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WHAT THIRTY BILLION DOLLARS WOULD DO

Counting the expenditure of money only, the European war cost the United States more than \$30,000,000; a hundred times as much as the cost of building the Panama canal.

What would thirty billion dollars do? Thirty billion dollars would buy all the railroads of the United States, free from debt, and leave ten billion dollars for betterments.

Would build 600,000 miles of the best highway, at a cost of \$50,000 a mile; highway enough to lay fifty national highways across the country east and west, and fifty similar highways across the country north and south.

Would build and equip a college in each of the states and in Hawaii and the Philippines at a cost of \$200,000,000 each and leave twenty billions with which to erect and equip a hundred thousand high schools at \$200,000 each.

Would accomplish anything that could be devised by the most ardent advocate of public improvements, so far as money could attain the end.

Think of it! Of the utter folly of going on in a course that would again bring this nation to such a dire necessity.

And that is not the worst of the stupendous folly. That is only the beginning. Before the debts that were left by the World War are paid, we and our children and our children's children will have contributed the amount of the principal in interest, perhaps three or four or a dozen times.

We are now paying 68 per cent of our federal taxes for wars that have been fought; and we are paying 25 per cent of our taxes for preparation for future wars.

And we are paying all the rest of the expenses of our government on the remaining 7 per cent, included in which there is a pitiful 1 per cent for education!

From the standpoint of money cost alone, it is high time in the history of civilization for the world to put behind it this horrible nightmare of war; just as in civil suits trial by battle was long ago abandoned as more than foolish and as settling nothing according to the rules of right and justice.

More than this, the hideous terror, bloodshed and misery that another war would precipitate upon mankind is unthinkable. Horrible as was the late war, we are told by those who are best informed, that it was but as a flame upon your own hearth stone to a gigantic forest conflagration, when compared with the next war which would be fought with all the devilish devices known to advanced science.

Tomorrow these devices may be so deadly that, in the event of war, literally few would survive in a world rendered unfit for habitation. Then indeed neither age nor sex would be spared. Even today, death could fall from the clouds in bombs charged with disease germs, in bombs filled with Lewisite gas, which penetrates trench and cellar, which poisons and slays with no more than three drops upon the skin.

The disarmament conference to convene in Washington on Friday is charged with the most solemn duty ever committed to the consideration of any body of men assembled in this world—the outlining of a program that will be the beginning of the ending of all wars on this earth.

The opening of the era prayed for since the dawn of history, when

"They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

Hundreds of thousands of letters are being sent from all over the United States to Senators and Representatives and our members of the disarmament conference, asking that a beginning of an end be made to war. There would not be too many such letters if every one in the United States wrote. There is surely no normal person in this country who would not wish to have his or her voice and vote and influence recorded in favor of permanent world peace.

Really China does not care much what the arms parley does about the reduction of its navy.

The semi-official announcement is made that Jan Paderevski is about to resume his tours pounding the ivory of a piano board. Which is almost enough to make us wish that he hadn't spent all of his money trying to free Poland.—Exchange.

Each revival of industrial activity, wherever it takes place, means a corresponding increase in retail business and in the general move toward better times. While, no doubt, a general or approximately complete ending of depression must wait upon the solution of the tax question and upon the final railroad adjustment which seems not so remote

NEW SHOW TODAY BERT LYTELL

"THE MAN WHO"

"WOOD SIMPS" A roaring comedy with the Century Lions LIBERTY Where The Big Pictures Show

The fair will without doubt bring great benefits to every section of Oregon.

The essence of good citizenship is loyalty. And loyalty is versatile—it considers the welfare of the nation, the state, the county, the town, the township, school district and the neighborhood.

The tourists are pouring into Los Angeles by the trainload.—Los Angeles Times. The tourist crop is the most valuable of all annual crops in that section—winter tourists. But the summer tourist land of America par excellence is Oregon.

THE CHEER-UP MAN

Postmaster General Hays is more than the advance agent of prosperity. He is prosperity itself. He radiates it whenever he speaks.

People may be amused at Mr. Hays' boyish manner and his catchy phrases, but, after all, they admit that they can stand pretty large doses of optimism just at present.

OUR MODERN YOUTH

This vogue for hurling indictments at the rising generation ought to be discouraged. It is a cheap and nasty way of getting notoriety and, we firmly believe, most unwarranted.

It has always been the same in every generation, but somehow we have grown up fairly successfully, established homes and business, raised healthy, happy children, progressed nationally, civically, commercially, culturally, intellectually and, upon arriving at middle age, felt comfortably assured that we had not disgraced our forebears.

As a matter of fact, the girls and boys of today are fundamentally sound and the great majority of the young men and women in our universities give promise of excellent citizenship.

Future Dates: November 16, Wednesday—Annual Willamette university cross-country race.

ods we have been at such pains to institute and to which they have responded beyond our expectation.

Of course, there is the element that goes in for excesses but there always has been in every generation. The only difference is that they have wider opportunities for expressing these excesses nowadays, and we hear more about them.

We can no longer get away with the "infallibility" of parental judgment. We can no longer insist that such and so must be done just because we say so.

These boys and girls of ours are not quite as susceptible to the old kind of discipline as we could wish—for our vanity's sake—but they are very susceptible to a new kind of personal discipline of their own.

"NEW WOMEN" IN CHINA

About the only thing in modern times to which China has not laid claim as being so old in that country that it was outgrown and discarded centuries ago is the new woman with a magazine of her very own, published in the interest of her development.

Yet the new woman of China comes in for some criticism, for among the things she is exhorted to cultivate are plain living and dressing, which, the writer goes on to say, was the rule in old China, but that now women wish to keep up with the styles and wear jewels.

In other respects the things commended for the new woman seem to be along the same lines as in other lands—the cultivation of strength of will to go outside and take part in public affairs and to discard the clinging-vine habit of looking to the men for everything.

INSIDE AND OUTSIDE

The bitter-enders insist that the United States must not even recognize in the smallest way the existence of a League of Nations. So far as they are concerned there is no such animal.

not openly associate with them, yet insists on dictating their sciences. There are now over 50 nations in the big League.

IN DARKEST RUSSIA

Maxim Gorky says that the genius and intelligence of Russia are bankrupt. He will spend his remaining days in the effort to salvage something from the work of Russian scientists during the last five or six years.

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

More fine fall weather.

Polk county balks at higher taxes even for paved highways.

The mayor of New York gave his opponents the Hylan fling.

More than half the Princeton freshmen are sons of parents neither of whom has a college degree.

Marshal Foch delivered his speech at Kansas City "in French in a loud voice."

The economic world is so upside down that Germany is having a "calamity boom" in business.

"There can be no return to the sweatshop, because there are no longer any sweatshops to return to," says the publicity chairman of a New York garment manufac-

turers' association. The logic may be a little lame but the assurance is encouraging.

ASSESSORS FOR INCOME LEVIES

Resolution is Adopted at Meeting at Commercial Club Yesterday

The State Association of Assessors in meeting yesterday went on record as endorsing a state income tax, such as may be worked out by the committee on taxation investigation, as appointed by Governor Olcott.

Bank of North Dakota Case Under Adversement

BISMARCK, N. D., Nov. 8.—The state supreme court today took under advisement the case in which attorneys for a number of taxpayers sought to have the court quash its order dissolving an injunction issued by District Judge Coffey at Jamestown last month which held the Bank of North Dakota insolvent.

In the meantime William Lemke, attorney general and attorneys for taxpayers, who will seek in the district court tomorrow to have the \$5,000,000 state bond sale contract of the Bank of North Dakota with an eastern firm declared illegal on grounds that the bonds were sold for less than par, met and considered joining in an effort to obtain an early decision in the district court and an early appeal so that all questions raised might be considered by the supreme court at the same time.

Looks like old times in Mexico—fifty bandits have held up and looted a passenger train.

We Will Remain Closed All Day Friday—Armistice Day Special Offerings In our DOWNSTAIRS STORE

Special values always prevail in our busy downstairs store, economies well deserving your careful attention.

Good Aprons for the Housewife 69c, 79c, 89c

Unprecedented price economies are featured in this special selling of well made aprons.

Blue Flannel Middies You can't hardly get along without a flannel midy in your wardrobe and now is a good time to buy one, when prices are so reasonable.

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Sizes 16 years, 18, 20 years up to 44 bust \$2.98

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has proven to be a far greater success than we have ever expected. Our Bargain Basement as well as all parts of the store were so crowded that folks were disappointed because they all couldn't get just the articles they wanted because they were selling so fast.

With new shipments in and unpacked we can now replenish the many desirable articles. There will be lots of folks here early Wednesday—for the HOT ONES.

\$5 Bath Robes

All sizes for Men and Women. An extra value. Neatly made of warmth-giving flannel—

\$2.98

This Is National Blanket Week

A big sale of fine Blankets, \$7 value, 66x80, heavy wool nap blankets with silk bound edges; pretty plaids. Wednesday Sale Price—

\$3.98

BIG CLEANUP SALE Men's \$2 Shirt

We have taken all our \$2 values and undermarked them for tomorrow's selling at—

98c

EXTRA! EARLY! EXTRA! HOT SPECIALS

These Prices from 9 to 12 a. m. Only (if they last that long)—Come Early

Table with 2 columns: Ladies' Trimmed HATS, Ladies' Jersey JACKETS, Ladies' \$5 Value OXFORDS, Ladies' \$30 Value SILK DRESSES

\$4 Double Bed Comforters

Quilted with a fine and heavy batting with a conservative colored silk-laine covering. On Sale Wednesday at—

\$1.98

Ladies' \$6 Pleated Wool Skirts

Now that the cold weather will soon begin to set in you'll want one of these big values. On sale Wednesday only—

\$2.98

\$4 Sport Hats

In new desirable colors. You'll surely buy these on sight. Prices for Wednesday at—

\$1.98

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