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The Huns do not care how much we might torture their prisoners, for they have been trained to endure cruelty from their officers, and they know that American character is averse to such things. They are simply manufacturing a defense for some new barbarity.

GERMANY AND THE SHOTGUN. The German protest against the use of shotguns by American troops is a fine example of the inherent arrogance and crookedness of the Junker mind. It is a protest against the use of any weapon is the climax of offensiveness when it comes from the government which introduced poison gas and the flame-thrower, which kills non-combatants on land and sea, which murders, mutilates and enslaves women and children, which bombs hospitals and uses the Red Cross to lure men to death.

BRING OUT THE SCALDS. A double-edged contribution to the discussion of the evening and Sunday closing order of the State Council of Defense is the letter from Mr. MacLean, of the Grocers and Merchants' Association, printed elsewhere today. It is made up of two parts. The first is a letter to Mr. MacLean, in which the author discusses the case of the grocery stores. The second part is a letter to the readers of the Oregonian, in which the author discusses the case of the grocery stores.

THE FOOD DRIVE. The "food drive," which will be conducted in the week beginning October 23, is designed to drive home the lesson that for the past we have not yet approached the limit of possibilities. It is not in the spirit of complaining about that which has been done, but with a view to impressing upon the greater public the need of the hour. There are a few simple facts which will bear emphasis.

BACK FROM THE BELGIAN COAST. Belgium, still fighting, has won such victories with the aid of the British that in a few days it has redeemed territory for which it had vainly struggled through three and a half years. More important than the possession of this ground itself is the effect of the allies' gains on the German positions north and south.

THE NEW DRUG STORES. How many drug stores can afford to remain open evenings and Sundays if their sales are restricted to medicines? Will their contribution to the war effort be as great as that of the necessity of scurrying the town over for medicine in sudden emergencies?

THE STATEMENT FROM WASHINGTON. The statement from Washington that the Government does not fear German reprisals for use of shotguns at the front, because the United States holds a hundred prisoners for every ten Americans held by Germany, evinces ignorance of Hun psychology.

to stay the pangs of hunger and thirst when food is not forthcoming at the proper time," has been improved upon by a new cult which requires neither drug nor food, but substitutes "mental meals" for the material ones to which people formerly were accustomed. The mental meal has the advantage that the number of its courses need not be limited, and that the diner, once he has been properly schooled, may pick from a menu restricted only by his imagination. It is seriously stated that the Barmecide dinner is likely to become even more popular, in view of the prices of food. The Berlin Tagblatt quotes butter at 20 marks a pound, pickled pork at 16 marks, cheese at 6 to 9 marks and eggs at a mark apiece, the mark being roughly the equivalent of 25 cents in our money. At these rates only profiteers can have luxuries; others have their choice between drugs and drugless palliatives.

FRIDE GOETH BEFORE A FALL. With the fourth liberty loan almost upon us, a question is being asked: How can we keep from being outdone by the indifference of the "third man" in the United States? The answer is: We can't. The United States is the first, and the previous campaigns she was managed from San Francisco, while in the last one she was managed from New York. The city within her borders except one filled its quota for the material ones to which people formerly were accustomed. The mental meal has the advantage that the number of its courses need not be limited, and that the diner, once he has been properly schooled, may pick from a menu restricted only by his imagination.

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raiding excursions would have to thread their way through the mine fields in the North Sea. The British capture of Cambrai and the British-American advance across the Hindenburg line south of that city have left the French industrial and mining centers in a salient which bulges deep into the new allied line. A concerted attack from both north and south may squeeze the Germans out of this area, just as they were squeezed out of the Marne salient. A general push forward on a front as wide as those on which the allies have won their victories might then be made in Belgium, with objectives extending from Ghent to Valenciennes and thence on the line which runs from Antwerp through Brussels and Charleroi. The Germans no doubt have several lines of defense through this area, but since the allies blotted out the Wotan line and broke through the Hindenburg line, any such lines prove to be only temporary obstacles, such as they are, and they would be both help and be helped by the allied operations farther south. The general course of the railroads from Germany through Belgium into France is from northeast to southwest. As the advance in Belgium continues these lines of communication will be cut in the rear of the German troops in France which use them. As the allies advance north of Laon they derive the German use of the lines farthest north and drive them to use those farther south. Thus loss of Cambrai prevents the Germans defending St. Quentin and Laon from having their lines of communication through Termonde and Valenciennes. Loss of St. Quentin and retreat ten miles farther east would deprive the German defenders of Laon and Champagne of the lines running through Charleroi, Valenciennes and Namur, and would cut the line through Chimay and would make the Germans dependent for the defense of Laon on the sole line which leaves the Meuse river, and the Franco-American advance would be unimpeded. If an advance should continue to St. Jean, this last line would be cut and Laon could not be held. No tenable line of defense would then remain except that of the Meuse and the Scheldt, and now the line between France and Western Belgium would be free.

Superior man power, material and morale have given the allies power to make successful attacks at a number of points on the German line, each of them contributing to the success of the others. Single command directs and times these attacks for the accomplishment of the single purpose of the second day's fighting. German staff is unable to concentrate enough men at any one point of attack to hold it. The few reserve divisions are wearied by scurrying from place to place, waste time in travel and are unable to concentrate. The allied offensive were confined to one point. Terrible loss of men and material, loss of railroad lines and bombing of rear areas have caused the German staff to argue that the contrast strongly with the orderly retreat of the French and British in 1914. Constant defeat and retreat have shaken the morale of the army which boasted that it was invincible. These facts warrant confidence that the German retreat continues, it will go faster, and they raise hope that before the year 1918 ends not only France but at least a large part of Belgium will have been rescued from the spoilers.

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GROCERY PHASE OF NEW ORDER. Effect of Closing on One of Numerous Businesses is Discussed. PORTLAND, Oct. 1.—(To the Editor.)—If the closing of the grocery stores all day Sunday and at such an hour as 6 P. M., as ordered by the State Council of Defense, is to be successfully carried out, the support of public sentiment is of obvious importance. English public sentiment on the subject will throw support in the right direction, whichever that may be, and a fair public verdict can only be gained by giving consideration to the arguments in favor of this order, as well as to those against it.

AN ETHICAL PRESCRIPTION. ANYBODY CAN DOUBLE HIS MONEY. Bond Lesson Taught by Successful Speculation in Civil War Greenbacks. PORTLAND, Oct. 1.—(To the Editor.)—After our Civil War when greenbacks were worth no more than 55 or 60 cents on the dollar, some people converted their property into greenbacks and locked them up and so kept them until the Nation resumed specie payments. These people had greenbacks worth 100 cents on the dollar. These people made 40 to 45 per cent on their investment—a fine speculation could you get the greenbacks drew no interest.

People Advised to Read Book on German Treatment of Prisoners. PORTLAND, Oct. 1.—(To the Editor.)—Despite the glow of coming victory, the German barbarians, the Red Cross, the efforts for amusing and uplifting of the Salvation Army, the efforts of the Kaiser's German Red Cross, we are forgetting our boys imprisoned in Germany.

NINETY YEARS YOUNG. Four score and ten is that too much for any man to manage? For my part, I think not enough. Despite the good old adage: True, ninety years is going some. Beyond the common figure of 80, I have both health and vigor.

SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE. Bunkies we've been, eh, mate? An' comrades an' friends, us twain. We've drilled an' messed together— Now you're gone an' I remain!

A MILITARY ROMANCE. A Captain in the motor corps of ladies fair was she; He was a young Lieutenant of U. S. artillery.

Divorce in Pennsylvania. PORTLAND, Oct. 1.—(To the Editor.)—Divorce cases in Pennsylvania, as I understand, are tried before a "magistrate" or attorney—no court. Is it decreed at once ordered if divorce is granted and can persons divorced in Philadelphia who reside in Oregon remarry at once, or do they have to wait six months, or are there interlocutory and final decrees as in California? M. K. WISE.

MEDICAL WORLD HAS RED TAPE. No Short Cut for Establishing Efficiency of New Medicines. HILLSBORO, Or., Sept. 30.—(To the Editor.)—The Oregonian, September 28, in an editorial on the use of serums and the universal pin pricks necessary for universal immunity from disease, speaks of an invention that will be a universal serum. It might be a success if the serum were not all obtained through the relationship they bear to the individual germs.

LET BOND SLACKERS BE KNOWN. If Moral Force Will Not Reach Them Then Try Legal Means. PORTLAND, Oct. 1.—(To the Editor.)—Those persons who are able to buy liberty bonds and who will not do so voluntarily in a casual time like this are not patriotic citizens no matter what they may choose to call themselves. They are either pro-Hun or they are expecting to use their money where it will pay them a higher rate of interest. In either case (unless they are in a special condition, which it is their duty to disclose), they must not complain if they are treated as alien enemies.

ARMY DISCIPLINE AIDS CONVICTS. Acceptance in Civil War Brought Good to the Individuals and Society. PORTLAND, Oct. 1.—(To the Editor.)—The editorial "Man-Power in Prison" in the Sunday Oregonian should be twice read by those in authority of the War Department.

Christmas Packages to Soldiers. HILLSBORO, Or., Sept. 29.—(To the Editor.)—Can you get me some packages to the men in the hospital at Hillsboro and where we can get the coupon and container in which we are to send Christmas packages? I see they are to be sent out through the Red Cross. Does this mean through the local chapter of the National Headquarters in Washington, D. C.?

Summit, Or., Sept. 23.—(To the Editor.)—Some innocent men here are called I. W. by a person who wants to hurt their reputation. What can they do with such a party? DEVITT.

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