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'MACK' COCKBURN STANDS SQUARELY BY HIS GUNS

(Milton Eagle.)

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The Walla Walla pen is crowded to capacity and can admit no more prisoners, which affords our first and only occasion for relief that Boyd is an Oregonian.

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I know it's a pretty tough world, from your range of vision, because your ma and I have forbidden you to wear skirts that are too high and waists that are too low. I know, child, that some of the other girls are chasing around the streets in costumes that would shame a burlesque troupe and attracting lots of attention; but did you ever notice just what kind of attention they attract? Of course you haven't. You don't happen to be within earshot when some of the boys say what they really think about the "other girls." Thank God you don't. You're too young to know those things yet awhile.

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That's right, have a good cry if you want to, it'll do you good. But remember, Dad knows best. So put on that pretty little dress, the one we all like—and we'll all go to the moving picture show and have some ice cream afterwards. Hurry up! It's getting late, and we don't want to miss Warren Kerrigan. That's right—smile!

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After re-acquiring Harry K. Thaw if New York will only keep him the punishment will fit the crime.

"Murder is murder" says a New York judge, thus obviating any erroneous impression that it might be a game of ping pong.

The Kaiser still claims the Lord as a military partner, but somehow we are unable to fancy the Lord in a spiked helmet and downside-up mustachios.

"Noted Inventor Passes," says an Oregonian head line, and we will let it go at that—preferring to infer that the Great Only refers to a poker game.

Just now we would prefer those three Scandinavian kings, standing shoulder to shoulder for neutrality, to any other hand in the European war game.

Because he is a Jew, Atlanta authorities seem determined to hang Leo M. Frank for a girl murder that was undoubtedly committed by a worthless and degraded negro.

Fancy the added joy of triumphant Satan over the news—as related by Bishop Cooke—that Methodist preachers are shooting at one another from the French and German trenches!

Vienna reports such "rapid progress" on the part of the Austrian troops that they will probably soon reach—reach—well, our guess is Vienna, a few jumps ahead of the Russians.

This final paragraph of an appealing article by Will Irwin in the Sunday Oregonian ought to draw a few more dollars and a few more barrels of flour out of Umatilla county. What this county is receiving from war prices compared to what it is giving for the relief of war starvation is as a flood to a rivulet:

"The six or seven million people left inside Belgium's borders are going to starve, rich and poor alike, unless the unaffected part of the world, and

NATIONAL PROHIBITION DEBATE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Hobson resolution to submit a constitutional amendment for national prohibition to the state legislatures was defeated in the house tonight, 197 members voting for and 189 against it. An affirmative vote of two-thirds was required to adopt the resolution.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The annual meeting of stockholders of The Farmers Bank of Weston will be held at its office in the City of Weston, County of Umatilla, State of Oregon, on Tuesday, the 12th day of January, 1915, at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Weston, Or., December 11, 1914.
E. M. SMITH, Cashier.

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Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Ore.,
November 21st, 1914.

Notice is hereby given that as directed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under provisions of Act of Congress approved June 27, 1906 (34 Stat., 517), pursuant to the application of Herbert Hopkins, of Weston, Oregon, Serial No. 016023, we will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, but at not less than \$2.00 per acre, at 10 o'clock a. m., on the 14th day of January, 1915, at this office, the following tract of land:

NE 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 22, T. 4 N., R. 36 East, Willamette Meridian, Serial No. 011083.

Any persons claiming adversely the above-described land are advised to file their claims, or objections, on or before the time designated for sale.

F. C. BRAMWELL, Register.
NOLAN SKIFF, Receiver.