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CONCEDED. The little storm of criticism directed against the United States from the German sources for our wholesale shipment of munitions to the allies has never been supported by the German government.

Now it is interesting to note that the White Book, just issued from Washington, contains an endorsement from Germany, with the following significant admission, coupled, however, with a protest against our action in preventing the dispatch of supplies to German warships:

It is not to be drawn from the United States several billions of marks. This in itself they have not done. But the United States would prevent our warships from drawing supplies from its ports a great injury to our warships and to the German cause.

Now that Germany and the United States understand each other, the sale of munitions ought to stop. But of course it will not. Nor can the employment of the territory of the United States as a base for operation of the warships of a belligerent be permitted.

LET US HAVE ANOTHER CONTEST. The attitude of the average college town toward all the proud activities of its favorite educational institution is well expressed by the Corvallis Gazette-Times, thus:

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—putting the management of the war in the hands of a few men. Delay in adopting this measure of efficiency must have cost the country many thousand lives and many million dollars.

WHY THE WOMEN LOSE. It will be a long time, obviously, before equal suffrage for women will be common to all the states. The effect of the East will have none of it. It is hardened in its ways and deaf to sentiment, reason and justice. It is more. It is fearful of what may happen if women shall have a real say in government.

Robbing country postoffices appears to have grown into a regular industry. Hardly a night goes by but in some rural office is broken into and the stamp book despoiled of its wealth. The Government seems to have lost heart in the work of running the many post offices in this class of earth.

Word from Northern France. John Prentiss Poe, Jr., famous Princeton football star and soldier of fortune, fell in a recent charge on the Germans, has been received with more interest than the average soldier. There is an inclination to hold him editorially as a hero, to compare him with the intrepid men whose blood runs oozing red and who are found in the front ranks whenever there is a man's task to be performed.

But while we are hearing so much of the Kaiser's army, what has become of the Kaiser's navy? Even his submarines appear to be practically dormant. A sea battle or even a sea raid hasn't been reported for so long that the world has all but forgotten the several navies. The British say their navy is the open seas ready for battle, but that the Germans decline to leave the shelter of German ports and batteries. Possibly the Kaiser's navy is too proud to fight.

The man serving a term in the penitentiary for theft of a sack of grain and some shotgun shells is proper object of clemency, says the parole board. Prosecuting attorneys diligent, and at times so very diligent that what should put a man in the County Jail sends him to Salem.

Infanticide is becoming too frequent in this North-west. Punishment, however, is matter for consideration by judges. Fear of publicity and disgrace is often the cause, and therein the guilty parties err, for publicity always follows.

GERMANY'S TERMS OF PEACE. German comments on prospects of peace are the exultant tone of a conqueror dictating to the vanquished. Seeing their armies planted in Belgium and France, pushed far into Russia, and driving through Serbia to join Bulgaria and relieve Turkey, the Germans regard themselves as victors and already begin to plot the spoils.

The municipal ownership craze got a setback when Detroit voted not to buy the carlines. Why buy them when the public can tell the owners how to run them? Detroit may have reasoned.

The high price of drugs need not deprive hyponochlorites of the luxury of taking medicine. They can fall back on the old "grandmother" remedies.

It is recorded that Bryan inflicted forty-six speeches upon Ohio in a single week. What finds for punishment those Ohioans must be.

Friends of equal suffrage in Eastern States will remember that Mrs. Dunlop battled for forty years and won. Best show of all today at the Land Show. If you do not believe it, ask any mother who has an exhibit.

Stars and Starmakers. By Leone Cass Baker. IT IS predicted that the poets of war will have hard sledding in making rhymes about Usuk.

When Nellie Revelle, that renowned woman press agent, started on her tour of the Orpheum Theaters, a tour which, by the by, brought her to Portland a week ago, her thoughtful boss, Billy Beck, general manager of the circuit, was with her, and the scene was a general producer for the Oliver Morosco plays at the Burbank Theater in Los Angeles and took a short fling at the movies.

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Swiss Military Plan Debated. Mountain Republic Defends Itself by Universal Service. VALLE, (Fr., Nov. 1.—(To the Editor.)—Would you please publish the columns of your paper an explanation of the Swiss system of military training? It would be of great use to many at this time, because of many debates, and the state question for debate this year is: "Resolved, That the United States Should Adopt the Swiss Military System."

The best description of the Swiss military training is contained in the Encyclopedia Britannica and we give a synopsis. The Swiss army is a purely militia force, receiving only periodical training, based upon the principle of universal compulsory military service. The principle is applied according to the proportion of the population capable of bearing arms. The training and arming of the men and the best of uniform and equipment are imposed on the Confederation, which compensates the families of those killed or permanently injured, as well as the invalids themselves. The cantons raise all the infantry units, as well as most of the cavalry, because of their superior officers, but under federal supervision and according to federal law.

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Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregonian of November 4, 1890. Washington—Secretary Noble has addressed a high school in Governor David B. Hill, of New York, on the request for a recount. The tenor of it is that Tammany methods are not in vogue at the National Capitol.

San Francisco—Fire destroyed the Burlington House and the Grand Hotel yesterday. A. P. Fletcher, of Lafayette, Or., turned up a Spanish dollar dated 1784, while plowing last week.

Professor W. F. Werschul, Jeanne M. Long and W. J. Richards contributed to a good programme at the opening exercises of the Y. M. C. A. educational department last night.

Colonel Thomas C. Smith, in command Second Regiment, U. S. G., at Salem, tendered his resignation. G. W. Hunt, the railroad man who has been in the East trying to negotiate the bonds for his railroad, has returned and he says he will build the road.

Rev. Calvin R. Shields was installed as pastor of Mizpah Presbyterian Church Sunday. Thomas W. Keene gave a fine performance of "Kishellu" at the Marquam Grand Opera House last night. The cast were Miss Lavina Shannon, George Learock, Eugene Moore, Jennie M. Ellison, E. F. Lawrence and Carl Ahrendt.

Paris—Bernhardt played the title role in "Cleopatra" recently and the critics said her performance was a success and a surprise. Half Century Ago. From The Oregonian November 4, 1865. New York, Seven hundred young women, 30 or 40 families and 20 young men will sail from this port before the end of the month for the Territory of Washington Territory, where they will form a colony. A. S. Mercer, a resident of the territory and a member of the Territorial Council, will superintend the emigration.

The discovery of gold and silver-bearing quartz in the headwaters of the Naches River in Washington Territory, is attracting wide attention. Richmond—B. Fabian, charged with fraud in the New York Custom-house, has been arrested here. Late news from the South is not very encouraging in regard to the Presidential plan of reconstruction.

General Sherman, the "Democratic" nominee for Secretary of State of New York, was one of the original Republicans and never voted the "Democratic" ticket in his life. The mountaineer says smoke was leaching again from Mount Hood. Wonder if San Francisco is in danger of another shaking.

United States Marshal Alvord, of Idaho, T. F. Favorit, of the Lewiston and R. L. Morris, of the late Idaho county, visited The Oregonian office yesterday. Rev. E. Walker, of Forest Grove, addressed a meeting last night at the Methodist Church in the interest of the move of aid American freedmen.

ROOM FOR ALL OF US AND MORE. Not Fewer Children but Better Home Training Held to Be Best. CHEHALIS, Wash., Nov. 1.—(To the Editor.)—I fear friend Armstrong takes a very narrow, pessimistic view of the future of the coming American race of people from his article, "One Child with the Birth Rate," on editorial page October 28.

We do not need less children in these broad United States. We do need better home training, with better, higher aspirations for the coming generation. The children of the United States were brought up healthy, moral, honest, truthful, industrious and economical, juvenile courts and reform schools were unnecessary. The world has ample room and opportunity for every child we can prove we are of the right stuff.

CONSTANT READER. PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—(To the Editor.)—Kindly answer in The Oregonian the following: What states are prohibition states but allow the manufacture of beer (after January 1, 1917)? What states are prohibition states that do not allow the manufacture of beer (after January 1, 1917)? HOPS.

Teachers for Philippines. PORTLAND, Nov. 3.—(To the Editor.)—Would you state through The Oregonian the requirements for a teacher of the elementary schools of the Philippine Islands. R. G.

Apply to the Civil Service Commissioner at the Federal building in this city and detailed information will be forwarded you. Class in Public Speaking. PORTLAND, Nov. 3.—(To the Editor.)—Could you advise me through your columns where I could find classes in public speaking or elocution? A SUBSCRIBER.

Reed College, in Portland, has a course in public speaking. Coupon Bonds. Mr. Storekeeper, if you were presented with a complete coupon bond you would have the energy to collect the coupons when they were due, would you not? Then why not cash your coupons when the manufacturer advertises his goods in this newspaper? You have those brands on your shelves, but do people know it? Her newspaper advertising will arouse interest and create prospective customers. Clip the coupons by showing new newspaper-advertised goods in your windows.

Shamus O'Brien, the Bold Boy of Gingsail, is by J. S. LeFau and is also accredited to Samuel Lover. The poem can be found at the Multnomah Public Library in any of these books: "The Speaker's Garland," vol. 1, page 174; Cumock's "Choice Readings"; Dick's "Comic and Dialect Recitations"; Howard's "Recitations"; Monroe's "Miscellaneous Readings"; "Science and Art of Elocution," and "Super's "Dialect Readings."

Genevieve Cliff, star of the playlet "A Breath of Old Virginia," which has been the Orpheum show, regards her first Orpheum engagement as a fiasco not only because vaudeville is easier than stock, but because this tour will permit her to visit Detroit, her birthplace, and Denver, where she was reared. Miss Cliff has not been on the Pacific Coast since the A. Y. P. Exposition at Seattle, when she was a leading woman of "Going Some," a Shubert production.

The aviation corps of the Army is a good subject for a clean-up. Three weeks to Thanksgiving. Get your turkey early. The nuts have it at a leading hotel. One more month of the big fair.

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