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OREGON WEATHER

Probably fair... Cooler Tues-
day, except near the coast.
Moderate winds, mostly west-
erly.

DR. McLEAN ON MEXICO

Dr. Robert McLean, assistant secretary of the Presbyterian board of home missions, in charge of the Spanish work of that board, told some startling facts with regard to Mexico in his address at Bethany Presbyterian church Sunday morning. The facts presented are of such serious concern to this country that they should no longer be overlooked or neglected.

Dr. McLean, who is an authority on the subject, stated emphatically that if the present world war continues for another year that Germany will strike at this country through Mexico. Within the past four years, he said, no less than 80,000 Germans have flocked into Mexico from South and Central America. Other thousands have gone across the border from the United States since the beginning of the war. These facts were given Dr. McLean by a Mexican in position to know the truth. And from other evidences at hand there is no room to doubt them.

Mexico is a country of 17,000,000 people. Of these, 10,000,000 are pure Indians, according to figures published by C. W. Barron; 5,000,000 are mixed Spanish and Indians, and the remaining 2,000,000 are pure Spanish. This conglomerated Latin-Indian mass is divided into two more groups—20 per cent educated and the remaining 80 per cent ignorant, inflammable peasants. The smaller group is the governing class and the larger body of the people has nothing whatever to say about their government. And apparently they care little.

Dr. McLean made the statement that four out of five Mexicans are pro-German. Germany has cultivated them, planned and connived with them and taught hatred of America to them until they are saturated with it and the entire "gringo" population is held in distrust. They are taught to think of Germany and Japan as their natural allies in a conflict with the United States. Their arms and ammunition are made in Germany, as was evidenced the other day when guns taken from captured raiders bore the German make on them.

An immense army south of our borders is more than a possibility. With the Mexican tendency to follow the leader rather than the prin-

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ciple, an efficient fighting machine. German officered and trained and equipped with German-invented arms, could be thrown against our "postern gate" on short notice.

This, says Dr. McLean, is our greatest menace. With our "postern gate" insufficiently guarded, there is real danger of a German invasion from the south. The same view is expressed by Col. Leader, the British veteran who is now in command of the student battalion at the University of Oregon. Colonel Leader freely predicts an invasion from that quarter.

Carranza, says, Dr. McLean, is pro-German as much as he dares to be, and this country made a great mistake when his government was recognized and allowed to live. He represents but a very small portion of his people. It is pointed out that Carranza does not dare trifle with the governor of Chihuahua and several other Mexican states. He keeps his hands off to avoid trouble.

That German has been feeling for an opening in Mexico for years is aptly told by James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Berlin, relating an incident which occurred in 1914, six months before the war broke out. Quoting from Mr. Gerard's book, "Face to Face With Kaiserism," he says:

"To illustrate the craft of the kaiser, I believe I can perform no better service to Americans than to reveal an incident which has not hitherto been published. It occurred at the New Year's reception of 1914, when the ambassadors of all the foreign countries represented at

the German court were ranged in a large room at the palace. They stood about six feet apart in the order of their residence in Berlin. The kaiser and his aides entered the room, and the emperor spoke a few minutes to each envoy. He tarried longest with the Turkish ambassador and myself, thereby arousing the curiosity of the other diplomats, who suspected that the kaiser did more than merely exchange the greetings of the season. He did.

"What the German emperor said to me interests every American because it shows his subtlety of purpose. The kaiser talked at length to me about what he called Japan's designs on the United States. He warned me that Mexico was full of Japanese spies and an army of Japanese colonels. He also spoke about France, saying that he had made every effort to make up with France, that he had extended his hand to that country, but that the French had refused to meet his overtures; that he was through and would not try again to heal the breach between France and Germany.

"All this was in 1914, six months before the outbreak of the European war. Little did I know then what the purpose was back of that conversation, but it is clear now that the emperor wished to have the government of the United States persuaded through me that he was really trying to keep Europe at peace and that the responsibility for what was going to happen would be on France. The German is so skillful at intrigue that he seeks even in advance of an expected offensive to lay

the foundation for self-justification.

"But the reference to Japan and alleged hostility against us on the part of fanciful hordes of Japanese in Mexico made me wonder at the time. There were many evidences subsequent to that New Year's day reception of an attempt to alienate us from Japan; as a climax to it all as a clarification of what the emperor had in mind came the famous Zimmerman note—the instructions to the German minister in Mexico to align both Japan and Mexico against us when we entered the war against Germany.

"Plotting and intriguing for power and mastery! Such is the business of absolute rulers."

Unlike many citizens who pick flaws in our social fabric, Dr. McLean goes ahead and suggests a remedy for the troubles. He says that if Mexico is aligned with Germany it is our own fault. We have fallen down in our relations with that country.

He suggests giving a thorough American education to every Mexican in the United States, by force, if necessary. Or at least, he would compel Mexican children to go to school. He would not coddle the Mexican born people in this country, but would Americanize them or send them back where they belong. Our weak point is at home where we have long tolerated what has been going on at our "postern gate" while our eyes have been turned in another direction.

DEFENSE SOC. BRINGS PATRIOTIC PRODUCTION

The American Defense society is bringing to the people of Grants Pass the film version of Edwin Bower Hesser's famous war play, "For the Freedom of the World," which will be shown in the Joy theatre Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

It hits about every angle of doing one's bit in war time. Before you get through you see a mother giving up her son to her country; a father leaving his child; a husband his wife; a slacker convinced of his duty; a regular enlistment; the system of training; trench life; Red Cross work; the making of a man; over the top, and about everything else you can think of that has a direct, personal bearing. Edwin Bower Hesser certainly had a good line on popularity when he wrote this feature.

The potato is a good soldier, serving as a substitute for wheat bread. Eat this soldier, uniform and all.

COUNTY AGENT'S NOTES

Insect Pests of the Garden
Generally speaking garden pests may be divided into two classes: Those of the gnawing or biting type and those of the sucking type. Common examples of the former are cutworms, slugs, grasshoppers and beetles, of the latter, aphids, leaf hoppers, red spiders.

For the first type mentioned poisoned baits or poisoned sprays are recommended for their control, bran mash treated with paris green or white arsenic being the most common bait used, while arsenical sprays are the most effectual for those pests not reached by bait.

The sucking type of insects are usually handled by the use of nicotine sulphate, "black leaf 40," or kerosene emulsion. If nicotine or black leaf is used it is found to be more effectual if a little soap is added to it.

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One very common trouble in the cabbage is known as the root maggot. This can be almost entirely eliminated by the use of a tarred felt disc six inches in diameter and cut to fit close around the plant and pressed firmly down to the ground around the plant when setting it out. Another remedy is to take one pint crude carbolic acid, one pound soap and one gallon of water and make an emulsion. Dissolve the soap in

the water (hot) then add the carbolic acid and agitate well. Use one part of the emulsion to 50 gallons of water. Pull the dirt well away from the plant and pour about one-half pint of the solution around it and repeat the operation in eight or ten days.

Lime, wood ashes, sulphur, tobacco, dust or hellbore dusted over plants will sometimes protect them.

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