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## It's You


$T$ HESE are great days for opportunities. We are in-
formed by the woolen manufac turers that they will be unable in a short time to supply us with
some of our most attractive colors. The paint men are telling us that colors are costing fore the war. The printers supply houses imform us that the price of red inks have gone up that some blues will shortly be unobtainable. The chemical supply houses are informing
their customers that their goods will cost them from one to ten times what they cost a couple of at all. The explanation of the whole thing is that "it is made
in Germany," and the supply is stopped.
These are only a few of the thousand things the European countries have been supplying as. Why not be independent? Why not some wide awake aggregation of capitalists open up tion of these things right here at home - in Portland. Hasn't America just as good chemists as Germany? If America doesn't have them, can't she produce as good as any and Americans have the energy. The capital is needs the factories and here is a chance to get in on something that no one else in the country has tried. It is a rare chance who have the enterprise to accept the opportunity.
A CCORDING to the latest information both from the
magazines and papers it would be a timely thing for Congress to get busy with the army supply appropriations. Unless things take a decidely different turn this country will be absolutely at outs with Germany and Austria before the winter is over. Government officials have given out for publicity only a fraction of the information at hand relative to the chicanery that has been carried on in this country with the purpose of
crippling our commerce and shaping politics to conform to the wishes of the warring na tions of Europe. The effort to avoid war has overridden judg ment in opposing these domineering tactics but certain brutalitie develop interference. There must be a limit and the limit will come some day when we least suspect it. The main question that should concern us at
this time is, "will our country We ready when the day arrives? that it is at this tire to assert that it is at this time and it is relegated to its proper place and prompt oets proper place and for the things that will be necessary should be taken by provide for them

HE HERALD wishes to ex-
tend the season's greeting
and New Year's best wishes to all its acquaintances everywhere,
who have shown so many evidenwho have shown so many eviden-
ces of good will during the past years. Conditions have been somewhat unfavorable for all of
us at times in the past but it is the general opinion in all lines of business that we are about to begin a prosperous new year. Many, many things go to indi-
cate this. It is our earnest hope that each and all may share in the good times to come and escape the regrettable things that might be. It seems due us after a period of depression that ex-
ceptional reward be ours for the burdens borne and the patience enforced. It is the Herald's de-
sire that the year may yield abundantly and that may yiery one share accordingly to his merits, and good intention.
 might be, he would be derided. If a
man wanted to be superintendent of a
great raiiway system and urged his fitness for the place becanse he once ran
blind mule on a mining whim tind mule on a mining whim, his ser-
vices would probably be rejected. Be-
coues a man is a firrt-clase blackemithen that fact would hardily secure him a
place as a first-class watchmaker. When General Santa Anna arrived
the field of Buena Vista, he sent General Taylor a note reminding "Old
Zack" that he was surrounded by an
army of more than twenty-two thousand men, more than four too one, and
demanding his surrender. Major Blise wrote back and in most polite phraess
informed the Mexican general that Genral Taylor had received his demand,
but moet respectively declined to aceed What Taylor really instructed Bliss to
write was: "Tell the d-d greaser to go a litte crude from a literary and $p$ army felt safer under General Taylor
than it would have felt under Major Bliss, for the business on hand at the
moment was decidedly strennouss and it was neceesary for the man in command
to know how to mount and ride a storm of that kind. rust the command of a great ship to a
wan who had never been to sea and our great ship of state requires a pilot that
has had some practical knowledge of the has had some practical knowledge of the
machinery within it and of the storms ad currents of the great deep beyond
the harbor bar; of how mutinous crews breaker-beaten coast.
 hould be a steady judgment to govern when the skies are dark, when the
mariner cannot take the sun at miday
and all the stars are blotted out at night. He who rules above is best compre-
ended through His omnipotent He not only framed the laws that govern
he univeree, but with His hands He he universe, but with His hands He
rahioned the worlds and set their
elemn courses in space olemn courres in space. A most wise
and experienced end steady-trained man is needed for president of th
United States.-Goodwin's Weekly.

## PLEASANT VALLEY

Mies Lura Elwood of Stevenson,
Wash., is spending the holidays worth Wash,., is spanding the hoidas
her simer, Mrs. W. G. Rogers. Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Campbell and Srandma Sager Christmas.
Mr. and Mrs. Park Mr, and Mrs. Park Combe of Clats-
kanine apent Christmas with Mres. Combe pa
Kexterson
Mr. and Mrs. W. U. Moore, Miss Laura Moore, Leland and Clyde Moor the home of Mr. and Mrs. Liner,
Christmas. Mr , and Mrs. Chas. Dablquist Jr., of
ipringfield, Oree, are here to apend the Springfield, Ore, are here to spend the
holidays visiting with relatives and
Iriends. Iriends. Chipman of Seappoee was
Disitor at the home of W.G. Roge Caristimas day.

## F Good Chougbt for the new Year.

> Ibelieve in my job. It may not be a very important job,
atit it mine. Furtheruore, it is God's job for me, He has purpose in my life with relerence to His plan for the world' place, to be sure, but for years I have been mene It inn't a big place, 0 be sure, but for years thave been melded in a pecalisr
way to ifl a pechliar niche in the worlid's work. I could take no other man's pliace. He has the same elaim sa a specialist that I make for myweil. In the end the man whow, name was never
heard bevoad the houss in which he lived, or the shop in which heard bepond the house in which he lived, or the shop in which
he worked, may have a larger place than the chap whoee name has been a houschold word in two continenta. Yee, 1 believe in ay fob. May I be kept true to the lask which lied before mel mysech and to God, wio
> I believe in my fellow-man. He may not always agree with
ne. I'd feel sorry for him if he did, because I myell do not believe some of the things that were, absolutely sure in my own mind a dozen yeara ago. May he never low faith in himself, becanse, if be does, he may lose faith in me, and that would hur
imm more than the former, and it would really hurt him more im more than the forme
than it would hart me.
> I believe is my country. I belijeve in it because it is made ap of my fellow-men-and my yell. I can't go back on either of ua and be true to my creed. If it isn't the beet country in the
world it is party because I am not the kind of a man that $I$ ahould be.
> I believe in my home. It inn't a rich home. It wouldn't astisfy some foiks, but it contains jewels which cannot be pur hased in the markets of the worid. When I enter its eccres ootto is Service, its reward is Love. There is no other spot in all the world which filis its place, and heaven can be only a larger home, with a Father who is ail-wise and patient and tender. only as if can make the life of today fuller and froer. There in only as it can make the life of today fuller and freer. There
no assoriane of tomorrow, I must make good today!



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