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OUR OWN UNITED STATES

OUR country has its critics. They are among our own people. They assail our institutions; they question our liberties; they oppose our public sentiment; they denounce our flag.

It is a beautiful picture. There at the counters, are infinite tons of human affection. The thought that is uppermost in every mind, the impulse that surges in every heart is a yearning to secure something that will carry a Christmas message of love and devotion to a brother or sister or parent or child or friend.

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and clearness of purpose. They were John Quincy Adams, Henry Clay, Albert Gallatin, James A. Bayard and Jonathan Russell.

The British at that time had been at war for twenty years and were weary of fighting. All Europe was in exhaustion over the struggles with Napoleon, who was to return to France to be reckoned with.

Letters from the Journal

(Communications sent to the Journal for publication in this department should be written on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 400 words, and should be accompanied by the name and address of the sender.

Post-Election Reflections.

Portland, Dec. 23.—To the Editor of The Journal—Election now being over. It is time for reflection. It has been said that nothing is settled until it is settled right.

Is There a Santa Claus?

A famous New York Sun editorial, printed in the issue of December 21, 1917.

After a Century

ONE hundred years ago tonight, in the old Carthusian monastery in the city of Ghent, Flanders, American and British plenipotentiaries signed the now famous treaty of Ghent.

To Curb the Beast Man

Portland, Dec. 23.—To the Editor of The Journal—Referring to the article in the Journal of December 9, relating to the tragedy of little Margaret Milne.

Making Friends

When the Wilson administration came into office an attitude was assumed toward the South American nations which has brought a quick response from all of them.

A FEW SMILES

Hicksville Stage Hand (to member of visiting "Hamlet" company) — It certainly is a grand thing to play a grand night after night.

SMALL CHANGE

"Thanks!" About all a man expects for the present.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

The Outlook predicts that Gresham's recent calamity—its \$40,000 fire—will be offset by a benefit by this time next year.

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

Deposits of kaolin near the Dead Indian road a few miles from Ashland are being tested, and it is hoped that those interested that competition with the Florida supply may be established.

THE FAR-RIDING COSSACKS

From the Boston Globe. By repute the Cossacks are among the most terrible warriors in Europe. A troop of English Tommies with plentiful machine guns might break double the destruction, but Cossacks are not to be trifled with.

NEW FEATURE OF THE THRIFT SOCIETY

In a recent letter from the American Society for Thrift, a succinct statement of its plans was made. In the following paragraph I want to call special attention to the first part of the first sentence, and to the second sentence.

The Ragtime Muse

To Thalia. Most human of the mighty nine, Be thou a friend to the ragtime line. Leads us to hope you'll fall in line. With this 'ere frolic.

Primitive Journalism

From the Coquille Sentinel. Like an owl, the Oregonian sits in a cave of gloom and hoots, hoots, hoots, at the Wilson administration because it has not involved us in war with Mexico and begun to make Oregon vixen widows and Oregon children orphans.

Looking Back Over the Year

So fast do the events of successive days crowd each other that it is difficult to recall even the more important happenings in their chronological order.

The Sunday Journal

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OREGON "IN EARLY DAYS"

As far back as the early '60s the Springfield Republican had gained a reputation as one of the leading newspapers of the United States. It is not hard to be wondered at when one remembers that among its editors and owners were J. G. Holland, Clark W. Bryan, Samuel Bowles and his brother Benjamin, and W. M. Pomeroy.

Public Charities and Benevolent Associations

Public charities and benevolent associations for the gratuitous relief of every species of distress are peculiar to Christianity; no other system of civil or religious politics has ever organized them.

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