

A NEW INDEPENDENCE

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Shall this great kingdom which survived the Danish depredations, and the Scottish inroads, and the Norman conquest, and withstood the Spanish armada, now fall prostrate before our foe? Shall we stoop so low as to tell our enemy, "Take all we have, only give us peace?" It is impossible. Where is the man who will advise it? If we must have peace or war, and if we cannot have peace with honor, then let us have war. Let us make one effort, and if we must fall, let us fall like men!" Being overcome then by weakness and emotion he fell in a swoon, and was borne out amid the profoundest hush and deepest sorrow. It was his last plea for his country. Surely this was an exhibition of patriotism. But it was not patriotism of the highest type—for it was loyalty to a principle in itself false. It was the defense of an unjust demand and unrighteous cause.

The American patriots were moved by a patriotism of higher type. A striking illustration of it is seen in the spirit and words of General Joseph Reed. He was approached by a British emissary, who offered him fifty thousand dollars and the best office in the colonies, if he would betray the American armies into the hands of their enemies. Turning upon his adversary and towering above him in hot indignation, the patriot replied: "I am not worth purchasing, but such as I am, the king of Great Britain is not rich enough to buy me!"

The blood of the heroes on the grass of Lexington and the snow at Valley Forge was the forecast of victory, and the words of the dying Lawrence, "Don't give up the ship!" voiced a patriotism which can never die. The triumphs of the battle field were momentous, but the rise of the American navy was startling. A company of sixty volunteers, a few armed with muskets, but most of them carrying pikes and pitchforks, went aboard a lumber barge, and prepared to give battle to a British schooner of war which had come up the river. It was the Margaretta carrying sixteen guns. Her commander sneeringly watched the approach of the lumber barge—the American navy—towed by skiffs. He allowed the barge to be brought alongside the Margaretta. But that proved to be his undoing, for no sooner had the vessels touched, than the patriots with a sudden rush boarded the schooner. They attacked the enemy with such fury, that the British were compelled to strike their colors in twenty minutes. But that lumber barge, armed with its muskets and pitchforks and handful of patriotic men, was prophetic of Manila Bay, and the world-circling American armada, which in this twentieth century has won the respect and admiration of the nations!

The spirit of liberty is stirring the heart of Russia and Turkey, Spain and Germany, and will one day sweep oppressors from the throne. World peace and national disarmament have little hope of realization until thrones are abolished with their intrigue and hauteur, and the sovereign people assert their sovereign rights through democratic government. We applaud our President's efforts in the interest of world-peace, but we deprecate his weakness and folly in suffering American citizens to be ruthlessly oppressed and Old Glory humbled in barbaric Mexico. Such weak submission to barbarism is not in the interest of world-peace, but to the perpetuation of barbarism. The seizure of Vera Cruz was justifiable. The prevention of a great shipment of war munitions reaching the tyrant Huerta was justifiable. But the delivery of that shipment of war munitions to Huerta without resistance by President Wilson was a violation of all good sense; it was an act of stupidity, worthy of a court-martial; and by it nineteen American boys died in vain!

Liberty enlightens and blesses the race. Read the story of the world's poor, and remember the poor in America get better wages, have better food, live in greater comfort, have more luxuries, receive greater school privileges than anywhere on earth. Here we are not under the surveillance of an army of police; we may travel from ocean to ocean without a government passport; and are not forced to waste the best years of life in a standing army.

Lofty principles have been forged in the furnace of affliction, and noble characters have been molded under the power of oppression. The struggle for liberty has produced the highest type of patriotism. The genius and virtues of Washington are known and read of all men. He swung wide the gates and ushered in the era of national freedom. The masterly movements of that great commander on the Delaware, were said by Frederic the Great to be, "the most brilliant achievement recorded in military annals." Frederic afterward sent Washington his photograph on which was inscribed, "From the oldest general in Europe to the greatest general in the world." When Washington retired from the army after a service of eight years, the president of congress said, "You retire from the theater of action with the blessings of your fellow citizens. But the glory of your virtues will not terminate with your military command, it will continue to animate the remotest ages."

While the revolution had its heroes, it also had its heroines. When the Indians burned Royalton, Vermont, in 1776, Mrs. Hendee was toiling in the

field. Her husband was away in the army. The Indians attacked the place and carried her child with others across the river. Finding her little one gone, she gave chase. She rushed into the stream, and swam and waded across. Then she boldly dashed into the Indian camp and demanded her child. She was not to be frightened by the flourishing of knives and tomahawks, but finding the child, at once carried it across the river. Then she returned for other children—and in three trips carried fifteen children away from the Indian camp. The Indians were amazed at her courage, and at last one of the warriors said: "Brave squaw. Ought to be carried across the river." So the Indian took her upon his back and carried her across the stream to the waiting children. Such was the fire and spirit of our fathers and mothers of the revolution.

How glorious then is the reign of Liberty. How precious is citizenship in a land where the avenues of achievement are open alike to all; and where there is no royalty except the royalty of merit. May the heroic spirit of the patriots animate the youth of the twentieth century.

NEWS FROM INDEPENDENCE.

Legal Proceedings to Recover Damages May Be Instituted.

John A. Carson, attorney for Mrs. C. F. Waltman, who seeks to secure damages from the city because of injuries sustained from a fall on a sidewalk, notified Mayor Elbridge this week that he would proceed to go into court unless the City made some kind of a settlement with his client.

William Koch, of Des Moines, Iowa, Grand Foreman, will honor Independence with a visit on Saturday, July 11, and local members of the American Yeoman are preparing for an unusual time. Visitors will be present from Dallas and Salem, and in the evening there will be a reception.—Monitor.

The body of Mrs. S. F. Wood, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dola Santee, in Portland, on last Monday arrived in Independence Wednesday morning and was met by many friends of the deceased who followed the funeral cortage to the Buena Vista cemetery for burial.

A quiet home wedding occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Crosby Davis on Seventh street last Saturday morning when Crosby Dalton and Miss Margaret Shinner were joined in holy wedlock, father Wm. Cronin of St. Patrick's church, officiating.

Married at high noon on June 29th at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Porterfield, Rupert P. Dickinson and Miss Bertha D. Porterfield.—Enterprise.

IN THE BUSINESS FIELD

MANY MATTERS OF MORE THAN ORDINARY INTEREST.

Valuable Information Concerning Various Things You Wish to Know.

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A mass convention of the Socialist party of Polk county is hereby called to meet at the court house in Dallas for 10 o'clock a. m., Saturday, July 11, for the purpose of selecting candidates for the various county offices. JAMES K. SEARS, Chairman.

Mrs. T. J. Janes, who has been seriously ill for some time past, is recovering.

LANE REPUBLICANS ACT

OREGON ILLS DUE TO DEMOCRATIC MALADMINISTRATION.

Excessive Imports of Various Products in Competition With Western Goods Are Enumerated.

A scathing denunciation of the democratic administration was the declaration of principles adopted by the republican party in Lane county. "Our timber industry is dead," it declares. "Timber can be bought for less than the lowest prices during the panic of 1907-8. The removal of the duty on shingles has resulted in the importation of 1485 cars of Canadian shingles during the first four months of the present free-trade policy, as against the former average of 200 cars a year under protective tariff. "The price to the farmer on his butterfat has decreased 20 per cent under competition with New Zealand, Australia and Argentina, made possible by the removal of the tariff on these products. Chinese eggs have devaluation of woolen goods, an important Oregon product, has increased \$25,000,000 during the first four months of free trade. An increase of all imports has followed the present democratic policy. In the first four months the increase on cattle was 324 per cent; corn, 3225 per cent; oats, 46,380 per cent; meat, 787 per cent, and butter, 858 per cent.

The last primary election cost the taxpayers of the state approximately \$200,000, a sum more than sufficient to pay the annual salaries of all the state officials," the declaration continues, referring to local issues. "It has not only proven expensive, but has been a complete failure in many respects, candidates submitting themselves for preferment before the people, and not bound by the vote of the people, as evidenced by the independent candidacy of Mr. Lafferty."

POLK DISPLAY PLANNED.

Prunes, Hops, Grains and Livestock to Be Sent to World's Fair.

Preparations are under way in various sections of Polk county for exhibits at the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco in 1915. Prune and hop samples, grains, sheep, goats, hogs, cows and poultry will be exhibited. The fine flocks of sheep and goats of William Riddell & Sons, of Monmouth, and P. A. Koser, of Rickreall, are to be represented. This stock has won in strong competition in the northwest for many years.

RAILROAD WORK IS PUSHED.

Construction of Valley & Siletz Line Advances Rapidly.

A visit to the burned-over district in the Siletz timber regions at once reveals the necessity of prompt action in logging operations in order to save this dead timber. Work on the Valley & Siletz railroad is being pushed as rapidly as possible, and while the line will be only fourteen miles in length it will touch much valuable timber, which will go out via Independence into the Willamette river. It is probable that a mill will be built at Independence.

Cherry Trees Recover.

Trees in young cherry orchards about Monmouth which last year were believed to be dying, have regained their foliage and now promise a rapid growth. In June and July last summer leaves on the trees in various parts of Polk county, as well as elsewhere in this valley, began to wither, and finally fell off. The cause was attributed to the slugs which appeared, and borers were believed to have operated in the ground. Much fear was expressed. No pests are evident this year, and the orchards have a splendid appearance. New grafts, placed in the trees in early spring, are growing well.

Building New Barn.

One of the evidences of prosperity in this vicinity is the 30 x 40 foot barn on the Chas. Bilyeu hop farm, just west of the city. The structure is being built by Doug. Hubbard, assisted by Guy of the same name. The exterior decorations, so Mr. Bilyeu informs The Observer, will be in red and white. The inside decorations will not be put on until Charles harvests his hops, and appearances suggest that these decorations will be of a substantial nature.

Who Swiped His Oats?

Some unknown person invaded the premises of H. C. Campbell last Thursday night, and took from his barn a considerable quantity of oats.

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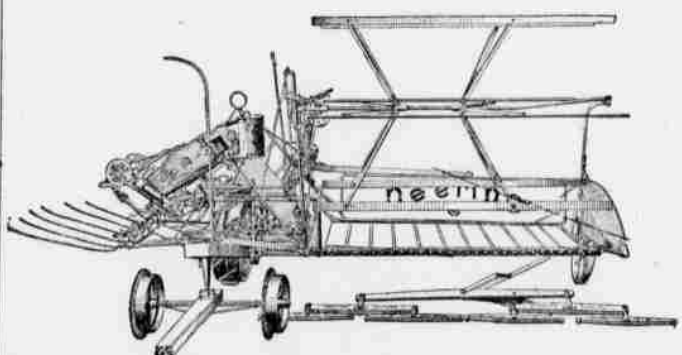
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