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SALEM'S NAME.

Salem, Oregon, has asked Salem, Massachusetts to change its name. The request, which is more than averagely nervy for Salem, whose reputation for avariciousness has been state-wide and now seemingly seeks national recognition, has called forth stern rebuke from dignified organs of the east.

Among them is the Christian Science Monitor, of Boston, a full column of whose editorial page is devoted to the scandal. Somehow, the humor of the incident seems not to have percolated into the refined perceptions of the Intelligent Back Bay editor.

Says the Monitor, in part: "The west of the United States, sometimes called wild and woolly, is still young, in places, and disposed to vanity and adventure. Having had less experience than the south or the east, it is often more impulsive and rash, rushing into places where its elders would, perhaps, not dare to tread. Fearless and free, untrammelled by tradition or convention, it romps o'er its boundless prairies and plains, its hills and mountains, and is restrained by little consideration for those parts of a common country which it thinks effete.

"There is Salem, Ore., for example, which had no place on the map until the middle of the Nineteenth Century, actually questioning the right of Salem, Mass., which dates back to 1626, to a place in the sun! Salem, Ore., that is, with utter disregard to the facts of history, full to the brim, as it constantly is, of the present and the future, has the temerity and the audacity to ask Salem, Mass., which has a past to be proud of, if it will not kindly take steps to change its name, so that there may be no rival Salem in the field! 'Your town being of the same name,' writes Manager Ivan G. McDaniel, of the Salem, (Ore.) Commercial Club, to Mayor Benson, of Salem, (Mass.), 'it naturally draws from us, and we think it would be a good thing if you would kindly take it up with your citizens and change the name of your town.' 'When your little community,' replies the mayor of Salem, Mass., with a calmness no less remarkable than admirable, considering his temptation, 'reaches a population of 50,000 or more and a valuation that will place you in the same class as our small cities of the east; in short, when your city has reached the size that your manager's nerve and confidence have already reached, we will advise you then to change the name

SWISS FEAR BEING INVOLVED IN WAR, MOBILIZE MORE OF THEIR SOLDIERS



GEN WILLE, SWISS INFANTRY AND MAP SHOWING RELATION OF SWITZERLAND TO WARRING POWERS

Photos by American Press Association.

There have been frequent reports recently of uneasiness in Switzerland regarding possible violation of the country's neutrality, and it was announced officially a few days ago that parts of the Swiss army not yet with the colors would be mobilized. Italy, according to official dispatches, has been strengthening her defenses on the Swiss border. President Schulthess of Switzerland said recently that the Swiss

people would never allow a foreign army to invade their soil. The commander in chief of the Swiss army, General Wille, said the army was prepared to defend Swiss neutrality at all costs. London reports say that Swiss newspapers assert masses of German troops are concentrated near Basel. The Swiss general staff is convinced that an invasion of Switzerland is contemplated with a view to freeing Alsace from the French invad-

er, says one account. The French have held a narrow strip of Alsace since the early days of the war. The Swiss army has a total war strength of 202,000 well trained men. The Swiss system of universal service has been urged on the United States. Pictures show General Wille, a body of Swiss infantrymen and a map of the relationship of Switzerland to the warring powers, also the little strip of Alsace held by the French.

DARCY NOT SUCCESS AS VAUDEVILLE STAR

Australian Slugger 'Draws Skimp' Houses Appearing as Entertainer on the Stage.

H. C. Hamilton
(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)
NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Les Darcy, king of the Antipodean, sluggers found the American public far away from the idea of clogging up theatre seats just to see him waltz a few rounds with Freddie Gilmore and demonstrate the punches he used to win his way to Australian fame. His junket through eastern cities has been one of the most dismal flivvers history ever has called upon to chronicle. Despite the fact that Darcy had received more publicity in a few weeks than the average scrapper gets in a lifetime the public didn't fall for his theatrical efforts. His first stop—Bridgeport, Conn., showed the way the wind was blowing when the theater wasn't even comfortably filled. Jumps were made to other towns and the same sort of desultory interest was shown in his appearance. When Philadelphia was reached Darcy was so discouraged with the number of persons who wanted to be his audience that he left the theater and it was only by argument and threat that he could be induced to return and entertain the eighty or so fans. The reason for his failure should be apparent and should be a warning to other theatrically ambitious scrappers. Folks who really are interested in ring battlers don't care to see a boxer step onto a stage and merely go through the motions of a tiff. They want to see him fight. Anyone so popular as Darcy would have no trouble at all in jamming a fight arena with fans to see him battle. Others who go to a theater to be entertained are rarely interested in the doings of the boxers, so they fall to become greatly excited. Darcy was out of his sphere when he went on the stage. He will have to get the vaudeville reputation before he can hope to make sardine repositories of theaters. He is an arena filler, not a theater-packer.

Hindenburg Is Reported Laid Up With Bad Chill At Army Headquarters

Field Marshal von Hindenburg, chief of the great general staff of the German army and Germany's leading general in the present war, was reported on the Berlin bureau to be laid up at the great German army headquarters with a severe chill, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company of London. General von Hindenburg is 67 and has been in the army since 1871.



VON HINDENBURG

Photo by American Press Association.

TRAINING CAMP FOR GIRLS IS ANNOUNCED

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Joy reigns in many a debutante heart here: A second season of the National Service school, where ambitious girl rookies are initiated into the mysteries of soldiering, has been announced. They'll drill and march and wig-

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