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OUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLVE

Another New Year's Day in the trenches—the fourth for our allies, the first for us. How many more will there be?

Another year of bloodshed begins, of strained effort on the part of whole nations, of privation and suffering and sorrow.

Will this year bring victory? Will it bring peace?

For America the day is full of high seriousness. We know that we are facing the most eventful year in half a century, possibly the most fateful year since our national birth.

We are not overwhelmed by the thought. We are full of hope, more than any other country on the face of the earth today. We know that we must spend and lose and suffer. We have counted the cost, and decided that the game is worth it, and are ready to pay. Our eyes are fixed on the goal, and conscious of our vigor and righteousness, we have no doubt of reaching it.

Another New Year's Day may roll around with the world's armies still battling at Armageddon and the Beast that menaces civilization still unslain. Very well, then. Victory will come the next year. Or the year after. That it will come, and come before the world is quite ruined by the struggle, we are certain.

The United States occupies a noble place today among the nations of the earth. Every American may enjoy his share of the world's respect, and along with it, the glow of self-respect that comes from having resolutely set about a great and noble undertaking.

The American people's New Year's resolution is, to make America and all the rest of the world safe against brutal aggression, so that nations as well as individuals may go freely about their own affairs without fear. We all share in that resolve. And we shall keep it.

Two men coming to our notice want to be State Treasurer, just why, we do not know. One is State Senator E. D. Cusick of Albany, a prime favorite of the newspaper boys of the state, and the other is O. M. Plummer of Portland who has gained considerable notoriety through his aggressiveness manifest as member of the Portland school board. Others mentioned for the place are Williams, now city treasurer of Portland, and T. F. Ryan, chief deputy to State Treasurer Kay of Salem.

Just why any man who has a good salary or business of his own wants to be state treasurer is not for us to say, but usually the voter is not very far out of the way when he votes for the man on whom almost universal praise has been heaped by the press of the state. Senator Cusick made an excellent senator, and won the praise of every newspaper man who followed the careers of the men sent to the legislature. But of course this is a trifle early for campaigning; we meant only to tell the facts as we remember them.—Coos Bay Harbor.

MISFITS

By F. P. Netting
Today I got caught in a Red Cross drive with the Misses Jones & Canfield, popular Albany art experts. It was manipulated by the Elks, who do things with a rush. The five companies hurried apparatuses to Sixth and Alder streets, with jangling bells and horns, as if to a fire.

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out without a Red Cross button. Portland seven years.

At Geddes said hello to me the other day. He has been surveying for a company, with other prospects in view.

At the opening of the tall Yeon building M. Montgomery, a former S. P. agent at Albany, held me up and we had an old-time visit. He has been at Sheridan for a good many years, and invited me over, promising to assist in painting the town red with a big feed.

Strange, but the same day I ran upon another former Albany railroad man, Wil Marrison, longer ago than Montgomery at Albany. He was then just an operator. Now he is superintendent of terminals at Oakland, Cal. Merriman is a brother of Mrs. Chas. Fronk. With him when I met him was Earl Fronk, whom I think was born in Albany.

For some time there have been a good many Red Cross speeches at the Meier & Frank corner. One day I heard part of a good address made by George Colwell, a native of Linn county, and one of 17 children; a prominent man in the law business here.

Am always glad when I meet Prof. McDonald, formerly of the Albany Y. M. C. A., now in charge of the gym work at the O. A. C. This occurred again a few days ago.

A former Linn county boy and Albany college student is Elbert S. Robe, assistant manager of the Hotel Portland, a fine young man who has made good. He has been with the

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