same thing is being done with the world war.

In one of those temporary structures hastily thrown up during the days of the war, some 40 men daily engage in sifting more than 170,000,000 records of the world war for future reference.

They are the papers used for communication and administrative purposes in the A. E. F. and here at home. Perhaps a better idea as to how many there are may be gained by saying that they fill 7,882 filing cases. Each case contains four drawers, bulging with some 5,000 records.

The War On Paper
Briefly, they are the communications that General Pershing and all other commanding officers wrote and received. They contain messages, memoranda, vouchers and things like that.

The work is slow and tedious. Less than 300 of these filing cases have been indexed to date. The army war college, under whose supervision the work is being done, estimates vaguely that it will take six or eight years to whip the valuable records into shape.

And it is only these that the army is interested in. Out of the 176,000,000 documents, probably not more than 500,000 finally will be judged worth preserving.

Probably after these records have been put in order an attempt will be made to publish an history of the world war. That, however, remains to be seen. There are those who believe

TEN YEARS AGO
(From Observer, Tues. April 12, 1921)
Geo. T. Cochran, state superintendent, goes to Salem this evening to attend a water board meeting.

The necessity of an air landing field in or near La Grande was discussed at this noon's meeting of the Ad club.

For the purpose of devoting entire attention to its marble quarries in the Lostino basin, where the finest grade of marble west of Vermont is produced, the Wallowa Marble and Granite company yesterday sold its finishing and retail plant in La Grande to E. C. Davis, owner of the Blue Mountain Marble and Granite company.

ONE YEAR AGO
(From Observer, Thurs. Apr. 10, 1930)
The first annual commencement exercises at the Eastern Oregon Normal school will be held Tuesday, June 10.

The Portland O-W club will send a large number of contestants to La Grande on Sunday, May 18 for athletic competition.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Straw on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Hice, of Perry, are the parents of a baby daughter, born yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Adskin are the parents of a baby girl born yesterday.

HILGARD PERSONALS

By Wilmerth Weimer (Observer Correspondent)
HILGARD, Ore. (Special) — Two recent deaths, those of Howard F. Staret and Rex Brown, came as a shock to the community. Mr. Staret lived in Hilgard for about ten years, being the railroad agent. He was a man who worked for the betterment of the community and his services will be greatly missed. Rex Brown lived here for several years with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bohr. Last year he moved to Perry with his grandparents and made that his home. His parents live in Nebraska. Mrs. Brown came Wednesday, immediately upon receiving word of his death, and was accompanied to Corvallis by John Thornbue, of Hilgard. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Morehead and son, Bruce, and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Kerr left Sunday morning for Seattle where they will join Mrs. Morehead's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips, who are spending their vacation there.

Mrs. Harry Weis and daughters returned to their home at Mt. Emily Sunday afternoon after visiting in town for several days.

Joe Griffin returned to his home at Mt. Emily camp Monday afternoon. Mr. Griffin was called to Baker by the sickness of his father. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Keffer went to Elgin Saturday where they will visit for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rees and two daughters, Mary Ellen and Barbara Jane, and Wilmerth and Alice Mae Weimer, spent Easter Sunday visiting at the E. C. Rees home at Cove.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Breshers, of Prosser, Wash., have moved into one of the cabins at the Five Points Service station. Mr. Breshers is the mechanic for the Johnson Construction company.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Weimer and J. M. Mitchell, of Cove, spent Easter Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Weimer.

Mrs. Jennie Holmerson left recently for Portland where she will visit with her two sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Coats returned to their home at Mt. Emily logging camp Friday.

Mrs. Frank Wells and brother, Gordon Barker, of Alico, were visitors at the J. B. Weimer home Monday.

John Wells brought in the first band of ewes and lambs that have been brought to the mountains for summer range. Other sheep companies of Pendleton, Arlington and Echo plan to begin shipping in about the first of May.

Ray Van Orsdale, of Pendleton, was a Hilgard visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Haskins returned to their home here Monday. Mr. Haskins has been employed by a construction company at Wallula.

Roland Thomas, of Starkey, was in La Grande Monday on business. He returned to his home Wednesday.

Daffodil, Onion Are Attacked By Serious Blight

SALEM, Apr. 10 (AP) — What has been identified by Frank P. McWhorter, assistant pathologist at the state college as the ramularia blight which he terms is a "new and very serious one" has been discovered on some daffodils here growing in the private gardens of S. H. Van Trump, county horticultural inspector. What is considered by both Van Trump and McWhorter as a serious phase of the situation is the fact that Van Trump reports the disease apparently has also appeared on some onions growing in the same garden. Prof. McWhorter has written Van Trump he will be here Sunday to make personal inspection of the blight, samples of which had been sent him for inspection.

Van Trump says the blight appears at the extreme tip of the daffodil's leaves and as a blooming progresses works down the leaves. With blighting well advanced he states the leaves lie sere and dead on the ground. The matter is of especial interest here as this district ships hundreds of cartons of onions and some cartons of daffodil bulbs every year.

indictment and told the jury of the reputed activities of the defendants and of stills having been operated on remote farms of Oregon and Washington.

Six of the 15 defense attorneys gave brief opening statements. The others reserved the right to deliver their opening statements after the government rests.

ARISTOCRATS OF AVIATION HONOR DR. J. H. KIMBALL

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sented him with a small silk flag that he and his companions carried in their flights over the ocean and the antarctic.

His voice shaking with emotion, Dr. Kimball remained a scientist in his acknowledgement.

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He closed with a "dream."
"Byrd whispered it to me before the tumult had subsided on his return from Paris: I've heard it from each of you, and yesterday Lindbergh and I toyed with it—a crossing at 25,000 feet, far above an unfriendly ocean, at 300 miles an hour, no fog, no ice, and a glorious sky overhead — well, not yet, but we hope, soon."

LIQUOR RING CHARGED BY PROSECUTION

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tribution of liquor in Oregon and Washington.

Ten Pled Guilty
Ten of the defendants have pleaded guilty. Eight others are fugitives.

Charles W. Erskine, assistant United States attorney, outlined the

schmidt, 75, her daughter, Frau Martha Valentine, 55, and Frau Toni Weismann, 52. They shut themselves in a room and turned on the gas sometime yesterday.

RIGHT OF WAY SUITS FILED

KLAMATH FALLS, Apr. 10 (AP) — Nine suits for condemnation of property for the right of way of the Great Northern railway in its extension south from Klamath Falls, were on file in circuit court here today. They were filed by Fletcher Rockwood, attorney for the company.

They were the first to be filed by the railroad, and the first intimation the line has had serious trouble in obtaining its right-of-way.

RAIL HEARING APR. 27

WASHINGTON, Apr. 10 (AP) — The interstate commerce commission today set for hearing on April 27 at Olympia, Wash., applications of certain Northwestern roads for permission to operate over the Longview, Portland and Northern Railway.

Playing Cards

What European country first had playing cards is much debated, for all have made claims. Probably starting from Hindustan, they went east and west around the world. One authority gives precedence to the claim of Italy, with Spain a close contender. However, reference works offer a bewildering variety of assertion on these points.

Blazer Edwards' "Dictionary of Words, Facts and Phrases" ascribes their origin to Arabia, and asserts that they were brought to Europe during the Crusades.

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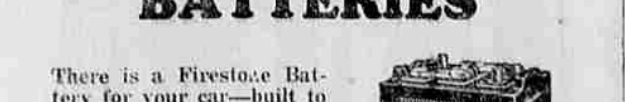
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The News Used To Be:

It is not the job of the army to write such a history. Two monographs were prepared for publication, but never printed.

Historians' Feast
A publication called the Order of Battle has been prepared and will be published in the near future. But this gives merely a brief record of every large unit in the war.

It contains some 700 pages, and army officers say that it will be a valuable reference.

The officers in charge of indexing this information say that the knowledge contained in these records will be of distinct military value, regardless of whether or not it is used to write a history of the war.

Col. S. C. Vestal, in charge of the historical section of the war college, says:

"It will never be out of date—not in the next century."

And although an official history of the world war never may be written, if at some future time such a volume were to be authorized, the authors will find that these papers have been indexed in such a manner to make them readily accessible.