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OPPORTUNITY.
This I beheld, or dreamed it in
a dream—
There spread a cloud of dust
along a plain;
And underneath the cloud, or
in it, raged
A furious battle, and men yell-
ed, and swords
Shooked upon swords and
shields. A prince's banner
Waved, then staggered back-
ward, hounded by foes.
A craven hung along the battle's
edge.
And thought, "Had I a sword
of keener steel—
That blue blade that the king's
son bears—but this
Blunt thing—he snapt and
flung it from his hand.
And lowering crept away and
left the field.
Then came the king's son,
wounded, sore beset
And weaponless, and saw the
broken sword.
Hilt-buried in the dry and trod-
den sand,
And ran and snatched it, and
with battle-shout
Lifted afresh hewed his enemy
down.
And saved a great cause that
heroic day.
—By Edward Rowland Sill,
from "Poems." Published by
Houghton Mifflin Co.

AS TO THE FIXED PRICE OF WHEAT

IN connection with wheat price fixing an essential to the satisfactory arrangement is that such action as is taken be just to our farmers as compared with the treat-

ment given Canadian producers and those in the middle states.
If middle states farmers obtain \$2.20 for wheat when Oregon and Washington men can get but \$1.75 or thereabouts it is obvious that we have a complaint coming. If our men obtain but \$1.75 for wheat while Canadian farmers selling to the same export trade get \$2.40 our grievance becomes even greater and is entitled to consideration.

It is too early, however, to grow oversad or become too abusive, for perhaps the price fixing authorities have a plan for evening up the score in some manner. For one thing it appeals to the East Oregonian that the exporting of north-west wheat by water instead of by rail via Chicago would solve the problem here. If ocean shipping can be revived this fall the freight differential would be abolished, in part if not entirely, and our people would thereby become entitled to the basic price.

And why should not the northwest wheat go to Europe by water this year. Our coast ship yards are turning out ships by the score for use in the European trade. What more natural than that this shipping should be used to carry the staff of life to our allies in the war?

TOO SMART

ONE of the causes of Prussia's present unenviable plight is that the kaiser's henchmen have been entirely too smart. They have been cocksure of many things that turned out to be not true at all. They have had a spy system that kept the imperial government informed, so it was supposed, of affairs in other countries but it has turned out in many cases that the information was not based on facts but upon Teutonic wishes instead.

Before the reichstag recently Dr. von Kuhlman gave a talk and in the course of the same gave an admirable expression of Prussian egotism and self deception. Translated the point he made reads: "It is our important duty to study the psychology of our enemies to follow their intrigues and the changing currents of public opinion, so that our hand may not be proffered when the spirit of our enemies is hard and unbending, and also so that sharp words may not be said when the ice on the other side is melting and a conciliatory feeling is beginning to be shown."

Their study of America led them to believe that this country would not fight no matter

how trampled upon and that if we did fight Mexico and Japan could be induced to invade our territory and hold us busy. They also had information to the effect that our armaments were such that we would be unable to take any effective part in the war. How far estimates may be seen in the almost frantic efforts at peace coming out of Berlin since Uncle Sam waded into the job. It does not pay for a nation or an individual to be too smart or to press an unjust cause purely on the theory the thing can be gotten away with. The seemingly helpless foe may prove a giant in disguise.

GOVERNMENT WANTS SEED

THE Department of Agriculture authorizes the following:

The committee on seed stocks of the United States Department of Agriculture wishes to locate all available stocks of good seed of agricultural crops, especially wheat, oats, rye, crimson clover (in the hull or hulled), and hairy vetch.

The committee will be glad if anyone, farmer or dealer, will send information in regard to the quantities and prices of seed of the above sorts which he can offer for sale f. o. b. his shipping point, bags extra or included as the case may be. The information should give in each case the name of the variety (especially in the case of grain crops), condition of the seed as to purity, year grown, and the price. The committee will then undertake to get such information into the hands of those who want the seed. The committee hopes that this request will receive wide circulation and an immediate response, as it is now time to get seed in the hands of planters for fall use. Address Committee on Seed Stocks, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

The city is not moving with any remarkable speed in the matter of street sprinkling but winter weather is still distant and probably most of our streets can be watered before snow flies.

The more ruthless the kaiser grows in his submarine campaign the more ruthless should the allies grow in their determination to put the kaiser and kaiserism out of the running forever.

Pendleton people will not object to paying more for street lights if they get the service; street lighting is a

feature in which we have been very backward.

September is always a fine month.

40 YEARS AGO

(From the Weekly East Oregonian, Sept. 1, 1877.)
Millard White's residence is fast nearing completion. It is going to be a neat and commodious residence.

Professor Arnold's high school commences a term Oct. 1; the necessity of scholars beginning the first of the term will be referred to next week.

Matt Taylor cut his hand slightly this week and then handled a soaked rawhide. His hand, though naturally like unto a giant's, swelled to enormous proportions, caused undoubtedly by the poison taken into the system from the hide.

Miss Aura Morse returned this week from Umatilla where she had been on an extended visit.

Born, August 31, 1877, to the wife of Jerry Despain, a daughter, weight nine and a half pounds.

James Jones has purchased the property in the east end of town heretofore belonging to Mr. Starr.

General Joseph like General Sherman through Georgia, is making a successful march through Montana, via whichever way seemeth best to him with no opposition. Last week Howard's forces had a little skirmish with the hostiles by which he lost one man killed and seven wounded. The Indians stole 200 horses from him.

REALTY TRANSFERS

Deeds.
Harry N. Betts to Orpha Betts, \$1, NE 1-4 SE 1-4 section 25, township 6 north, 35.
Robt. T. Brown et ux to Geo. H. Stevens, \$1, lots 1 and 2, block 12, Tracy's Add. to Pendleton.
L. F. Potter to George Talbert, \$1, Ditch right of way over NW 1-4, sec 28, township 6 north, 35.
Ettie B. Ross to Thomas B. Hayes \$25, metes and bounds description in section 33, township 6 north, 35.
Henry Koopke et ux to Owen Scott, \$1,000, 25 1/2 acres in Secs. 14, 15, 22, township 5 north, 35.
Elna K. Sutton et al. to Frank Koop, \$1 Lot 4, block 77, reservation addition.
Geo. J. Stanger et ux to Elna K. Sutton \$1,000, Lot 4, block 77, in the Reservation addition to Pendleton.
Kate O'Hara to Earl Hacken, \$1, N 1/2 lot 4, block 56, Reservation addition.
Fritz Bade to John Bade \$1, undivided 4-9 of SW 1-4 of NW 1-4 of section 21, township 5 north, 35.
John S. Vinson to John J. Wolf, \$10, 5 acres in NW 1-4 SE 1-4 of section 35, township 6 north, 35.
John H. Roten et ux to H. H. Wessel, \$4,000, SE 1-4 section 23, township 7 north, 35.
Fritz Bade to Herman C. Bade, \$10, undivided 2 1/2 in. SW 1-4 NW 1-4 of Section 21, township 6 north, 35.

CHURCHES

Methodist.
Tomorrow is the last Sabbath of the Conference year. It is imperative that we have a good attendance of the membership. The church school begins at 10 a. m. At the 11 o'clock worship hour the pastor will speak upon the subject "Circumstances the Saviour." Special music. At 7 p. m. the Epworth League will have an interesting meeting at which the delegates to the institute will report. The services of the day will culminate with preaching service at 8. The theme for the evening will be, "Simples and the Business of the Kingdom." We welcome an opportunity to serve you. Thrice welcome.

Baptist.
All services will be resumed tomorrow. The Bible School is a good place to begin. We meet at 10 o'clock. Preaching at 11 o'clock. Mr. Hal Bishop will sing. Preaching again at 8 o'clock. Aronius Clemmer will sing. B. Y. P. U. meets at 7 o'clock and it is very important that all the members be in attendance.

Christian Science.
E. Webb and Johnson streets Services Sunday 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school, 10 a. m. Wednesday, 8 p. m. Subject of lesson, sermons, "Christ Jesus." The reading room at the church is open daily, except Sunday, from 1 until 5 p. m.

Catholic Church.
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Masses at 8, 9 and 10 o'clock. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Evening devotions at 7:30. Daily mass during the week at 7:30 a. m.

Presbyterian Church.
The Presbyterian church will renew its activities for the Fall and Winter with its pastor, Rev. J. E. Snyder, in the pulpit for the morning service, beginning at 11 and the evening service at 8. The music, led by the quartet during the morning service and the chorus choir during the evening service will be in charge of Mrs. Forshaw. The Bible school will begin at 9:45 a. m. with a 15 minute service. The Christian Endeavor society is to meet at 8 o'clock.



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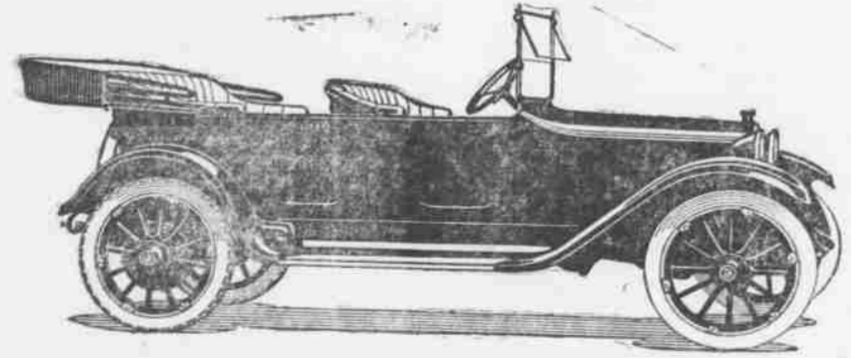
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