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## Monmouth Meditations

When in doubt there is always the alternative of blaming it on to Congress.

The early spud is beginning to sit up and demand a little attention.

The last shock that struck the Hindenburg line was a stiff one but hardly strong enough to bear out the assertion that it was the tail end of it that shook Central America.

It will be a relief to Monmouth merchants to know that it is not contemplated to close Main street during the laying of the wearing surface on the paving. The experience of last year in the closing of the street, will last for some time.

The home garden stunt is beginning to fade a little of the enthusiasm manifest earlier in the season but the girls of the Home Guard at the Normal have clung to their task nicely and the available hoes have been kept busy.

They credit some astonishing achievements to the suffragettes in the east. The Waterford, Wis., Post tells of one who "walked into a neighbor's house and laid a dozen eggs on the table." Which is going some, even for a suffragette.

It surely is conducive to "ong-wee" to notice how in this great struggle for democracy it seems to be the first duty of our military heroes to toady in person before George Guelph and other gilded gents of the tight little isle.

Visitors returning to Monmouth cannot help but compliment it on its improved appearance. With the turn for gardening the waste spots, formerly covered with weeds, have been plowed and planted. During the past week the painting of the band stand was accomplished and it now faces the sunlight in freshened cleanliness. The grass around it has been spaded under, also improving its appearance.

The presentation of the "Vicar of Wakefield" in the movies in Monmouth last week recalls that classic and suggests: "Why is it that this book is the only one of its age that is still commonly read?" The answer probably is—its sanity. In an age when books were in their nature either extremely pious or extremely worldly, the Vicar was neither. Just a plain story, free from the conscious dogma of theology and also free from the indecencies that were supposed to be the thing in the time of Goldsmith.

We observe with some pain that before the returns are fully canvassed and any official announcement made of plans, our neighbors in Marion county are beginning to groan over the prospects for highways. They think they are to be slighted and scenic boulevards built leading from Portland in almost any direction but toward the state capitol. Tactics of this kind have yielded good returns in the past and just what they will do this time depends on the highway commission. Here's hoping that the west side road is built first.

"Some Comments on War Taxation" is the title of a neat little booklet that comes to us this week with the compliments of Otto H. Kahn of New York. Mr. Kahn argues very ably against conscription of wealth and says that an attempt to confiscate all incomes in excess of \$100,000 a year would result in disaster. Money, he says, would go into hiding and our rich men would emigrate to Canada where they are more liberal in dealing with incomes. The same argument would apply to physical conscription. Canada would welcome the brawn and strength of America as well as its wealth. Some of our young men have gone to Canada and some also are in hiding. But neither are highly regarded as desirable citizens.

In the death of W. J. Lampton the literary world has lost one of its foremost entertainers. Lampton was original to a degree and many of our older readers will doubtless remember the bright verses, credited to the New York Sun, several years ago which we frequently encountered in newspapers. One especially was widely copied. This was an original ode to the American eagle written at the time of a threatened break with Italy, which ran in part like this:

"I am the American Eagle  
And my wings flap together  
Likewise I roost high  
And eat bananas raw.  
Rome may sit on her seven hills  
And howl,  
But she can't sit on me.  
Will she please put that  
In her organ and grind it.  
I am mostly a bird of prey  
And was born without teeth  
But I have talons that reach  
From the storm beaten coast  
Of the Atlantic  
To the golden shores of the  
Peaceful Pacific  
And I use the Rocky Mountains  
As whetstones to sharpen  
Them on."

Another of Lampton's hits was a baseball piece and dealt with the ups and downs in form of Amos Rusie, pitcher for the Giants:

Why is your brow so sad, Amos?  
What makes you look so mad,  
Amos?  
What's eating of you lad, Amos?  
The first stroke the Quakers  
strook  
They hit poor Amos sore;  
The next strook the Quakers  
strook  
The Jays began to score,  
And there's tittering in Boston  
And there's joy in Baltimore  
And the Giants are a floundering  
With their noses on the floor.

Governor Withycombe has named the county stock inspectors for 30 of the counties of Oregon on the recommendation of the Cattle and Horse Raisers' association of the state. No recommendations were made for five counties.

Frank H. Lathrop, of South Carolina, has been appointed research assistant in entomology at the Oregon Agricultural college experiment station. Mr. Lathrop will work toward a more effective control of aphids in Oregon orchards.

## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

### Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

Strawberry picking began at Hood River this week.

Oregon's official war service registration totaled 62,800.

Azalea Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Riddle, will buy a \$100 "Liberty" bond.

The Oregon State Bankers' association convened at Marshfield last week. Pendleton was the first city in the state that met its Liberty Bond quota.

Approximately 19,000 young men of Multnomah county registered for war service.

The fourth older girls' conference of eastern Oregon convened in La Grande Saturday.

The fund for the Woman's memorial building at the University has passed \$15,000.

The Dallas commercial club has decided to hold an old-fashioned celebration on July 4.

The Oregon Osteopathic association will hold its mid-year meeting in Salem, June 15 and 16.

Charles L. McNary, appointed to succeed the late Senator Lane, was sworn in last Friday.

J. Stultz, a carpenter of Corvallis, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head.

The Lebanon mohair pool of 5300 fleeces or about 20,000 pounds was sold at 61½ cents a pound.

The dentists of the state of Oregon will hold their annual convention in Portland June 14, 15 and 16.

Excavation for the first unit of the Wittenberg-King evaporating plant at Salem has already been started.

Irvine P. Gardner, of Riddle, has a hen, R. 0744, that has just completed a record of 111 eggs in as many days.

Returns from all the counties in the state give a majority of 16,759 in favor of the \$6,000,000 state road bond issue.

Federal authorities are investigating reports that forged registration cards for the selective draft are being sold in Portland to protect some who failed to register.

A circular has been issued and sent to posts of the Department of Oregon, G. A. R., announcing the sudden death on June 3 of H. S. Fargo, ex-department commander.

Several wage increases were granted by the state board of control to employes at various state institutions at the request of the superintendents of such institutions.

The H. S. Gile Company, with headquarters at Salem and with a branch office at Roseburg, has leased a tract of ground at Riddle and is preparing to erect a prune warehouse.

While on guard duty at one of the tunnels between Mosier and The Dalles, Private M. N. Miller, of Company K, was struck by a passing freight train and severely injured.

R. D. Hätzel, director of the extension service at the Oregon agricultural college, has been offered the presidency of the New Hampshire agricultural college and has the offer under consideration.

F. T. Tooze, city superintendent of schools of Oregon City, has rejected flattering offers from Roseburg and will remain in charge of local schools, having recently been elected to serve another term.

Oregon's largest Liberty loan subscription to date was made Saturday when Max H. Houser, grain exporter, authorized the purchase, through three Portland banks, of \$250,000 worth of bonds.

Delegates from California, Washington and British Columbia ports assembled at Portland Monday for the annual district meeting of the Coast Maritime association, continued in session during the week.

Out of the 104 students who graduated from the Corvallis high school only 70 were able to be present, the rest having either enlisted in the army or navy or been released to boost along the food preparedness campaign.

The bean crop of Linn county in 1917 will be 1700 per cent greater than that of 1916. The pork failed to keep pace with the beans, however, for hogs shows a 20 per cent decrease in number from those in the county last year.

The salmon run in the Columbia river continues extremely light and the catch at present is small. Many of the gillnetters have placed their gear on the racks and practically all the seining grounds have ceased operations.

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