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America asks nothing for herself but what she has a right to ask for humanity itself.
WOODROW WILSON.

All human situations have their inconveniences. We feel those of the present, but neither see nor feel those of the future; and hence we often make troublesome changes without amendment, and frequently for the worse.—Franklin.

NATIONS GONE MAD

The sinking of the Arabic calls attention to the lengths to which Berlin and London are going in presuming on traditional American friendship in this war.

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weapons and new engines of warfare, she affords precedent and encouragement to Great Britain.

HAIL TO THE FISTS

FIST fighting has been suggested to Secretary Daniels as a means by which the cadets should settle disputes between themselves at the United States naval academy at Annapolis.

What a mistake it is to spoil a fine cadet by teaching him at the government academy to be refined instead of brutal and coarse and to use his brains instead of his fists!

By all means encourage the fist fights at Annapolis and let the bully of the school be the popular hero, and let him require the weaklings to polish his shoes and press his trousers.

THE LAW OF NATIONS

Great Britain's signified intention to declare cotton contraband is a reversal of a traditional policy. It will be recalled that during the American Civil war Great Britain protested against the blockade of outgoing cotton from the South and also refused to recognize it as contraband during the Russo-Japanese war.

As a justification for the abandonment of its former policy Great Britain will argue the radical changes in the conditions of warfare and in answer to expected American protest will cite the proclamations of Presidents Lincoln and Johnson designating as contraband of war "materials" for the fabrication of ammunition.

The suggestion is made that the allies will propose to allow cotton to be shipped to neutral countries in proportion to their normal consumption. But how about the normal shipments to Germany and Austria.

These are to fall before the old doctrine that might makes right, it would seem.

International law will be a sorry looking object at the close of the war.

TRADE EXTENSION

A FEW years ago when Dr. Cook made his claim of discovering the North Pole, we learned that the Eskimo is very fond of gum drops. This was a suggestion for the extension of American commerce.

Another suggestion comes from the American commercial attaché at Shanghai. It seems that the Chinese are fond of sweets. The attaché thinks that they might be easily introduced into the gum chewing habit.

traveler's wardrobe, after disbursing cash for the score or hundred things incidental to a pleasure tour, you would be in position to form an estimate of what seeing America first means to the Pacific coast. Figure out how much each tourist spends a day and, after multiplying the total by 750,000, you will have an enormous sum.

THE MEXICAN PLOT

It is charged that a publicity organization has been perfected in Mexico to deliberately misinform this country as to the actual status of affairs in that troubled republic.

The story has been repeated in several quarters, but has not been officially confirmed. The aim, of course, is to secure American intervention. The Vera Cruz uprising as well as the border troubles are declared to be a part of the program. Paid lobbyists and paid publicity agents in this country are alleged to be in the service of American interests who clamor for intervention.

The stake in Mexico is large. The exploitation of the country could be enormously advanced by the dislocation of affairs to come from a war in which we should send armies of subjugation into our sister republic. In the great gambling game which moneyed men in the United States are playing in Mexico, they would have everything to gain and nothing to lose by a war. It is mainly American mothers whose sons would be shot on the battlefields who would be the heavy losers.

Of equal importance but from wholly different motives, are the errors of American official agents. It has, for instance, been widely stated that the Tampico incident might never have assumed international importance had Admiral Mayo not been over-quick in his ultimatum. It has been similarly reported that the naval captain who reported disorders at Vera Cruz was stampeded.

It is a situation to infinitely distress those charged with administration of American affairs. To decide, out of the conflicting reports, as to what is true and what false is a trying and delicate duty. To have such distressing perplexities thrust upon the government at a time when events over seas are peculiarly tense and delicate is cruel.

Not in a generation has there been a time when poise, discrimination and sound judgment were such necessary assets in the American White House, and to the agreeable reassurance of the American people, rarely have those priceless traits of character been so pronouncedly in evidence in that great clearing place of American affairs.

It looks good to see the gentlemen of the Rivers and Harbors committee making personal inspection of projects, and ascertaining from actual observation the merits of each. By that test, Oregon has no question as to the future, for she has nothing but first class goods to show. Where in the whole world is there a waterway serving so great a back country and capable of such development as the Columbia river and its tributaries?

The Journal now prints seven editions daily. The noon edition is exclusively for distribution by the Portland newsboys. The afternoon editions are timed to catch outgoing trains in such a way as to present the very latest news to up-to-date readers. No other newspaper on the Pacific coast is as active and aggressive in serving its readers with lightning-like promptness and comprehensive efficiency.

wife "took a \$400 diamond pin and forged a check before she left."

War in any circumstance is a terrible thing but when viewed in the present height of the thermometer the struggle of the Austrians and Italians 11,000 feet above the sea loses some of its horror.

It is probably true as Judge Pipes says that prosecuting attorneys see criminality in every action but how about the lawyers for the defense? Can they preserve an unbiased mind?

The fact that the ex-president will bring with him tomorrow that smile which never wears off, adds to the welcome that Portland always has for him.

The visit of ex-President Taft will have an added interest. He is now Granddaddy Taft.

ENVER PASHA, THE INDOMITABLE TURK

Lawrence Biegelow in Philadelphia Ledger. IN SEVERAL accounts interest in the war operations is again strongly directed toward the Dardanelles region and the military condition of Turkey. A change of French commanders is followed by a change of German commanders. The allies have landed fresh troops at the Dardanelles, and Germany is said to be massing a force to cut a road through Serbia into Turkey. The Russian ambitions in southeast Europe are receiving renewed attention in discussions of the international situation as a whole.

Undoubtedly the supreme power behind the Turkish defense is Enver Bey—Enver Pasha now. He has had an almost entirely free hand in Turkish military affairs, and to him, as much as to the German officers, is unquestionably due the magnificent resistance the Turks have offered the allied fleets and armies in the Dardanelles operations. He is a man to whom many sobriquets and epithets have been applied—"the Beau Brummel of Asia," "the Gunman of the East," "the Napoleon of Turkey," "Turkey's Man of Destiny," "Savior of Islam," "Satan in the Moslem Drama," "Sawdust Hero," "dictator," "patriot." Whatever else may be said of the 33-year-old minister of war of the Moslem empire, no one has yet called him a weakling. He is, in fact, the one strong personality that Turkey has had since Abdul Hamid was overthrown by the Young Turks party in 1908. Enver Pasha, then little more than a boy, led the revolt against the wily old sultan.

Abdul Hamid, when he was sultan, made Enver many offers of high government positions, with the object, it is said, of getting him where the sultan's assassins could find him at a convenient time. He wisely kept away from Constantinople, spending his time in Berlin, where he was military attaché at the Turkish embassy, and a confidential friend of Emperor William.

It was on his return to Turkey that the world heard of this neat and dapper young man, with his clean-shaven cheeks and curled, waxed mustache. The old sultan sent for him in July, 1908, to come to the capital and be pardoned. Abdul Hamid had become alarmed by the secret propaganda of the now powerful Committee of Union and Progress, in which Enver was a leading figure, and in characteristic oriental fashion pretended that he wished to honor rather than to punish the suspect. But Enver, a Turk with an Arab ancestry, was too much of a Turk not to know what that kind of pardon meant. He fled for his life and abandoned all pretense of loyalty to the government. His histrionic talent led him to put on peasants' clothes and grow a beard, this get-up being more pleasing to the villagers of the interior than the Parisian fashions he had formerly affected. He spoke well, and enrolled thousands of young men under the banner of Liberty, Fraternity and the Constitution. Other officers were active throughout European Turkey and Asia Minor, but when the revolution swept everything before it all the credit was given to Enver. He became the patriot and liberator, the Young Turk hero par excellence. He would not allow himself to be photographed, and when praised to his face remarked that there had been thousands of heroes in the ranks.

The new sultan, Mahomet V, offered Enver Pasha entrance into the imperial family through a marriage with his favorite 18-year-old niece, daughter of Prince Suleiman. Accidentally Enver meant that his princess would insist that he renounce his right to four wives. But he agreed, only asking for two years in which to perfect his study of military tactics in Germany. At the end of that period the marriage took place. The imperial alliance, however, made Enver Pasha the power behind the throne and the virtual ruler of Turkey. Or did it? Enver made himself the power behind the throne and the virtual ruler of Turkey.

When the first shot in the great war was fired Enver saw an opportunity to launch a patriotic venture. Turkey at this juncture of events was governed by a secret society. Men in office—even the highest—were dominated by the Committee of Union and Progress, of which Enver was, and still is, the head. Ministers obtained portfolios only upon condition that they would obey implicitly the behests of the committee or promptly produce their resignations

at the invitation of the organization. The sultan was a figurehead, as he had been since the committee had led him forth from the palace in which he had been held a prisoner by his brother, Abdul Hamid, for many years, and installed him, blinking in the unaccustomed light of day, upon the throne of the kaliph vacated by Abdul. The minister of war, whose name was Enver—was the whole government. It was he who sought to enlighten the entire Moslem world in a holy war, but failed.

Ever is a marvelous swordsmen, a fluent linguist, a man of ascetic simplicity of life, possessed of a remarkable combination of the qualities of idealism and practicality, of the mystic and the man of action.

Of his forceful personality an Englishman said before the war: "He is without a single exception I can recall of hand, save possibly Lord Kitchener, the most forceful individual I have ever known, and for sheer magnetic attraction stands absolutely alone in my experience. In any other country besides Turkey—in England, Germany or the United States—he could not fall of a great career. Here the higher a man climbs the surer he is to be marked for a fall, and Enver Bey has been in danger of assassination ever since his progressive spirit began to manifest itself in his early teens. Some day—it may be tomorrow or it may not be for a number of years—the agents of his enemies will kill him, and when they do there will pass the sincerest of patriots that Turkey has known since the days of Midhat Pasha."

Philadelphia Ledger: "Cost of German family's food has risen \$3 a week." The American vacationists pay about the same bonus for their own "place in the sun."

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Philadelphia Telegraph: Speaking of the copy of the Philadelphia Aurora for August 17, 1915, owned by a Parkersburg woman, we presume that it contains a paragraph saying that the previous year was the hottest August 18 in the history of the weather bureau.

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PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE. Atlanta Journal: Not only in war orders, but in peace orders also, the country is showing an increase in small change.

Los Angeles Times: There is a man in Los Angeles who is increasing his income by collecting the clothes for his wife to wash.

Tacoma Tribune: Justice Hughes has now ten L.L.D.'s. Nobody will ever be able to accuse him of doctoring laws without a license.

Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph: It is announced that a Norway syndicate has agreed to furnish Germany with 10,000 residents as a meat supply. How about this, Santa Claus?

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OREGON SIDELIGHTS

One of La Grande's general stores having broken the early closing agreement by staying open until 10 o'clock is threatened.

"To make things perfect," says the Bend Bulletin, "we should now like the address of the Reimond man who has been so successful in getting there ever being sawmills at Bend."

Business men of Sutherlin are taking steps to protect citizens of Sutherlin "against people who fail to pay their bills." It is stated that the party of various organizations, peddlers who go from house to house and traveling men who never spend a cent in the town.

Specimen of unveiled sarcasm in Eugene Register: "Knowing that large bodies move slowly, the Register began advocating a municipal camping ground for tourists several months ago. It is now being completed by the middle of winter, when the real good weather sets in and when the city will be an abundant demand for a place to stay out all night."

Salem Journal: While the swimming teach on Minto Island is doing a big business, the beach is busy with people enjoying themselves, there is a noticeable absence of the young boys, but the girls are there in large numbers. In fact, the kiddies object to paying the nickel fare, and they prefer to sit on the beach in the afternoon and evening, about one mile down the river, a short distance this place is rather treacherous, and is probably adapted for swimmers, old or young.

Lake County Examiner: George E. Good, of La Pine, is that a skeleton had been found at the Prospect taxidermy, south of Crater Lake, which is causing a stir. The skeleton is complete and normal except the lower jaw, which is missing. It is a skeleton of which the teeth are cross-wise to the usual setting. According to Mr. Good, he states that the party of geologists from Columbia university who visited Crater Lake and passed the skeleton, were unable to account for the strange jaw and teeth.

NATIONAL POLITICS

Hitler leaders in the Wolverine state and the sentiment among the Republicans favors ex-Senator Root for the presidency.

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THE OREGON COUNTRY

JOSEPH HARDIN CORNWALL was appointed Oregon's first cadet to West Point.

In 1850, when I was 18 years old, Samuel R. Thurston, our delegate to Congress, asked President Zachary Taylor to appoint me cadet to the United States Military Academy at West Point," said Mr. Cornwall when I visited him recently at his home in Dallas, Tex. "I received the appointment which was conditional upon my being able to pass the physical examination. I did not take the physical examination, as I had no taste for a military career. My father wanted for me a Presbyterian minister, and I had set my mind on being a minister also.

"I received the appointment. I do not remember who gave the order. West Point was in my place. I know Medoram Crawford's son was one of our first cadets, and so was John Adair, now living at Astoria. His father, Colonel Adair, an early day collector of customs at Astoria.

"We came to Oregon in 1846 when I was 12 years old. We were in the independence county, Arkansas, on October 8, 1832. My father, Josephus A. Cornwall, was a native of Georgia. My mother was a native of Kentucky. I was born in Arkansas shortly after her parents moved there from Kentucky. On the tenth of April, 1846, we started by a stage for Independence, Mo., to join the emigrants who were assembling there to form a wagon train for Oregon. There were about 80 wagons in the train. Captain Russell was elected to lead the train. Captain Russell took the Donner and the other emigrants to the Donner and the other emigrants of the trail our party was cut down to 21 wagons. Captain Dunbar was put in command after Captain Russell took command of the train. Captain Dunbar work in crossing the plains was to drive the loose stock. My assistant in the work was a boy about my own age. George Donner was the boy's name.

"The Donner family had a terrible experience. They were overtaken by winter in the Siskiyous. They camped by the shores of Lake, later known as Donner Lake. They were all good and killed and ate several of their party. George Donner survived this cannibalistic experience. I met him in California, but he wouldn't talk of it.

"When we reached Oregon, there were only two counties in Oregon. What is now the state of Washington was then a part of Oregon, and was divided into two counties, Lewis county and Vancouver county. When we got to Oregon, we were divided into Yamhill, Clackamas, Tuality and Clatsop counties. Father had the children charge with the wagon. The children were to one having some odd experiences. Near Fort Laramie we met a large war party of Sioux Indians on the warpath against some of the principal chiefs and sub-chiefs. When we pulled out next morning these chiefs brought about 20 of our men and women to a feast of honor. The chiefs rode ahead of, behind and on both sides of father's carriage. One of the Indians who rode with us, told us that they were doing this as an honor to the white chief, the head of the party. Father told them that he was not a chief, but the Indian chief said: "You are the head man or you would not have the best rig." After traveling with us for several hours they lined up and gave us a feast of food. They rode the road and stayed in line till we had passed by when they wheeled and rode off across the prairie.

"At Fort Hall we were met by Jesse Applegate and some others. Captain Levi Scott, Jesse and Lindsey Applegate, and some other men, who were then organized out a new road by what has since been termed the "Applegate cutoff." We followed their guidance through a central canyon which was later named Klamath lake. They left us there to go ahead and work on the road through the canyon near what is now Klamath Falls. We were now traveling down the Humboldt messenger came back to us asking us to hurry forward as their wagons were attacked by Indians. We had to hurry on when we arrived the Indians were gone leaving several of the emigrants wounded. One of them, Mr. Slay, died of his wounds.

"We were now on our cattle near Goose lake. We were so late that we decided to winter in southern Oregon. The Kennedy family and some others had wintered in the town of Oakland now is. My cousin, Israel Staley, who was 21 years old that winter, kept up his supply of food. He was the only good gun in the party and he was an expert shot. In the early spring of 1847 St. Nelson, now living at Newberg, with Mr. Hess and Mr. Johnson, were sent for us and took us to the Chehalis valley. Rev. Harvey Clark, a missionary minister at Forest Grove, invited us to stay at his home. We moved into a vacant log cabin of his and father supplied his pulpit for a while. While we were staying with Rev. Clark, we were visited by his nephew, Ferrine Whitman, visited Rev. Clark. I was more interested in their horses than in them, for of course we were all soldiers. What they would be massacred in less than three months.

"I went to Forest Grove to school. Rev. Harvey Clark the year after we went there, started Tualatin academy, now Pacific university. Here is a story of a man who was killed by a bear. H. Marsh in 1854. I entered the ministry and for 40 years I was a pastor in the Presbyterian church. I have had churches at Lebanon, Enterprise, Eugene, Preston and elsewhere. I retired in 1896 on account of impaired health.

"In 1869 I was married to Mary Finley, a cousin of the first president of the Oregon Agricultural college. One of the preachers I used to enjoy now is John Finley, of Portland, now 99 years old, is still with us, and is still hale and hearty. I will be 84 next birthday and next year will make my seventieth year in Oregon."

It is a Sign of Approval. Portland, Aug. 18.—To the Editor of The Journal.—It is an indication of approval of the Journal's editorial which is being said when a voice from the audience calls "Hear, hear!" during a public address. OTTO FRIEDL.

The Lure. From the New York Sun. Hint to big game hunters: In calling a Bull Moose make a noise like an elephant.