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The stride of the German armies is regulated by the preponderance of modern military equipment. In the war so far, it has been horribly and effectively demonstrated that when the German troops are called upon to go forward, the 16-inch howitzer makes the holes for them to crowd through. Kovna, one of the most impregnable forts known to the world, crumbled after a week's bombardment of Krupp's heavy artillery. The German forces are on the road to Petrograd. They have open railway lines behind them over which supplies and troops may be successfully transported, and in front of them the retreating Russian armies. With the capture of the Russian capital, the backbone of the Slav resistance would be badly bent, if not wholly broken. Only the rigors of a winter campaign and a reorganized Russian army of millions could possibly shake the Teutonic grasp from Petrograd, once that city falls. From all appearances it is up to the Slav to extricate himself from his perilous predicament, with but little or no aid from the allies. At present France and England are kept busy protecting their trench lines in the Western theatre of war, while the Italian troops are playing a bid-and-peek game with the Austrians, with but little advantage gained.

Senator Burton of Ohio, he of illbustling fame against rivers and harbors and ship purchase, visited Portland the other day. The Portland Oregonian introduced him to the public as a great statesman, and acclaimed him as a probable presidential candidate. But the producers of grain in the Northwest remember him best as a eloquent ocean transportation, whereby they stand to lose millions of dollars through manipulations of the ship-owning trust, made possible by his vigorous opposition to government purchase and control of grain carrying ships. While Mr. Burton of Ohio receives the honor of half-tone photos and editorial encomiums in the Oregonian, the ranchers of Oregon and the other coast states are being throttled out of crop profits in tribute to the Autumn call of high charters for overseas shipping. Great is this fellow Burton. He is also strong on war thunder. He advocates that every mother's son of us throw down the shovel of industry, pick up an enscon and join in the merry melstrom of world butchery.

The New York World tells us that our present navy, army and pensions to soldiers costs this nation, annually, nearly \$487,000,000, not including some \$10,000,000 paid by the states for militia—more than any other nation (before the European war) spent for military purposes. And we are further informed that our army and navy would get no further in modern warfare operation than the coffee-cooler's trench. Concluding, the World says: "Great Britain in 1914 was spending \$230,000,000 for navy, \$120,000,000 for army and \$20,000,000 for army pensions; Russia \$285,000,000 for navy, \$122,000,000 for army; Germany \$500,000,000 for navy, \$114,000,000 for army; France, Italy and Austria-Hungary were well behind. Our 1913-1914 army cost of \$174,000,000 equalled that of Germany before the Imperial army act of 1913 in preparation for the present war. Our naval cost of nearly \$140,000,000 was second only to Britain's. Our pension bill of \$173,000,000 admitted of no comparisons whatever. There was nothing like it."

The United States Department of Agriculture imparts the information that the more observing and careful dairymen have found that it is more profitable to have cows freshen in the fall rather than in the spring. Reasons given are that higher prices are obtained for milk and cream; product handled in cold weather with less danger of souring; more time in winter months to handle calves and milk; labor more evenly distributed throughout the year; lactation period lengthened and amount of milk increased. The department recommends winter dairying as the most profitable.

The present harvest season is being brought to a close with almost perfect conditions. Threshing operations have been interfered with by only one shower of rain, causing loss of but one day's work in the fields. Wheat-hauling is now well under way and everything is O. K. except the price. The bulk of the great crop of the inland Empire can be transferred from

grower to buyer for \$1.00 per bushel. That is the mark *et.*

Six South and Central American governments have agreed with the United States on a peace plan for Mexico. Mexico is the only interested country that doesn't agree to it. Mexico has never yet agreed with anything, not even itself.

Now it is the high cost of talking. Long distance telephone tolls are so high a battery of airplane guns is needed to bring them down. As proof of the exorbitant tolls—even the women refuse to talk.

George Hitch is dead. The world lost a lot of brightness when this young humorous literary light went out.

Who says this country isn't prepared for war? Admiral Caperton captured and entire Haitian navy—one gumbust.

Cheapsness is not desirable in anything you buy or hire. Quality always pays in the long run.

Cheer up. 'Tis said a good laugh is better than medicine for what ails you.

His Sad Handwriting
Denn Farrar in his "Reminiscences" says that the first proofs of Denn Stanley's "Sinai and Palestine" informed the reader that from the monastery of Sinai was visible "the horn of the burning bush." This was a fearfully apocalyptic nightmare of the printer's devil for "the horizon of the burning bush." The original proof sheets also stated that on turning the shoulder of Mount Olivet in the walk from Bethany "there suddenly burst upon the spectator a magnificent view of Jerusalem" in this startling sentence "Jesus" was the transmigration of "Jesus" the dean's abbreviated way of writing "Jerusalem." When the dean answered an invitation to dinner his hostess has been known to write back and inquire whether his note was an acceptance or a refusal.

Little Leander says grandpa give me a penny, will you? Grandpa—Why, Leander, you are too old to be begging for pennies. Little Leander—Yes, grandpa. Make it a dime, please.—Chicago News

Pony Contest to August 19.
Eugene Osborn, 25.67.
Richard Cantano, 21.62.
Audra Winslip, 17.26.
Velma McAlexander, 12.6.
Elizabeth Mathers, 24.9.
Willard Parker, 21.5.
Savannah Smith, 20.3.
Conrad Miller, 11.0.
Velma Schubert, 9.2.
Tom Kirk, 6.8.
Weldon Bell, 6.7.
Margaret LaCourse, 11.
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Notice of Sale.
In the County Court of Umatilla County, State of Oregon.
In the Matter of the Estate of T. J. Watts, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that under and pursuant to that order made and entered in the above entitled matter in the Court herein, on the 4th day of August, 1915, I, M. L. Watts, administrator of the estate of T. J. Watts, deceased, will proceed to sell to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, at the residence on the premises of the property hereinafter described, all the right, title, interest and estate of T. J. Watts, deceased, in and to the S. E. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of Sec. 21, and the S. W. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of Sec. 22, all in T. 5, N. R. 35, E. W. M., Umatilla County, Oregon.
Said sale is to be held at the residence on said premises at the hour of two o'clock p. m., on Saturday, the 4th day of September, 1915.
M. L. Watts,
Administrator of the Estate of T. J. Watts, deceased.

Summons.
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Umatilla County.
Nora Tipton, Plaintiff,
vs.
Charles E. Tipton, Defendant.
To Charles E. Tipton, Defendant above named:

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled cause within six weeks of the date of the first publication of this summons, namely, on or before Friday, the 20th day of August, 1915; and you will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer or otherwise plead to said complaint within said time the plaintiff, for want thereof, will apply to the above entitled court for the relief prayed for in her said complaint, to-wit, for a decree of the court forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony now and heretofore existing between plaintiff and defendant and for an absolute divorce from defendant and for the care and custody of the minor child of plaintiff and defendant.

This summons is published pursuant to an order of Hon. Gilbert W. Phelps, Judge of the above entitled court, duly made and filed herein on the 7th day of July, 1915, and the first publication of this summons will be made on Friday the 9th day of July, 1915, and the last publication on the 20th day of August, 1915, in the Athena Press Newspaper, published at Athena, Umatilla County, Oregon.
Dated this, the 7th day of July, 1915.
Will M. Peterson,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

Notice to Creditors.
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
In the Matter of the Estate of Joseph Emmett Margett, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that Alma Mae Margett has been appointed administratrix of the estate of Joseph Emmett Margett, deceased. All persons having claims against his estate are notified to present them as by law required to the said administratrix at the law office of Will M. Peterson in the Smith-Crawford Building at Pendleton Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.
Dated this 13th day of August, 1915.
Alma Mae Margett,
Administratrix.

Will M. Peterson,
Attorney for Administratrix.
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