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THE BEAUTIFUL BLUE DANUBE

The German dream of "Mittel Europa" is further shattered by the treatment of the beautiful blue Danube.

As will be recalled, there was a great development in the course of the war of the plan for a Rhine-Danube canal by which it was expected ultimately to send vessels of 1000 tons or more overland from the North sea to the Black sea and Constantinople, thus avoiding the detour around Spain and through the straits of Gibraltar.

This whole route would have been controlled by the nations of central Europe, and was regarded as to some extent an offset to sea power.

To the alarm which this project caused in Great Britain is probably to be ascribed the extreme to which the victors have gone in imposing a very different solution upon the vanquished.

The entire Danube below Ulm, a German town near its head waters, is declared international, together with portions of its navigable affluents and lateral canals.

Foreigners are to have precisely the same rights as the people of the state through which the Danube flows, and tolls are to be under international control. Before the war the lower Danube, up to the barrier called the Iron gates, was under the control of an international commission. This is to be restored, but only Great Britain, France, Italy and Rumania are to be represented on it; from the Iron gates up to Ulm the Danube is to be administered by a separate commission.

It is not difficult to understand the resentment which this treatment of the beautiful blue Danube must create among the people of the Danubian states, especially Austria.

In our own country no little ill-will would be caused by a project for internationalizing the Mississippi or the Hudson, with the United States unrepresented on the board of control.

If to the natural sensitiveness which dwellers by great rivers feel is added the suspicion, which some passages in the treaty inevitably create, that the allies are planning to capture the river trade of central Europe and make it an annex to sea power, the resentment of the Austrians can be easily comprehended.

But Austria is powerless. She must take what she gets.

In fact, what will be left of the old ramshackle Austrian empire as it was before the war, to Austria proper, will be a territory only as large as Switzerland; the territory around Vienna.

And the population is only about 5,000,000.

A territory only three or four times as large as Marion county, Oregon.

It will be better for the world to have the Danube internationalized; but it will be a great come-down in the pride of the once proud Austrian people, who called themselves lions in battle.

Salem bargain day Saturday.

All is not yet peace in the loganberry world. But it ought to be.

Saturday will be a great bargain day in Salem.

Red Rupert will be feeling off color by the time he gets back to the penitentiary.

President Wilson is due home today; then politics will be resumed in Washington, with a vengeance.

Our new dreadnaughts are quoted at \$23,000,000 apiece or double the old price. The war has increased enormously the cost of war.

Hogs aviated to \$22.40 in Chicago yesterday—the highest yet. The people of the United States will scarcely be able to save their bacon, if this thing keeps up—through lack of money to get it in the first place.

Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer is having the time of his life trying to ride two horses going in opposite directions at the same time on the national prohibition law. He would never be able to qualify as a circus performer. — Los Angeles Times.

The big British dirigible, R-24, which flew across the Atlantic westward, and is to depart immediately for the return trip, had thirty-one people on board—including her crew of thirty and a boy of 16, a stowaway. That boy will be able to shine in future years as the first stowaway who ever crossed the ocean in an airship.

The movement to inaugurate a budget system in handling the funds of the national government, long proposed by both parties, but never started by the Democrats when in power, is involved in a bill just introduced by Senator Medill McCormick of Illinois, providing for the co-ordination, revision and unification.

FUTURE DATES.

June 29 to July 13—Methodist Century celebration at Columbus, Ohio.
July 1 to 13—Annual convention of the Christian church at Turner.
July 23, Wednesday—William J. Bryan speaks in Salem.
August 14, 15, and 16—Elks state convention at Klamath Falls.
September 22-27—Fifty-eighth Oregon state fair.

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the states they represent? Propose the repeal of the exclusion law and the fondness now shown for China by the senators would evaporate like the morning dew in the warm sunshine.

If China were suddenly to become unified as a strong national state like Japan, able to protect her own interests from outside aggression, the Johnsons and Borahs would go into convulsions over the yellow peril. Do they want the United States to fight Japan in order to protect China? That might be a good question for them to answer. Their opposition to a racial equality clause in the covenant of the league of nations indicated that they love the Chinese like the Japanese, only at a distance.

Neither England nor France ever had a better moral claim to territorial holdings on the Chinese coast than Germany had; and the German claims, which the Japanese have taken over virtually by conquest, were based on an act of robbery. A Mexican will tell you that the United States' claim to California, Senator Johnson's state, also rests on robbery.

LOCHINVAR OF THE SKY.

Although they have been doing it in the movies for some time, the first real airship elopement happened in Kansas the other day. An aviator who had been denied communication with his sweetheart landed his plane near the family home, took possession of the girl and was off in the skies before the relatives knew what was happening. Another perfectly good poem telling of the amorous adventures of young Lochinvar will have to be rewritten to fit modern and changing conditions.

ATTENTION, RATTLES!

Because Old Nick once entered a serpent and beguiled a woman (who probably wanted to be beguiled anyway) men and women for thousands of years have been blaming that serpent's descendants for all their troubles. Just as most men blame a toothache for the fact that they ever started to use tobacco, so many a fellow lays his boozing career at the door of a rattle-snake whose bite caused him to take the first drink. Now maybe the poor rattler will get a little rest and will be held accountable only for what he does!—Exchange.

ALE AND 'AIL.

John Barleycorn is not to be allowed to die with the honors of war. The "wets" of the east were taking marked comfort from a cable dispatch to the effect that Lieut. Brown and Capt. Alcock sustained themselves on the trans-Atlantic flight with "chocolate, rain water and ale." But now comes Capt. Alcock with an indignant denial of this dispatch. He is a Lancashire man, but a strict teetotaler, as is Lieut. Brown. He protests that the only beverage on board was chocolate.

"When I said 'ail to that American reporter," he protests, "I supposed he understood English. I was speaking of the frozen water that falls from the clouds and had no reference to that bally drink that has been such a curse to my race. A man who caw'd understand what a man means when he says 'ail should not be granted press privileges."

Send a copy of the Peace edition to the boys in the service. Only a limited number of copies left, so order early. 25 cents per copy.

"If yoh husban beats you, mebbe yoh kin hab him sent to de whippin' pos," said Mrs. Potomac Jackson. "If my husban ever beats me," said Mrs. Tolliver Grapevine, "dey kix send him to de whippin' pos" if dey wants to, but dey'll have to wait till he gits out'n de hospital.—Pinehurst Outlook.

IN A SOCIAL WAY

BY RUTH LENORE FISHER

A pretty home wedding occurred Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Schunk, 1213 Center street when their daughter, Miss Ida Schunk became the bride of Charles A. Johnson. The Rev. Leland Porter officiated at the impressive ring ceremony. The bride was lovely in a white silk gown. She was attended by Miss Eva Schunk of Brownsville and by her sister, Miss Alice Schunk as bridesmaid. Roy Hawthorne was best man and Ray Miller acted as attendant. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Johnson left for a short honeymoon in their car.

The annual picnic of the Women's Relief corps will be held in Marion Square Thursday afternoon. A delightful time is planned and all comrades of the Grand Army and their families and the women of the Grand Army of the Revolution circle are given a cordial invitation. All are asked to bring well-filled baskets.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bowen and their three children who have been visiting Mrs. Bowen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davey left Sunday in their motor car for their home in Eagle Valley, Baker county. Both are much impressed with the beauty of Salem's homes, splendid schools and churches and they are planning to return to Salem to make it their home as soon as they can dispose of their interests in Baker county.

Miss Nancy Skille and her house guest, Miss Helen Post, who has just returned from overseas where she was a nurse left Sunday afternoon for Seaside where they will spend their outing.

Mrs. C. T. Roberts, and their little son, Carlisle Roberts, and her daughter, Miss Ima Jean Roberts returned to their home in Hood River yesterday after visiting Mrs. Robert's sister, Mrs. C. P. Bishop.

Mrs. W. H. Lytle returned Sunday night from Pendleton where she has been a guest at the homes of her two brothers, James Hill and Dr. David Hill who live in that city. During her stay she was the motif for many very smart functions given by prominent society women.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles A. Johns returned Sunday night from Albany where they were the guests of the former's brother, K. O. Johns. With them they motored to Cascadia and spent a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Knighton returned to their home in Portland yesterday afternoon after being the guests of Mrs. Knighton's mother, Mrs. E. E. Waters.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Moore have as their guests a niece and nephew of the former, Miss Edna Roberts and Harold Roberts, of Greensburg, Kan. After spending several weeks in Salem they will go to Seattle for a while. Mr. and Mrs. Moore had a week-end guest also Arthur Beattie of Oregon City.

The Young Women's Christian association board will hold its regular meeting this morning at 10:30 o'clock and all members are requested to be present.

Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. C. Clark about 25 persons met and signed as charter members for the Daughters of the Veterans, and decided to meet again on Wednesday July 16 for formal organization. Miss Caroline Sherer, national patriotic instructor, Daughters of Veterans will have charge, until that time, however, applications for charter membership accompanied by fee will be received by Mrs. W. J. Entriss, temporary secretary.

About 30 members of the younger set of the St. Joseph's parish motored to Silver Creek falls Sunday and spent the day. They went by way of Shaw and stayed there for the services and then went on to Silver Creek for their dinner. Outdoor games were enjoyed until a late hour.

Miss Teresa Devereaux of Parkersburg spent the week-end in Salem. She is taking the summer course at Monmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. John Maurer had their son, Glen Maurer of Wasco as their guest for the week-end. He came especially to see his younger brother, Paul, who has recently returned from France.

Mrs. Walton Young and Miss Catherine Croft of Newhill, Cal., are the guests of Mrs. O'Yung's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Baker. They are planning to spend the summer here and will be joined later by the former's husband.

Miss Gladys Ruff who is making her home in Salem with Mrs. Henry Shultz has returned from a several days visit in Hillsboro. Miss Ruff is with the state educational department.

Friends of Lester Larson are looking for his arrival in Salem this week from Bremerton where he is now stationed on his return from overseas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Larson of South Commercial street.

Another overseas soldier to return is Wilbur Daily, son of Mrs. Edna Daily who returned late last night after being in France 18 months.

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One of the prettiest floats in the parade the Fourth was the one the North Salem Women's club furnished. They used their club flower, the W. F. Fargo, Mrs. F. L. Purvine, and Shasta daisy and their colors, yellow and white in masses of maline very effectively to decorate the motor car. The executive officers who rode were Mrs. F. M. Toothacre, Mrs. W. F. Fargo, Mrs. F. L. Purvine, and Mrs. Merle Brunk, and Mrs. E. J. Roth drove. Dressed in dainty lingerie frocks, carrying baskets of the flowers were little Misses Adalyn and Evalyn Shields, Lois Burton, and Myrtle Fox.

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