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more settled government and trade is most welcome. It comes in a time of extremity, and a population that has been facing it ought to be thankful for the relief. Each individual ought to be glad to escape the chaos of demoralization, and do all in his power to secure the stability of a new era.

The Mexican people should be able to see that the United States respects their territorial and other rights as a nation. We are in no plot to despoil them of land or overreach them in trade.

If Mexico will maintain sound, responsible government its prosperity would be far beyond the average. And if each Mexican resolves to do it the new era will be here.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

TAX WAR ORDERS.

The best suggestion for raising revenue to meet the federal shortage is the proposed tax on the munition and war order shipments.

The war caused the revenue shortage. Trade built up in this country by the war should therefore be taxed to meet the shortage.

The traffic in war orders has assumed enormous volume. Fortunes are made almost over night. A city of 30,000 was built up in a few weeks from the profits of the Dupont powder business. The profits from the munitions trade have become so great that there are the same wild and feverish operations that were characteristic of the rich mining camps in the old golden days.

The war brought serious disturbance to much of the business of the United States. It caused paralysis and stagnation in many industries. It dislocated many kinds of business throughout the world.

It would not be right for the American government to make up its revenue from the industries harmed by the war. The workingman thrown out of employment by the war, ought not to be taxed on ihs note when he borrows $100 at the bank to tide his family over the idle times.

The best and most appropriate of all the sources of revenue yet proposed to meet the war deficiency is the enormously profitable traffic in war supplies.

This traffic makes its money off the war; it should provid ea just proportion of the revenue lost by the war.—Oregon Journal.

WHAT GREAT BRITAIN HAS ACCOMPLISHED WITH ITS FLEET.

What sea power means to England at war is convincingly shown by A. C. Laut. The steadily increasing strangulation of German commerce with Sweden by British submarines operating in the Baltic and also preventing the German fleet from seconding the German invasion of Russia add point to the statement of fact.

The freedom of England from invasion by Germany has been the supreme achievement of the British navy. It also, however, has guarded the transportation of 2,500,000 men, brought home over 500,000 invalids, protected the importation of 3,000,000 tons of supplies and food and assured the allies of $1,500,000,000 of munitions and supplies. It has made the remotest lane of ocean traffic, outside of mined districts, as safe in war as in peace.

What England's fleets meant to Germany appears from 170 Austrian and German ships putting into neutral harbors as soon as war broke out. Between interned ships and destroyed ships Germany's mercantile marine has become virtually a cipher. The navy of Britain has likewise disposed of 84 per cent of all the submarines that Germany owned at the opening of the war.

It is instructive to recall a bit of British naval history last year and to record the fact that Churchill saved his country from a German raid. The annual maneuvers had ended on July 25, but Churchill, instead of dispersing the navy, ordered it not to do so. Austria declared war on Serbia July 28. The very next day every commissioned British ship was on its way to the appointed station. The Mediterranean fleet made for Malta. At Gibralter the news that Germany had declared war against Russia was received, and on August 4 England's declaration of war with Germany was read. Simultaneously with the declaration of war by Germany it had sent out its raiders against British commerce. Churchill had ascertained the fact, had mobilized the navy instantaneously, and had saved British commerce on the high seas.

Fighting on land might conceivably become a drawn duel in which each combatant might bleed to death, but sea power remains the dominant factor, and the naval might of England, France and Italy is steadily and surely throttling the breath out of Germany and Austria. The German and British fleets may not fight a pitched battle, but the silent pressure of sea power will decide the result of the war.—Spokesman-Review.

The Altar Society of St. Patrick's Church will give a card social in the Odd Fellows hall on Tuesday evening, Dec. 30th, at 8 o'clock. A musical program in which Mrs. C. L. Sweek, Mrs. R. J. Vaughn, Miss Margaret O'Rourke and a men's trio are participating, will be rendered. After the playing is finished light refreshments will be served.

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Glenn Y. Wells, county attorney, attended the meeting of the county attorneys of the state in Salem last week.

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David Hynd of Sand Hollow was in Heppner Wednesday.

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MORROW COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER

Thursday, December 23, 1915.

Merry Christmas.

No doubt lots of us will be doing our Christmas shopping early tomorrow evening.

"Austrian diplomat seeking way out" reads headline. There won't be many of the German-Austro high officials left in the land of the stars and stripes if Uncle continues to show them the way out.

One of the finest special editions that has come to our desk in a long time is that 25th anniversary number of The Dalles Chronicle. The entire edition is chuck full of facts showing the progress The Dalles and Wasco county has made in a quarter of a century. The mechanical makeup of the Chronicle is excellent.

A RICH POOR NEIGHBOR.

Business is ready to bulge across the Mexican border in large volumes and great variety as soon as conditions are tranquil enough to encourage the activities of peaceful trade. Even now long trains loaded with commodities are passing from this country into Mexico by Rio Grande gateways, and American commercial travelers are flocking in to assist in the orderly resumption of commercial intercourse. As the world knows and has always known since the discovery of the New World, Mexico is a land of unsurpassed natural wealth. But for reasons connected with its government, or rather misgovernment, its population of over 16,000,000 has seen more downs and ups in spite of their wonderful undeveloped resources. In the last few years the sufferings of the Mexican people have been intensified, and it is certain that the extent and severity of their unusual hardshps are not fully comprehended. Hunger and unusual disease have lately been added to their other troubles. The prospect of a

DEPARTED HEROES.

In passing drop a briny tear
For good old Andy Aikens;
In life no one would ever hear
Him asking for "the makin's."
—Youngstown Telegram.

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In passing don't forget to weep
For good old Johnny Bone;
In life he never made a peep
And never sought a loan.
—Mansfield Shield.

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In passing we would drop a tear
For honest old Abe Lincoln:
For when he started in to talk
It didn't stop his thinkin'.
—Jamestown Journal

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In passing drop a boquet on
The grave of Anson Farr;
Who never held you for an hour
To lie about his car.
—Grand Rapids News.

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In passing drop a brick-bat on
The head of old man Buck;
Who's always knocking at the door
To sell your wife some truck.
—Geneva Free Press-Times.

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In passing kindly drop a tear
For William Rotter Reef;
He had some trouble with his ear,
But never said, "I'm deef."
—Birmingham Age-Herald.

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In passing bow in honor of
The sterling worth of Adam Doak,
Who lived among his fellow-men
And told not one Ford joke.
—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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For William Thomas Quills;
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He always pays his bills.

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