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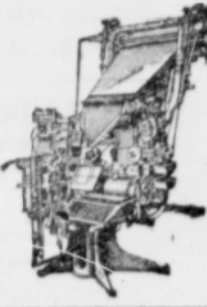
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### Is Peace in Sight?

It may indeed be true that the fall of Przemysl has opened a door through which the world may see a tangible hope for the termination of the great war. It is significant that this defeat for Austrian arms was followed shortly by crises in three European capitals—in Rome where Italy is hesitating but almost entirely committed to entrance into hostilities with Austria because the latter has declined to make acceptable concessions of territory as the price of Italian neutrality; in Sofia where the German general, von der Goltz, has gone in haste in an effort to stay the progress of the movement in Bulgaria to renew hostilities with Turkey; in Bucharest where renewed pressure is being put upon the Roumanian government to join the allies. Should the two latter nations, Rumania and Bulgaria, enter the war, it is a certainty that Greece would no longer hesitate, but would thrust aside the king's personal wishes, and insure a portion of the spoils by casting their lot against their ancient enemy, Turkey, today the ally of Germany and Austria.

If all of these powers, or even if none but Italy, enters the lists, the present balance of military power which has enabled Germany and Austria to hold their enemies at bay would be upset and the preponderance of the allies' strength would produce one of two results—induce Germany and Austria to make peace at once upon the best terms obtainable, or bring about the same result by increased military pressure in the spring campaign about to open.

Thus far Germany and Austria have made a magnificent fight against their enemies. Should the strength of those enemies remain as now they might hold them at bay on their borders for such a long time that exhaustion might force some kind of a truce in the fighting. But if the millions of soldiers which Italy, Rumania, Bulgaria and Greece would throw into the field are added to the Teutonic antagonists, the case would become hopeless and an early peace, at almost any sacrifice, would become about the only recourse left.—Exchange.

### City Planning is Said to Lower Death Rates.

The death rate in any Oregon city can be made lower if a city planning scheme is carried out, according to Ellis F. Lawrence, director of the school of architecture of the University of Oregon.

"City planning means more than mere beautification. It means parks and playgrounds for the children, sunlight and purer air, garden room, good sanitation, pure water, and buildings that will not have to be torn down when the city gets larger," said Mr. Lawrence. "The town should begin to plan when it is small."

Several Oregon cities have caught the city planning idea. Grants Pass is one. Mr. Lawrence cites the following example of the benefit of city planning to community health: a large English soap concern moved its plant from Liverpool to a suburban location, upon which it proceeded to erect model houses for its employees and to develop an environment calculated to set up a maximum of efficiency in the workmen and their families. After a few years a survey was made of children in the district in Liverpool from which the plant had moved and of the children in the planned factory city. The children under 14 years in the latter averaged 14 pounds heavier than the corresponding children in Liverpool, and 5 1/2 inches taller.

The entire rate making scheme of railways in the United States may be changed as a result of proposals by transcontinental railroad with terminals in Portland, Seattle and Tacoma. These roads ask the interstate Commerce Commission that they be permitted to establish lower rates to interior cities of the Northwest because of through shipping via Panama Canal.

The fact that bonds were voted in Multnomah county Wednesday for paved roads indicates that the movement will spread eventually over the main roads of the entire state. When that time comes Oregon will become the greatest state in the union.—Brownsville Times.

Business men and transportation companies, no more than individuals can be bound hand and foot by regulation and yet give good service and employ labor.

Blue Mountain grange adopted resolutions opposing sportsmen shooting crows, magpies or any birds, as they save the crops from cutworms.

The Corvallis Commercial club is working for gas plant, railroad, city and county park and good roads.

The Western Union Tel. Co. is installing substations on the Oregon Electric system.

### This Year's Rose Festival.

Four great pageants, which for beauty, length and the many unique attractive features, will be the greatest parades ever offered in the history of Portland's annual Rose Festival, are included in this year's events.

The opening day, June 9, will feature the parade of the "Human Rosebuds." More than 5,000 children will take part. This will be followed by the crowning of the queen at the Festival Center during the afternoon. Towards evening 3,000 children—boys and girls—will assemble at Multnomah field for a concert, the largest children's concert ever held in the Pacific Northwest.

Wednesday, June 10, will feature the decorated automobile and vehicle parade in which more than 300 floats will be seen, the most wonderful spectacle of the kind ever attempted. The evening of the second day will bring together more than 4,000 adult voices in a great community sing.

Friday, June 11, closing day of the festival, will witness the monster fraternal, industrial and military parade, the grandest pageant of the kind ever offered. More than 10,000 people will be in the line of march with some of the most unique floats ever seen in the west. The annual electric parade, which for its dazzling beauty has never been equaled in the United States, will be one of the big night features.

This year's program will offer some event every hour of the day from early in the morning of June 9, until the festival closes at midnight of June 11. Band concerts will be hourly features and flying vocal squadrons will be heard in down town hotels and the festival center will offer novel entertainment features of some kind hourly.

The annual Rose show at the Armory, where more than 2,000,000 beautiful roses will be on display, will open June 9 and continue for the three days of the festa. More than 500 school boys will participate in a roller skating marathon over the public streets.

The Pacific Northwest association has awarded the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club the P. N. A. track and field championships and the northwest try-out championships for 1915. These try-out events will be held during the Rose Festival under the auspices of the Multnomah club and the festival governors. Medals will be awarded the winners by the festa management. The winners of the Rose Festival events will have the privilege of entering the far western championships at San Francisco, a feature of the exposition.

Portland's 1915 floral center will be a paragon of beauty, and one of the most superb ever planned. It will cover two of the park blocks and will include eight immense beds of bloom to surround a mammoth center piece; illuminated promenade, sixteen immense exhibition beds of choice blooming plants and sixteen booths in which sixteen communities will exhibit for prizes. Professional flower growers of the city will make an exhibit of the choicest roses ever assembled out of doors in the world. The 1915 Rose Festival poster, the donation of Fred G. Cooper, former Oregon boy, whose father J. C. Cooper, of McMinnville, Oregon, wrote, "The Whole World Knows the Portland Rose" and won the 1915 slogan contest, will soon be seen in more than 11,000 railroad ticket offices of the United States. This number of posters has been circulated by local and foreign lines.

The Tax Liberator, like most of the taxpayers in Oregon, firmly believes that there is much need for greater efficiency in public expenditure. It believes that there is waste, extravagance, mismanagement and graft in the administration of public affairs in Oregon. Searching investigation, open discussion and public censure—these and these only—will bring relief and lower taxes. But such criticism must be intelligent, honest and fair. If public officials who are faithful and competent are classed with the unfaithful and incompetent, no results can be obtained. We must, therefore, be just as ready to commend the worthy as to condemn the unworthy. The Tax Liberator congratulates the office of the Secretary of State for the economical and efficient manner in which the auto license tax has been administered.

Julius Kruttschmitt, Southern Pacific head, in testifying before the U. S. Commission on Industrial relations said: "I am convinced that the task of settling disputes is the task of keeping the public informed. The public which is almost always right should decide the merits of the controversies."

Portland public docks commission asks a \$900,000 bond issue in June to erect a municipal grain elevator.

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When the seeds are inoculated with this culture there is always a certainty of a crop. These nodules on the roots of the plants take the nitrogen from the air and make plant food.

About 40 of the students of this department are grouped together for this work. They will get the seeds today and each student will plant a quantity of them at his home and will carefully watch results. Later when beans are ready to plant these seeds will be treated with this bacteria and experiments with that crop will be made.

The results of the experiments will be reported in detail to the O. A. C. authorities and some valuable information may be gained by the work of the local students. The O. A. C. is furnishing this culture to the farmers of the state free and if they take advantage of the offer they stand to greatly increase their crops of the leguminous plants, such as peas, beans, the different kinds of clovers, alfalfa, vetch and lupine.—Eugene Register.

The Interstate Commerce Commission says the S. P. & S. Ry. cannot operate the steamboat line from The Dalles to Astoria under the Panama Canal act forbidding the ownership of boat lines by railroads. Just another sample of regulation that helps drive capital away.

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### ARBOR DAY.

A hint to the women's club concerning the observance of Arbor day may not be amiss. The occasion has been observed in other years, and the mementoes of the day are to be seen in every public school yard. There is the incentive to make beautiful the waste places, latent in every mind. The opportunity should not be allowed to pass while there is the possibility of adding to the beauty scheme in any locality.

There is the new high school field to be looked after. A year saved is a year gained in the growth of a tree. Several of them should be planted there this spring to relieve the barren waste that will surround the new building. Trees pay in value, in beauty and in health, and those who plant them are worthier than those who erect massive monuments without their adornment.

President Wilson says that when he retires from his present office he will criticize his successor whenever occasion arises. He is probably thinking of getting even for the criticisms heaped upon him by the Colonel.

Mayor Straw, for eight years mayor of Marshfield has been presented with a fine new residence as an appreciation of his service instead of a monument after he is dead.

For ten months ending April 1, Eugene shows \$439,888 building record, as against \$284,924 for preceding year.

If the Parent-Teacher associations will help lower Oregon school taxes it will be helping bring more people here.

The Portland Railway, Light & Power company pays one-sixth tax of Clackamas county.

England going "war-dry" will boost Oregon loganberry juice.

Irvington is to have an \$80,000 community club house.