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failed. The United States has

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war zone. Whether or not they

THE POOR OLD MAN

his conclusion yet his statement

opens up an old question.

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> Give us a character on which we can thoroughly depend. which we know to be based on principle and on the fear of God, and it is wonderful how many brilliant and popular and splendid qualities we can safely and gladly dispense with .- A. P. Stanley.

### THEIR ABUNDANCE

INETEEN HUNDRED AND FOURTEEN is a banner year for Oregon farmers. They never were in the midst of such an abounding prosperity. The crops are vast and the prices high. A sale of a million bushels of wheat at 95 cents for Club and \$1.03 for Blue Stem was a transaction of the past week. There is a scramble for wheat all over the world, and Oregon farmers never had so great a total to sell.

A news dispatch this week from Heppner stated that representatives of Eastern woolen mills have offered to contract next year's wool at 20 cents. It is a wool incident never before heard of in Eastern Oregon. It is a price one to two cents higher than this year's wool price, and this year's wood price is the highest on record.

In livestock, in dairy and poultry products, farmers have extremely high prices. Most consumers are paying 40 cents a dozen for fresh ranch eggs, and the ter is above the average price level, and spring lambs are \$6 to \$6.25. Ewes are \$4.50, and even sold the past week at \$4.75.

The farmers of the state have more hogs than they ever had be- and children. fore, and the price is at a top level. Beef is seven cents, and state.

Hardly in a generation have farmers had so remarkable a combination of big crops and high prices. They will have more money this year to throw into the channels of business and to lay

had an outlook for continued prosperity comparable with that which is in prospect for them in the coming and future years.

And the sunlight of their abunitself in a good measure of prosperity for those who are not fortunate enough to be Oregon farmers.

# MR. FLEGEL

F. FLEGEL is a better man for Congress than is Mr. McArthur, because in 1910 Mr. McArthur helped to

Because he long fought Statement One and as a member of the state legislature voted for and spoke for the notorious Brooke-Bean bill which made the taking of Statement One an indictable offense punishable with heavy penalties;

Because at the 1913 session, Mr. McArthur was a pillar and brigadier in one of the most notorious legislative machines that ever operated in the Oregon state house,

standpatter and reactionary of the struction and the North Bank the sea has not made any nation most pronounced type and as such, is not in sympathy with the aims and purposes of Lincoln Republi- cents. cans and democratic Democrats and progressive Progressives.

claims he may have had for the per cubic yard. to Congress and act for them.

district.

# A HEAVY TOLL

billion lives have been lost in ists to the state. war since the beginning of authencentury alone, he estimates war of natural interest Oregon will cost fourteen million lives through have done much towards capitalwounds and disease. In the Na- izing her immense scenic asset. poleonic campaigns six million were lost during the nineteen years from 1796 to 1815. The war of 1812-14 between England and the United States resulted in The war of 1846-48 between the United States and Mexico cost an- counterfeit. other 50,000, most of the American loss being from disease.

proximately one million perished and that the "busting of bronchos," American consuls performed the from wounds and disease. The six riding of bulls and tying of steers same service for smaller Belgian for you." weeks war between Prussia, Aus- is not a lost art. lives. In the Franco-German war all these things appeal to the man tics and personal interests were alling."

### **GETTYSBURG AND AISNE**

TEXT Sunday has been set aside by President Wilson as a day for nation-wide supplications for peace. On that day, will the great battle of Aisne still be in progress?

To that mighty struggle, with more than 2,000,000 men engaged, fourteen terrible days have already been devoted. There is no present sign of cessation of the fighting. What more potent reason for the mind of this nation to be bent for one day on deep and earnest desire for peace?

No battle in history has brought such gigantic forces into action. It is a portentous death grapple between two of the mightiest, best armed, and best equipped armies the world ever saw. Before it, was the battle of Marne, up to its time, probably in loss of life, a battle without a precedent.

Little is known about what the losses are at Aisne. They can only be conjecture. The war offices will not make the facts public until the conflict is over, if then. In that mysterious word 'missing" which carries part of the rollcall in every battle, thousands upon thousands of brave boys will be told off into eternity

with the nation's ignorant of what they were or how they went. At Gettysburg, the bloodiest battle of the American Civil war, Meade had 94,000 men and Lee 76,000, a total of 170,000. There

are twelve times as many men at Aisne, and probably many more. The killed and wounded at Gettysburg, not including the "missing." were, Meade 17.567, and Lee 15,298, a total of 32,865. At Gettysburg, the fighting lasted three days; at Aisne, it has been continuous fourteen days.

A priest who was an eye witness of the fighting at Mons, describing the slaughter says:

The Germans charged at top speed. But the poor fellows never had a chance. The British were well entrenched. The enemy advanced massed formation. Our rifles were the best in the world, and the marksmanship of our troops could not be surpassed. The Germans were doomed from the outset, Steadying their rifles at the top of the trenches, the British fired at

will. They couldn't miss. Every bullet found at least two marks, and The poor fellows fell like chaff before a fire. sometimes three or four. Whole companies fell together. The wounded squirmed from the masses of the dead and tried to continue the charge. It then became necessary to shoot them again.

The sights I saw showed me conclusively that this is not war, but a terrible holocaust. Its cost in human lives is almost impossible to

At Aisne, the terrible new artillery, the high power rifles and the range finding by the skymen are far more efficient agencies of destruction than Meade's 410 cannon and Lee's 190 cannon, and the old Springfield rifles at Gettysburg. With twelve times as many men engaged as at Gettysburg, with fourteen days of fighting instead of three, and with 32,865 killed and wounded in Meade's and Lee's armies, this terrible battle of Aisne is to yield a slaughter to stagger mankind.

What a reason for the United States to be thankful for peace, and to have a day of fervent supplication for all the world to sheathe the sword!

of 1870 the loss was 225,000. A of today as the circus did in the similar number perished in the days of the Caesars. Russo-Turkish war,

The Zulu and Afghan wars in passing fast away before modern complete estimates, cost 15,000 fore it is lost in tradition. lives. The loss in the English-Boer war was 125,000 of whom Up has been and may continue to 100,000 were English and it in- be an important factor. volved an additional sacrifice of the lives of 15,000 Boer women long associated with it.

The loss in the Spanish-American war was less than 6000 but there is an unusual supply in the the Philippine aftermath cost the United States 5000 soldiers. It is further estimated that the

total expenditure of money for wars is approximately thirty-eight billion dollars. These figures take no account

aside for their own uses than they loss of wealth caused by the with- clared in the London Times: have had before in twenty years. drawal of men from productive oc-Nor have they in that period cupations, nor of the vast sums that have to be disbursed in interest on debts incurred by war.

# COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY

dance will, as it always does, shed HE roadbed of the Columbia man submarine, the sinking of Autocracies must be supplanted by between the top of the bluff the attacking vessel goes far to- itary above Rooster Rock and War- ward demonstrating that naval sponsible. rendale and the concrete bridges warfare has been revolutionized. gone unheeded and their and viaducts are in place. There In any event, there is serious have been inexorably fulfilled. remain about six miles of grade to question whether enormous exbe built between Warrendale and penditures for dreadnaughts have leading men in London, Berlin and the county line. A large sum of not produced little more than Leipsic. He said it is very easy money is being expended by the piles of floating junk so far as ef- to be a violent partisan and concounty in the work but it is well fectiveness in war is concerned. spent. For every dollar the peo-

of road. A remarkable feature about the ships will be of no use either for of the last ten years." construction is the low cost and defensive or offensive purposes, What is needed is a political reof excavation the average cost has the people's money. been 381-10 cents per cubic yard. at Oneonta gorge.

Washington Railway & Navigation source of expense to a nation, for war. Company, whose tracks run just the efficient fighting ship of tobelow the highway, spent 44 cents day is worth little tomorrow. Because, Mr. McArthur is a per cubic yard for similar con- Also, the race for supremacy on Road on the opposite side of the supreme. Columbia river, had to pay 56 If Admiral Scott was right last

In the section just west of La- marine's work in the North sea, tourelle Falls Roadmaster Yeon it is yet possible that the people of These are sufficient reasons for installed a steam shovel to make Europe may find relief from grind-Mr. McArthur to have forfeited all large fills, at a cost of seven cents ing taxes for the upbuilding of

people to commission him to go From a scenic and engineering standpoint the highway is un-Mr. Flegel is a man whose aims rivalled in the world. From a busand purposes and conceptions and iness standpoint it is one of the ideals are far better suited to the best investments the county ever wishes and plans of the people made and at a time when the spirit of the Multnomah Congressional of militarism is abroad it might be proper to say that from a military standpoint it is full of possibilities.

All the money being disbursed F THE figures compiled by turned a hundredfold through the in making the highway will be re-Benjamin F. Trueblood, LL. lowering of transportation rates D., are to be accepted, fifteen and through the attraction of tour-

When it is linked up with roads tic history. During the nineteenth to Mount Hood and other points ican ambassador to Berlin. In his understanding, but it also has a little

# THE ROUND-UP

NOTHER Pendleton Round- representative. Up has passed into history Again it has been demonstrated crisis in Berlin. In Belgium Brand

that the spirit of those days when Whitlock is credited with having In the American Civil war ap- men's blood ran red still exists saved Brussels from bombardment.

towns. tria and Italy in 1866 cost 45,000 It was also demonstrated that The attempt to prove that poli-

sufficient remuneration to meet his

THE SUBMARINE

imposing but useless fleets.

further between.

AMERICAN DIPLOMATS

was told that under the Wil-

son administration, and par-

ticularly because of Mr.

Our diplomatic and consular

of the water.

he individual? Is it not a greater crime than the theft of the individual to provide for a starving family? Which is the greater the law of

> Better than an academic discussion, is the effort to bring them in the equipment saying of Abraham Lincoln you it will be absurd. can not have a civilization half fed and half hungry. A civilization which permits a part of its units to suffer from hunger is only a part civilization.

nature on the law of man?

The early life of the west is To enlarge the social vision and stimulate the social conscience to 1879 cost 40,000 lives. The Jap- conditions. It is well that it be the end that every man shall have anese-Chinese war, according to in- preserved as long as possible be- the opportunity to work according to his capacity is the real purpose In this preservation the Round- of life.

Young and able men are rightfully censured for lack of service May the name of Pendleton be and lack of provision against the incapacity of old age but there should be pity for the hopeless. helpless and friendless, aged, drifting derelict. NKING of the British cruis-

#### ers Aboukir, Hogue and SALVATION BY SHOOTING

Cressy by a German submarine has again called attention be possibility that naval war
Peace Foundation has been of his time; the children of all the munication in ships of several American to the possibility that naval warfare has been revolutionized. Last June Sir Percy Scott, an admiral student of war. He declares of the destruction of property and of the British navy and a naval that the theory of salvation by organize, capitalize and make real this Steamship line, another American servspecialist of the first rank, de- shooting has absolutely broken dea will probably become down. Concerning the war, Mr. of his moneys. that Mead said:

My sympathies are the ple everywhere, and the great lesutility of ships that swim on top son for us all is to discriminate sharply between the people and the While Admiral Scott's statement governments. Small military cliques has not been proved by the Ger- in Austria, Russia and Germany were responsible for precipitating things, River Highway is finished three cruisers without injury to more popular control. Monstrous milestablishments are really responsible. Persistent and solemn warnings of the peace party have prophecies

Mr. Mead conferred with many demn Russia and England on the Admiral Scott said the submar- one hand or Germany on the other.

It is entirely possible that when quire time, but Europe should our yearly \$6,000,000 hop crop. tions will be much wiser. The The time will come when the amount is a record. The Oregon- great navy is little more than a tice and cooperation instead of for haps

June, as demonstrated by one sub-

war, to prevent armed conflict. FEW weeks ago the country for either individual or nation.

From the Youth's Companion. Bryan, our diplomatic service had factured stories to the same ef- of the expression, but it is rather dif-Sir Edward Goshen, British am- gave a good explanation when his bassador to Germany when war daughter asked him what the entente cordiale really was.
"Well," he said, "it is not so easy was declared, has paid a high

tribute to James W. Gerard, Amer- to define literally. It means a cordial and for final report Sir Edward says Mr. different significance. For example: Gerard showed great firmness and ing when I came from the garden with calmness in dealing with a difficult situation. It is the testimony a large bone. Then there was a few it. Each dog was afraid of my cane, the west of which it was the performing their arduous and peril- call in diplomatic circles an entente ous work. Mr. Gerard met the cordiale."

> Who Threw That Brick? From Cincinnati Enquirer, "Why do you feed every tramp who

"No," said his wife, "but it is quite a This

# SCHOOL MOVIES

By Dr. Frank Crane.

(Copyright, 1914, by Frank Crane.) belong to the "shirt sleeve" school, The educational value of moving they are getting things done, and pictures presents boundless possibiligetting them done right. Except for a mysterious report about Am-It is safe to say that no device

bassador-elect Sharpe in Paris, not ever conceived by the mind and made word of criticism has appeared by the hands of man is so significant educationally as the photo film. anywhere. The country has rea-The days of crucifying children in son to be proud of its representaorder to get information into their past Learning is going be exciting, interesting, fascinat-

The old theory was that pupils should be forced to study, by author-S THERE any sadder sight than ity, by caning. They beat one end of the child to get knowledge into the that of the helpless aged poor. other. The new theory, founded upon the maimed veterans of the intelligent psychology and scientific of the nation. pedagogy, is that young people naturally love to learn, have an inborn They have struggled against poverty and have finally been real teacher is the one who skillfully Beaten. It may be that they were directs this normal desire. foredoomed to defeat by lack of

capacity or want of thrift, but is study into a game. to school this was the dryest of all "When a man can't get work and is broke, the best thing he can do is to kill himself," said a Grant moved toward Shiloh with his vanced southward with two divisions raigned in the Municipal court Frito form a junction with General day on a charge of drunkenness. Thingumbob's Seventh Illinois." Although the man was wrong in was as killing to us children as to the combatants.

We had no idea what it was all about All the interesting part Is not the failure of society to the wretched text book was in the afford every willing individual an anecdotes in the foot notes. That will be changed. Our children opportunity to exchange the ser- shall see General Grant. The hisvice of which he is capable for a toric figures of Washington, Jackson, Lee and Webster will become familiar friends. Companies of skilled actors natural needs a greater crime will perform every critical incident against itself than the suicide of in history before the camera, and the resulting story of the world will be the entertainment of youth.

and Hannibal, Caesar. Xerxes, Pericles and Napoleon, our boys and girls will know these characters as well and as lovingly as we knew Jack the Giant Killer and Alad-

The time is not far distant when into harmony. To paraphrase a house. The attempt to teach without ship lines of Italy.

> pear in person; gathering rubber, many millions of bushels of the huge mowing wheat, garnering the cane grain crop demanding markets overand catching the mackerel, will be understood in the easiest of all ways, volved by the war in an incalculable watching the by being present and operation

In science the children will behold "the Roentgen-ray photo of a living, beating heart and the circulation of the blood, on a screen 14 feet in diam-

Botany, electricity, chemistry, biology, geology, anthropology, spectroscopy, anatomy, forestry, being turned into fun! these A child can learn more in his Tuesday and Friday afternoons in the school with the moving pictures than

we learned in cruel weeks and months of book grinding. Moving pictures as an amusement but the enterprising genius who shall first grasp and utilize the possibilities of the movie in the school

And the shrewd promoter who shall

# Letters From the People

(Communications sent to The Journal for

"Discussion is the greatest of all reformprinciples of all false sanctity and s them back on their reasonableness. If

plot the destruction of the direct ple are receiving a dollar's worth ine will make it unsafe for a "But this is the method of a man prosperous?" Let them not think this fleet to put to sea, that battle- who knows little of the history is a fight between prohibition and the hop industry, while they stand by, idly indifferent, for 144,500,000 bushels of wheat is used for liquor in the expedition with which it has and that there should be no more construction of the world on ra- the United States. With prohibition progressed. In handling all classes built, as it would be a misuse of tional and moral principles. The this would necessarily mean an unsold surplus. Locally, Curtis P. Coe pany has completed its great fleet of which the president and managing di- the maritime states, but by the cotton task is not impossible. It will re- would have us sow wheat instead of This This includes the 100 foot tunnel the war is over the militant na- profit by the lesson she is learning. added wheat acreage would make another surplus, meaning for all of us peared upon the route, and the Interna- authorized in his discretion to suspend | men and public journals have for half financial ruip. The wine, cider and In work of this character this claim has long been made that a world will be organized for jus- brandy made into liquor would perdouble the wheat surplus. Cut that off from our now overdone market and have our hop yards in fruit, While the fighting is flercest is and what would the fruit raisers get? the best time for dwelling on the Oregon's hay record is \$12,500,000 Mr. effect of war. It is no time for Coe tells us to sow our hop fields in discouragement. The world will clover. My neighbor went to Portland and could not sell his hay. Does Mr. mecover from wounds inflicted by Coe want us in the hay business, so the combatants, and the important thing is that recovery shall
carry with it determination by the carry with it determination by the proves that even now we are unpropeople themselves to be saved gressive. We need eastern capital for and wineries. we pay freight both greater production, not less; to bring whole world. multitudes of people to buy livestock, butter and eggs. We want a greater Oregon. Prohibition would kill all lines of business. It has the audacity to the newspapers of today we very class us among the white slavers, the often find the words entente cordiale. underworld, the anarchists and thieves. been ruined. There are still manu- Most readers understand the meaning Yet they so into the penitentiaries and make the convicts their allies and class fect, but they are fewer and ficult to make a translation that ex- themselves among the murderers. Led presses the exact meaning of the by ministers, under the guise of temoriginal French. Prince Bismarck perance, an attempted \$700,000,000 confiscation is on record in California. Prohibition is not temperance. perance is not prohibition. Vote wet to save the country from destruction true temperance, not prohibi-ELLA M. FINNEY.

tion. A Plea for Relief Measures. Portland, Sept. 23 .- To the Honora ble Governor West and the Honorable Mayor and City Commissioners of a trained diplomat concerning sharp blows with my cane. After Portland time to try to stop this untable that the bone lay in the middle of the it is about time to try to stop this untable that the people and court, while both dogs stood off at rest and revolution that the people and some distance and looked eagerly at the press are predicting this winter It is claimed by many that this winthe death of about 50,000 men. A and joined the old days of service has done extremely well in seize it. You see, that is what they of work and starving. Why not use the credit of the state and of the cities and put the unemployed to work at reasonable wages, producing food, clothing and shelter for themselves, the state or cities, to pay for said products with credit script receivable for comes along? They never do any work all debts due the city or state, and sell said products to the citizens at cost. will solve the unemployed probsatisfaction to me to see a man eat iem, and its will not raise our taxes or without finding fault with the cookstate and of the cities to take cars of shall vote dry.

# THE WAR AND OUR OCEAN TRADE

Winthrop L Marvin in Review of steamships of the Pacific Mail com-Reviews. Without undertaking to consider the causes, the fact is that when Great Oceanic Steamship company operates a brothers by blood, but they are brothe Britain, Germany, France, Russia and Austria plunged into war in the midsummer of 1914, their merchant ships

and the ships of the few maritime na-tions remaining neutral were carrying 92 per cent of the overseas trade of the United States—a trade which in the latest fiscal year was valued at nearly \$4,000,000,000. Our principal carriers were Great Britain and Germany, and the ships of the latter's flag were at Brazil. once removed from consideration. There ensued, of course, a paralysis of export and import commerce that struck at the prosperity of every part

At the outbreak of the war the American flag was flying over only six curiosity to know things, and that the steamships out of the two or three hundred liners regularly engaged in In other words, the good teacher is the ports of the United States and the the teacher that can transform a ports of Europe. These six steamships are the St. Louis, St. Paul, New York For instance, history. When I went and Philadelphia, of the American line, from New York to Cherbourg and things dry. We had to learn and re-cite that "on the fourteenth of June and express freight vessels of 11,000 man 63 years of age when ar- west wing, while somebody else ad- Kroonland, 16 knot steamships of the Red Star line from New York to Plytons, with excellent passenger accom-modations and a considerable cargo capacity. Not one of the latest Atlantic leviathans has sailed under the Stars and Stripes. All of these six American steamships are in the service of the International Mercantile Marine company. The four first named are the regularly subsidized transatiantic postal fleet of the United States, and the Finland and Kroonland were built in

> Besides these six American steamers the war at the outset left neutral a few small steamship lines under the colors of Spain, Portugal and Scandinavia. The Holland-America steamers have been forced to traverse a danger zone. the Belgian steamers of the Red Star line went almost immediately into the the moving picture apparatus will be belligerent class, and a hazard of evenschool tual participation clings to the steam-

anticipation of a later subsidy measure,

which was not enacted.

Not only were the regular lines afseas, the United States has been in misfortune. For it is only in Europe that the great bulk of our surplus cotton and grain can be disposed of.

Though the war in its first effects crippled steamship communication on opportunity. Undoubtedly, there will the transatlantic routes, it has had no such disastrous result on the route to from the larger vessels of the coastthe West Indies and the nearer ports of wise trade. Some of these have al-Atlantic South America. American ready been chartered, and others are shipping holds a respectable place in the Caribbean region, and about onehalf of the entire commerce of that region is, and has been, with the United steamers to carry grain or cotton are one of our best fighters. He had a States. A strong American steamship service, the Ward line, connects Mexico, Cuba and the Bahamas with New and larger steamers ready. It so hap- G. Wright, who still lives in Salem. York. This is a mail-subsidized service, and so is that of the Red D line, from New York to Venezuela via Porto in Europe as an observer and earth shall rise up and call him munication in ships of several American lines with New York and ports of the Guif of Mexico. The Panama Railroad New York, and more than 40 at San idea will probably become one of our ice operated by the war department, profitable overseas voyaging but some the company, but Charles Bennett was runs from New York to Colon. The are larger vessels carrying from 5000 elected. Davis got a lot of the boys Clyde line runs to Santo Domingo, and | to 10,000 tons. the Southern Pacific line from New Or

connection also with the Florida peninsula. communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 300 words in length and must be accompanied by the name and address of the companied by the name and address of the should so state.)

The writer does not desire to not likely to be disturbed, ply between not likely to be disturbed, ply between our Atlantic and gulf ports and Jamaiand other foreign colors, but so secure- agement has been the heavily increased captain you can quit right now." ca, Cuba, Central America and the Isthmus of Panama, and the Munson line, also with American owned ships of foreign register, is an important factor in the Cuban trade. The United Fruit company may come completely under the American flag. The Atlas line of German steamers has been withdrawn wherever practicable, and national in-If Hops Were No More Grown. from the New York-West Indian serv- surance of American vessels will be thousand and call it a slight skirmish ice, but otherwise our West India com- straightforward and practical methods or a rear guard action. It isn't even a Gervais, Or., Sept. 25 .- To the Ed-

itor of The Journal-Growers of wheat munications have not been, and preshould be proud of Oregon, which had a sumably will not be, seriously reduced. Nor is there any hazard in the war confirmed its purpose to offer a passenger service that will become availabel as soon as the war will permit. fide American ownership and register. chant marines. They are sufficient in urement. number to provide a sailing from the Atlantic to the Pacific every business

day throughout the year.

from another such devastating con- all purposes, but especially to build in their citizens and give them a show to Portland great breweries, distilleries make an honest living for themselves With the exception of and families. This plan will stop this It is within the power of the (prohibition Kansas corn) Bourbon unrest and give us the best market in ation, in which only three or four of- are now paying the penalty, and, in people, the chief sufferers from whiskey, because we grow less corn, the world for our products. The state ways for our and the cities are well able to take care produce and manufactured liquors. We of their unemployed, but we cannot to qualify. There is no salvation by shooting want greater enterprise to inspire take care of the unemployed of the J. LANDIGAN.

itor of The Journal-We hear a great

#### Why He Votes Dry. Oregon City, Sept. 23 .- To the Ed-

deal about booze and the saloon of late. I heard a man say not long ago that every saloonkeeper was a thief. cannot agree with him, but I do not think booze makes men any better. My first recollection of booze was when I was quite small and my first recollection of a saloon was in Paris, Texas, and while I never entered it, something happened there the night my chum insisted on my going there with him, just to look on, that I never have forgotten. It seems to me there is so ittle good, if any, in the saloon or pooze that we would be better off without either; my experience and obdangerous. I have had a few friends that committed suicide and have seen many that were made destitute by graded as a human being can get. I bles. I do not think that I ever saw the mines had produced the money and the saloons came to get it, and that was why they were there with the gambling devices, I do not re-member of being in a saloon in Ore-

pany, from San Francisco, run to Japan, China and the Philippines. Western Mexico. There is, however, no

Both the grain and the cotton crops

of neutral nations can nominally trade signed up with Captain Williams in to all ports, even ports of belligerent nations that have not been formally tain Williams were sent with their blockaded, but in effect the widening companies into the Burnt river counof the definition of contraband to in- try. clude conditionally even such articles had with the Indians was when three scribes all practicable war time com- of rock to look over the country for merce. blockade is proclaimed, as was done by were Dan Smith, Richards and Estes. our government in the Civil War with A bunch of Indians were hidden back the ports of the Confederacy, an Amer- of the rock. They fired at our men ican ship, or any other neutral ship, killing Smith and Estes. Richards and 10,000 tons—and the Finland and traband cargo to Bremen or Hamburg none of the bullets hit him. He reor Trieste. But, as a matter of fact, no ported locating the Indians, and as mouth and Antwerp-vessels of 12,000 American or other neutral ship will they were in force, we decided to wait dare to do this, except as a desperate, until next morning to attack them. speculation. Whether or not a block- They fired at our camp fires during ade is proclaimed, a blockade actually the night, so we moved back from the exists, and Germany and Austria must fires. Next morning we drove the Inbe dismissed from consideration as con- dians off. sumers of products of the United States. cept those on the northeast coast, and big heart. The Indians scalped his the ports of France ought to remain head and also his face, thus getting open to the neutral commerce of Amer- three scalps, one from the head and ica. Already a large part of the serv- one from each cheek. Estes was baldice of British and French transatlanic steamship companies is being cautiously didn't bother; him with their scalping resumed. It must be expected, however, that the British and French interruption throughout the war, behome government for ships for transport or other auxiliary service.

> Already freight rates to north European ports have doubled, and there has been an increase of 50 per cent in the rates to countries outside of the war zone, to Africa and South America. Insurance rates also have attained excessive figures, though they are significantly low for ships flying the American flag, of unquestioned American ownership, on the American register

before the war began. Our government in this crisis should insist with firmness on full neutral rights for all its ships and cargoes. If the nation possessed a great mercantile marine, or was rapidly creating such a marine, this would be an unexampled be additions to our overseas tonnage being offered by their managers. The Clyde and Mallory lines and their alat the service of the government. The little Indian blood in him. Horace Hol-American-Hawaiian company has other den was in our company; so was John pens that because of the general delying idle in port awaiting an improvement in trade, or the opening of the ard, our lieutenant, when a bullet went Panama canal. Seventeen such vessels through his arm, have been unemployed at Boston, 30 at Francisco. Some are too small for Davis wanted to be elected captain of

leans to Cuba, which has steamship which has temporarily crippled the ex- with him as captain. port trade, is the breakdown of ex- sobered up they wouldn't leave Captain change. This is a financial, and not a Bennett's company. Bennett called the Ships of the large fleet of the United transportation, difficulty and it can be company together and said: "If any of Fruit company, sailing under British remedied. Another factor of discour- you men are dissatisfied with me as insurance rate, so high as to leave and a few of the men quit and that small profit to shipowners and owners of cargo. But this difficulty will be lifted with the adoption by congress of the plan recommended by President kill a man farther away than they can Wilson for the government insurance of ships of American register.

Vigorous insistence on the rights of neutrals, the use of coastwise vessel of relief of the war congestion of our battle. About the only resemplance export and import trade. Congress has between the Indian war in '55 and '56 already at this writing passed the and the war today is that, while we emergency shipping measure in the didn't kill very many, the ones we to what is now the most important form in which it was sought by the killed were just as dead as the ones steamship service under the American administration. This provides for the flag—the long voyage coastwise serv- admission to American registry of methods." ice through the now open Panama canal foreign built steamships, without rebetween the Atlantic and Pacific sea- gard to age, owned by American citiboard. The American-Hawaiian com- zens or by American corporations of be borne throughout the war, not by 26 steamships of a total dead weight rectors are American citizens. Fur- growing states of the south and the capacity of nearly 300,000 tons; the ther to encourage the naturalization of wheat and grain growing states of the Emery company, of Boston, has ap- foreign built ships, the president is middle west, many of tional Mercantile Marine company has the requirement of existing law that a century shown themselves indifferthe officers of American ships shall be ent or hostile to every effort to create American citizens. The president is an American ocean shipping. also authorized in his discretion to sus-These Panama steamers are all of bona pend the requirement that foreign built ships shall comply with American laws interior of the country, that defeated the great present hope of our mer- governing survey, inspection and meas- the earnest efforts of President Roose-

nominal, for it can be secured by foreign capital through the simple expedficers need be American citizens, holding the few shares of stock necessary

Recognizing already that even the broader free ship proposition will fail ferson, his secretary of state, warned of adequate result, President Wilson their countrymen in a joint communihas brought forward a new and radical expedient-government ownership of upon foreign nations as our sea carsteamship lines. The maximum of \$30,- riers was a costly blunder, for, aside 000,000 which the president asks con- from the disastrous effects upon ou gress to appropriate for the purchase shipbuilding and seamanship which and operation of foreign built steam- these two great Americans vividly picships in government lines under the tured, "our products, carried in foreign American flag is only a small fraction bottoms, would be saddled with war of the amount requisite to create an freights and insurance in time of war. adequate fleet. The proposal is a makeshift, and a perilous makeshift, for the after another laws that brought the mere introduction of it has aroused re- American tonnage registered for oversentment abroad and provoked warn- seas commerce up from 123,000 in 1789 ing that the American nationality of to 667,000 in 1800, and to 981,000 in ships bought from beiligerents in this 1810. At the beginning of this period belated and dubious way would not be American ships were carrying 23 per accepted for a moment. Thus both the cent of this country's imports and exemergency shipping measure and this ports; and at the end of the period later plan of government ownership in- they were carrying 91 per cent. servation has been that they are very volve grave risk of international complications One steamship service is now owned

by the government-that of the Panstrong drink. I have seen both men ama Railroad Steamship company, acand women that were about as de quired from the French with other as- Washington. That this is so is going to was in a saloon once that had several favored in the transportation of govstacks of money on two or three ta- ernment supplies, has incurred heavy deficits in some years when private any more money at one time in any owned competing lines earned reasonplace. I hardly knew what to think able dividends. It is an unfortunate tring supplies for her own people, but about it, but finally figured it out that precedent; the experience of the United which it controls is not encouraging. The great, unmistakable lesson of this suddenly "whitewashed" ship

# IN EARLIER DAYS

By Fred Lockley.

Dave and Ben McKee are not only reestablished postal subsidy line from ers in arms. Both served in the Yak-San Francisco to Australasia. The Pa- ima Indian war. Dave was born in cific Mail maintains a service from San Kentucky in 1835, and Ben was born two years later while the family was on the way to Missouri. American steamship line to the greater on the way to Missouri. Both Dave countries of South America, with the exception of one freight line operated recently met them and found Dave by the United States Steel corporation, at his brother's nouse by the United States Steel corporation, the war. "Tell me about the war in at his brother's house discussing Hawaisan company from New York to which you served 60 years ago," I said to Dave.

"Ben was 18 and I was 20 when are coming forward. Where are the we enlisted," he said. ships requisite to carry them? Ships in Captain Bennett's company and I Company N. Captain Goff and Cap-One of the first experiences we Theoretically, until formal any signs of Indians. The three men trousers and coat were riddled, but

"Dan Smith was about 65 years old. But the ports of Great Britain, ex- He had a heavy head of hair and a headed and smooth shaven, so they knives.

"We came on back to the Grands steamship schedules will be liable to Ronde valley and found that another cause of imperative demands of the fight with the Indians there. We found company of volunteers had been in a two dead squaws. We went on to what is now Walla Walla and put up a log house, the first one to be built on the present site of Walla Walla. This was in the summer of 1856. What is now called Wallula was then called Fort Walla Walla.

'Dave's talking about having two of their men scalped reminds me of a similar incident that happened to our company," said Ben. "We were up in the Touchet country, after Peo-peomox-mox and his cayuse Indians. Three of our boys were out scouting when six Indians took after them. The Indians chased our three men down into the bed of a creek. There they killed two of them while the other man crawled into the brush beside the stream. He stayed hidden there while the Indians scalped his two comrades, "W. K. Beale, one of the sergeants in our company, married Hiram Taylor's

daughter after the war. I went to see him hanged in Salem. He and Baker were executed for the murder of old lied companies have signified that 18 man Delaney. John Hauxhurst was "A bullet makes a peculiar sound pression in domestic business many when it hits a man. I was standing American coastwise vessels have been by Bluford Miller when he was shot. I happened to be standing by Andy Shep-

"There used to be a lot of political in companies 60 years ago. drunk and got them to promise to leave When the boys

settled the trouble "Fighting 60 years ago and today is altogether different. Now they can see him. They can mow them down with machine guns like I mow my grass with a reaper. They can sail bomb on him over him and drop a We killed at most a few score or a few hundred; now they kill a few they 'till today by their improved

It was these influences, from the velt and of President Taft to secure na-The new law in its terms actually tional aid for the establishment of grants a valuable preference to foreign steamship lines to South America and built ships over existing ships on the across the Pacific ocean. Both Mr seek the American colors. Indeed, seaboard states. But inland statesmen American ownership may be merely caused the defeat of the shipping bil by narrow majorities in the house of representatives. Their own people ient of organizing an American corpor- their own agricultural constituents, spite of all efforts to prevent it, that penalty will have been a heavy one before this war is ended.

More than a century ago President George Washington and Thomas Jefcation to congress that dependence Congress listened, and passed one

Another great world war has found the United States as unprepared and helpless to safeguard its overseas trade as it was in the first administration of sets of the old canal. This line, though prove the shame and the loss of the American people.

There will be a grave shortage of food this year in Europe. Great Britain may manage to provide ships to she cannot do much more. An Amerstates in ocean trade with the one line ican merchant marine of unquestioned nationality-not a merchant marine of war to the American people is that an now be a boon to the world—to the adequate merchant marine can no more people whom its safe neutral carriage be improvised in an emergency than could succor, as well as to the people gon City, but I saw some of their pater of their pa