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LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

The report of the revolution in Russia, with the probability of the abdication of the Czar, came as a surprise at this time, although it has been pretty well understood that autocratic government was approaching its downfall in that immense empire. At this writing the Czar still sits on his throne, but he is merely a figurehead, as he has been for a generation, while the "strong men" of the Russian nobility gave him his orders. That there has been a split among the strong men and that the pro-German party has been driven from power, while the German-bred royal family retain their titles means that the "Russian" spirit is in the ascendant, but that the kindly and amiable Czar retains the love of his people and that, shorn of all real power, he may still be allowed to draw his salary. What further changes may come in the near future are not to be safely prophesied by the Coquille Herald, but let no one believe that the Russian people are such near relations to the ox as their silence under oppression would indicate. While the strong arm has silenced their voices it has not stopped their thinking, and their thinking has gone further along the line on which the salvation of humanity must be worked out than that of many peoples of reputed bright intelligence.

While the Russian affair has had more of the elements of a spectacle, it is by no means the only or the greatest change that has been brought about by the war, and which will be more clearly seen after the smoke of battle has cleared away and the peoples of the earth attempt to settle back into the old ruts out of which they have been jarred. They will find that many of those ruts have been obliterated, never to be worn or dug again. And when the flare of the big guns and of burning villages has died down, it will be found that the light of real human progress and human justice will be shining as never before. It may be that all the losses and awful suffering of the war will find compensation in the gain of time in human progress by the sweeping away of old ideas and old prejudices and the letting of the light into the minds of men—and women.

The daily report that "war has been declared" by the United States against Germany, or by Germany against the United States, has become a chestnut, but that a state of war actually exists does not seem to require any formal declaration. It seems that we are "into it" at last, and if we be there is only one thing to do—to get in and fight as hard as we can. That we are all ready to "stand behind the President" when the time comes, goes without saying. That a man has dared to call his soul his own during the preliminary chewing of the rag, does not necessarily argue any traitorous inclination, and the Herald would like to call the attention of some of its esteemed contemporaries to the fact that there is one editor in this field who was born in the state of Maine so long ago that one of the first things he remembers is seeing the flag hung union down across the maples in a neighbor's yard when Lincoln was assassinated, and that he considers his brand of patriotism as good as any there is. In those days, in the old Pine Tree State, "Democrat" was a term of approbrium, but it is not so now, and Woodrow Wilson is the President of all Americans.



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Beyond the Rim

By Rory O'Moore

When life was young and I a callow youth,
I watched the trail that led beyond the rim
And swore a child's vendetta on the bonds
That held me fast, while I so longed the dim

Un-trodden paths I saw to venture, and to tread
The distance shore, all gleaming, gaily flushed—
By ever wanton fancy to be led
Each day, with all forbidding voices hushed,

Toward that fair isle, Adventure, and to there,
Breaking the last grim bond about me tied
By precedent of centuries—there to share
In every freedom I had been denied—

To stalk sweet Romance in her very lair
And win consent her guerdon hence to wear.

That vow, with fervent ardor, I have kept
And down the open road before me hied;
A restless spirit, like a fitful breeze,
In every quarter of the world I've sighed.

And said, not here the isle I seek, not here,
But ever other roads awaited me,
While hope, reviving, made the way seem clear
And my goal in the constant distance I could see.

Till, yesterday, familiar looked the road;
Deep within me something moved and woke;
And I stood gazing on the mean abode
Where I had grown weary of my yoke.

And lo, I knew my search, at last, was o'er;
For there stood Romance by the sagging door.

Plans Being Made for Commencement Week

The various exercises of commencement have been planned out so that nothing will remain to be arranged for at the last moment. There will be three programs, the Sixth Annual Declamatory Contest, the Baccalaureate Service and the Final Commencement Program. Pupils in the various grades are working on selections for the Declamatory contest and preliminaries will be held within the next week or two. The Seniors have invited John L. Gary of the high school faculty to deliver the baccalaureate sermon. Mr. Gary has filled Coquille pulpits on a number of occasions during the year and is an inspiring speaker. The commencement address will be delivered by Dean Straub of Oregon University. A year ago last November Dean Straub delivered an address at high school assembly which proved to be a great inspiration to the students and all are delighted at the prospect of hearing him again. The music for the programs will be furnished by the high school students under the direction of Miss Bay.

Workers in District No. 61

In district No. 61, in the South slough country, the pupils, under the supervision of their teacher, Mrs. R. A. Easton, have organized an Audubon society, every pupil enrolled paying 10 cents for a year's membership. Each child received an Audubon button, 12 colored bird pictures, with descriptive leaflet and 12 outlines to color, and a card with colored pictures of 36 birds. The teacher gets the magazine "Bird Lore." Five girls in the school have also taken up the Industrial Club work, three taking sewing, one baking and one canning. Mrs. Easton is filling a two-year contract in the district, which is proud of having one of the banner schools of the county.

"The World's Greatest Snare"

Some of the largest settings ever erected in a motion picture studio were built by the Famous Players for their adaptation of E. Phillips Oppenheim's great novel, "The World's Great Snare," in which that foremost feature concern is starring Pauline Frederick at the scene.

Perhaps one of the most striking scenes is that which shows the interior of the Montana Cafe, in San Francisco, where Miss Frederick, as Myra, the dancer, does some very clever terpsichorean work. The setting itself is a huge structure which shows both the stage, main floor and balcony of the cafe. Here are enacted some of the most thrilling scenes of the play, among them a fight in which one of the contestants is hurled over the balcony rail to the floor below, thus precipitating a general riot on the part of the miners and Mexicans in the cafe.

A great deal of the action of the story transpires in a typical mining town where the coroner's inquest is usually held a few moments after the shooting and without the formality of moving the victim's body from the scene of the tragedy.

Myra, the forceful character which Pauline Frederick so powerfully enacts, stumbles upon one of these shooting affairs and is accused of the murder. She is rescued from the mob by Bryan, the man with whom she is so desperately in love that she has followed him from San Francisco to the mines. Myra risks her life and her freedom for this man out of gratitude for his kindly treatment of her when she is one of the dancers at the Montana. For Bryan, a young Englishman who has come to America in search of a birth certificate which will establish his claim to the Earlom of Wessemere, is the first man to look upon Myra as anything but a source of amusement.

If the novelist had drawn the char-

acter of Myra with Miss Frederick in mind as its ultimate expression, he could not have more completely painted a portrait for this gifted actress to invest with life. In her struggles against her worst nature, in her overwhelming love for Bryan, in her temptation to sacrifice the object of her love to her own selfish happiness—in all these great incidents of a story of unusual power, Miss Frederick is unapproachable.

In support of the star there appear several well known players, among them Irving Cummings, Ferdinand Tidmarsh, Frank Evans, Riley Hatch and Buckley Starkey. See it Thursday.

County Agent Notes

By J. L. Smith.

TREATMENT OF SEED POTATOES
Rhizoctonia (Black Scurf) and common scab are two potato diseases which are caused by parasitic fungi or bacteria growing on the surface of the potato. To control such diseases the following solution is recommended: Four ounces of corrosive sublimate in 30 gallons of water. Dissolve the corrosive sublimate first in a little hot water before adding the 30 gallons of water. (Label it Poison). This is sufficient for 40 bushels of potatoes; submerge potatoes in the solution for two hours, then dry them thoroughly before planting.

It is very important that you treat your potatoes which you intend to plant in this way as the above mentioned diseases are quite prevalent in many parts of the county. The county agent has found a number of such cases very recently; perhaps your own potatoes are affected so slightly that you have not yet detected it. If you are not acquainted with these diseases you may see some infected specimens at this office, which were discovered by the county agent on certain well known farms here in the county, where the growers had not yet become aware that the disease actually was present in their potatoes, because they were not familiar with the disease and did not recognize it in their potatoes. Maybe you've got it and do not know it. Better not take any chances; dip 'em.

SALT YOUR COWS

How often do you salt your cows? I asked that question of a certain Coos county farmer the other day and he replied that he just salted them in the summer time. He didn't imagine that his cows needed any salt in the winter, when they were dry or not giving much milk. How would you like to do without salt in your own food?

A cow should have at least two ounces of salt each day, either mixed in her food or placed in a trough where she may have access to it.

SAVE YOUR BEST HEIFER CALVES

The best way to get good cows is to raise them. How do you know though which heifer calves to keep if you do not have your cows tested and a yearly record kept of their production of milk and butterfat?

Your herd will not improve very fast if you attempt to grade it up with heifer calves from cows which produce less than 300 pounds of butterfat per cow per year.

Coos County

The Herald's Special Coos County News Service

Beaver Hill News

(Herald's Special C. C. News Service)
Miss Esther Cox, school teacher at Beaver Hill, was a Myrtle Point visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bohlender went to Marshfield on business and pleasure last week.

Clifford Bontin was among the Marshfield callers Thursday.

Dr. E. Mingus was calling in Beaver Hill Friday.

Todd the Tailor was a business visitor in Beaver Hill last week.

S. T. Childers and family left Beaver Hill Saturday for Myrtle Point, where they will reside in the future.

E. Wilson, of Powers, is visiting with friends at Beaver Hill.

Mrs. Rosa Preuss, principal of the Beaver Hill school, spent Saturday and Sunday in Marshfield with friends.

Dominick Saccamanno went to Coquille on business Saturday.

East Fork Items

(Herald's Special C. C. News Service)

Saturday morning the river looked as though there was enough water to take Geo. Matheson's logs over the dam at Minard's mill. That is what George has been looking for, storm.

Fred Baker's bid for the butter-milk at the Brewster Valley Creamery was the highest—12½ cts a cwt. No washings or runnings go in; those he gets without price. He has bought pigs and he will turn some easy money.

The Maters think there are some days in Coos when the sun does not shine; but they don't shiver so much as they would back in Wyo.

John and Frank Paget have been clearing land and making ties this winter. They will dive their ties down Elk creek.

R. A. EASTON.

Bancroft Briefs

(Herald's Special C. C. News Service)

A. L. Rice has been suffering with a bad case of sore throat for several days.

Mrs. F. J. Fish and Albert Fish are both on the sick list with La Grippe, but are improving.

The Lund boys have their land plowed and a good share of their grain planted, in spite of the stormy weather.

Elwood Carey and son Dave, of Alegany, are visiting their friends and relatives on Rock creek.

Miss Mary Price and her pupils furnished an interesting program at the close of school on Friday, the 23rd. Quite a number of visitors were present to enjoy the occasion.

Mr. Strang was assessing property in this vicinity on Friday and Saturday.

Bridge Briefs

(Herald's Special C. C. News Service)

We wish to correct a mistake that appeared in our items last week. It is Dr. Pemberton, not Dr. Leep, that is attending Rav Endicott. Ray is improving, and is able to sit up part of the time now.

Marion Popp started to school again Thursday, after being absent over a week because of sickness.

The Rock Creek school held their closing exercises Friday afternoon. Miss Mary Price taught the last two or three months of the term.

The Parent-Teacher Circle gave an "Irish" program Friday afternoon.

Miss Hulda Warner, who attends the Bridge high school, went to Bancroft Friday evening to spend the week-end with her parents.

Just Received—Onion Sets

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