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## Monmouth Meditations

The strawberry season appears to have passed us this year before it got here.

What the threshing season is to the farmer the commencement season is to the educator, it is a time when all are busy and early and late hours are the rule. When the crop of graduates is disposed of the work of preparation for a new season shapes itself out of plans into definite procedure.

Distance lends enchantment they say, but it also gives prospective and enables the observer to distinguish the comparative ratio of things which can not be judged seen from close at hand. A great many of the events that are now taking place will look differently when seen from the distance of a few years time. The Lusitania horror was bad when first read of by the people of the world, but it has steadily grown in magnitude as a crime as time passes on.

It is going to cause some pinching to raise the amount of money to buy Thrift Stamps in the amount asked of each community and all over the land the tendency is to think the quotas have been placed too high. But buckle to it. This war is costing money and if we are to win we must help to foot the bill.

The coast and plains states for the present season are reversing the usual run of things. While they are liberally sprinkled with showers, our web-foot land is swept with drouth.

Only a short time since we thought it impossible that this country should send an army to France. Right now it seems the remotest sort of a possibility that we should send an army to Russia. Yet some of the brightest pages of American military history may be

written in the land of Peter the Great.

We seriously doubt if the so-called shelving of General Wood is due to partisanship as one set of people will tell you or to the fact that he is a politician or not able as another set of cuckoos would infer. We believe General Wood's plight is due either to jealousy among men in his profession who happen to be in places of influence, just the sort of thing Grant and Sherman suffered from in the early years of the civil war; or else he is reserved for service of equal importance to a command in France, but in some other place. This sort of thing will right itself in time and this war promises to be long enough to give all of our military talent a chance to show what it can do.

While a pair of eyes in good working order is a fine thing to have, Mr. B. F. Irvine of Portland is a living example that eyes are not necessary to vision and that it is possible with the remaining senses to see many things which are not beheld by normal man.

There is room for reflection in that part of Editor Irvine's address in which he spoke of the influence of teaching on the minds of school children. No parent misses consideration of this, especially when he sees instructors advocating all sorts of fantastic political and social and perhaps theological theories. While a child may have a strong enough mind to take and throw off teaching of this kind without mental injury, still many can not and in any case the student is entitled to clean and wholesome instruction. On the other hand the case of Germany is an instance of the wrong resulting from deliberate shaping of instruction to suit the ends of public welfare. Some one or group has to direct the trend of this instruction and sooner or later selfish interests will step in and seek to create power for themselves. We hope the time will never come in this country when it will be thought fitting thru the teaching of the young to direct public opinion on matters which are capable of argument or of differences of opinion.

Among the lecturers at the Dallas Chautauqua under government commission will be Dr. C. J. Bushnell, Instructor at the Pennsylvania Military College and Special Instructor of the Officers' Reserve. Dr. Bushnell is to be in direct touch with the Bureau of Information in Washington and is to present the different phases of our home war problems.

Another government feature of exceptional value at this time will be a demonstrator from the U. S. Food Administration. This demonstration will be on the morning of the last day and without admission

charge. New Hooverized recipes and ways of conserving food will be explained and demonstrated.

A great deal of the music at Chautauqua this year will carry a patriotic note. The opening attraction is to be the Old Soldier Fiddlers, four veterans of the Civil War, two from the North and two from the South, who will give a stirring patriotic program of old war time and camp fire songs. The big musical feature of the week will be Thaviu's Exposition Band on the fifth day. This is the splendid Chicago musical organization that both opened and closed the San Francisco Exposition, the only Band requested for a return engagement. In their evening concert they will be assisted by three grand opera singers from one of Chicago's grand opera organizations. Other musical features of the week will be the Fenwick Newell Concert Company; Morrison-Smith Company; Zodeler Symphonic Quintet and the Treble Clef Club. There is to be a splendid musical feature on the last night which will be known as "Hawaii—Land of Music". Mildred Leo Clemens, cousin of Mark Twain, will give an illustrated lecture with dissolving views and motion pictures of the Islands, accompanied by the Royal Hawaiian Quintet, one of Hawaii's foremost companies of singers and players.

### When Farinelli Sang.

Probably the highest salaried musician in the past was Farinelli (1705-1782), the male soprano, who cured King Philip of Spain of his melancholy. The king retained him at a yearly salary of 50,000 francs.

### ALLIED FOOD SHIPMENTS REACH LARGE TOTAL.

A general idea of the quantity of food sent to European allies by the United States from July 1, 1914, to January 1, 1918, is given by figures just announced by the U. S. Food Administration. In that period the United States has furnished complete yearly rations for 57,100,000 people. In addition there was enough extra protein to supply this portion of the diet for 22,194,570 additional men.

The total export of wheat and wheat flour to the three principal allies is equivalent to about 384,000,000 bushels. Pork exports for the 3 1/2 years amounted to almost 2,000,000,000 pounds. Exports of fresh beef totaled 443,484,400 pounds. The amount of food exported to Russia is negligible compared with that sent to the western allies.

### Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned executor of the estate of Malinda E. Tally, deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, and that Saturday July 6th, 1918, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the County Court room of the said County Court in the City of Dallas, Oregon, has been appointed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to the said final account and the settlement thereof.

W. J. Miller,

Executor of the estate of Malinda E. Tally, deceased.

B. F. Swope, Attorney.

Dated and first published June 7th, 1918.

### Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed executor of the estate of Phebe Jane Leonard, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, and has qualified.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned executor at his residence in the town of Monmouth in said County, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated and first published May 24th, 1918.

Charles William Leonard,  
Executor of the estate of Phebe Jane Leonard, deceased.  
Swope Swope, Attorneys.

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