

Xmas Suggestions

A perplexing problem that we face just now is what we are going to get for him or her as a Christmas remembrance. In our stock you will find numerous articles that will make practical as well as suitable gifts for father, mother, sister, brother or sweetheart. Come in and look. It's always a pleasure to show what we have. Below we have listed a few items appropriate as gifts:

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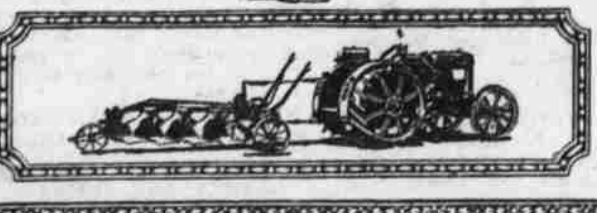
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BORAH AS PEACE MAKER.

Upon the principle that "half a loaf is better than no bread," we are in sympathy with Senator Borah's proposal for bringing about by common agreement reduction of armament by Great Britain, the United States and Japan. The members of this proposed tripartite are the only world powers of the first class in a position now to wage war—and even they, especially England and the United States, would be vitally handicapped by the colossal war debts already incurred. Should they agree to gradual disarmament, or at least to abandon their armament programs, it will be a wonderful encouragement to the disarmament plan of the League of Nations. The most essential thing in a prideful, jealous cow camp is to bring about the relinquishment of their weapons by its doughty gun men, if the desire is to avert rather than to encourage bloodshed. The tripartite powers would qualify as the only two-gun fighters in an otherwise popgun world. Should they lay aside their weapons it will mean that the business of peace has been embarked upon in earnest, and the business of war abandoned. We fail to fathom the argument of Secretary Daniels that the United States, already paying more than ninety cents out of every dollar for war, must continue with a huge war program unless it joins the League of Nations. If it agrees with England and Japan to disarm, it will become to all intents and purposes a league member, whether or not it signs the covenant. Disarmament is the great desideratum and indeed, the vital principle of the league. How this may be accomplished, by the league as a whole or through the initiative of the proposed tripartite, it matters not. With Germany powerless, and anxious herself to join the league, only sufficient force is needed to check the possible military aggression of bolshevik Russia. Should the United States go forward with war preparation, who can say that it may not become obsessed with the war lust? We cannot claim that in the past we have been motivated solely by altruism. Senator Borah's plan, or any plan that will discourage the growth of the military spirit in the United States and throughout the world, is worthy of commendation.

"SAVE A BABY'S LIFE!"

Says Edward Cookingham, director of the Liberty Loan campaign: "There is not a heart in Oregon hard enough to withhold the money that will buy food and save the lives of Europe's baby war victims." The entire Liberty Loan sales organization is back of the great Hoover movement for saving literally millions of starving children in Central Europe. So also are the Red Cross, Knights of Columbus, Jewish Relief Association, Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. Appeals to the people of the state are made by the heads of each of these organizations. "Ten dollars will buy the life of a child until next harvest," is one of the slogans of a campaign which touches the hearts and opens the purse strings of all who are not wholly oblivious to human suffering. "In the midst of this state's well fed comfort," we are told, "has suddenly been thrust the appalling spectacle of 3,500,000 little children defenseless against starvation entrenched in the war devastated area of East and Central Europe. Every one with a heart, save a baby's life."

LET US BE GRATEFUL.

This country's crops of 1919 were worth in round numbers, fourteen billions. The crops this year, although larger, are worth only nine billions. In money, that is. They are worth just as much for clothing and sustenance. They would be a godsend indeed, more welcome than gold or gems, to Europe or Asia. In fact, the United States is enormously rich in all forms of actual wealth. Unless a member of the limited pauper class, the poor man in the United States is only relatively poor—in comparison with his more fortunate neighbors. It is this fact, not actual poverty as it is known in hungry and suffering foreign lands, that makes for restlessness and discontent in our beloved republic, whose people are possibly blessed beyond their deserts. Their children are not shivering in rags and starving for a crust. War has spared them and pes-

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silence passed them by. Are they grateful, to be constantly grumbling over this, that or the other omission of Providence, when Providence has really been so kind?

Now is the time when the man whose labor is chiefly mental to devise how little he can do for the money, is being summarily detached from the payroll.

Attalia on The Columbia is developing an expensive hole in the ground—albeit everybody hopes that within a short time it will be oil well with Attalia.

We prefer to consider the esteemed Oregonian three score and ten years young, since it possesses so much of youth's virility and confidence.

The whole problem of immigration consists in letting the good ones in and keeping the poor ones out—which is not so simple as it sounds.

A counterfeit century note having been found in circulation, country editors will be put to the trouble of looking through their rolls.

To the farmer who hasn't sold his wheat the "Do Your Christmas Shopping Early" slogan is apt to convey a suggestion of irony.

The Yamhill public market, once Portland's pride and joy, is under fire for alleged profiteering. We'll be looking for a stall.

Warren G. Harding has been made a union printer for life, and he can have a "sit" with us if things get too slow in Washington.

Many other men draw \$50,000 salaries, but Judge Landis will get to see the ball games free—a real and enviable privilege.

A Kentucky observer thinks an epidemic of kneeemia may be expected this winter, if epidemics follow the styles.

A Seattle thief who relieved his victim of a \$500 bank roll gave him back \$20—an example of touching generosity.

In the alliance between Turk and Bolshevik it will be difficult to determine which has the worst partner.

Looks as though the producer has been producing faster than the consumer has been consuming.

Normalcy is a word much nicer than is the process of getting back to the condition it defines.

Ten dollars could be no better invested than in the life of a child.

by the Allies was rendered unrecognizable.

With Ireland staging a tragedy, burnt Cork is superfluous.

FARM BUREAU MEETING AT WESTON DEC. 27TH

A Farm Bureau meeting will be held at Memorial hall, Weston, Monday, December 27, and is expected to attract a large number of representative farmers from this section of the county. Professor Hyslop of Oregon Agricultural College will be the principal lecturer. The subject of potato growing will be taken up at 10 a. m., and of wheat growing at 2:30 p. m. All farmers of this district are invited and urged to come and hear the agricultural lore which Professor Hyslop is so well qualified to present.

NOTICE.

Beginning January 1st, 1921, we, the undersigned, will conduct our business on a strictly 30-day credit basis. All bills are due and payable on the first of the month following purchase. Credit will be discontinued to all who allow their bills to run longer than the 10th of the month. On all outstanding bills not paid by December 31st, 1920, there will be 8 per cent interest added until paid.

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A Peppery Pair.

The small team of government mules, celebrated throughout the countryside, which Jim Jones has put to work on his new mail route out of Athens, may be as dangerous as dynamite, but they are also as full of energy. Jim drove them 157 days in succession, with the exception of Sundays and holidays, on his Weston route, climbing upward each day about 2000 feet. During that time they covered a total of 4115 miles. They are apt to get restless for lack of their accustomed exercise on the easier Athena route, and we will not be surprised any day to hear that Jim has been spilled along the road.

Disastrous Runaway.

Clarond Rhea had a disastrous runaway a few days ago while going down the Harder grade into Blue Mountain station with a load of wheat and six horses. The lead team broke loose, frightening the other horses, and the entire outfit piled up at the foot of the grade. Mr. Rhea was fortunate enough to escape unhurt, but two of his horses each had an eye knocked out, and another was so badly injured as to be rendered worthless.

Mrs. J. Harl Williams and Mrs. Lillian Fredericks visited friends in Walla Walla Wednesday.

NOTICE TO PATRONS

In order to avoid much unnecessary inconvenience, we must request that all patrons be prepared to pay their bills when our collector calls. We also desire to notify them that all of our own responsibility for service ceases when electricity is delivered.

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Miss Sabra Nason, county librarian, was in town for several hours Thursday, re-arranging and classifying books in the local library.

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