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MAKE SUNSHINE.

Every human soul has the
germ of some flowers within, and
they would open if they could
only find sunshine and free air to
expand it. I always told you
that not having enough of sun-
shine was what ailed the world.
Make people happy, make them
see and feel the sunshine, and
there will not be half the quar-
reling or a tenth part of the
wickedness there is.—Mrs. L. M.
Child.

THE WELCOMED RAIN

Seldom, it may truthfully be said,
have we Oregonians welcomed with
such universal approbation the com-
ing of rain as has been the case the
past week.

The reason for such is found in
the fact the dry spell just concluded
was one of the longest in some ten
or fifteen years. The dry spell was
exceptionally hard on crops because
of its early beginning. Had the
dry weather commenced a month
later and lasted through September
its effect on the crops of Western
Oregon would not have been half so
devastating. Lasting as it did, the
crops of Western Oregon, from Wil-
lamette valley to the California line
and from the Cascades to the Pacific
ocean are from 25 to 50 and even in
many instances 75 per cent below
normal for in many places the
grain did not grow to sufficient
size to harvest.

However, this community, owing
to its favorable location, has suf-
fered much less than other sections,
and despite the dry weather, fairly
good crops have been and are being
harvested. And too, there is a par-
ticularly bright side to the matter, in
that the coming of the early rain
means thousands of acres of the fine-
est of fall pasture on the uplands,
at a time when prices of hay are al-
most prohibitive. It means the
ranchers and stock raisers are heart-
ened and will view as brighter pros-
pects their chances of supplying
high priced beef and pork to an ever-
rising market.

THE POTATO COMES BACK

The huge potato crop which the
Federal forecast indicates will be
produced in the United States this
year, means that this important food
staple will be cheaper, and makes it
possible, says the United States De-
partment of Agriculture, for Ameri-
can families that had to cut down
on potato consumption because of
high prices to restore the tuber to a
prominent place on their bill of fare.
The department forecast, based on
reliable estimates from all parts of
the country, places the total potato
yield at more than 467 million bush-
els as compared with 285 million in
1916 and 360 million in 1915. Po-
tatoes of the current season are al-
ready in the market in large quan-
ties and, since the early harvested

tubers can not be kept easily, should
be eaten more abundantly now if
spoilage is to be avoided.

Next to the breadstuffs potatoes
are the most important food crop
of the western nations, the depart-
ment points out. They are all the
more important now that the world's
wheat supply is short, since they
furnish starch, the principal food
element contributed by bread, and so
may be substituted in part for bread.
It is no hardship to Americans to
eat freely of potatoes; rather, it has
been a hardship to them during the
past half year to forego somewhat
the use of this common food.

With woolen mill and lumber mill
operating at capacity, with a con-
densery practically assured, with
the beach attractions beginning to
be recognized in a substantial way,
and with the farmers of the com-
munity in the most prosperous con-
dition they have enjoyed for years,
the local business man may be par-
doned for going about in a state of
effervescent optimism.

Militarists have always smiled at
the dreamer's vision of a warless
world. David Lloyd George may be
a dreamer. He is also a statesman
and a man of affairs. Recently he
said: "Today we are waging the
most devastating war the world has
ever seen. Tomorrow, tomorrow,
not perhaps distant tomorrow, war
may be abolished forever from the
category of human crimes."

Our boys and girls constitute the
Nation's last line of defense, and if
this is to be a long war they will
eventually be our first line of de-
fense when that time arrives. They
should be fit for the job. Septem-
ber should find our educational in-
stitutions prepared to carry on school
as usual.—Advocate of Peace.

Few armies have entered a great
war with less of personal animosity
against the foe than the American
army enters this one. It is against
a system of government, against cer-
tain political principles, that we have
taken up arms. Heaven save us from
the bitterness of hate and the spiri-
t of revenge!

When faith and hope fall, as they
do sometimes, we must try charity
which is love in action. We must
speculate no more on our duty, but
simply do it. When we have done it,
however blindly, perhaps Heaven
will show us why.—Craig.

Having read with interest an ar-
ticle in a Coos Bay paper relative
to the "proposed milk condensery
somewhere on the Coquille river,"
one is forcibly reminded that the
ways of the knocker are truly mel-
ancholy.

Now that the rain has made ex-
cellent fall pastures a certainty, our
farmer friends are going about with
hats on the backs of heads and faces
wreathed in smiles that won't
come off.

Anything in the shape of an anx-
iety soon grows into a monstrous
vulture, and makes itself more pres-
ent than the many rich sources of
happiness.—George Eliot.

Our first war loan is \$2,000,000-
000. Great Britain has raised \$21-
021,400,000. If the war lasts we see
here something of what is before us.

Our life—a little gleam of time
between two eternities.—Carlyle.

RAIN IN THE NIGHT

Raining, raining.
All night long.
Sometimes loud, sometimes soft,
Just like a song.

There'll be rivers in the gutters
And lakes along the street.
It will make our lazy kitty
Wash his dirty little feet.

The roses will wear diamonds
Like kings and queens at court—
But the pansies all get muddy
Because they are so short.

I'll sail my boat tomorrow
In wonderful new places,
But first I'll take the watering pot
And wash the pansies' faces.

—Anella J. Burr.



THIS war is awakening men to the truth about a lot
of things besides Preparedness—and chewing to-
bacco is one of them. Soldiers are strong for W-B Cut
and the facts are right before you. These shreds are all
tobacco, no gummy sweetening—rich tobacco—more sap
in the leaf than in ordinary tobacco by a long shot.
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bit goes a long way.

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WE give our money freely
To slay, since we must slay.
Shall we not give that men may live
To greet the better day?
Lo, here are hands not steely
That mend the broken clay!

WE spend for deeds of choler,
For killing lord or clerk.
With ne'er an end our gold we spend
To spread the powder murk.
Shall not the golden dollar
Go crown sweet Mercy's work?

WE send a million rifles,
And, oh, they find their slain!
Shall we not show a world aglow
That Christ is more than Cain
And Mercy's hand still stifles
The soldier's cry of pain?

WE make the cannon shipment,
New field of fire to ope.
We speed the flame, the swords that maim,
The shells that sow the slope.
Why not the white equipment
That bears the Cross of Hope?

IN all our ammunition
There lie the groan and curse.
But now shall go, since God wills so,
The ambulance, not hearse;
The succoring physician,
The gentle fingered nurse.

YOUR share of cost of slaughter
You as a patriot give.
You're paying high that men may die
And love be fugitive.
Come, send across the water
The ones who bid men live!
—New York World.

American Farmers Must Win the War With Their Food Supply

By CARL VROOMAN, Assistant Sec-
retary of Agriculture

THERE is a world shortage of
food and famine staring ev-
ery nation in Europe in the
face. If we do not succeed in our
efforts to stimulate production and
eliminate waste here more people
will die in Europe in the next year
than have been slain on European
battlefields during the past year.

IN OTHER WORDS, FAMINE HAS
NOW GOT THE BEST OF EUROPE
AND IT'S UP TO AMERICA TO SAVE
IT—AND SHE CAN DO IT.

The increase throughout the coun-
try in production of food crops has
been encouraging. One part of the
United States alone shows from 10
per cent to 15 per cent increase
while the south shows an increa-
se of at least 25 per cent. The south-
erners have attained this increase by
planting food instead of cotton, and
it is indeed creditable because, so I
am told, they were under the im-
pression that they would lose money,
though I believe they are mistaken.
It is remarkable that all have
"come to bat" without any legisla-
tion enabling us TO GUARANTEE
THE FARMERS A GOOD PRICE
FOR THEIR FOOD CROPS.

Karl Averill at American Lake

A letter to Mr. and Mrs. E. Lewin
from Karl B. Averill, a former Ban-
don resident, is to the effect he is
now a member of the medical corps
of the United States army. Mr.
Averill joined the forces last May,
being sent direct to American Lake,
Wash., where the new government
barracks are located. He joined as a
private but has since been made a
corporal, and states that he likes the
army life fine. The American Lake
cantonment will house 50,000 men,
and in making the barracks 9,500
civilians were employed. It was er-
roneously reported recently that Mr.
Averill was in the navy and station-
ed at Mare Island.

Hardest Worked Need Help First

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that poison the blood if permitted to
remain. Is it any wonder that they
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joints, sore muscles. Sold Every-
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American People En- tered the War With Unselfish Motive

By ARTHUR J. BALFOUR, British Foreign
Secretary

WE did our best and received
the best on our visit to the
United States. Never was
a mission so kindly treated by those
to whom it was sent; never was
hospitality offered more graciously
or with a freer hand; NEVER WAS
A MISSION FROM ONE COUNTRY
TO ANOTHER MORE COR-
DIAL.

The results of the mission were
good because the great people of
the United States realized that the
mission was symbolic of a great new
departure in the history of the
world. They knew it instinctively.
They were able to grasp what it all
meant, not only for the present, but
for the future of the world. They
saw what German militarism meant
with clear vision and entered the
war with an unselfish motive.

I REJOICE THAT WE HAVE WITH
US SUCH A COUNTRY AS THE
UNITED STATES, SUCH STATES-
MEN AS PRESIDENT WILSON.

They are as far removed from
pinning their faith in unmeaning
formulae as from the idea of put-
ting one nation under the domina-
tion of another. They cherish the
same great ideals as we, which are
our very own.

Mexican Fish Company Active

The following from the Portland
Telegram concerning a company in
which several local people are in-
terested, is given: "First of a large
fleet of boats to be acquired at Por-
tland by the Pacific Coast Canning
& Fishing company of Sonora, Mex-
ico, the schooner Frolic which was
purchased here by the company sev-
eral days ago, is now on her way to
Guaymas, Sonora, to enter the fish-
ing trade in the Gulf of California
for her new owners. The purchases
are in charge of A. M. Conard, presi-
dent of the company, who is in
charge of local headquarters. A stop
will be made at San Diego where the
Frolic will be joined by another of
the company's vessels, proceeding on
to Guaymas, where the company has
three additional boats, making a
fleet of five which will start fishing
operations immediately under the
concession granted by the Mexican
government."

Even the autoists wanted to see
a good rain.

DO NOT NEGLECT YOUR TEETH

A Clean Tooth Never Decays

If you want work that lasts;
if you want it done with no
more pain than the prick of
the needle; if you want your
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want to KEEP FROM GET-
TING PYORRHEA, see

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