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THE WAR GERM

No Ferret or Serum Yet Discovered That Will Kill It.

Medical science has increased in power and wrought many miracles during the past few years. As the ferret is introduced into a building to destroy the rats that infest it, science now injects into a sick man's arteries a germ to fight and kill the other germ that is feasting upon and fast destroying the life of the person who inhabits. Thus diphtheria is not much longer feared for the ferret has been found to kill its venom.

In other cases a serum introduced into the circulation starts always on guard to kill the germs that may be introduced through the water drunk or foul air breathed. This kills the germ of typhoid, and another gives to small-pox infantile paralysis. Again the causes of certain diseases have been traced out and people are warned to give these no food to fatten upon, and also to smother them so soon as they are born. This has about removed the fear of yellow and Panama fevers.

Lord Bryce wants, when the present war is fought to a finish, such a peace made as will insure the world against future wars, and wants the United States called in to assist in the adjustment. It is a generous thought; we are sure our government will respond to such a call, if it does not first inaugurate a plan for peace, but, really, what Lord Bryce wants is as yet impossible, for no serum has been found that can kill the fierce germ of war in the hearts of men; no preventative that can meet it and smother it in its inception.

As medical scientists hope eventually to subdue or prevent all diseases, so good men read their bibles and believe that the time will come when the nations will learn war no more. But the nations are not yet prepared for that time—the wild beast in the souls of men is still in its full strength.

It has been found that many of the most virulent diseases have their germs originate and nursed to full strength by filth.

It is in the filth of ignorance, superstition, hatred, envy, malice and the lust of power and avarice, that the germs of war are hatched and brought to full growth in the hearts of nations. At this stage of the world, nations should strive to keep their hearts free from that filth that they may give no offense. At the same time they should see that their shores and their people are provided with the best known preventatives to keep the germs of war away and combat them in case they effect a landing.—Goodwin's Weekly.

KENTUCKY MOB LYNCHES NEGROES

Six Thousand Persons in Crowd. Bodies Thrown in Fire.

Paducah, Ky., Oct. 16—Two negroes were lynched by a mob here today and their bodies burned. One was charged with attacking a white woman and the other was accused of voicing approval of his action.

One was taken from the county jail and the other was seized on the streets. Followed by a crowd estimated at 6000 persons, a large part of them in automobiles, the negroes were taken to the home of the woman, about two miles away. While one of them was held for identification the other was taken to a tree, a rope thrown over a limb, his neck encircled in a noose and an automobile hitched to the other end. As soon as the other negro had been identified as the assailant of the woman he was led to the same tree and the process repeated. After assuring themselves that both negroes were dead the members of the mob lowered the bodies and buried them on a blazing pile of brush.

The lynchings came after five hours of labor to enter the cells in the jail and were the outcome of an attack made Friday upon Mrs. George Rose at her home in the suburbs.

Sugar is to Advance to \$8 Hundred Pounds.

Portland, Oct. 17—Sugar will be advanced another 10 cents tomorrow in the local market lifting the price of cane to \$8 which will be 45 cents under the record. This makes a recovery in the market of \$1 since last September.

The advances have been as follows: September 15, advance of 25 cents; September 22, advance of 25 cents; October 3, advance of 15 cents; October 4, advance of 10 cents; October 12, advance of 15 cents and tomorrow, advance of 10 cents.

74 Aeroplanes Shot Down in One Month.

Berlin, Oct. 16—(By wireless to Sayville)—Seventy-four hostile aeroplanes, of which 21 were French and 53 were British, were shot down by the Germans during September, according to an exact list compiled by the German military authorities, says an Overseas News agency statement.

KILLS MAN IN YARD

Suspected Victim of At- tempting to Wreck Home--Slayer Sur- renders.

Klamath Falls, Or., Oct. 16—Ed Way, a woods foreman for the Algoma Lumber company, was shot and killed Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Henry Hobbs, a homesteader, who suspected Way of attempting to wreck Hobbs' home. Hobbs met Way before the Hobbs house and shot him with a shotgun at a distance of six feet, blowing off Way's head. Hobbs' wife and half sister were the only witnesses.

The slayer then came to Klamath Falls and surrendered to the sheriff and is now in jail awaiting the coroner's inquest, which will be held tomorrow. He refuses to talk of the affair, and and the only two witnesses, the slayer's wife and half sister, are also silent as to the tragedy and the circumstances leading up to it. Hobbs recently complained to the district attorney that Way was trying to force his attentions on Mrs. Hobbs. The slayer has two small children. Way lived in Klamath Falls and leaves a wife and children here.

Salt Evaporation a Big Industry

In the production of that indispensable condiment, salt, the United States is happily independent of all other countries. The 33,231,496 barrels of salt produced in 1915 by 14 states, Porto Rico, and Hawaii constituted 99 per cent of the salt consumed in the United States, and much more could easily have been supplied had the demand required it, according to the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior.

Salt occurs naturally in two distinct ways—as rock salt in beds or associated with bedded or sedimentary deposits and in natural brines. The larger part of our salt is obtained by converting rock salt that lies deep below the earth's surface into artificial brines, which are pumped to the surface and there evaporated. Some idea of the quantity of salt evaporated from natural brines may be gained from statistics of the output of New York, Michigan, and Kansas alone, for the calendar year 1915. In Michigan, 6,708,261 barrels of evaporated salt, having a value of \$3,635,692, were produced; in New York, 3,443,464 barrels, valued at \$1,720,434; and in Kansas, 1,991,756 barrels, valued at \$996,060.

INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Manufactures, Enterprises and Improvements, Providing Payrolls and Promot- ing Development of Oregon.

Bandon—Sixes River placers and local black sand mines purchased and will be developed by New York capitalists.

Tillamook will try to add 125 square miles territory to the port district to secure needed money for improvements.

Roseburg—Sugar beets from this county shipped to Grants Pass sugar factory.

Bandon—Contract let for construction of another lumber ship here.

Astoria—Big paving contract has started construction work.

Wedderburn—Salmon pack on Rogue River largest in 35 years.

Brookings—Lumber company erecting twenty additional cottages. Has invested \$1,500,000 in its plant. Everybody at Brookings is looking forward to the completion of the Southern Pacific coast line railroad between Coos Bay and Eureka.

St. Johns—Shipyard here building motorship for large cannery firm.

Donald—Williams Bros. install gas tractor for plowing.

North Bend—Largest wooden vessel ever built on Pacific coast has just been launched. Vessel is 235 ft. long and has a capacity of 1,250,000 feet of lumber.

Coos Bay Harbor—The Southern Pacific is doing its full share for Coos Bay. This road is a branch in its present form, and is the only branch road the S. P. Co. has given a through train.

Springfield will ship 100 carloads late potatoes.

Douglas county has developed grape industry to shipping large quantities.

Malheur Gazette—If this state can make a Sunday blue law and Congress can reduce the hours of labor to a minimum, Utopia will have been reached and we will abide there for a time. The time will not be long, for these and other proposed laws, if enacted will raise the cost of living and time of idleness to the point of starvation, the point where no one can afford to work and none can afford to buy.

Coos Bay may get a large wood-croosing plant.

Corvallis—State conferences held here at Agricultural college to have state acquire limestone and go into lime industry.

Paisley adopts plans for \$30,000 public school.

Sellwood will fight location of a tuberculosis hospital in that city.

Portland—1200 men in yards here building ships for Norway.

Wilsonville—Floral firm to build \$8,000 greenhouse near here.

Oswego cement plant to resume operations at once.

Judging from sentiment expressed by voters over the state, the Lind and Loan measure, (single tax) will be snowed under deeper this election than ever before.

It costs more to conduct the affairs of the city of Portland than it costs for the state of Oregon. Yet the state has 800,000 people and the city 250,000.

Eugene issued permits for seven new houses in September.

Hillsboro—Carnation milk condensery adding \$50,000 unit to plant here.

Baker—September building permits total \$11,200.

Donald get lot of new houses.

Hermiston apple industry yielding carload shipments.

Grants Pass—Plans secured for new court house to cost \$69,000.

Wheeler county to vote on \$80,000 road bonds.

Bend—Work started on new three-story hotel.

Conservative estimates place value of Hood River Valley agricultural products at \$1,500,000.

Stanfield—Standard Oil Co. to erect distributing system here.

10 Killed in Railroad Accident

Elwood, Neb., Oct. 16—Ten men were killed and 11 others seriously injured when a train on the Burlington railroad crashed into a freight caboose, 12 miles east of here Sunday.

All the victims are residents of Nebraska, most of them farmers or stockmen.

OX TEAM PIONEER ASKS

GASOLINE ROAD Ezra Meeker Here to Get Aid for Proposed Trans- continental High- way.

Portland, Oct. 16—To interest the people of the nation in the construction of the proposed "Pioneer Way," a national highway from Washington, D. C., to Portland, Ezra Meeker, the famous pioneer, is making another transcontinental trip, and will spend several days in Portland. Mr. Meeker arrived here from the North yesterday and will confer with the Chamber of Commerce and the Automobile club officials to get their active support.

Mr. Meeker just completed a trip across the continent by automobile. He left Washington, D. C., May 5, and reached Tacoma September 12. The purpose of the highway is to give a hard surface boulevard across the continent to be used for military and pleasure purposes and to commemorate the pioneers.

Per Capita Taxation Must Come Down.

A chart prepared by the Tax Commission of Wisconsin shows the total per capita tax by states, counties and cities for all the states in the union to be \$35.73 for each man, woman and child.

This would make the average family of five pay \$178.65 per year, and in California where the average per capita is highest the average family would pay \$391.95 per year, or \$78.39 per person. The next highest states are also in the west—Oregon, Nevada, Washington, Nebraska and Montana. Idaho and Colorado are a little lower than New York, and Utah is just below the average—\$34.40.

The fault for the constant increase does not lie with administrative officials or assessors or collectors although they have to bear the criticism in part, but with legislative bodies yielding to demands.

State, county, city and school legislative bodies provide more offices, raise salaries, multiply boards and commissions, order improvements and extravagances that must come out of the taxpayer's pocket.

Costly commissions created at the demand of plausible reformers have heaped up and multiplied burdens until the people of the state groan and cry out for relief and legislative bodies should let up.

The trouble is that for ten months in the year the reformer, the educator, the philanthropist at public expense are busy calling for public expenditures and only for two months in campaigns is there any discussion of the need of retrenchment.—Pacific Coast Manufacturer.

Efficiency and Overhead

A number of educators conventions and conferences of parents and teachers are being held in several parts of the state.

Most of the work is directed along a single line, to get new laws for levying more taxes, raising salaries and making jobs.

It is a fact that public school expenditures in Oregon, including higher education have increased 300 per cent in ten years.

The state has not increased in wealth or population in that time 100 per cent, neither have incomes of citizens or wages increased.

The crusade to raise salaries of all teachers, regardless of efficiency or experience, and to pay women the same as men, has been largely responsible.

The fact is, in no other occupation are women paid as much as men for the simple reason that forty jobs are open to men for one to women.

The state organization of educators has put over arbitrary rules for their own benefit that doubles the cost of overhead in schools without corresponding efficiency.—Pacific Coast Manufacturer.

The esteemed New York Herald is now printing its quadrennial series of "straw" votes—for the pleasure of its readers.

These sensible Otzora troops will doubtless understand how it is if their beloved Sultan is not able to make many visits to the Riga front.

Roumania is reported on the offensive while King of Greece continues on the fence.

OUR OWN STATE

Some Recent Happenings in Various Parts of Oregon.

Falling Horse Injures Him

With three toes of his right foot broken, John Klippel, United States customs inspector at Portland, is at the home of his parents at Medford. He met with the accident near Klamath, October 8, while spending his vacation. He was out horseback riding. The tooting of an automobile approaching behind him caused the animal to run through a wire fence. Soon afterward the beast fell. When it went down the foot of Mr. Klippel was caught in such a way as to fracture the bones in the toes. An account of the affair was received at the customs house this morning.

Sugar Factory Starts Monday

Grants Pass, Or., Oct. 16—The new beet sugar factory will start making sugar a week from today, everything now being in readiness. Several carloads of beets have arrived in addition to those brought in by wagons.

Nitrate Fields Examined

Vale, Or., Oct. 16—Hoyt S. Gale, U. S. geological survey man, an expert in nitrates, has just completed an examination of the nitrate fields in Harney county, near Wagon Tire mountain. He came here at the request of Congressman N. J. Sinnott. His report has been withheld.

Ice Company Elects Its Officers

Ashland, Or., Oct. 16—The Ashland Ice & Storage company operating large ice and storage plants both in Ashland and Medford, has elected officers for the coming year. G. S. Butler is president; J. H. Simpson, vice president, and H. L. Whited, secretary. J. G. Hurt was elected treasurer and manager. Ashland and Medford are both icing stations for the Pacific Fruit express.

Stabbed 11 years ago, She Now

Asks for a Divorce

Portland, Oct. 16—Gertrude L. Lefever waited 11 years after her husband stabbed her in the back with a knife before she filed her suit for divorce. The stabbing charge is one in a divorce complaint filed by Mrs. Lefever, whom she married in Ellettsville, Ohio, June 10, 1905. Mrs. Lefever charges her husband frequently kicked and beat her from the day of their marriage to December 1, 1905, when she left him and went to live with her mother. She alleges he stabbed her in November, 1905.

Hardware Store Raided

Roseburg, Or., Oct. 16—The hardware store of S. K. Sykes was raided Saturday night, under the direction of District Attorney Neuner, and two-thirds of a case of beer was found, addressed to a woman of this city. A charge will probably be filed against Sykes for having in his possession a package of liquor to which he is not legally entitled, or if this should be satisfactorily explained a charge of conducting a nuisance may be brought against him. Locked doors delayed the raid for 10 minutes, and in that time the women and men, who were said to be drinking and carousing in a rear apartment, escaped by a secret passage through a Chinese restaurant.

Shortage of Coal is Feared

New York, Oct. 16—A shortage of coal is in prospect for this city this winter, according to dealers, who declare their bins are being depleted their shipments delayed and that the outlook for immediate or eventual relief is poor. The shortage applies to both hard and soft coal.

Failure to receive the usual amount of coal is attributed to a scarcity of labor at the mines and lack of cars for transportation.

However, the narrow black strip on the western front acquired by the allies doesn't assure a Berlin dinner next Christmas.

Another reason for keeping evangelists away from the border is that some militant might start up "Onward Christian Soldiers."

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Lewis Ulrich

The Pioneer Store

Jacksonville, Ore.