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"THE CONQUEROR'S TERMS."

Conditions as set forth in the following excerpts from a leading editorial in the Portland Oregonian tend to show that it is time to do something besides quibbling over a few cents more for a bushel of wheat; demanding shorter hours per day and more pay for building ships, or playing politics, if we are to win this war. While we are talking wheat prices, quelling strikes and hunting politically for brains to run the government, American boys are in French trenches, facing a world conquering machine that has been in the process of making for 40 years. Of the conqueror, the Oregonian says:

"The terms of peace which Germany dictates to Russia are those of a conqueror to a conquered nation. They show Germany at the height of swagging insolence. The conqueror announces what he will take in territory, in indemnity, in political power and trade, and demands that the conquered disarm on both land and sea. The conqueror is given two days to accept these terms, three days to sign a treaty of peace and two weeks to ratify it. Here is no invitation to a peace conference; here are simply imperious orders from the master to the slave.

"To such a pass have the theorists, phrasemongers and German-paid champions of the proletariat brought Russia. Turning in horror from the proposed annexation of Constantinople and part of Asiatic Turkey to Russia, they looked for help from the empires which had actually taken by force all of Russia's western provinces. They deserted the allies who were fighting for the rights of nations and for the sanctity of treaties; they vainly hoped to bind the defiant foe of those principles to observe them by securing his signature to another scrap of paper. They dreamed of forcing the enemy to make and keep an agreement by stirring up revolt among the proletariat of the central empires, though it is as helpless in the grip of the mailed fist as Russia now is. With one sweep of that mailed fist all these illusions are dispelled, and the jabbering operators of the Petrograd proclamation mill are

told what to do, and to do it without further parley.

"By this action toward Russia, Germany realizes in part the ambition for world-empire which the Kaiser revealed in the words which Mr. Gerard quotes in the first chapter of his new book. His treaty with the Ukraine and his proposal of its cause against the Bolsheviks gives him control of the food and minerals of that republic, and makes him master of the Black Sea. His annexation of the Baltic provinces gives him their wealth of grain, livestock and flax, and his naval supremacy in the Baltic Sea enables him to hold Petrograd in terror and converts that sea into a German lake, where he may build a navy to challenge the combined navies of the allies. He can now reach out to seize the oil of Baku and the Caspian Sea, to stimulate production of coal and iron in the south and of cotton in Turkestan and Asia Minor. With Russia annexed in an economic sense, and with time for its development, he can make his empire self-sufficient until he is ready to challenge his foes on the surface of the sea.

"It is imperative that the allies deny him this time. Little sustenance for the hungry people of Germany and Austria can be drawn from the Ukraine for, although it includes the famed black earth region, its wheat production has decreased during the war to a quantity barely sufficient for its own people. Time will be required to increase it and to derive full benefit from the coal and iron fields. The longer destruction of the German-Austrian armies in the west is delayed, the more time will be gained to strengthen them with food and war material by developing the neglected resources of the Ukraine and adjoining territory and to build great navies in the landlocked security of the Baltic and Black Seas.

No time should be wasted in throwing the whole weight of the United States and the other American republics into the scale on the side of the democracies in Western Europe.

"America should frankly face the truth. Russia is in the power of Germany, and the war has developed into a race between Germany and America. Germany will try to withstand the allies in the west until she has developed the resources of Russia to the point where they produce enough war material to render Germany invincible. It is the part of America to make her developed resources effective in the field of battle for the destruction of the twin autocracies before they can attain this strength.

"We have an advantage, for the American soldier is the equal, if not the superior, of those French, British and Italian soldiers who have already overcome the Teuton in many battles; the skilled American workman is the superior of any Russian whom the Germans may make their serfs; the American captain of industry is the superior of any German of his class; and American resources are already developed, while those of Russia are comparatively undeveloped. We can win the race if we set our minds and wills to it, but there must be an end to delay, for every day's delay not only adds to the cost of life and treasure, but improves the chance of Germany in the race.

"Since we have entered in this race, let there be but one answer to that inane question: 'How long is the war going to last?' That answer is: 'Until the race is won by the destruction of German militarism.'"

23 Years Ago.
[From the Press at Mar. 1 1895]

Jay Saling, the mountain politician, was in town Monday.

Thirteen drunken Indians were "caged" in Pendleton Monday night.

Senator Alf. Price returned from Salem on the Sunday morning passenger.

Prof. Royal of the Weston Normal school faculty preached in Athena Sunday.

Nate Pinkerton contemplates going to the Cripple Creek mining district in Colorado, about the 14th of March.

The first installment of Athena's water bonds—\$3,000, were signed by Mayor Hollis and Recorder Gilman, Tuesday.

Wm. Bernard, the popular society man of Weston, was a Press office caller Monday. He reports everything serene "over the hill."

The rumor that a wedding was to occur at a dance in Nolin on the 14th, proved to be a ruse to draw a crowd. Tickets sold for \$1.50, but the groom never "showed up."

No Shirt and Young Chief, chiefs on the Umatilla reservation, were formally placed under arrest on Tuesday by the Indian police for resisting the authority of the agent, Major G. W. Harper. These chiefs were leaders in the almost revolt some days ago and have many followers.

Yard cleaning is now in order and many are taking advantage of these warm days and are raking their yards and building bonfires. Think of it—yard cleaning and base ball in Oregon, while the East is waiting for snowdrifts to disappear. But such is our climate.

Ground squirrels are out in immense quantities this spring, reminding the farmers of the season 10 years ago when a late snow killed them in large numbers.

Monday afternoon while fording the Umatilla river at Thorn Hollow, Mrs. Maggie Bernier lost her life by drowning.

The first issue of the Weston Leader under the editorial management of Clark Wood, is at hand. Clark is capable of giving to the people of Weston a local paper second to none in the state.

Max Lewin is selling 18 lbs. of granulated sugar for \$1.00; 20 pounds of brown sugar for \$1.00, and 25 lbs of beans \$1.00.

A Good Position.
Number of young men and women wanted to prepare for telegraph and station service caused by unusual drafting of men for the Signal Corps. Positions paying from \$75 to \$90 per month. Write Telegraph Dept. room 318 Railway Exchange Bldg. Portland, Ore.—Adv.



DELICIOUS CORN MUFFINS.

Here's an old fashioned recipe for corn muffins that has recently been revived and used with unusual success in several of the larger New York hotels: To make three and a half dozen muffins take one quart milk, six ounces butter substituted, twelve ounces of light syrup or honey, four eggs, pinch of salt, two ounces baking powder, one and a half pounds cornmeal and one and a half pounds flour. The butter and syrup should be thoroughly mixed; then add the eggs gradually. Pour in the milk and add the rye flour mixed with cornmeal and baking powder.

SEE THE FUNNY SIDE.

Use Your Sense of Humor When Distressing Situations Arise.

Humor proves to be the saving clause of many a distressing situation. The trouble with most of us is that we take our troubles altogether too seriously. We fail to see the funny side of things that for the moment concern us, even though we are quick to grasp it when we are mere onlookers.

In the face of gathered clouds that seem to shut out the sunshine forever it is not a bad idea to remind ourselves that this old mother earth has been revolving on her axis for countless ages, that generations of men have come and gone for thousands of years and that the march of human progress has gone right along in the forward direction despite what seemed to be direful setbacks.

"Laugh and the world laughs with you." There is humor in nearly every situation if we can only see it from the right angle. Those of us who try to smile in adversity and think how much more laughable it would be if conditions were reversed at least feel less uncomfortable over it and take pleasure in looking forward to the time when the shoe will be on the other foot.—Omaha Bee.

A WONDERFUL SEARCHLIGHT.

The Most Powerful in the World, It Almost Rivals the Sun.

It is ten feet high, its mirror has a diameter of five feet, and it weighs three tons. Its beam is as brilliant as the sun at 8 o'clock in the morning or 4 in the afternoon, New York latitude, and you can read a newspaper by its light thirty miles away. The heat of its focused beam is so intense that it will set paper afire at a distance of 250 feet. It has a candle power of more than one and a quarter billion.

These are a few astonishing facts in the Popular Science Monthly about the Sperry searchlight, the invention of Elmer A. Sperry of Brooklyn, who is already known as the inventor of the airplane stabilizer and ship gyroscope bearing his name and the first electric arc light.

One of the most powerful beacons along the coast is the Sandy Hook lighthouse. But the Sperry searchlight is twenty-two times more brilliant than that light. Were the Sperry lamp substituted for the lighthouse beacon a ship passing out to sea could be bathed in light until it disappeared below the horizon. By swinging the light back and forth across the sky it has been made visible 150 miles away. For navy use the Sperry lamp illuminates a target ten times more brilliantly than any other projector devised.

The water wagon started on its journey through this country longer ago than most persons realize. I offer you as a proof of this assertion a copy of a quaint document that had its birth in the month of April in the year 1681, says Girard in the Philadelphia Ledger. This old document is in the form of a petition to a royal governor signed by twelve men who were determined that the brewers' big horses shouldn't run over them and reads as follows: "Whereas, wee, ye inhabitants of ye new Seated Towne near ye falls of Delaware (called Creweorne), finding ourselves aggrieved by ye Indians when drunk, informeth that wee be and have been in great danger of our lives, of our houses burning, of our goods stealing and of our Wives and Children affrighting inasmuch that wee are afeared to go about our Lawfull affairs least when we come home we finde you and our concerns danield.

"These things considered, wee doe humbly & jointly desire that the selling of brandy and strong liquors to ye Indians may be wholly suppressed, when if done wee hope wee shall live peaceably."

GRAVELY'S
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He learned all about REAL GRAVELY'S BACK THERE IN OLD VIRGINIA, THE MINUTE HE READ MY BILLBOARD HE WENT OUT AND BOUGHT HIM A PILE—AND NOW LOOK HOW HAPPY HE IS!

LOOK FOR THE PROTECTION SEAL IT IS NOT REAL GRAVELY'S WITHOUT THIS SEAL



The Churches.

Baptist Church Notes.
Last Sunday was a special day with large crowds at both services. The topics that center "Around the Cross" are gaining interest, and the choir is doing good work. Topics for next Sunday: 11 a. m., "The Victor's Life Food." This is the first of a series of seven sermons on the seven fold promises to the overcomer, in the seven letters to the churches of Asia, in Rev. second and third chapters. "The peoples' service" at 7:30. "Salvation from Sin." U-R-invited. I hope 2-C-U there. D. E. Baker, Pastor.

The Christian Church.
"What Do Ye Mean Than Others?" and "Do It Now." will be the morning and evening topics at the Christian church Sunday. Bible school at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. For the present, the mid-week meeting on Wednesday evening will be occupied with the additional work of the chorus rehearsal. It is done to save fuel and to conserve time. The Chorus is invited to be present. The two services will occupy about an hour and a-half. The midweek meeting was well attended, and was well conducted by Mrs. Henry Pinkerton. Mrs. D. Scott Fisher will lead the meeting next Wednesday evening. You are cordially invited to all services. D. Errett, Minister.

Methodist Episcopal Church.
Regular services at the Methodist church Sunday. Sunday school at 10 a. m., preaching at 11 and 7:30. Morning topic, "Man, a. Seen from Both Ends of the Spy Glass." evening topic "The Uplifted Christ, the World's Uplifter." Come and worship with us at the house of welcome.

On April 21, Rev. W. E. Armfield of Spokane, will fill the pulpit of this church in the morning, and in the evening will deliver his powerful lecture: "God's Call for American Boys." This lecture is delivered primarily for the fathers and mothers of soldiers who are in France or on their way. During the past year four boys have gone from the Armfield home, three of whom are now in France. Many old friends of yesterday who knew him when pastor here, will welcome Mr. Armfield on that date. It is hoped the other churches may find it convenient to dismiss to hear his patriotic address in the evening. W. S. Gleiser.

Postage Stamps.
There are at the present time over 21,000 varieties of postage stamps in circulation throughout the world.

Notice of Final Account.
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of William H. Wood, Deceased. Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that Arnold Wood, administrator of the estate of William H. Wood, deceased, has filed his final account and report in the administration of the estate; that the County Judge by order duly made and entered has appointed Wednesday, the 27th day of February 1918, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon as the time and the County Court House of Umatilla County, Oregon, as the place where all objections and exceptions to the said final account and report will be heard and settlement thereof made. Dated this 25th day of January, A. D., 1918. Arnold Wood, Administrator. Will M. Peterson, Attorney for Administrator.

SUMMONS.
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. Mae Moeser, Plaintiff, vs. William H. Moeser, Defendant. To William H. Moeser, 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 court and cause on or before Saturday, the 16th day of March, 1918; and you will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint or otherwise plead thereto by said time the plaintiff for want thereof will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in her 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 other equitable relief.

This summons is published pursuant to an order made and filed herein by Honorable Gilbert W. Phelps, Judge of the above entitled Court, on the 28th day of January, 1918. The first publication of this summons will be made on Friday, the 1st day of February 1918, and the last publication on Friday, the 15th day of March, 1918 and will be published for six consecutive weeks in the Athena Press newspaper published at Athena, Oregon. Dated this 26th day of January, 1918. Will M. Peterson, Attorney for Plaintiff, Postoffice address, Pendleton, Oregon.

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