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--- This paper has enlisted with the government in the cause of America for the period of the war ---

The German troops sought the foot of the Rainbow Division at Vaux and found a pot of hell.

We don't seem to be able to identify the "hugger-mugger peace" which Mr. Lloyd George says he doesn't want. But, from Mr. Lloyd George's description of it, we are certain we don't want it either.

On page 6 of this issue will be found an interesting story of "Two Men Without a Country." Because Washington county has a few men like the two in the story, the tale is particularly interesting at this time.

Beginning today, concerns which employ as many as 100 men must secure their supply of unskilled labor through a government bureau. Plans are being made to handle skilled labor in the same manner.

Quite a number of people have cut their weeds during the past ten days, on published request of Mayor Paterson, but there is still much of this work to be done. Do it now, for the sake of civic pride and safety from fire.

A military expert for the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger says the American soldiers lack discipline, adding that "they are smart fellows, but only when they like to be." And from now on until the end of the war is going to be one of the times when they like to be.

We've always had food profiteering in this country—and perhaps it's expecting too much to believe that the profiteers will cease their evil practices just because the Nation happens to be engaged in a great war. It takes something more than patriotism to pound the devil out of the hearts of some men.

The city council having voted to discontinue the employment of a night watchman today, business men are signing a petition to the council asking that the town be not left at the mercy of thieves and firebugs during war times. The move appears to the Express a wise one. A fire might do more damage in one night, if undiscovered for a few minutes, than the city would save in many years out of a night watchman's salary.

All hope of an immediate consolidation of Albany College (Presbyterian) with Pacific University was smothered last Thursday, when the Presbyterian synod, in session at Eugene, gave the trustees of the college another year in which to make good. The synod went on record for a consolidation or federation of all the protestant churches on the ground of "the simple faith of Jesus Christ." It was pointed out that so many ministers were engaged in war work that church federation was imperative.

MAILING YOUR-SELF MONEY

Every time you stick a Thrift or War Savings Stamp on your card you are mailing money to yourself to be received later with interest. Cashing in these stamps is going to be better than "getting money from home," for with the money comes the reminder that only by keeping behind him the great mass of the people could he maintain that government and

WILSON AND CAESAR

To President Wilson must be accorded the credit for having united our country for the one paramount purpose of winning the war. It has been by concessions to the radical element that he has united all classes.

Those whose love for country and pride in national honor led them to ardent support of the war were mainly not of the President's political party. Few among them were active in leadership of organized labor. In the main the democratic party was opposed to war, as was organized labor and a vast portion of our population.

By keeping partisan democrats in power the President has bent them to support him. By making concessions to union labor he has won the support of that numerous contingent. By moving no more rapidly into the war than the great mass of our people could bring themselves to move with him, he has kept that mass with him.

As a result of this slow leadership, this adroit mastery of partisans and these concessions to labor, the President has united the country far beyond what was dreamed of as a possibility by the more ardent and aggressive element.

What a contrast with the state of public sentiment during the Revolution, the War of 1812 and the Civil War! As a uniter of factions by concessions to all who demand a price for patriotic support, Woodrow Wilson has succeeded so amazingly that today all sections and all classes are filled with the one purpose of winning the war.

Without concessions such as he made to the wilful classes this union would not have been achieved. The country would be torn by bitterness, and the winning of the war jeopardized.

Self-sacrificing patriots are dumbfounded that the rewards of concession have gone to the selfish, but have abated the intensity of their patriotism and the fervor of their service not a whit. By virtue of being united our country will win the war, and thus will be attained the supreme object of those whose patriotism is above price. Power and concession have been awarded to those who clamor for it instead of those who deserved it, but this opportunist bestowal of favor has been the means of bringing the selfish and the unselfish together in one team.

If Hughes had been elected president, if Theodore Roosevelt, Elihu Root, Henry Cabot Lodge and other aggressive patriots had been the country's controlling leaders instead of pacifists like Baker, Daniels, Kitchin and Gompers, this country could never have been united, for the selfish and the lukewarm would have been discredited before the nation and would have opposed the war and all necessary war measures.

None of the great patriotic leaders who tried to arouse the country to earlier war had the power to unite all elements. It took Woodrow Wilson, with his labor concessions, his pacifist party, his slow policy and his inspiring utterances, timed for the right moment, to unite the people. By a majority of a few thousand votes in one state Woodrow Wilson was re-elected and placed in the position where, by his genius for expression and his talents for concession, he has made possible the winning of this righteous war and also has made for himself a place in history alongside of Caesar.

For, like Caesar, he sensed that only by keeping behind him the great mass of the people could he maintain that government and

order upon which civilization itself rested. Born patricians, Caesar and Wilson risked the enmity of the aristocracies of their respective eras for the sake of winning that real power which was based upon the loyalty of the masses. Wilson has all the people with him, and though the few murmur at the injustice of his concessions, he will keep the people united for victory.

Because his country's cause is greater than Rome's, just as ideals of democracy are greater than lust for conquest, Woodrow Wilson's name will go down in history as having preserved more for humanity than did Julius Caesar, even though that great general and statesman saved the civilization of his day and established an imperial government that endured for fifteen centuries.—Oregon Voter.

A CALL TO DUTY

From the battle fields in France there comes an unspoken call that should find an answer in every American's heart. The recent great events in Europe, the successes of American arms on the fields of France should spur every American to greater effort.

Our people at home should not rest on the laurel of our soldiers in France. Every death on the field of honor in the line of duty and for our country's cause should be a call to us for every sacrifice and every exertion to aid the cause for which our soldiers are fighting, for which our soldiers have died.

Increase production, decrease consumption, save, and lend to the Government. Every cent lent to the United States is used to support, strengthen, and aid our soldiers in France.

Children of State

Produce Heart Ease

O. A. C., Corvallis, July 29.—Hundreds of school children and other patriotic Oregonians made possible a second shipment of 850 pounds of dried foxglove or digitalis from the Oregon Agricultural College to the Federal Laboratory at the University of Minnesota, where it will be made into tincture of digitalis for the use of the army and navy. Dean Adolph Ziefle of the O. A. C. School of Pharmacy made the shipment.

The European supply of this drug having been cut off by the war, an appeal was made the first of the year to the people of Oregon to pick and dry this plant which grows luxuriantly in the western part of the state. A first shipment of more than 500 pounds was made in May. This second shipment is sufficient to produce nearly 510,000,000 doses of the tincture, which increases the force and the fullness of the pulse and raises arterial pressure and is almost a specific for the many cases of heart trouble and shock common in warfare.

While the dried leaves were sent to the college from many points, the school children of Astoria gathered approximately 80 percent of the total shipment. It was purely patriotic service rendered the government, the pickers not only contributing their time to the work, but standing the expense of shipment to the college. The government pays the transportation to the University of Minnesota, from which point the tincture is sent out to army cantonments, to Europe and anywhere it is needed. While the supply now on hand is sufficient to meet needs of the government for some time to come, the pickers are urged to continue with the good work. The supply must not be allowed to become exhausted.

Allies Now Have

Bombing Planes

There were no aerial bombing organizations in the allied flying corps during the first year of the war. Practically all the work of the air was in the nature of observation. No pilots could be spared for anything else. Today probably 25 per cent of the aerial arms are bombing squadrons of 12 machines per squadron.

The first bombing was done by

volunteer pilots who flew over the German lines and dropped three or four bombs, made from artillery shells, on concentration camps and cantonments. Showers of small steel arrows were spilled sometimes on convoys, troop trains, and bodies of massed men. The Germans began day bombing of cities in 1915, and the allies bombarded Karlsruhe in reprisal later in the same year. Since then evolution in organized bombing developed rapidly and the French began night bombing, but this was not undertaken by the Germans until August, 1916.

At the present time large groups, including several squadrons of bombing machines go over the lines from time to time and completely destroy their objectives, be it a city or a camp, a column of troops, or a trench system. Unfortunately the allies' air forces have to travel for many miles over hostile territory defended by anti-aircraft guns to attack German cities, while the enemy can attack French cities by flying only a short distance beyond the allied lines.

The allies are developing large bombing planes which carry sufficient fuel for long excursions and armament to protect them when they are attacked by fighting airplanes. Bombing squadrons are escorted usually over the lines by fast fighting squadrons of 18 planes to a squadron, and then left to their own devices for the fighters seldom carry sufficient fuel to permit them to accompany the bombers on the round trip.

The dropping of a bomb is similar to shooting a rifle. First, you set your sights and wind gauge, you hold the rifle properly, and finally you pull the trigger at the proper moment. If your ammunition is standard, your sights correct, you hit the target. So with bombing, if you set your sights correctly, fly your plane correctly over the objective and drop the bomb at the proper time you will hit the target. If the ammunition manufacturers gave you good bombs the objective will be destroyed.

Abe Lincoln's Warriors to Meet in Portland

Great interest is being manifested throughout the Northwest in the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic which is to be held in Portland, August 19 to 24. It will be the first Encampment ever held in the Pacific Northwest and undoubtedly the last time the old

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soldiers of 1861-65 will ever come to the Pacific Coast. Portland expects thousands of people from Washington, Idaho and Oregon to be present to welcome the veterans and to do them homage. They are the sires and grandsires of the boys of today who are fighting in France for the same eternal principles.

Members of the Grand Army, the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., Sons and Daughters of Veterans and their families can purchase tickets at one cent per mile by securing a certificate from the Commander of the nearest G. A. R. Post.

Portland will entertain the Grand Army in magnificent style. The great parade is to be held Tuesday, August 20th.

Notice

All citizens of the City of Forest Grove are urged to cut and remove all grass, weeds and other rubbish from their lots and parking strips. During these dry days there is great danger of fire and I strongly urge all of you to use every means possible to prevent the origin and spread of wasteful fires.

GEO. G. PATERSON, Mayor.

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