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CONTEMPT FOR THE HELPLESS.

The great European powers are fighting for national existence in a war of unprecedented violence and magnitude. Obsessed with malice, they are no more apt to respect the rights of neutral nations than are gun men in a street fight apt to respect the innocent bystander. The rules of international warfare will be interpreted to suit themselves—or disregarded altogether when they have no reason to fear the consequences.

Our relations with England seem now to be reaching a critical stage. They are in degree less serious than our difficulty with Germany, because in the one case lives were involved and in this, property irghts only. Yet if the rumor be true that Great Britain intends to hold and use the American ships which she has arbitrarily seized, it will mean a diplomatic problem of almost as grave a nature as the one so happily solved.

If Germany had not met with almost complete failure in her submarine campaign, she would undoubtedly have continued indifferent to the demands of the United States. She would have gone on sinking passenger vessels and sacrificing neutral lives if she could thus have injured her great enemy to an appreciable extent. As it is, Germany does not care to further stain her soul with acts of murderous slaughter upon the high seas when convinced that such slaughter is fruitless.

Great Britain, it may well be feared, is not to be deterred for like reasons in her policy of seizure. Finding it advantageous, she will continue it despite every protest from the American government. The neutral United States is cordially disliked and envied by every power involved in the war, because it profits by European extremity. All the belligerents are suspicious of us for much the same reason that prize fighters are suspicious of a referee. Moreover, none of them are afraid of us. We have nothing with which to back up a protest. Uncle Sam is like an unarmed peddler who seeks to traffic with both factions in a mortal quarrel of Kentucky feudists. If he refuses to sell his goods and supplies to England, she may take them away from him. He could not defend himself, and she knows it. Moreover, if he doesn't "lay down" to England, Japan may later be given England's support in a war of spoilation against him.

The situation is depressing. It teaches again the vital necessity of arming our nation to an extent that will make it an object of respect. Roosevelt well says in a recent answer to Bryan:

"Mr. Bryan's position as to the duty of this country not to prepare itself to defend its vital honor and interest by force of arms can be accepted as sincere and honest only if he is willing to announce that he believes in private life a man should not forcibly try to prevent his wife's face from being slapped or his daughter from being outraged. To take such a position I hold to be an abhorrent piece of wickedness and folly."

The United States is now almost as helpless as China, which has been and is the gigantic plaything of the powers. Whatever England chooses to do to us she may do without fear of any effective retaliation. This fact we will to well to recognize, if we are wise with the wisdom of the serpent. Ten years from now, it may be hoped, the United States will be in a position to uphold its national rights and dignity.

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AN APPALLING MYSTERY.

Inscrutable are the ways of Providence. The power is not given finite mind to fathom the ways and purposes of Deity. We must accept the great war as incomprehensible—since an all-wise, all-powerful Creator could have prevented it if He wished. This war is an awful thing, an appalling thing, yet it may result in lasting good to humanity. If not so, then is religion a lie. Read this story sent by William G. Shepherd from Saloniki:

"Vulture-like, starving Serbian refugees are stripping the flesh from horses, dead beside the roads, in their mad flight before the Bulgarians.

"The horrors of the Albanian trail to Albania are growing. Women and children are struggling from Prisrend to Monastir without food, facing a biting blizzard that has been sweeping that region for two days and night.

"When the snow curtain lifts, the corpses of hundreds of human beings will almost certainly be found, buried beneath its white blanket.

"Each contingent of refugees brings fresh stories of tragedies along the highway on which there is a stream of Albanians, Serbs and 50,000 Austrian prisoners. Starving men are staggering along the rough road. Women, with their children clinging pitifully to them, struggle through the snows, campin- at night beside pitiful shrub fires."

Is it that God permits His creatures to suffer that through suffering they may at last learn wisdom?

THISTLEDOWN

At their recent meeting the emperors of Germany and Austria "could hardly master their emotion," and there does seem to be a good deal to cry about.

According to the Montgomery contingent Pendleton will be doing its Best on election day.

Germany wants two billion, five hundred million dollars more, but we're sorry to say we haven't quite that much about us just at present.

These November fogs are so beastly opaque that one can hardly see himself think.

Things would run a bit smoother for the Entente Allies in the Balkans if they could only use Greece.

We suggest that when the Bull Moose hold their national convention they appoint an epitaph committee and then adjourn sine die.

The Saturday Ev'g Alibi is hardly wuth readin' now-a-days, Kernel Clark Wood not having been mentioned therein for quite a spell.

When his peace pilgrimage is obstructed by a river of blood, we wonder will Henry Ford it?

"Eternal vigilance is also the price of neutrality," remarks an observant exchange.

Elihu Root won't run very far for president unless his own constitution lasts a little longer than the one he fixed up for New York.

Now's the time the pneumococcus will get you if you don't watch out.

There may come a time when our hopeful Mr. Ford will wish he could run a little faster than his cars.

Speaking of superfluous frills, the United States could get along jolly well without a Mexican border.

We couldn't understand the defeat of woman suffrage in New York until learning lately that it was supported by William Randolph Hearst.

The Entente Allies are evidently determined to fight for Serbia's rescue until every Serbian dies in the last ditch.

THE WORK THAT MUST BE DONE.

It's not the work you'd like to do,
The work that pleases most,
Or represents the best in you,
Of which you really boast;
It's work that's done from loyalty,
That means a triumph won;
And one's best work must ever be
The work that MUST be done.
For time and tide wait for no man,
And duty's clarion call
Rings out; you do the best you can;
You give your heart and all;
Though oft the heart is full of tears,
And hidden be the sun,
The world will judge you, it appears
By work that MUST be done.
What tho' the task heart-breaking be,
Or scarce seem worth the while?
The painted clown you sometimes see
Might reason in this style.
His sorrows—what are they to YOU?
His to provide the fun;
And thus he does, as you must do,
The work that MUST be done.

—Exchange.

Of Interest to Motorists.

The Leader is in receipt of a communication from its good friend, Ben W. Olcott, secretary of state, which may be of interest to local motorists. It shows that Oregon contains no less than 23,600 motor car owners, but we venture to say that the country editors among them may be numbered on the fingers of one hand. Mr. Olcott says:

"Indications in the motor vehicle registration department are that unless automobile and motorcycle owners and dealers and chauffeurs respond very soon to notices sent them early this month in the shape of blank applications, there will be a congestion of work in the department which will make it impossible to supply many of the licenses, tags and badges by the first of the year when the old licenses become void.

"The work of registration for 1916 was begun earlier than usual this year in order to allow ample time to secure number plates by the first of the year. Blank applications were sent to all the 23,600 auto and truck owners, 175 dealers, 4100 chauffeurs and 2200 owners of motorcycles nearly a month ago and although the time available for registration before the first of the coming year is nearly half gone only 2700 applications have as yet been received. This leaves around 21,000 to be issued during the one month remaining. While this office will do its utmost to take care of the business, these figures indicate the great number of licenses to be issued within a very limited time, and those interested may save themselves inconvenience by sending in their applications at the earliest possible time, which they are asked to do."

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Ft. Worth, Tex.—As the trap was sprung at the execution of C. A. Meyers, the hangman's noose completely severed the head from Meyer's body.

NOTICE OF FILING FINAL ACCOUNT.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

In the Matter of the Estate of Elizabeth Prine (sometimes called Eliza Prine), Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that I, as administrator of the above named estate with the will annexed, have filed my final account and report with the clerk of the above entitled court, which court has fixed upon 11 o'clock in the forenoon on December 6, 1915, as the time, and the County Court room in the Court House of Umatilla County, Oregon, in the City of Pendleton, in that county, as the place, when and where any person having any objection or exception to anything in said account and report contained or to anything done by me as administrator may present the same and they will be heard; and at that time the court will finally settle said final account.

This notice is published pursuant to order of said County Court made in the above matter on October 28th, 1915.

E. O. DE MOSS, Administrator, etc.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

In the Matter of the Guardianship of Alexander Kinnear, incompetent.

Now on this day this cause coming on to be heard upon the petition of the guardian of Alexander Kinnear, and

It appearing to the court from the petition that the same was filed in the court herein on the 29th day of November, 1915, by Margaret Kinnear, guardian of the person and property of Alexander Kinnear, an incompetent, praying for an order licensing and empowering this guardian to sell the following described realty: The S.½ of the S W.¼ of Sec. 22, Tp. 5, N. R. 35, E. W. M., Umatilla County, Oregon,

And it appearing to the court that the next of kin of Alexander Kinnear are the guardian and petitioner herein, Margaret Kinnear, his wife; George Kinnear, Ralph Kinnear, Lillie Kinnear-Lane, Lloyd Kinnear, Minnie Kinnear-Lalande and Earl Kinnear, children of the said Alexander Kinnear, and

That it appearing to the court that it is for the best interest of the estate that the said realty should be sold, and the court being fully advised in the matter:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the next of kin of the said Alexander Kinnear to-wit: Margaret Kinnear, his wife, George Kinnear, Ralph Kinnear, Lillie Kinnear-Lane, Lloyd Kinnear, Minnie Kinnear Lalande and Earl Kinnear, children of the said Alexander Kinnear, and all persons interested in said estate, appear before this court on Monday, the 27th day of December, 1915, at ten o'clock A. M., in the county courtroom in the county courthouse of Umatilla county, Oregon, at Pendleton, Oregon, therein, then and there to show cause why an order should not be granted for the sale of the S. ½ of the S. W. ¼ of Sec. 22, Tp. 4 N. R. 35, E. W. M., Umatilla county, Oregon, and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published at least once a week for three successive weeks before said date of hearing in the Weston Leader, a newspaper printed and published weekly at Weston, Umatilla county, Oregon, and that proof of said publication be made and filed in the matter herein.

Done and dated at Pendleton, Umatilla county, Oregon, this 1st day of December, 1915.

C. H. MARSH, County Judge.

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SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

F. D. Watts, Plaintiff, vs. Anna Young, Eliza Chester, Caroline Schmidt, Louis Young, Ida Young, Lydia Young, Willard Young, Alice Young, Michael Young, Barbara Young, Hugo Schmidt, Cynthia Brophy, Agnes E. Jones, James Peters, Maggie Peters, Richard Peters, Samuel Peters, Myrtle Peters, John Peters, Ethel R. Peters, Wm. Peters, Bessie Peters, Orin Peters and Josie Peters, his wife, Albert Young, Ora S. Maher, John Maher, Solomon Peters, Charles H. Peters, Sarah Davis, formerly Sarah Kittridge, Michael R. Young, Myra Young, Michael or Mike Peters, Agatha Taylor, Siella Peters, Glene Peters, Nora Watts, Grace Rogers, E. C. Rogers, E. M. Peters, Emesley Ridenour, otherwise known as Emely Ridenour, Minnie L. DePeatt, Jane DePeatt, Nellie DePeatt, Katie DePeatt, William DePeatt, Ralph DePeatt, Zelma DePeatt, now Zelma Harris, Merna DePeatt, now Merna Smith, and Agatha Taylor, guardian of Siella Peters and Glene Peters, minors, Defendants.

To Anna Young, Eliza Chester, Caroline Schmidt, Louis Young, Ida Young, Lydia Young, Michael Young, Barbara Young, Hugo Schmidt, James Peters, Maggie Peters, Albert Young, Ora S. Maher, John Maher, Solomon Peters, Charles H. Peters, Sarah Davis, formerly Sarah Kittridge, Agnes E. Jones, Richard Peters, Myrtle Peters, Samuel Peters, Michael R. Young, Myra Young, Cynthia Brophy, John Peters, Ethel R. Peters, Wm. Peters, Bessie Peters, Michael or Mike Peters, Agatha Taylor, Siella Peters, Glene Peters, E. M. Peters, Emesley Ridenour otherwise known as Emely Ridenour, Ralph DePeatt, Zelma DePeatt, now Zelma Harris, Merna DePeatt, now Merna Smith, Willard Young, Alice Young, Agatha Taylor, guardian of Siella Peters and Glene Peters, minors, Jane DePeatt, Nellie DePeatt, Katie DePeatt, Orin Peters and Josie Peters, his wife, defendants above named:

In the Name of the State of Oregon.

You and each of you are hergby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before the 15th day of January, 1916, and you will take notice if you fail to answer, or otherwise appear in said suit on or before said day, plaintiff, above named, for want thereof will apply to the above entitled court for the relief prayed for in plaintiff's complaint, on file in said suit, to-wit: For a decree of this court requiring each and every one of these defendants to show and make manifest the exact nature and extent of the right, title, interest or estate, which each, any or all of these defendants claim to have in the real property, described in said complaint, to-wit:

The SE¼ of the NW¼ of the NW¼ of Sec. 33, Twp. 4 N. R. 37, E. W. M.; the West 29 feet of Lot 6 in Block 2 and Lot 7 of Block 2, and the West 69 feet of Lots 2, 3 and 4 of Block 2 of the Town of Weston; Lots 2, 15 and 16 of Block 1 Saling's Addition to the Town of Weston; all that portion of Block 9 of McArthur's Addition to the City of Weston lying North of a certain east and west line, said line commencing at a monument consisting of a three-inch pipe driven in the ground along the west line of said Block, said monument being witnessed by being 59 feet 8 inches south of a Balm tree, together with a water right across the remaining south end of said Block 9 to be used and enjoyed as a right of way for the purpose of keeping and maintaining over and across said south end of said Block 9 a flume line as now constructed; the right to convey through the same and use the same quantity of water now and heretofore used and enjoyed in connection therewith, together with the right to keep said flume in repair, to replace the same at any time and to enter upon said land along the line thereof for the purpose of inspecting, repairing and replacing the same; also an undivided one-half interest in East 51 feet of Lots 2, 3, 4, all Lots 5, the East 11 feet of Lot 6 in Block 2 in the Original Town of Weston, except the following described tract: Beginning at the Northeast corner of Lot 5 in Block 2, thence westerly along the south line of Main street 21 feet 6 inches, thence southerly parallel with Franklin Street 39 feet 6 inches, thence easterly parallel with Main Street 21 feet 6 inches to the west line of Franklin street, thence northerly along the west line of Franklin Street 39 feet 6 inches to the point of beginning;

An undivided one-half interest in and to W½ Lot 3, all Lots 4 and 5, and the North Half of Lot 6 in Block 9 of Weston; an undivided one-half interest in and to Lot 7 Block 1 Hartman's Addition to Weston.

And that said claims and each and all of them be declared void and of no effect and unfounded in fact or in law against said plaintiff, his heirs or assigns; for plaintiff's costs and disbursements herein, and for such other and further relief as pertains to equity and good conscience.

This summons is published pursuant to an order of the Hon. G. W. Phelps, Circuit Judge of the 6th Judicial District of the State of Oregon, made on the 30th day of November, 1915. Said order provides that the first publication of this summons shall be made on the 3d day of December, 1915, in the Weston Leader.

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