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FOLLOWING PIED PIPER

EVIDENTLY we are to have a state administration "personally conducted" by the Portland Oregonian. Lair Thompson, "swamp-angel" steersman of the Oregonian's legislative machine of the last session, is to be president of the senate.

The various committee chairmanships and memberships have been parcelled out in advance to strengthen the Oregonian's control. With Dr. Withycombe, Oregonian governor, to approve the "harmony" program enacted by the Oregonian legislature, there is every reason for joy in the ranks of the political plum-seekers and corporation lobbyists.

Probably one of the first moves in the Oregonian's program will be to remove political appointments from the board of control, which the Oregonian does not own, where they were placed to curtail a democratic governor's power and place them in the hands of the governor.

With this perfected political machine and the legislative favors it passes out, the Oregonian hopes to dictate the nomination and election of the next United States senator as well as the next governor. Who will be its candidate for the senate? Who but that staunch friend of the people and defender of the Oregon system, its own popular editor-statesman—the peerless pied piper.

Lured by sweet pie-counter tunes of this pied piper, the legislators are apt to meet the same fate that overtook the children who joyously pursued the fabled pied-piper of Hamelin—a fate that has befallen many who in the past have followed pied piper, to find the earth closing in on them in the Oregonian's political cemetery.

CHRISTMAS LULL IN WAR OPPOSED BY A. CARNEGIE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Andrew Carnegie, a white house caller today, expressed decided opposition to a truce in the European war during the Christmas holidays. He declared that it would be un-Christianlike and immoral to stop the fighting and then begin it again.

The president was out golfing and Mr. Carnegie said he probably would return to pay his respects. He praised Mr. Wilson's efforts in behalf of peace.

Blames Military Caste

Mr. Carnegie gave it as his opinion that the military caste in Germany was responsible for the war, but that at the time hostilities broke out the kaiser was ill and opposed to the war.

Mr. Carnegie said he hoped that the world would be so horrified over the war that permanent peace would follow. He said his peace foundation would continue its work and that he believed ultimately international arbitration would settle all disputes.

Mr. Carnegie showed interest at a suggestion to him that he might be called upon by the president to help bring about peace when the time came.

"I will do anything I possibly can," he said. "I believe Mr. Wilson earnestly desires peace and the entire community should support him."

For the "men in the trenches," Mr. Carnegie expressed the greatest sympathy.

Soldiers Innocent

"They had nothing to do with bringing about this terrible conflict," he said. "All they can do is to obey orders and shoot each other down. It is terrible that so many widows and orphans are being made because a few men wanted to go to war. It is terrible that all the scientists and other men of culture in Germany are able to advise the kaiser, instead of the small clique of military."

"I don't see how this can but bring about a great reaction when this war is over. I sincerely hope to see the day when nations will settle their differences in the same way as in courts. There can be a national police force to enforce the decisions of the Hague tribunal just as policemen enforce the decisions of courts."

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

(By Glenn Laidley.) Glen Simmons and sister, Miss Beatrice, who are new arrivals from Nebraska, are attending the local high school.

December 18th school will close to allow the teachers to attend the Oregon State Teachers' association meeting at Eugene. The vacation period will be two weeks.

The entertainment at the Page December 18 will be given for the purpose of helping to pay the expense of the athletic field. No cause is more worthy of your support, and you are urged to help and do all in your power to make it a success in every particular.

The local high school second team defeated the Phoenix high school five Thursday in a basketball game. The score was 39-2. The game was not of the fast variety, but it gave Coach Moore an idea about his men. Lloyd Williamson was the star for the locals and Jernsta and Johnson were the mainstays for the visitors.

The alumni plan to give a ball Christmas night, to which all members of the high school are invited.

The local high school basketball team will play Central Point high in the near future.

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Prosperity Predicted for Poultry

(San Francisco Call.)

The poultry business in California and on the Pacific coast in general is about to enter into an era of prosperity such as it has never known in the past as a result of the European war, according to H. H. Collier of Tacoma, commissioner of poultry of the state of Washington at the exposition, who is one of the judges at the San Francisco poultry show which opened in the Auditorium today.

The other judges are W. M. Coats of Vancouver and A. H. Currier of Santa Rosa.

Collier said today that foreign nations at war, particularly France and England, have taken all the eggs, both fresh and storage, that the United States could supply. Big orders are pending and only a few days ago one cargo of 6,000,000 dozen eggs left Bonton harbor England bound.

"California must depend upon her own products in the future," said Collier. "On the Pacific we have only been raising about one-half of the supply, but in the future we must depend entirely upon our own resources for poultry product. The supply of the middle west is wanted in Europe, and California has unlimited opportunities for a big poultry boom."

The San Francisco poultry show opened today with over 2000 birds on exhibition. It is the second annual show given in this city and promises to be record breaking. The children's department has been particularly developed at this exhibition.

As to Christmas Presents

(From the New York Sun)

Do not think of cutting down your Christmas presents. Give freely according to your means. If your heart is heavy for the agonized people of Europe you need not be frivolous in giving. But whether the giving is joyous or in the minor key, there never was a Christmas when the obligation to give was more pressing.

The proposal to cut off Christmas presents grows out of that well meaning but mistaken view of life which dwells so much on the superficially "practical" side that is blind to all the practical considerations underlying the mainly graceful or decorative aspects of life. A general contraction of Christmas present making this year would unquestionably have far reaching disastrous effects.

It would mean to manufacturers and jobbers heavy unsold stock; to retailers it would mean shrinkage of trade and disappearance of profits; to the transportation interests it would mean the loss of regular annual business; to the wage workers it would mean widespread lack of employment. With many out of work in this city at present it is pitiful to think of the eagerness with which some thousands of men and women must look forward to the Christmas flurry as a hope for earning a few days' pay.

How much more pitiful would it be if this hope were defeated.

Wise givers will naturally adapt their Christmas remembrances in this troubled year to the prevailing temper. Utilitarian considerations will be likely to guide them to an usual extent. But it is to be hoped that the inspired trifle will not be entirely dropped out of currency. The pretty card with genuine good will behind its conventional wishes, the foolish bit of finery or unnecessary house ornament that expresses a sympathetic thought, the sparkling stone which is ultra-precious because of the sentiment it betokens, will serve not only to warm the festival of peace with some of its accustomed glow, but further—and here let the practical folk take heed—the money spent on them, filtering back over the counter through the channels of trade to the starting place of the toy or its materials, will help in some degree, great or little, a long line of anxious capitalists and workers, great and small, to weather hard times.

It is the genial privilege and joy-

ous duty of all to relax their purse strings this year for Christmas presents just as far as prudence will allow.

RED CROSS STAMP SALE TOMORROW

Sale of Red Cross Christmas stamps under the auspices of the Greater Medford club will begin tomorrow. The sale will be in charge of high school girls at the following business places.

Golden Rule—The Misses Vera Lane, Nellie Campbell, Nellie Corum, and Josephine Clarke.

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Meeker's—The Misses Lorraine Cowgill, Blanche Mauls, and Mable Davis.

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M. F. & H.—The Misses Edna Marcus and Mary Mansfield.

Haskin's—The Misses Eva Osborn, Bernice Balamo, Dorothy Thorn, and Hazel Antle.

Mann's—The Misses Margaret Souther, Marie Effert, Lucile Messner.

The proceeds of the sale of the stamps will be devoted to the furtherance of Red-Cross work throughout the world.

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SERVIANS PURSUE AUSTRIAN FORCES

LONDON, Dec. 11, 9:15 a. m.—A dispatch from Nish, Serbia, to Reuter's Telegram company contains a statement giving additional details of the recent overwhelming victory over the Austrians claimed by the Servians in northwest Serbia.

"The pursuit of the enemy is proceeding along the whole line," the statement says, "especially on our left and center."

The statement reviews the fighting from December 3 to 7, inclusive, estimates the total prisoners at upwards of 22,000 and enumerates an immense and varied assortment of war material captured, including an entire artillery depot.

In addition to his own fire detection system, the supervisor of the Palisade national forest, Idaho, was notified of each fire by from five to ten different local settlers, who thus showed their co-operation in working for fire suppression.

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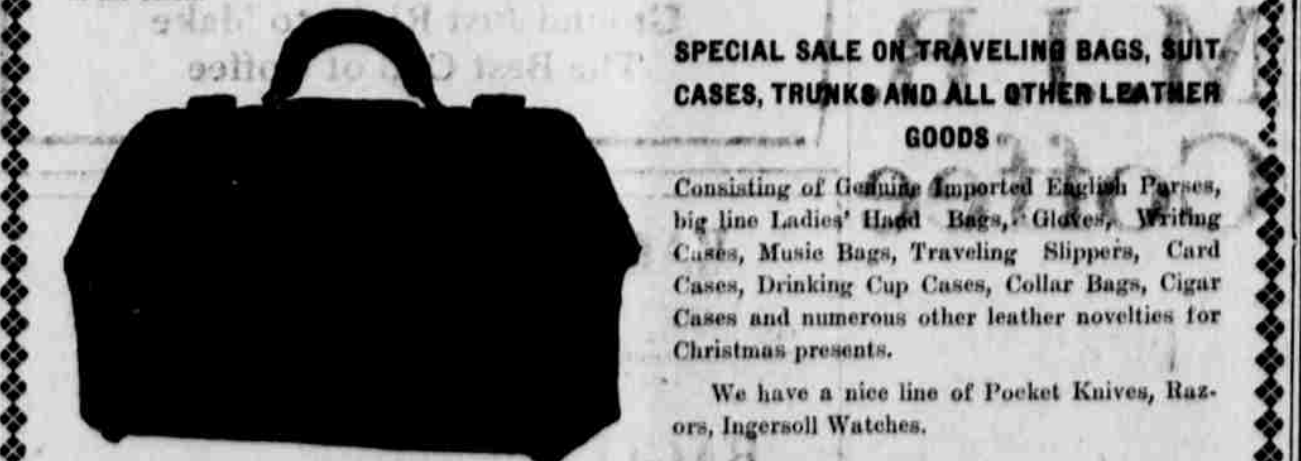
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