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You Can't Flim-Flam Your Uncle Sam.

(From June Outdoor Life.)

You're callin' from over the ocean;
You're cryin' across the sea;
You're beck'nin' for me to drop my plow
And jump in the jamboree.
You're hintin' for help on one side—
Fer aid on the other one;
But your Uncle Sam won't drop his plow
For any kind of a gun.

I've heard too much of your fightin';
I've read of your slaughter there;
I've answered your call when you wanted bread,
Or clothing that you might wear.
I'll give you carloads of presents,
Shiploads of foods and such;
But you can't flim-flam your Uncle Sam
In that fightin' game—NOT MUCH!

If my men go into battle
And let the plowshares fall,
Why who on earth would be left here
To raise the grub fer us all?
We could hide ourselves in trenches,
The stars and stripes to defend;
But the old grey wolf of hunger
Would whip us all in the end.

So we'll stay where we've been stayin'
A-raisin' our corn and wheat;
And the day will come when you'll be
Durn glad
That we saved YOU a bite to eat.
Just fight her out to a finish
With your shot and shrapnel and such;
But you can't flim-flam your Uncle Sam
In that FIGHTIN' GAME—NOT MUCH!

ALLEN GREEN.

THE TELEGRAM'S POSITION.

WHEN the announcement was made some months since that the Portland Telegram had been purchased by the Wheelers, the public wondered what the millionaire lumbermen wanted of a newspaper. The answer has not been long in forthcoming—to make The Telegram the organ of the Portland lumber interests.—Medford Sun.

Upon the above The Telegram comments as follows:
"But the answer doesn't quite forthcome. The Wheelers have not a dollar's worth of interest in any lumber mill in Portland. They have lumber interests in Lane, Jackson and Tillamook counties. If The Telegram were to be used to further their private interests it would have fought to maintain the rates that discriminate against Portland in favor of the valley mills, for there is where private interest lies. But, on the contrary, The Telegram has fought and contended for an equality of rates between Portland and the valley points, on the ground that it was the fair and square thing to do, no matter who was helped or harmed by it.

The Telegram is not run for private interests but for the public interest, and we are not surprised that such a policy should be beyond the selfish ken of the Medford newspaper."

The Sentinel is one of the many papers that have said that The Telegram, in fighting to take away the preferential rates given the valley mills, was fighting the battles of the owners of The Telegram.

We are, therefore, pleased to give equal publicity to The Telegram's explanation, which, while no doubt true, will fail to convince many.

In making this correction we would like to ask The Telegram the following questions:

If The Telegram is fighting for the public interest, what does it expect to gain for the public by destroying the Willamette Valley's greatest industry?

Is it the purpose of The Telegram to destroy the saw mill industry in the Willamette Valley so that the logs may be shipped to Portland and there made into lumber?

What argument is there for an advantage in rates for Portland over Astoria that does not apply to valley points as against Portland?

Why is it fair for Portland mills to have a preferential into Eastern Oregon and unfair for valley points to have a

preferential into a small portion of Northern California?

What position will The Telegram take when the Portland mills ask for a preferential into the Salt Lake territory on the same grounds that the Valley mills are fighting to retain their preferential into a small part of California?

What reason has The Telegram for thinking that it is a better judge of what is good for the Willamette Valley than are all the residents thereof and a large majority of people in Portland?

What position would The Telegram take if its owners had never been interested in the saw mill business in Portland?

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

A NEWSPAPER is just as fully expected to comment upon the President's Message as the President is expected to deliver it.

The recent personally-delivered message of Mr. Wilson was looked forward to with eagerness because of the many vital problems that are before us and because it would indicate in a large measure the probable action of Congress upon these problems.

If a republican had delivered the message we would have, no doubt, said it was an able document, and we see no reason to say otherwise because a democrat wrote it.

An entire change of front is shown on military and naval policies and a complete program is outlined for again bringing the navy up to second in rank. Like many others, a short time ago we thought war impossible and military preparedness a spendthrift policy. Evidently the President has had his mind changed in about the same manner we have had ours changed, and, while even now, war seems the remotest of possibilities, safety first is a good policy. We are disappointed, however, that the President doesn't suggest that we should get as much for our money as other nations do. While spending as much as nations of first-class military power we get about as much as a fifth-class nation does for its smaller expenditure. In a message in which it was indicated that extreme measures may be necessary in raising revenue the matter of carefully spending that we do raise was worthy of serious attention.

We must compliment the President for not trying to pass onto succeeding Republican administrations deficits of his administration. The problem of inadequate revenue is squarely faced and several plans outlined for paying as we go. In view of the fact that the lack of revenue under a Democratic administration will be used for making a large part of the republican thunder in the coming campaign, the President showed backbone in not attempting to shift the burden.

The President's academic castigation of hyphenated Americans should be read by all patriotic Americans, as well as by those with any tendency toward divided allegiance.

PUTTING UNIONS IN BAD.

THE Oregon Labor Press, published at Portland, carries this legend in black type at the head of its first page: "Merchants who do not advertise in the Labor Press do not care for the patronage of union people."

A paper which professes to speak for the unions and voice the sentiments of union members should be more careful about its methods.

In the first place, such a statement is a plain falsehood on the face of it, and any paper which publishes such a falsehood in display type on its first page has no reason to find fault if its readers doubt the truth of statements made in smaller type on other pages of the paper.

The statement which we have referred to is not only a falsehood but it is an insult and an affront to the merchants of Portland, many of whom are friendly to union labor. We would not blame a merchant for not advertising in a paper that so openly lies and so maliciously breathes insult.

Not only is the statement a falsehood and an insult, but it comes pretty close to being a lawless statement. It comes dangerously close to being notice to union labor to boycott those who do not advertise in the columns of the Oregon Labor Press, and dangerously close to notice to merchants that if they do not so advertise they will be boycotted.

From a business standpoint the argument in the statement referred to is an admission that advertising can not be secured except by sinister threats. Any paper that can't get business on its own merits doesn't deserve any.

It is no wonder that labor unions are looked upon with suspicion by many intelligent people when those presumed to speak for them publish such seditious statements as the position of union labor. If unions and their official organs can't carry forward their propaganda without resorting to the tactics of a thug they had better quit.

The writer has for nearly twenty years been a member of the typographical union. Even now, when without union jurisdiction, when an employer rather than an employee, when no longer working as a journeyman, he is friendly enough to the interests of union labor to keep in good standing and, therefore, feels in a position to criticize those who falsely state the position of the intelligent, sober thinking labor unionist. Evidently the editor of the Oregon Labor Press is not of the sober-thinking class.

Things We Think

Things others think, and what we think of the things others think.

Lessons Learned to Learn.

Every newly married man has some hard lessons to learn, and the older the man is before he sees the wisdom of taking unto himself a helpmeet to prepare his daily meals and provide a cozy place to spend evenings, the harder it is for him to learn the lessons which must come. Editor Reagan of Albany is taking the matter too much to heart. We make another quotation from his paper: "The fact that a man can walk five miles around a billiard table in an evening does not prove that he is able to go out to the street corner to mail a letter for his wife."

The devil wouldn't be hard to overpower if he didn't have so many people assisting him.

Be a "Good Fellow."

That an editor has no feeling for his fellow man is disproven by the following by Editor Brown in the Benton County Courier: "In Corvallis, like any other city in Oregon, there are some poor little chaps whose Christmas will be looking at happiness through the display of toys and presents in the store windows. Any of us can make one or more of these kiddies happy if we will. Be a 'good fellow' to one of these poor little tots—that's the true Christmas spirit."

A woman who raises six daughters, all of whom learn to play the piano, has Job beat for patience.

Must Invite Capital.

That Oregon has got a problem in meeting the competition of the East for the investment of capital in Oregon, is the wise observation of Editor McDaniel in the Coos Bay Harbor. "With the city of Pittsburgh exempting industries from taxation in order to invite capital," he asks, "how can Oregon expect to grow industrially unless it at least lets up on radical and freak legislation which drives the investor away?"

Sometimes we imagine that folks get peeved at the newspaper notoriety given their actions just to keep folks from suspecting that they courted the notoriety.

The situation is getting past a joke. The Florence West observes that English papers will no longer carry Henry Ford's advertising.

After a woman has made a success of grand opera she is likely to be referred to as beautiful, but she has then passed the stage when such comments would have been of value to her. A woman whose fame for a beautiful voice is established, doesn't care what folks say about her face.

At last some one has something nice to say about Henry Ford. Editor Beede observes in the Drewsey Pioneer Sun: "Whatever may be said for or against Henry Ford, he cannot be accused of being a stutterer."

Don't Show the Yellow.

That Oregon has a bigger duty than to sell lands at high prices, is the belief of Editor Voorhies of Grants Pass, who throws 'er in high to this tune: "The Medfordites who are now showing the yellow streak in the beet acreage campaign should have some compassion upon the people they have inveigled into purchasing their lands at extortionate prices and aid in providing them with a market for something they can grow upon the lands. A sugar factory anywhere in the valley will

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A Suggestion—In stuffing your chicken, turkey, duck or goose for the Christmas dinner, try using one quarter Grape-Nuts and three quarters bread crumbs, instead of all bread crumbs. You will be delighted with the crisp, nutty flavor imparted by this wholesome ingredient.

Grape-Nuts food comes ready to eat direct from the package; and is nourishing, easily digestible, economical, delicious.

"There's a Reason"

Sold by Grocers everywhere

make that market. It is the market for our products we are after."

The shiftless one doesn't do much at shifting for himself.

To abstain from wrongdoing merely through fear of the law or through fear of public opinion is said to be nearly as sinful as committing the act. The innocents are mighty few.

The usually modest Editor Hodges of Veneta makes the claim that his paper is the best advertising medium in Oregon. He'd better watch out or he will be commandeered to do the pro-nosticating for the Republican party in the next campaign.

A woman may worry her life away about the actions of her neighbors without learning that they are doing the same about her.

A progressive is a rank conservative when it comes to admitting that there is any good in any other party.

Editor Brodie of Oregon City frankly admits being an admirer of Woodrow Wilson's pretty propensity for fancy and felicitous phrasing. Possibly Mrs. Galt is an equal admirer of that same propensity.

Editor Fernsworth of Banks and Editor Hurley of Forest Grove have got into a little editorial controversy and are calling each other such naughty names as erudite and urbane. It is thought there will be no serious consequences.

There are liars, and liars, and liars, and political prognosticators.

The appendix is removed because it

is useless. If all useless parts of the human anatomy were to be removed some folks would have nothing but a mouth and a gall bladder.

Since Editor Cates of Dallas got into the automobile class he gets off

editorials like the following: "When people can be made to understand that it actually costs more in time and money to travel over a poor road than it does to travel over a good one, they will be less inclined to begrudge the expense of good roads."

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Guns
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Big Times at The Fair

Watch for the real live Santa Claus in the show window. See the electric trains running. See the mechanical toys, climbing monkeys, etc.

Fine Toilet Articles at Cut Prices. See them at The Fair

\$2.00
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only
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Good
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We Have the Good Looking Dolls

Something new on sale every day. Come in today. Just the time for Christmas aluminum Combination Cookers, Tea Kettles and Rice Cookers. See them. We will give presents to the children if they are with their parents at the store Thursday and Friday of this week.

THE FAIR

Beautiful Christmas Tree Ornaments, per box.....15c

Our Christmas Present Sale Opens Thursday Morning at 8:30

Come early and get the pick of the bargains. Don't put it off, someone may get just what you are looking for

Christmas Gift for Everyone

With each purchase of \$2.00 any day until Christmas. See our Christmas tree. It's loaded with presents for you

SALE ON CHRISTMAS GOODS

Men's 10c Hdks.5c
Ladies' 20c Hdks.10c
Waterproof Umbrellas98c
Unbreakable Dolls48c
50c Suspender and 25c Supporters50c
New lot Men's Ties, special50c
Plain talking Mama Dolls78c

SALE ON CHRISTMAS GOODS

15x30 Guest Towels10c
Ladies' 15c Hdks.11c
Ladies' \$1.00 Silk Hose89c
Men's 75c Sweaters48c
28 inch two tone Robe Material23c
1/4 Discount on all Furs
Manicuring Sets65c to \$1.25
20x40 Pure Linen Towels10c

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