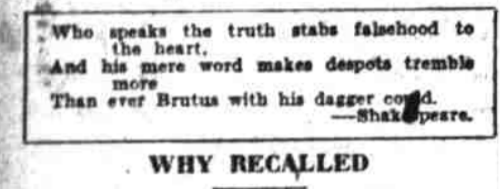


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a month or so she makes a bonfire of them. It is an imposing conflagration. If the Red Cross could send a wagon through the country at stated times great loads of this useful material might be collected.

Anything made of paper seems to be in demand so long as it is clean. This condition might exclude certain newspapers we have seen, but the majority would pass the test.

THEIR SACRIFICES

BRITISH sacrifice in trying to beat the Hun back is inspiring. The lengths to which the British people are going are exemplified in a few words from an address by Chancellor A. Bonar Law.

It is the struggle of a people to keep out the invader. It is the British nation striving to save its homes and its lands and its cities from the doom of Belgium and Serbia.

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A PORTLAND FOR PORTLAND

THOUGH war conditions have diverted to Puget Sound ship tonnage which would ordinarily come to the Columbia river and Portland, this city is not materially less an importer of foreign manufactures and raw materials than in normal times.

The disparity between the statement and this district's waning customs receipts is explained by the committee in saying that only too large a majority of Portland merchants clear their imports through Seattle, giving that district the credit which should belong to Portland and Oregon.

It is possible that clearing at the port of entry may be the natural result of our own failure to have ships bring out imports directly to us. If so, the practice paints the urgent necessity of our getting ships by the most hurried means possible.

The committee of the Chamber of Commerce intends to follow the obvious way of finding those of our merchants who are loyal to the port and those who are not.

The greatest out in passenger service since the Civil war has been made on railroads west of Chicago. It is conservation of transportation power.

A BLUNDER

IT IS growing clearer every day that the war lords made a fatal strategic blunder when they betrayed the trusting Russians after the Brest treaty was signed.

The secret treaties between the czar and his allies were black looking documents. They seemed to exhibit as much imperialism on the allied side as there was in the war lords.

Had the war lords kept faith with Russia they might have made the revolutionists their friends forever. Immense commercial advantages would have flowed from their ally.

Now, as a well informed writer puts it, Germany's influence in Russia extends as far as her arms and no farther. The resentment of the revolutionists at their betrayal by the Germans is our opportunity.

THE work at this particular university was confined to the training of gas engine and automobile men, first, because there were a number of members of the staff who were specialists in gas engines.

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Double a time will come when the old hatreds between the nations will be forgotten and it will be as natural for them to be friends as it is now for them to fight.

The United States has shown the way. We welded a mob of jarring colonies into an inseparable union by applying to them the principle of federation.

But in current discussions about the league to enforce peace we hear little of the federal principle. It is rarely mentioned.

RENT PROFITEERS MAY BE CURBED

Washington, June 3.—"I think that one of the great things that is being done for us everywhere is making the price of this country and throughout the world feel more keenly the rights of humanity, as compared to the rights of property."

QUESTIONS CONCERNING PATRIOTISM

Malta, Idaho, May 22.—To the Editor of The Journal—Which is most patriotic, the farmer that raises wheat and feeds his family, or the miller that grinds the flour, instead of hauling it to market?

Robert Herrick speaks of the poll tax soldiers not on parade, but common, plain men, careless of appearance, with the endurance, the courage, the dauntless bravery of the Spartan hero.

THE FULLNESS OF TIME

Vancouver, Wash., May 30.—To the Editor of The Journal—In The Sunday Journal of May 28, under the heading, 'The Fullness of Time,' I read an article which is worthy of serious consideration.

THE following statement is authorized by the War Department: Educational institutions of the country are doing their part in the training of men for service in special branches of the army.

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chance it is just as serious or probably more serious than if one-fourth of the shells made in a munitions plant should fail to explode.

The boys and girls graduating from schools this month start out into the world with the feeling that the whole earth belongs to them, and as a matter of fact it does, being merely held in trust for a few years by their elders.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Some where in France—I saw a contingent of the class of '19 recently marching in review. The cavalrymen in blue and black uniforms and the Zouaves in their dust brown uniforms and red fez; then the colonials, with black faces, white teeth, steel helmets and mist-blue overcoats.

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SMALL CHANGE

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Stories From Everywhere

Lamb Market Lively. THE little town was an excitement, says the Courier Journal. The circus had arrived. The chief attraction of the circus was the cage in which the lion lay down with the lamb.

Some Temperature. Speaking at a dinner, Senator Porter J. McCumber of North Dakota referred to the heat of some domestic arguments, and fittingly related this anecdote, says the Philadelphia Telegraph.

Song of the Knitters. (Air: Tramp, Tramp, Tramp, the Boys Are Soldiers) We're a band of loyal knitters for the loyal soldier boys to fight against Autocracy.

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