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Paul Reitmann, extensive wheat farmer of North Ione was in Heppner Saturday to report for the North Ione precinct.

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WHY WE ARE AT WAR WITH GERMANY

By EPHRAIM DOUGLASS ADAMS
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"The object of this war is to deliver the free peoples of the world from the menace and the actual power of a vast military establishment controlled by an irresponsible government, which, having secretly planned to dominate the world, proceeded to carry out the plan without regard either to the sacred obligations of treaty or the long-established principles and long-cherished principles of international action or honor. . . . This war is not the German people. It is a ruthless master of the German people. It is our business to see to it that the history of the rest of the world is no longer left to its handling." President Wilson, August 27, 1917.

WE FIGHT FOR PEACE AND FOR SELF-RESPECT.

What sort of a peace does Germany hope to secure? That can be answered in a sentence: a peace which will enable her to fulfill in the next war the aims she has failed to fulfill in this. In the answer is brief: a peace which will make sure that "it shall be again."

This war has killed (not maimed or wounded) over 8,000,000 young and vigorous men. Yet Germany still believes that any act, however atrocious, is permissible so long as it is necessary to win the war. Against that they set her will.

Does anyone doubt that Germany believes in the "Perpetual Peace" and it is not even a part of her order instituted by God? The peace not only leads to the existence of a multitude of pitiful, trembling creatures with loud cries about them, but it also makes the air fetid, and the world the blood of the German people.

Conference by Germany in 1914. "We must not let permanent peace as a result of Heaven forbid Germany." And Treitschke, the historian, to the military class of Germany, taught over and over again that war was the only means of achieving world leadership; that war "is to be conceived as an ordinance set by God"; that "war is just and moral, and that the idea of eternal peace is both unjust and immoral and impossible."

These theories, put in practice, have made of Germany the Cain of civilization—"his hand against every man's hand." In self-defense and in mere self-respect, America was forced to strike back. We could not sit still when we realized that it was our duty "to be and to remain the out-spoken moral opponents of the present German policy, and of the German State, so long as it holds its present policy, and carries on its present war." Germany, as at present disposed, is the willful and deliberate enemy of the human race." (Josiah Royce.)

But if there be any who have not this larger vision of the issues of the war—who are not moved to shake all on the abstract justice of our cause—then let them ask themselves what self-respect as a nation demands of America, and of true Americans, under the treatment we received from Germany.

When the European war came in 1914, and while we were still neutral, what insult was not heaped upon our self-respect? The Austrian Ambassador, Dumba, plotted to organize strikes in our munitions factories, and to lay up agitators to incite workmen to discontent. German spies, now convicted and in jail, have admitted that they worked under the direction of high German officials to commit acts in violation of our neutrality. Some of these same officials have admitted the expenditure of millions of dollars in illegal operations conducted "in direct defiance of our laws, and in insolent disregard of international diplomatic courtesy." The catalogue of German crimes in America, and of German agents amongst us, while we were still neutral, if published in full, would be astounding almost to disbelief.

The German acts have startled us at last to the knowledge that the nation which permits them without resentment is no nation in that essential quality of patriotism—self-respect. Without that quality, we are but a mass of disorganized peoples, having no influence in world affairs, and ultimately at the mercy of that state which best knows how to carry on shameless intrigues amongst us. Germany is that state. We are fighting in the hope of saving the world from her immoral ideals; but we are also fighting to restore our self-respect.

This is the eighth of a series of ten articles by Professor Adams.

Picnic On Skinner's Creek.
The people of the upper Willow creek community are planning a picnic dinner and an afternoon program on Skinner creek, Wednesday, May 29th. Everybody is expected to take the day off, meet with their neighbors and enjoy themselves for the day. County agent F. R. Brown, S. E. Notson and others from Heppner are going out. Everybody is invited to join in on a good time.

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WHEAT GROWERS WILL HOLD CONFERENCES

(F. R. Brown, County Agent.)
Starting from Pendleton June 18th, spending sometime in Umatilla basin counties, Agricultural College officials, and a few wheat growers from each of the counties will hold a series of conferences and visit a number of demonstrations in the growing of wheat. Recently a group of fifty or sixty stockmen met at the Union Experiment Station, where, while they looked at the different lot of steers being fed at the place, they were told what methods were used in each case. The general opinion was easily expressed in the words of Senator Pierce when he said, "Prof. Potter told us of this work when we were in Ontario, but Prof. Potter could not talk nearly so strong or in so definite terms as do these steers themselves." You wheat growers have talked amongst yourselves, have told what you can do, have heard stories of what other fellows can do, here is an opportunity for you, however, to go and see, find out for yourselves what the different methods will do. The last day of the conference will be spent at the Moro experiment station where Mr. Stephens has been able to demonstrate some very practical methods. Already a number of Morrow county farmers have signified their intention of taking in part or all of this conference. It perhaps would not be convenient for desirable for all to attend. However, we are going to keep out a sign "room for one more." Call and make your arrangements early so a seat may be reserved for you in somebody's "Ford."

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Max Gorkle, of the Eastern Hide & Junk Company of Pendleton, was in Heppner the first of the week,

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Anderson motored over to Pendleton last Friday evening and spent the week end with relatives and friends.

Ed Kellogg took a load of freight to Lone Rock for J. B. Huddleston last Tuesday. He contemplates hauling wool in that vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barlow of Ione were Heppner visitors this week. They recently returned from a visit to Camp Lewis and an account of the trip will be found in another column of this paper.

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