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and Denver were not in existence. barred. San Francisco had 450 people, and Portland, with 200 or 300 populacontinuous forests of the Oregon.

These fifty years have been lumin- dress ous with the refulgent rise of the star of empire. States have been founded, cities constructed, and railroads laid across the prairies and through the mountain passes. And with these achievements have come schoolhouses and colleges, churches and hospitals, and all the multitudinous benefits and blessings which are the accompaniment of the highest civilization. The wild region of the Oregon, which fifty years ago stood as the apotheosis of the wilderness and desert places of the earth, has four cities, all rivaling in population, in wealth and grandeur any of the cities of the union then in existence, with the exception of a few places on the Atlantic seaboard.

Fifty years ago savage ignorance and fury extinguished [the life of the man who did more than any other one man to plant the seed of empire on these shores. Whitman was more a martyr to the flag than to the cross. So long as he confined his labors to the mission work at Waiilatpu he was in no danger. He was slain for bringing immigrants into the coun-

"Ever since the return of Whitman in 1843," says Bancroft, "he had lived over a smoldering volcano," That was the year in which grants into the Oregon country. "Year after year," continues the historian, "an army of white people came from east of the Rocky mount-ains, on whom the aborigines looked seats 25c; children 15c. with distrustful anger.

They were angry with Whitman because he did not leave the country, because he raised grain on their land and sold it to the immigrants. This had been their temper all along; but in 1847 it had seemed to take a more aggressive form, either because they had been told that the United States then claimed sovereignty, or because in their own minds their dissatisfaction was fully ripe, and the sword, so long suspended, was ready to fall."

Further proof that the Indians killed Whitman because he brought the white people into their country is found in the fact that his missionary associates were spared. The missions at Lapwai, in Idaho, and at Walker's Prairie, north of Spokane, escaped. Indian cunning taught the savages that Whitman, more than any other hving man, was responsible for the increasing invasion of their country, and in a spirit of re venge and fear they resolved upon line of desirable articles, the largest line his murder.

After fifty years of humiliating and the best goods in general. neglect, the people of the Pacific Northwest are bestowing tardy respect and honor to the memory of this patriotic American. The commemorative exercises at his grave will be an enduring lesson to old and young. They will prove an inspira- 175 Second Street

tion to patriotism, and an incentive to lofty American manhood and womanhood. The history of this nation has no example more inspiring than the life and death of Marcus Whitman and Narcissa, his wife.-Spokesman-Review.

War between Austria and Turkey has been averted by the surrender of the latter. Trouble between Germany and China, however, may yet take place. A conflict between these two nations might easily draw Russia in, and then the area of the disrurbance would be sure to spread. Ftfty years have rolled between The uppleasantness between Gerthe Whitman massacre at Wanlatpu many and Hayti, of course, does not and the present day. They have involve the Monroe doctrine, for been fifty years of heroic endeavor Germany seeks redress merely, and and great achievement. Alaska is not an extension of territory. In not wilder today than was the vast the Chinese difficulty, though, the region of the trans-Mississippi half a Kaiser is suspected to have designs century ago. St. Louis, the metrop- of territorial aggrandizement, and if olis of the West and the South, had he should attempt to carry them out fewer than 50,000 people. Chicago there would be a convulsion in Euhad fewer than 20,000. Omaha, rope. These days the gates of the Kansas City, Minneapolis, St. Paul temple of Janus are never tightly

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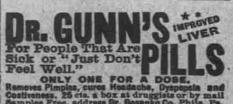
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