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OREGON WEATHER

OREGON—Probably rain in west; rain or snow east, diminishing westerly winds.

THE "DRY MYSTERY"

Is there any more remarkable episode in American history than the sudden sweep of national prohibition?

The New York Tribune, commenting on the ratification of the federal amendment with such celerity and unanimity, finds it a "plumbless mystery. There was nothing in contemporary politics or life, the Tribune holds, to explain any such action. "It is as if a sailing ship on a windless ocean were sweeping ahead, propelled by some invisible force."

There was, indeed, not much visible and indisputable evidence that this movement was near so great a climax. Everybody recognized that prohibition sentiment had grown rapidly during the war, and several states had joined the dry column. Still, some states had refused last year to step into line. Among the latter was California, whose legislature has now committed it to prohibition within a few months of the popular repudiation.

Economic considerations seem to have had little effect. Great industrial communities, hitherto regarded as naturally and permanently in favor of the liquor traffic, have turned against it. States with big cities have yielded about as completely as states with small urban populations. Self-interest failed to interfere. "Whiskey states" like Kentucky, beer-manufacturing states like Ohio and Wisconsin and Missouri, wine-growing states like California, have voted dry along with the rest.

Racial tradition and preference seem to have exerted just as little restraining power. "German" cities like Milwaukee and Cincinnati and St. Louis, and cities like Boston and Chicago with large mixed foreign populations accustomed to moderate drinking, have gone the way of more typically American communities.

How explain it? The Tribune, even while calling it a mystery, suggests the answer. "Perhaps our legislators are right, and there is a strong, unseen, popular current to account for the phenomenon."

There is. It is a current so strong that even state legislators, ungifted as they often are in accurate reading of their constituents' minds, have caught this magnetic appeal from the general public mind—an appeal just as definite and strong, though intangible, as that in favor of a peace league of nations—and have been unable to resist it.

May there be a similar "mystery" at Versailles in the matter of doing away with future wars.

THE JOBLESS SOLDIER

It was a wise rule made last week by the war department permitting soldiers to remain in the army until they can obtain civilian jobs.

It amounts to letting the soldier decide when he will leave the service. He is expected, presumably,

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to make an honest effort to find employment elsewhere, but he is not being forced. Any enlisted man whose unit is being demobilized may hand in a written request to remain. He will then be retained until he obtains civilian employment. His salary will be paid as usual, and if he is married his family will continue to draw its allotment of his pay. The men held over will be attached to the most convenient units and used "where their services will be most useful."

There is no lack of work to which these men might be put. If the business situation should be such as to keep large numbers in the service, they could be utilized on a big scale in irrigation and drainage work, clearing forests, building docks or dams and other activities of a constructive and conservalational nature.

MRS. BESSIE S. FERNALD



Mrs. Bessie Swift Fernald, daughter of the Chicago millionaire packer, Louis Swift, in her Red Cross uniform. For several months past she has been nursing the American wounded at Neuilly.

DAILY HEALTH TALKS

The Best Way to Treat Constipation

BY S. C. BABCOCK, M. D.

The medical books name many drugs that will move the bowels. The drug store shelves are loaded down with laxatives, purgatives and pills. The trouble with most of them is the after-effects. Constipated people know that pills work all right for a little while, but they soon lose their effect, and a change has to be made to something else. The constant taking of pills results in a form of bowel inactivity that is difficult to cure. The system becomes so accustomed to laxative drugs that the organs just won't work without them, and so the pill habit becomes as bad as constipation itself. Dr. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., seems to me to have the right idea. He says the bowels should first be gently moved with Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, and in the meantime laxative foods only should be eaten. Figs, prunes, olive oil, spinach, bran, vegetables and fruits are fine for constipation. Chew every bite thoroughly, eat little meat, and be as active as possible. Now, doesn't that seem sensible? Pleasant Pellets will start the bowels working right; then it is up to you to keep them right by right eating. Try Pleasant Pellets for sick headache, coated tongue, biliousness, dizziness, torpid liver or to break up a cold. They are just fine!

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SOLDIER LETTERS

Labut, France, December 26, 1918.

Dear Folks:

Well, Christmas is all over and I took a couple of days off and went to Mont de Marsaus, a burg about 20 miles from here, to celebrate. It rained part of the time but I enjoyed the stay just the same. I don't know how large a place it is but think about 20,000. It is hard to estimate these French towns—they spread out over so much territory. I went to one of the swellest hotels in town for my Christmas dinner. I had: soup, olives, salad, cauliflower, beefsteak, chicken, mashed potatoes, bread and oranges. It cost me \$1, which is a very reasonable price here. I haven't received my Christmas box yet, but a good many of the other boys haven't so I think I will get it all right.

I took my furlough in a wonderful place called Moule Dore. It is in the mountains about the town—all higher than around Grants Pass, and closer. It is a famous mecca for tourists and sporting people. In the Casino, now the Y. M. C. A. headquarters, there is a large gambling room where the sports used to throw away their francs. The hotels there are among the largest and finest in France and I got my share of the accommodations. The government pays all the bills. The town had only lately been opened up to the soldiers and I was one of the first to arrive.

On the way up there I stopped in Bordeaux about two hours to wait for a train and as I was walking along the main street of the city I ran across 2nd Lieut. Geary McCracken of Grants Pass. I walked up to him, saluted and shook hands, but didn't have much time to talk to him as I had to report back to the depot "tout suite." He said he was on his way to Tours.

I am feeling fine—I think this army life has toughened me up a lot. I think you had better fix up a place in the woodshed or barn for me to sleep in when I get home. I have slept on nothing but boards or a cement floor for a long time now. The best bed I have struck was in a Frenchman's barn with straw under me after a three days and two nights ride in one of those 40 men or 8 horse cars. It was a Ritz Carlton hotel compared to a box car.

We have nothing reliable as to when we are going home but it can't be too soon for me. If I stay here until February 26th though, I will get my second foreign stripe. Your loving son, ED. PVT. EDWARD F. PARKER, 16th Co., 20th Engineers, American Ex. Forces, France.

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