

MADE THE WORD MEAN MUCH

All the English Pretty Bulgarian Understood was "London," but She Gave It Decided Expression.

It is curious that the name London is more generally known the world over than the name England is. In commercial circles "London" stands for most articles of English manufacture. In all the East it represents a nation.

My first landlady—who was landlady in name only, for of course I never paid him any rent—was a Bulgarian, he says, and his daughter was one of the few pretty women that I ever saw in Bulgaria.

Whether she knew what London meant I cannot say, but her limited vocabulary expressed more in its way than the gushing phrases of many more brilliant talkers.

When she said "London" with a bright air of welcome and a frank smile as I came home at night tired out with my day's work, I knew that she meant "Good evening, doctor! I hope you haven't had a very hard day today; and see, here is your toast and coffee ready."

NO DAINTY DISHES SERVED

"Coarse Fare" All That is Offered to Diners Who Celebrate the Birthday of Samuel Johnson.

An unusual celebration is the dinner in honor of Dr. Samuel Johnson, most distinguished English writer of the eighteenth century, given for many years on the anniversary of his birth at Litchfield, where he was born in 1709.

Americans would call it a square meal with all the trimmings, for the dishes specified are beefsteak pudding with kidneys, haunch of mutton, oysters and mushrooms, apple pie with cream and toasted cheese, ale and punch, to be followed by a dish of strong tobacco and a church-warden pipe for each surviving guest.

England's Gleaning Bell.

The "gleaning bell" is known in some places—as at Drillfield, Yorks—as the "harvest bell," and is sounded at five in the morning and seven in the evening to mark the hours of labor in the fields.

Onions a Disinfectant.

Much has been said about the virtues of the onion, but few know of its use as a disinfectant. An onion cut in half and set in a room will attract to itself all manner of germs, leaving the air sweet and pure; it is therefore most valuable in cases of infection.

Tall Trees.

The tallest of California's "big trees" is three hundred and twenty-five feet in height, but among the great gum trees of Australia, not to mention British Columbia's great firs, many specimens are more than four hundred feet in height, and one, which was felled in southeast Australia, measured four hundred and seventy-one feet—the tallest tree on record.

HENRY FORD'S GREAT SUBMARINE FIGHTER

Detroit, Jan. 5.—A long, narrow wedge, with a steel-encased nose of solid concrete tapered to a knife-like edge, forming a considerable part of its total length of 204 feet, and declared to be capable of crushing any submarine—such is the Eagle, built by Henry Ford and designed originally to help rid the seas of the menace of the German U-boats.

Contrary to popular belief the Eagle is not a motor boat, but an oil-burning, steam turbine-driven craft, with a cruising radius of 5,000 miles. The Eagle is not a thing of beauty; beauty was not contemplated in its construction. It is a long, gunnery weapon of war, of all-steel construction with the exception of the concrete nose.

Another popular impression that has been shattered is an idea that the Eagle boat is equipped with torpedo tubes. The submarine chaser was not intended to combat the major instrument of German ruthlessness with its own weapons. It was designed to depend rather upon its maneuvering qualities, its powerful light guns, and a new American invention for directing its fire at unseen objects.

Its crew including operating and fighting complement numbers approximately 80 men.

To the observer, the first impression of the Eagle boat is one of wonder that a craft so narrow can possess buoyancy sufficient to keep it upright in heavy seas. Despite its length of more than an average city block, the craft has a beam of only 25 feet, and draws when fully equipped less than 10 feet of water.

Its sea-worthiness, has been demonstrated in the official trials, according to reports to the navy department.

While it is admitted the Eagle does not make the speed of the average destroyer, it is claimed that it can outdistance most submarines and the razor-like edge of the bow, silently, but eloquently tells what would have happened had it come in contact with the German undersea pirate.

Good That is Evil Spoken Of.

Our good is often evil spoken of because of our thoughtlessness. The woman who looked askance at a stranger who had been shown into her pew did not really mean to hurt that stranger's feelings, to send her away from church that day with the inward resolution never again to enter its doors, but such was the effect of her lack of thought.

Influence.

The world is only just beginning to understand the extent to which individuals and nations may be and have been swayed by silent mental influence. A man prefers, of course, to believe that he is the master of his own conclusions and the arbiter of his own conduct; but let anyone ask himself how he arrived at any given conclusion or decided upon a certain line of conduct, and unless he can own to an intelligent conception of divine principle upon which he relies for guidance, he will have to admit, if he is equal to the analysis, that he has been swayed throughout his career by influences not his own.—Christian Science Monitor.

Above, Not Against.

We may not be able to dissipate the forces which war against us, but we can strengthen the forces which range themselves for us. We may not be able to change the conditions in which we must live, but we can train ourselves to be more brave and patient in their endurance; to keep our spirits above them, instead of in constant irritation against them.

COUNTY TREASURER'S CALL FOR ROAD WARRANTS

All Josephine County (pink) Road Warrants issued up to October 1st, 1918, and protested prior to that date, are hereby called in and are payable at the County Treasurer's office on or after January 8th, 1919, on which date interest will cease.

GEO. S. CALHOUN, County Treasurer for Josephine County, Oregon.

PERSONAL AND LOCAL

E. W. Allen left for Portland last night on business.

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James Dean is reported to be very ill at his home.

Herman Horning, who has been sick for several days, is reported by Mrs. Horning to be much improved today.

Joseph Carlin, who has been spending the past two months in this city left for Sacramento last night.

Electric work—Paul's Electric store, phone 90 Medford. 62

Alvin L. Umphlette, tie and timber inspector for the Southern Pacific, who has been in the city for the past week on business, went to Eugene last night.

Hemstitching and piecing at 10 cents a yard—All work guaranteed. The Vanity Shop, Medford, Ore. 274

Boy Scouts Meet—

There will be a meeting of the Boy Scouts tonight at 7:30 at the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

Baptist Mid-Week Service—

Mid-week service at the Baptist church Thursday evening at 7:30. Mr. Cline will speak on "Glimpses of the Heart of Jesus." A cordial welcome awaits all at this service.

Free Methodists to Meet—

Rev. R. H. Dollarhide, of Roseburg, will preach at the Free Methodist church Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights at 7:30. Also Sunday morning at 11. All are invited to these services. C. E. Glazier, pastor.

LOYD ANTI-FLU SERUM IS DECLARED A SUCCESS

Portland, Jan. 8.—The Lloyd anti-influenza serum, used by the Oregon state board of health and also by the city board of health, received high endorsement in the current issue of the American Medical Journal, which reviews the results obtained at the Bremerton navy yard near Seattle, through the use of this serum.

At this navy yard, according to the article, 4,212 men were vaccinated and not one of these men died. Among 111 Filipinos isolated and vaccinated early and later exposed, there occurred only two cases, both patients recovering. Among 361 Marines vaccinated early with no attempt to control exposure, there occurred two cases, both patients coming down after the first injection and both recovered. Among 62 Marines at the ammunition depot who were vaccinated early there occurred three cases, two after the first injection and one after the third; there were no deaths.

FIFTY PER CENT TO BE DISCHARGED AT CAMP LEWIS

Camp Lewis, Wash., Jan. 8.—Fifty per cent of the 13th division here may be discharged, according to a telegram from the adjutant general at Washington, received yesterday.

READERS ATTENTION

Some rumors have been spread about, that the Hazlewood is about to close like the Mutual did, which I assure everyone is not the fact, at least you would say so if you could see the improvements the Hazlewood company is making on the old Riverbanks plant, and also see the business they are building up on the right principal, such as correct weights, tests, etc. I also learned that the Mutual company has a man, Mr. Skillman, in the country soliciting for direct shippers. Their regular man, Mr. Hardison is afraid, or at least ashamed to come around after what they tried to do to the farmers last October, after they tried to lower the butter prices—offering 61 cents for butter fat, which they didn't succeed in doing as the Hazlewood could see the reason in it—

Now we are with you, and I assure you satisfaction. The price today is 67 cents for butter fat. And we also want your poultry and eggs. Heavy hens, over four pounds, are 25 cents per pound today. Eggs are up to 63 cents cash in small lots. Let me hear from. Bring us either your cream or poultry.

Yours truly, C. K. NEILSON.

All kinds of Commercial Printing at the Courier Office.

Watson Rents Ranch—

James Watson, who is now living in the Imperial Valley, has rented his ranch near Wolf Creek. Mr. Watson appears to be well pleased with the Imperial Valley.

Suicide at Rogue River—

Arthur Brown, who is in the city from Medford, states that Robert Wakeman died at Rogue River Monday forenoon from the effects of a dose of strychnine. Wakeman is a married man with eight children, and his friends are at a loss to account for his rash act, as he appeared cheerful early Monday morning.

Inspector Reports—

The state sanitary inspector of hotels and restaurants reports the Oxford Cafe in excellent and sanitary condition, under the management of Chef Lavigneur. His popular 35c and 40c meals are making him many new customers. A little further to come, but worth it. 59

Dr. Nibley to Leave—

Mrs. J. O. Nibley left this afternoon for Sacramento to visit with relatives. Dr. Nibley will join her in that city within a few days, and after an extended visit at other points they will go to Portland, Oregon, where the doctor will continue his practice.

Flu Still a Menace—

According to local physicians there is still considerable influenza in the city. In fact, it is rumored that there are more cases of this illness than at any other period since the disease first made its appearance. However, it is reported that most of the cases of illness are merely bad colds.

Commissioners Adjourn—

County court adjourned yesterday afternoon, after transacting the usual routine of business, such as allowing bills, etc. This was the first meeting of the new board, J. S. McPadden and W. F. McCabe being the newly elected commissioners. Dr. J. C. Smith was re-appointed county health officer, and Dr. W. H. Flanagan was appointed county physician.

Death of Richard Cramer—

The people of this city were shocked this morning upon learning of the death of Richard Putnam Cramer, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Cramer. Richard was about 17 years of age and a student of the Grants Pass High school. He had been suffering with influenza, which later developed into pneumonia, and succumbed at 10 o'clock this morning. Funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

Hard to Locate—

Dr. J. F. Reddy, whose home is in Medford, whose office is in Grants Pass, and who operates in California, is in the city on business. Dr. Reddy is particularly interested in the chrome industry, which he says is now in a bad way, as operators have large quantities on hand and no market. When the war ended the bottom dropped out of the market because of failure to intelligently provide for this new industry by the government.—Oregonian.

Dies in Nevada—

A telegram has been received in this city from W. E. McBride, who is in Moore, Nevada, stating that Marvin, his son, had died in that city. Mr. and Mrs. McBride left last Friday for Moore. Mr. McBride is ticket agent at the Southern Pacific station here, and as Marvin lived in Grants Pass for a number of years it is presumed that his body will be brought back here for interment, although plans for the funeral have not yet been announced.

A Monstrous Lemon—

A monstrous ripe lemon on exhibition at the Commercial club is attracting much attention. It was grown by Mrs. S. X. Kenlein of Grants Pass in that city from a tree which at the same time also bore two other huge lemons of similar size, and is already in bloom for another crop. The immense citrus fruit was brought to Medford Monday to be placed on exhibition. The lemon is 18 inches by 17 1/2 inches in circumference, and a more healthy, fine looking lemon one would not care to see. The same tree last year bore a similar crop of large lemons of fine appearance, tartness and flavor. One of these lemons cut up made as many pies as would four or five ordinary lemons.—Medford Tribune.

COFFEES

- M. J. B. Coffee, 1 lb. tins35c
M. J. B. Coffee, 2 1/2 lb. tins85c
M. J. B. Coffee, 5 lb. tins\$1.65
Hills Bros. (Red Can) 1 lb. tins 40c
Hills Bros. (Red Can) 2 1/2 lb. tins95c
Hills Bros. (Red Can) 5 lb. tins\$1.85

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BRITISH WANT WILSON

desire to reduce our naval expenditure to the lowest limit consistent with our peculiar needs as an island empire. That is, indeed, our set purpose, but Mr. Daniels will not make that purpose easier of accomplishment by holding a pistol at our heads."

In an editorial discussing the prospects of peace, the Daily News, says: "It is useless to shut our eyes to the fact that all is not well. It has been notorious for weeks past that schemes of annexation based on secret treaties were being secretly pressed forward, and that obscure designs in Russia were taking vague and menacing shape. Now we are confronted with Premier Clemenceau's declaration in favor of the restoration of the system of the balance of power."

"If this policy is insisted upon it means one thing and one thing only. It means that France repudiates the idea of a league of nations and that the world is not to be organized for peace, but reorganized for war."

"If that policy is pursued the peace conference is doomed to failure. America will have no choice but to leave Europe to its own ways and its own fate. She will, of course suffer the penalty which all will suffer. Since she has failed to induce the world to disarm she will have to arm herself, and so the world will be

started again on a race of competitive armaments leading certainly and unalterably to war."

COMING EVENTS

Jan. 11, Saturday—Civil service examination for postmaster vacancy at Leland.

NEW TODAY

FOR SALE—Flug rug. About 5 1/2 ft. x 9 ft. New. Call 19. 60

WANTED—Woman cook for small crew at mining camp. Would prefer miner and wife. Address Box 742, Grants Pass, Ore. 64

LOST—Boy's tan leather glove with black patten leather top with fringe. Finder please return to Pastime Cigar Store. 59

The American Red Cross sent 3,000 tons of condensed milk to the children of prisoners in Archangel, Siberia, and 2,000 pounds of powdered milk to the children of France.

COUNTY TREASURER'S CALL FOR GENERAL WARRANTS

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Grants Pass & Crescent City Stage Co. Big, Easy Riding Pierce Arrow Cars. Office—Old Observer Bldg. Corner Seventh and G streets—Phone 26. Telephone—228-J and 163.

BARGAIN 1917 Ford \$390 C. L. HOBART CO.

Joy Theater TONIGHT and THURSDAY LOIS WEBER presents Mildred Harris (MRS. CHAS. CHAPLIN) in "The Doctor and The Woman" A big seven reel production adapted from "K" the famous Mary Roberts Rinehart story