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YOUTH AND WAR.

ONE of the saddest among the many sad features of the war is that the armies are so largely composed of youths between 18 and 24 years of age. War takes toll of the flower of European manhood. Every class of European society pays a terrible price in young men for the luxury of war.

"PETROGRAD."

THE name of St. Petersburg has been changed by an imperial decree of the Czar to "Petrograd"—"Peter's City." The change is sensible, since it introduces the Russian word "grad," "city," in place of the German "burg," which means "fortress." The name originated in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul, which preceded the city established by Peter the Great. "Grad" appears in other city names, "Belgrade" is the "White City." The Slavic name for Constantinople is "Tsaregrad," or "King's City."

Rather curiously we rarely allow the people of a country or town to have their own name for it. We call the Austrian capital "Vienna," while its residents call it "Wien." The Turks call their capital "Stamboul" and not "Constantinople." The Germans call their "Gravenhage," "Deutschland" is known to the English as "Germany" and to the French as "l'Allemagne," and the French call England "l'Angleterre."

It might seem that the residents of a place should be credited with knowing its right name, but they aren't.

BLEEDING BELGIUM.

BELGIUM'S hard misfortunes continue to command the sympathy of the neutral world. Like Luxembourg, she might have submitted with protest to the German representation of necessity, but that would have been to surrender all assertion of liberty, for with Belgium neutrality is liberty. It would have been to ally herself with German fortunes and be dependent not only upon the German word, but furthermore upon German success for continued existence as a nation.

Rather than submit to this hard fate and take this chance, Belgium endeavored to protect herself. Her cities were burned; her fields are trampled down; her dead are numerous, her people are paying war assessments to the invaders, her historic buildings are wrecked, and there is terror and desolation where there was peace and prosperity.

U. S. FACES GREATEST OPPORTUNITY IN HISTORY

GEORGE J. WHELAN, whose spectacular success as organizer and president of the United Cigar Stores company almost puts him in a class with Ford, the automobile man, says the war has brought the United States the greatest opportunity for trade expansion that this country has ever faced in all its history.

"We suddenly have jumped from a Wilson low tariff to a McKinley tariff multiplied by four," says this commercial genius: "that is the practical effect of the war in a business way. Propositions to advance the tariff do not help business so much because of the actual tariff, but because people know that prices are going to be higher."

Mr. Whelan's confident advice to merchants everywhere is to buy quickly and stock up. They will make money for themselves, he says, and benefit the country by setting industry at high speed.

In somewhat more guarded language James J. Hill voices a similar conviction. "It is well for the American people to realize to the full their wonderful opportunities offered as a result of the terrible struggle now taking place in Europe," said Mr. Hill in New York the other day. Daniel and S. R. Guggenheim, just back from Europe, were bubbling with optimism when the reporters met them.

"We are in the presence of the greatest opportunity in the history of this country," said Daniel Guggenheim. "For the first time in our history the world's markets lie at our feet uncontested. Why, in six months, even less than six months," the speaker chose his words with the greatest care. "I expect to see this country fairly boiling with prosperity."

Others eminent in the industrial and commercial life of the country are speaking in like tenor. They are pointing out that hundreds of millions of dollars formerly carried abroad by European tourists will be kept at home; that enormous sums spent in the countries of Europe for fabrics, clothing, millinery and other imports will be turned over to American manufacturers and wage earners; that South American countries, formerly cold toward American business, are now ardent and eager to buy supplies in the United States.

Confidence is voiced that the genius of the American people will find ways to build up a merchant marine, finance new conditions and new industries and fare forth in a worldwide invasion of markets that up to this war were in control of the fighting nations.

For the moment the country is dazzled by the magnitude and brilliance of the opportunities thus thrust upon it, but to doubt that it will rise superbly to the occasion is to distrust the capacity and genius of the American people.

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WITH THE TEA AND THE TOAST

GOOD EVENING.

War is one of the greatest plagues that can afflict humanity. It destroys religion, it destroys states, it destroys families. —Martin Luther.

WAR! WHY? WHAT FOR?

Blare of trumpets! tap of drum, Brilliant uniforms, here they come! Youth and veterans, four by four, Battle thirsty; Why? What for?

Cheer our heroes! God! I crave Mine won't fill a nameless grave; Save my son! a mother cries; Women waiting with red-rim'd eyes.

Statesmen on velvet dais sit, Drums lure youth into hell's foul pit; Mangled febrile, wrecks drag home; Statesmen sit on a golden throne.

Shrapnel, bullets, hiss and hum, (Christians, firing a Maxim gun), Putrid corpses the roadside strew, Loving hearts once held by you.

Forward! Charge! midst cannons' roar, (Twentieth century civilized war) Muggy stench from the crimson tide Loathsome, reeking and spreading wide.

Drizzling maniacs, blood-flecked foam Dying, mumble of "Home, sweet home;" Draining arteries, gaping wide, Dead unnumbered, glassy-eyed.

Fiendish hate on lips now dumb: (Humane war is the song now sung) Scattered limbs from bursting shell; Sentry answers, "All is well."

Sisters, sweethearts, wives, they come! (Bugles silent, one by one) Crippled, blind, with fest'ring sores, Serrate ranks of four by four.

"Father!" shrieks an orphan loud, Mother, weeping, sees a shroud; Heaving bosoms, sobbing hard; Praise ye war? Unholy bard?

Hark! The sound of muffled drum, Voices break and hearts grow numb, Angels weep, The dirge is o'er; Mourners answer! Why? What for?

The wisest man I know on Coos Bay speaks four different languages, but can't think of anything to say in any of them.

It always worries a woman when she starts on a visit if she is unable to remember something she has forgotten.

Our neighbors can smell fried onions farther than roast beef. At fifty a man has forgotten fully half the things he knew at twenty. The world is filled with bluffers who show up badly on a showdown.

MODERN WAR NEWS.

The allies, under General—, have defeated the enemy at— on their way to— and are now pressing on toward—.

SEPTEMBER. (Acrostic.)

School openings. Equinoctial storms. Tango Teas. Moving. Baseball closing. Refilling bins.

SPENDING THE STATE'S MONEY.

Governor West has spent all the money appropriated by the 1913 legislature for maintenance of the executive office, and he signals the advent of official poverty by ordering out the telephones and notifying all correspondents to enclose postage for replies to their letters. The Governor blames the Legislature for his sad plight, but it seems to the Oregonian that a legislature which had given him for the incidental expenses of his office \$8900 more than any previous Governor ever had had been fairly generous. The appropriations for the executive office for the past three biennial periods have been:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Governor's salary (\$10,000), Governor's private secretary (4,800), Clerks and stenographers for Governor (3,600), Governor's traveling expenses (500), For expenses in returning fugitives from justice (5,000), Special agents to be employed by Governor (1,000), For payment of rewards for apprehension of criminals (600), Total (\$25,500).

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Appropriations for 1911: Governor's salary (\$10,000), Governor's private secretary (4,800), Governor's clerks and stenographers (4,200), Governor's traveling expenses (500), Apprehension of fugitives (7,000), Special agents to be appointed by Governor (1,000), Rewards (1,200), Total (\$28,700).

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Appropriations for 1913: Governor's salary (\$10,000), Governor's traveling expenses (1,000), Governor's private secretary (6,000), Governor's stenographers (4,200), Governor's contingent expenses (2,500), Pursuit of fugitives (8,500), Special agents to be appointed by Governor (1,000), Rewards (1,200), Total (\$34,400).

There is never enough when a real spender gets in the executive chair.—Oregonian.

WHEAT, \$2.00 CWT. HAINES.

NO ARRESTS IN ROBBERY CASES

Man Reported to Have Been Robbed in Auto Has Different Name—Other Cases

So far no arrests have been made in connection with the reported robbery of Harry McDonald in the auto night before last. Marshal Carter is working on the case. It has been ascertained that McDonald's real name is Kelly, either M. O. Kelly or Harry Kelly and he claims to be a tunnel and railroad expert. He was formerly employed on the steam shovel gang on the Smith-Powers line but recently has been working for the Copenhagen camp near Gardiner. He was working at Myrtle Point last December and later went to Gardiner.

No arrests have been made yet for the robbery of the Fixup store, the Empire saloon robbery on the Gardiner robbery or for the ransacking the house at Bay Park the other day.

The local police are working on it and may get something before long. Marshal Carter says that if he had not been sick in bed the day after the Empire robbery, he feels certain he would have landed the men.

District Attorney Liljeqvist and Sheriff Gage agree that the Empire robbery was a frameup to get Tom Edgar's cash, but they have not revealed any proof of this theory.

WEDS FIFTY COUPLES.

Justice Stanley of Coquille Establishes a New Record.

This, Mr. Stanley says, makes full fifty couples he has married during his two years' incumbency of the office of third justice for Coos county, and it was also his fiftieth birthday—a coincidence that will never happen again, no matter how long he may retain the office. The average of two weddings a month is not only Justice Stanley's record, but that of his predecessor as well.

Thursday it was a French couple who presented themselves, Cherie Joe Plampan and Henrietta Lecocq, both of Marshfield. The bride was only seventeen and had omitted the necessary formality of obtaining her parents' consent to the union, so there was a delay of several hours while the written validation was telephoned for and came by the afternoon mail. But the course of true love became smooth at last and the young folks went home as happy as if the fatherland had been freed of the German invader.—Coquille Sentinel.

FREIGHT WAR TAX OPPOSED

Democrats Revolt Against the Proposed Plan to Raise Funds for Nation

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 12.—Because of the Democratic revolt in the House against the freight tax proposed in the war revenue bill, Democratic Leader Underwood today decided to await President Wilson's return before introducing the measure.

NORTH BEND NEWS

L. F. Parritt, a former resident of North Bend, died in Portland Sunday of a complication of diseases. He leaves a wife and daughter.

NEW MEN IN BANK

List of Stockholders of Myrtle Point Institutions.

The Myrtle Point Enterprise says: Negotiations were closed last Thursday whereby Messrs. J. R. Benson, L. A. Roberts, E. C. Roberts and Ed Rackleff sold their stock in the Bank of Myrtle Point of this city, to seventeen ranchers and business men of the Myrtle Point section, and Marshfield and Bandon. Under the re-organization, R. W. Lundy was chosen president, C. C. Carter vice-president and R. A. Annin cashier.

The new stockholders are: J. L. Crosby, of Gravel Ford; J. H. McCloskey and A. J. Rada-baugh of Norway; Dr. A. L. Houseworth of Marshfield; J. L. Kronenberg, of Bandon; C. E. and J. H. Schroeder, of Arago, and W. H. Hayes, R. P. Carman, C. A. Harrington, James Hobson, P. W. Laird, W. S. Cooley, C. A. Gourley, C. H. Butler, Jr., John Fabry and R. A. Annin of Myrtle Point.

Those of the old organization retaining their stock are: R. W. Lundy, E. O. Carter, C. C. Carter, G. W. Shelley, A. R. Davenport, Dr. M. O. Stemmler, Ben McMullen, W. F. Slingsby, Wm. E. Hartley and W. E. Pike, of Myrtle Point; H. L. Carl, of Coquille; J. D. Carl, of Arago; Henry S. Smith and Chas. R. Smith, of Menasha, Wisconsin; R. L. Morris and Frank Morris, of Rural, and Jesse D. Clinton, of Norway.

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BAND DANCE PLATFORM Second and Market, Saturday night.

DR. H. E. KELTY, DENTIST.—Phone 112-J, Room 204, Coke Bldg.

BAND TO GO ON BOAT NOW

Decide to Give Up Concert Trip Through the Willamette Valley

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce yesterday, it was decided that the Chamber of Commerce should make up a deficit of about \$600 which the changed plans of the Coos Bay Concert Band's trip to Salem entailed. G. W. Kaufman of the special committee appointed to aid the band, said that owing to the European War and unfavorable weather conditions, coupled with inability to secure opera houses on the dates desired, it had been deemed advisable to give up the proposed concert tour. He said that to carry out the plan might mean a loss instead of a profit and he thought it would be better to have the band go by steamer direct to Portland and after the fair give concerts at Portland and Albany possibly.

After a general discussion the committee decided this would be best and also to boost the benefit concert next Tuesday evening to raise funds for the band.

Committee on Exhibit.

It was also decided to make Hugh McLain, A. J. Mendel and Wm. Grimes the permanent committee on the San Francisco exhibit. They reported on the meeting at Coquille. They will select the Marshfield member of the general executive committee, which will have general charge of the exhibit, gathering it, etc.

Hugh McLain of Marshfield was honored at the Coquille meeting by being appointed chairman of the Coos and Curry exhibit committee.

W. S. U'REN will SPEAK at the Methodist Episcopal church at 7:30 SUNDAY EVENING, Sept. 13, on PROHIBITION, PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION for the election of members of the legislature. Mr. U'ren will also explain the PREFERENTIAL VOTE as a means of obtaining MAJORITY RULE.

FUNERAL NOTICE

The funeral of P. A. Girard will be held from Dungan's Undertaking parlors Sunday at 2 o'clock p. m. Friends are invited.

GERMANS OFFER FEEBLE RESISTANCE

PARIS, Sept. 12.—It was officially announced here this afternoon that the German forces east of Paris are generally retreating and are offering only feeble resistance to the French and British troops.

FRENCH REPORT GERMANS ON RUN

LONDON, Sept. 12.—An official announcement made here today says the third French army captured all the artillery of the German army corps. "Our aeroplanes have crossed the River Cureq and are moving this morning in rapid pursuit of the enemy. Two hundred prisoners were captured. The enemy is retreating north of Vi-try Le Francois."

GERMANS LEAVE SOUTHERN ALSACE

MILAN, Italy, Sept. 12.—A dispatch to Corriere Della Sera from Basel, Switzerland, says the Germans are evacuating Southern Alsace.

CIRCUIT COURT OPENS MONDAY

SIX CASES SET FOR TRIAL BY JUDGE COKE—NEW GRAND JURY WILL SOON BEGIN TO WORK

Judge J. S. Coke has set the following cases for trial Monday, when he convenes the September term of Circuit Court at Coquille: Burnham vs. Conro and Cameron, Harrington & Doyle vs. Jennie Stewart, H. G. Hoy vs. V. C. Gorst, M. M. Young vs. Frank Burkholder, Geo. B. Hughes vs. John Dotson, C. E. Smith vs. A. D. Perdue. The grand jury will be impaneled Monday and it is probable that they will not report until the last of the week as it is not planned to begin the trial of criminal cases until a week from Monday.

POLITICAL SPEAKING.

Wm. S. U'REN will SPEAK on the issues of the campaign at ODD FELLOWS' HALL at 8 o'clock, SATURDAY EVENING. Ladies especially invited. Mr. U'REN will ANSWER political QUESTIONS from the AUDIENCE.

QUAKE SHAKES TOWN IN PERU

Caraveli Partly Destroyed and Citizens in Panic—Loss of Life is Not Given

LIMA, Peru, Sept. 12.—News received here says a tremendous earthquake destroyed the city of Caraveli in the department of Arequipa. The report says the people are in a panic, but no mention was made of any loss of life.

I. O. O. F. NOTICE.

Members of Sunset Lodge No. 1, I. O. O. F., are requested to meet at I. O. O. F. Hall Sunday, Sept. 13 at 1 o'clock sharp to attend the funeral of our late brother, Peter Girard, member of Royal Oak Lodge of Pass.

By Order OSCAR GULOVSEN, N. G. I. LANDO, Secretary.

DRS. HAMILTON AND MORROW, physicians and surgeons, have OPENED OFFICES 210-211 Irving Building.

Advertisement for Ghirardelli's Ground Chocolate. Features a large speech bubble containing the text 'The Future Man or Woman' and 'The food taken by the nursing mother influences the physical development of the child. Children should be fed on nothing but the best strengthening foods.' Includes an image of a Ghirardelli's Ground Chocolate tin and the text 'Ghirardelli's Ground Chocolate is the only original ground chocolate. It has been used in Western homes for over a third of a century and its popularity is growing day by day.' Also mentions 'D. GHIRARDELLI CO. San Francisco' and 'A Full Line of Ghirardelli's Ground Chocolate and All Other Nationally Advertised Goods at—NASBURG'S GROCERY'.