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## UNCLE SAM A QUITTER

If the United States stands pat on the senatorial rejection of the peace treaty the United States will be a quitter, in the eyes of the world and in her own eyes. There is no evading that fact.

This nation fought an honorable war. That war must be ended honorably. It will not be ended honorably if America, having fought a joint war, refuses to be a party to a joint peace. Having fought along side of other powers, we must make peace along with them. Otherwise we not only refuse, ourselves, to take full advantages of the fruits of victory, but deny those fruits to our allies. It wouldn't be square.

The treaty of Paris is not perfect. Many Americans find much fault with it. All Americans can find some fault with it. But as it is, it has been approved by our allies, and there is no substitute.

At that, the treaty does not have to be swallowed whole. It is declared by men of all shades of political belief that it is entirely possible to frame a set of reservations which will satisfactorily safeguard the vital interests of the United States without nullifying the treaty. Those reservations may be a little less stringent than those championed by the Republican senators and more stringent than any the Democratic senators have yet been willing to accept. But is it not chiefly a question of phraseology rather than of vital differences?

Nearly everybody who has followed the struggle in the Senate knows about what is necessary from the American standpoint and what is desirable in the way of decency and fairness toward our allies.

## EASY RIDDANCE OF "REDS"

Possibly the solution of the "Red" problem in this country is simpler and easier than most people have thought. If we can believe Santori Nuorteva, official spokesman for "Ambassador" Martens, who professes to be representing the Russian Bolshevik government in this country, most of the meddlesome alevins can be got rid of without lifting a hand or spending a dollar. In reply to an intimation that the "Ambassador" may be deported, Nuorteva says:

"Mr. Martens doesn't care whether he is deported or not. There are a million Russians in this country who will go with him. All the government has to do is to send a letter stating that his presence is no longer desired and offering him safe conduct, and he will depart. There are 87 ships waiting today at Petrograd for permission to come to this country to take back the Russians that want to return. I myself would love to go."

It sounds too good to be true, but the government might take this accommodating gentleman at his word, and try it.

Another thing that makes it rather easy for the British and Americans to fraternize is that any band can play "America" and "God Save the King" at the same time.

## WHAT BERRIES ARE DOING

Berry-growing has taken hold in Coos county, Oregon. People who never thought of ranching or gardening before are seeking plots of land for small fruit culture. Women in comfortable circumstances and men making good salaries are ready to put all their energy into the berry business. Ranchers are contracting to plant berry tracks and real estate firms are advertising berry land daily.

This is a good example of the way the berry industry is

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developing the country. The Willamette Valley, Oregon, is a coming berry growers paradise.

By passing the railroad bill in the House of Representatives the Republican leaders in Congress hope to avoid a collision with the shippers and employes, but they have only switched the question into the Senate.

Republican enemies of the treaty in the United States Senate will learn during the next campaign that by prolonging the war they have confronted their party's candidates with a battle for life.

The one just closed was indeed an extraordinary session of Congress. It was extraordinary both in point of its opportunities and its failures.

The G. O. P. has been trying very hard to make an issue—and has succeeded. Its own incompetency in Congress has furnished it.

## Comment of the State Press

Snappy Gleanings from the Press of the Valley

### It Will Go Through—

Petty politics has temporarily defeated the peace treaty, but the fight will be on again in December, and another session of quarrels and bickering may be expected. Jefferson Review.

### Benj. Franklin Knew—

When thrift becomes a national habit business will be stabilized as never before, the individual will find a measure of independence, security and influence never before experienced, says the Baker Herald. A community of thrifty people buy steadily and judiciously, and meet their obligations conscientiously.

### Modern Gains—

There is a "wave" of crime, an "epidemic" of reckless automobiling and an "infection" of radicalism. There is, also, an impatience of restraint, a resentment against discipline and a startling indifference to personal and public safety. The fundamental moral law which demands consideration of the rights and welfare of others is more frequently violated than any other, the Oregon Journal asserts. Among at least a trio of classes the ancient query of Cain, "Am I my brother's keeper?" is echoed in deeds of criminal violence and criminal carelessness.

### They're Growing in Albany—

National banks are growing just as fast as other branches of business in the United States. In fact, there seems to be a great boom in the banking business, so far as deposits and resources are concerned, although bankers claim that they are making less money than usual because the demand for loans at former interest rates the country over is much less than formerly.—Guard.

### The Claremont Crime—

This is another murder case where in the punishment will fail to fit the crime, the Criterion regrets. The state penitentiary should be equipped with an up-to-date gallows or an electric chair.

### From All Sections—

R. I. Edwards from Brownville, buyer for the Nebergall Meat Co. at Albany, was in town Monday. He states that he has shipped out one or two car loads every week from Brownville for the last three months. He just finished a big turkey contract last Saturday.

## Without a Kick in It

Since kicks are unlawful and knockers taboo

By H. & A.

### A 1-ACT PLAY ENTITLED A MODERN BURGLARY (By Force O. Habit)

Scene—Mansion of Retired Millionaire.  
 Time—2:30 p. m.; Present.  
 Characters—2 Burglars; No. 1 and No. 2.

Burglar No. 1—(Flashing electric torch around room) Say bo, which room are we in?  
 Burglar No. 2—Dis looks like de dining room.

Burglar No. 1—We're in de wrong room pal. Let's beat it for de kitchen.

Burglar No. 2—Ain't we gona get some of dis swell silverware?

Burglar No. 1—Naw, you couldn't pawn all that for a dozen eggs.

They disappear into the kitchen, returning later with a sack of flour, four dozen eggs, a side of bacon and a sack of sugar.

Burglar No. 1—Well pal lets beat it. I'd say we'd made a big haul if we could get the old man's shoes.

Curtain

Hey diddle, diddle, the cash how we riddle,

When beef jumps higher'n the moon. The profiteer laughs to see such sport, But says the price wont come down very soon.

"Perfect 36 Chorus," H'm wonder what they refer to—their feet?

### PROPOSE AGAIN, SAY WE

Dear Sirs—I sent a poem "A proposal" to the Editor and he rejected it. What shall I do?

### WOULDN'T IT RASP YOU

If you were roused from your dreams by the wife who informed you that there was a burglar in the house.

And you climbed out of bed and stepped on a tack.

And while searching for the light, a chair struck you amidsthips.

And you got all fussed up, and used strong language.

And that woke the baby.

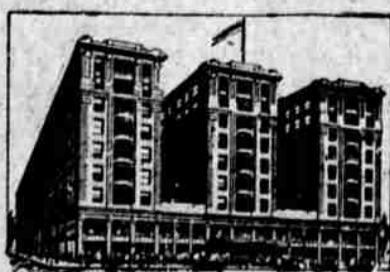
And finally after locating the light you discovered that it was only the cat, stuck in the flypaper—

Now wouldn't that rasp you.—

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## MISFITS --- HIS COLUMN

BY F. P. NUTTING

Timely Comments and Gleanings of News from Here, There and Everywhere by a Former Editor of the Democrat

While in a Corvallis photo gallery the other day a young man ordered some pictures for the champion high school foot ball team, secured by breaking the ankle of a star performer on the tam of an opponent. But that is a part of the game, and the under dog does well to take his medicine.

Gem Shea is now with the Mountain States Power Co., at Corvallis, a dependable employee.

Geo. Prinzier, pioneer Albany hotel clerk, has a neat house of his own at Corvallis, the Geranium Cafe, just west of the Hotel Corvallis.

Two men riding together, discovered that they wore overcoats exactly alike, one bought three or four years ago for \$20, the other a few days ago for \$45.00.

Much is said about the H. C. of L. but the truth is considerable of it is the C. of H. L. People have gotten to think they can not live without fancy salads, 80c eggs and teabone steaks. The person sufficiently common to be satisfied with good wholesome food can enjoy life with better health at a very reasonable price.

The spirit of the age is one of imitation, and if Mrs. Jones gets a high priced Mrs. Brown thinks she must have one also. And it is the same whether eats or apparel are referred to.

"What do we live for anyway?" Men and women, old and young, are asking themselves. The answer is shown in the great unrest of the day,

the helter, skelter, go-as-you-please spirit of the street.

At the recent stock show there was on exhibition the biggest long-eared jack in the world—the four legged species. There are some two legged ones in the world capable of making this one look like a jack-rabbit. One of them is a Massachusetts U. S. Senator.

One doesn't need big ears to hear good words about Albany and her progress. A live town is what men declare, who go up and down the tracks of the state.

Several former Albany people have good positions in Portland's biggest stores. Chas. McCullough, furniture; H. A. Nelson, stock; Mrs. Nelson supt. of Cafe, Lorenzo Mansfield, drapery department, Clarence Turner, ladies' goods.

Capt. Knott has proven a very efficient assistant to the manager of the Chamber of Commerce a live force in Portland's development.

Several Portland dentists formerly resided at Albany—Dr. John Johnson, Pitlock block; Dr. V. R. and Mrs. Bilyeu, Morgan Bldg.; Dr. Earl Abbott, Selling Bldg.; Dr. Albie Garrett, Dr. Frank I. Ball, Morgan Bldg.; Dr. E. G. Clark, Morgan Bldg.; Dr. Mitchell, with Painless Parker; Dr. F. S. Skiff, Broadway Bldg.; Dr. C. R. Templeton, Morgan Bldg. The oldest in point of practice here is Dr. Templeton, the youngest Dr. Oliver Garrett. Some other time I will refer to others in other professions and businesses.

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