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## THE PILGRIMS' ANNIVERSARY

This year will see a remarkable celebration of the tercentenary of the landing of the Pilgrims. The celebration will include all people and classes in the United States, and the other English-speaking countries will take part as well. Great Britain, Canada and Australia will observe the anniversary in some appropriate manner, and the various celebrations will all be part of one big scheme. The plans are in charge of a committee of governors and other high civil and military authorities, and this committee will work in conjunction with committees in the other countries.

Patriotic and civic societies of all kinds might well line up and do their part in making this celebration a success.

The beginnings of America are of strange significance in these days of a world struggle toward freedom. The future of America is of grave importance, as a beacon light showing backward nations the way in the great principles of representative government. It is fortunate that this anniversary falls at this time, so that America and the world may be reminded what the Pilgrims sought and fought for. Americans especially will have to search their heart and conscience, resolving anew to keep unstained the many things that the Pilgrim Fathers established. They are in danger from more than one source.

## BERLIN AND WASHINGTON

The latest attempt at counter-revolution in Germany is mainly an effort to evade the terms of the peace treaty. The Junkers do not want to make reparation to the Allies; the militarist leaders do not want to be tried for their war crimes; all of the crowd responsible for the war want to dodge responsibility.

There is doubtless an element of imperialism, too, in this outbreak. Many of those active in it would like to bring back the Hohenzollerns, setting up a royal figurehead anew in order to restore their caste to its old honors and prerogatives. But above everything else appears the desire to evade a just settlement with Germany's outraged and victorious enemies.

And whence has this bold undertaking drawn its inspiration? From the United States. The coup would never have been sprung in Berlin if the leaders had not trusted in American support.

It matters not that the support they counted on is passive rather than active. As long as the United States government is divided on the treaty question, as long as the United States has not ratified the treaty and taken its stand with the Allies to enforce the strong peace dictated to Germany, as long as there is no assurance of a League of Nations with sufficient power to hold any menacing nation to a strict accountability, Germany will continue its sullen resistance to the treaty terms, German politics will remain unsettled and no German government can be depended on to fulfill its pledges. This revolt may be suppressed, but others will come. Thus there will be no palment of Germany's war obligations, and no assurance of European peace. The victory of civilization will be frittered away. And the quarrelling short-sighted, partisan statesmen in Washington will be responsible.

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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

The N. W. Grain and Warehouse Co. has its share of Albany men in its office in the Lumberman's block; the Myers brothers and Kenneth MacLennan, competent employees of a big concern. This Company has four on big flour mills in different parts of the N. W. and does things on a large scale.

These offices are headquarters and are full of interest when one is shown around. You can't always tell what is behind the scenes by a simple glance along the different desks, occupied by busy clerks, bookkeepers and stenographers.

Will Myers, former Albany post office clerk, took me on a tour thru some side rooms. One was a real diminutive flour mill, where flour is made from the wheat sent in from different sections to be tested before being made up in the big mills for the market of the world. The machinery, though, looking like a boys' play, is perfect and the very latest.

Then the flour is taken into another room, an up-to-date flour laboratory where it is analyzed by an expert chemist to the limit, covering every line of research, appreciated in the fact that there are twenty-one different stills used. By the time the chemist gets thru with it the quality of the wheat is known down to the finest point, and the woman who carries a looking glass along with her in order to view her fact every few moments in order to see if the powder is on straight, does not know herself half as well as that chemist does the flour he is testing.

Then there is a real bakery, where the flour is made into bread, the real test of grade and quality, with electricity as the heating force.

This is modern business. It is no halfhazard affair, nor leap in the dark, but a scientific proposition made necessary by the demands of the world for the best in things.

More and more along all lines people are saying: the best is none too good. The test of the pudding is the tasting of it, and it takes more than big flouring advertisements to establish quality in the minds of the people.

Speaking of bread, it is interesting as a subject in a big city. Down in the business section, close to the street may be seen electric ovens revolving with the bread in plain sight, slowly changing from light dough to the deep brown, that gladdens the taste of the eater three times a day.

The prevailing price is 11 cents a loaf, double the price of a few years ago, with a cent added. But down on Yamhill St., in the market section, two loaves may be secured for 17 cents sometimes 16 cents, first class bread, just as good as that elsewhere, the only difference being that the loaves are not put up in expensive glazed paper, decorated with extravagant claims of superiority printed at h. c., with a flaming picture of a loaf of bread that can only be looked at, torn off and thrown in the waste basket.

If the readers of the Democrat, succeed in digesting this I will give them a dose of something along other lines later.

always be worth more than those of any other nation on the face of the earth.—Baker Herald.

## Comments of the State Press

"Thou Art The Man"

"The real father in America of the idea of a league of nations which should prevent war, promote disarmament and amicably settle international disputes is ex-President Taft.—Oregonian.

Treaty is Dead—

It was signed at Versailles on the twenty-eighth of last June. It was presented to the senate July 10. It was crucified on the floor of the senate March 19. For eight months and nine days the American senate has been playing politics with the peace of the world.—Oregon Journal.

Once in Life Right—

Attorney Vanderveer argues that the Montezano verdict was contrary to the law and evidence, and it looks as if for once in his life he is right.—Eugene Register.

Best Flag in World—

The man who trades his Liberty bonds for Canadian bonds is out of pocket on the first transaction, for the American dollar is worth twenty cents more than the Canadian dollar. Bear that in mind. Don't be attracted by the interest rates of Canadian securities. Stick to your own flag. It is the best the world has ever seen, and this country's bonds and money will

Twisted Economics—

"Again we say, so-called thrift after it passes a certain point, while perhaps good for the individual is bad for any community. It withdraws money from doing the work of the community. The community is as poor as if the dollar were not within its confines."—The Dalles Chronicle.

Buying Public Office—

A fine of \$10,000 and two years imprisonment is the punishment inflicted upon Truman H. Newberry for purchasing a seat in the United States senate by the expenditure of nearly a million dollars. The conviction is perhaps the most important move for the purity of elections yet made and will go a long way to eliminate corruption in politics.—Capitol Journal.

## TODAY'S EVENTS

Tuesday, March 23, 1920  
Today is the 35th anniversary of the beginning of the insurrection in the Canadian Northwest under the leadership of Louis Riel.  
Connecticut Republicans are to meet for their State convention today to

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Pressure cooking and canning is recommended by the Government and by Domestic Science experts everywhere. See articles by famous authors in the November Delineator, p. 52, and the Modern Pricilla of November, p. 46. Watch Pictorial Review for article showing the Sechrist Cooker.

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choose delegates to the national convention at Chicago next June.

The presidential preference primary in South Dakota today is expected to afford the first real test of strength among the aspirants for the Republican nomination.

The question of holding a Dominion-wide convention of farmers to decide on a political platform is expected to be discussed by the Canadian Council of Agriculture at its annual meeting in Toronto today. J. E. Marshall and his two sons,

Charles and Felix, who are charged with the murder of a family of four persons on January 15 last, are to be placed on trial today at Tupelo, Miss.

Went To Portland—

Al Sternberg went to Portland on a business and pleasure trip yesterday. He was accompanied by Miss Carrie Wolfe, Wilbur Wolf and Mrs. Young, of the Sternberg Women's shop.

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