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BELIEF.

There is no unbelief. Whoever plants a seed beneath the sod. And waits to see it push away the clod. He trusts in God. Whoever says when clouds are in the sky, "Be patient, heart light breaketh by and by." Trusts the Most High.

A TIMELY, MERITORIOUS MEASURE

IN submitting an initiative measure providing for a normal school here the people of Pendleton are not acting for themselves but in behalf of the educational interests of the state.

There is at present a lack of adequate normal instruction in Oregon. This is a fact that is realized and regretted by practically every educator in the state.

It is the honest opinion of those informed upon the subject that there should be a normal school in eastern Oregon and it is the truth that Pendleton because of its geographical position and other advantages is most favored as a location for such an institution.

In the past year or two the fact this sentiment exists has been thoroughly made known to Pendleton folk. This has been done through private expressions of opinion by teachers and educational leaders, it was strikingly shown last fall when the teachers of Wheeler, Gilliam, Morrow and Umatilla counties, without solicitation and without the knowledge of local businessmen, passed a resolution endorsing the idea of a normal school at Pendleton.

With this situation existing it is the logical thing to submit a bill authorizing such a school. After fully investigating conditions local people have decided to do this and they are ready to put the well known brand of Pendleton energy back of the move with a view to succeeding. The merit of the plan is so great and such influential support has already been enlisted that victory seems almost certain.

Aside from establishing a normal school for eastern Oregon the constitutional amendment being submitted will validate the locations of the university, the agricultural college, the Monmouth normal and the normal school at Ashland. However, the measure provides nothing for those institutions outside of the validation feature. If the Ashland normal is to be revived it will be up to Ashland people to take the initiative in the matter and the people will then be able to pass judgment as to whether or not the school should be set at work again.

Since there is something of a cloud upon the locations of the big state schools it goes without saying that matter should be made right, the sooner the better. At the agricultural college alone the state has nearly a million dollars invested in buildings, land and equipment. The school should not be open to trouble from legal quibblers or malcontents. The same applies to the university and the Monmouth normal.

Taken altogether the measure being initiated is a timely and meritorious one. It should carry and in the view of this paper it will carry if the facts are properly placed before the people.

IS A PROTECTORATE COMING?

WHATEVER the future developments may be it is evident from the calling out of the national guard throughout the United States that the Mexican situation is more serious than at any previous time.

For three years the Wilson administration has labored earnestly and patiently to induce the Mexicans to set up a legal and stable government. We have given the Carranza forces the benefit of recognition from this country and every assistance possible.

Yet there are many signs of weakness and incompetency down there. Our border has been frequently raided and many innocent American lives sacrificed. The de facto government has been unable to control the situation and yet is objecting to the presence of American troops sent there for the purpose of helping hold down the brigand bands and protect American interests. In other words the de facto government cannot preserve order and at the same time vehemently opposes help from the only quarter where adequate help may be obtained.

Self respect will not permit this country to withdraw its troops from Mexico until the purpose for which they were sent across the border has been accomplished. If the Carranzistas are to make war against us the only course open will be to send more soldiers into Mexico and pacify the entire country, Carranza as well. What the administration has in mind is not stated but it is possible there may be in prospect some such plan as was followed in Cuba on two different occasions. The army may be used for the pacification of the country and the setting up of a stable government. That would not mean the annexation of Mexico but the establishment of a protectorate over the country. It would be a splendid thing for Mexico.

ONE WEEK UNDER BRUSILOFF

AS Gen. Brusiloff, who has smashed the line of the central powers in the east, the leader of pre-eminent capacity for whom the allies have been waiting for 22 months?

He happens to be the one who directs a movement to which all Russia has made contributions at heavy sacrifice. But the same thing is true of several German generals who have won distinction in this war. It was true of Gen. Grant in our war.

Without the tremendous national effort of many months past for organization, training, accumulation of munitions and expert study of the military problem, Gen. Brusiloff could not have done what he did. But what other general could have done it with them?

It is said that conditions were exceptionally favorable to his attack, for it was begun on June 4, a Sunday which the officers of the central powers had devoted to too jovial celebrations of the German naval "victory" in the North Sea. Any advantage due to this reason must, however, have been only local and temporary, whereas Gen. Brusiloff has been victorious on a line almost as long as from St. Louis to Chicago, has penetrated the German front to a depth of 60 miles in places, has been averaging in capture of prisoners from 13,000 to 15,000 a day and for good measure captured 35,000 on the seventh day.

Large advertisement for 'Bond Brothers' featuring a man in a suit, the text 'Poole Doubtful? Perhaps - But not About his Clothes For They're Bond Clothes', and 'BOND BROTHERS Pendleton's Leading Clothiers'.

His first week of work shows a great area of territory recovered and a total of 140,000 prisoners taken.

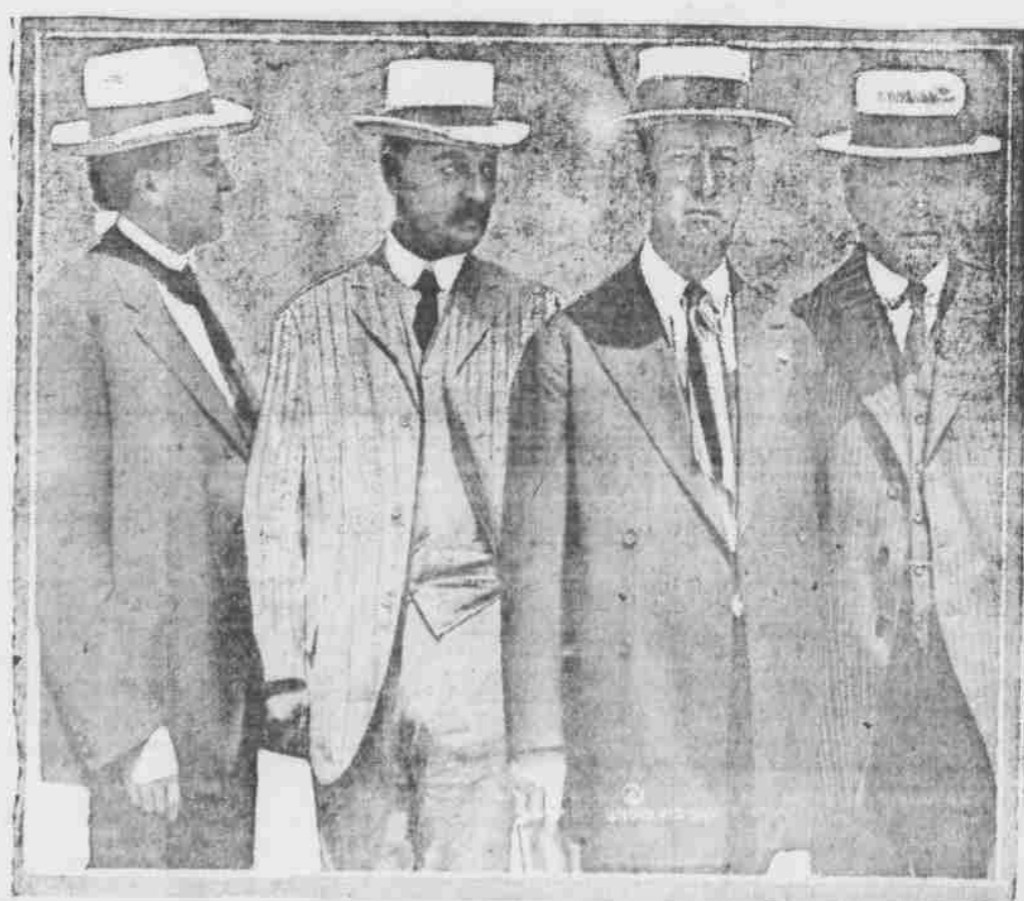
What other allied general has accomplished so much in a single week since the battle of the Marne? This new advance into Galicia is, of course, made under vastly different circumstances from the former Russian advance, when the enemy was much less powerfully organized on the front.

It was not expected that Russia would find the man to show the allies how to break the strongly fortified German lines, but Russia has discovered him. The man who showed us how to crush the Confederacy was found in an obscure retired subaltern in the then remote west, after the sophisticated east and the leaders of high rank had failed.

The Franco-Belgian front, the Italian front, the Saloniki front all need a Brusiloff.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Chinese To Hold Memorial. WASHINGTON, June 20.—Memorial services for Yuan Shi Kai will be held in Washington, the Chinese Legation announced, as a part of the official funeral ceremonies for the dead president of China. President Wilson, government officials and diplomatic corps in Washington will be invited to attend.

FOUR PROMINENT MEMBERS OF DEMOCRATIC PARTY



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2 MEXICAN STATES DECLARE STATE OF WAR TO NOW EXIST

SINOLA AND YUCATAN GOVERNMENTS ACT; GREAT EXCITEMENT PREVAILS.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., June 20.—The governor of the state of Sinola has declared war on the United States, according to a radiogram from Commander Arthur Kavanaugh of the gunboat Annapolis, now at Mazatlan. No further details of the alleged declaration of hostilities were given in the message, which was directed to Admiral Winslow, of the Pacific fleet here.

GALVESTON, Tex., June 20.—The Mexican government in Yucatan has issued a proclamation ordering all Americans out of Mexico and declaring a state of war existing between the two countries, according to passengers arriving here on the Norwegian steamer Nils from Progreso. Americans and other foreigners are being taken on board an American gunboat at Progreso. Great excitement is said to prevail.

Argentina Not Seeking Loan. BUENOS AIRES, June 20.—The Minister of Finance, Dr. Francisco O'Leary, has denied reports that the Argentine government was negotiating for a loan of from \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000 in New York.