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PLENTY OF ROOM FOR BOTH

GRANTS PASS is very much exercised over the Medford proposal to assist the construction of a railroad to the Blue Ledge district as a unit in a railroad to Eureka.

Medford and Grants Pass are far enough apart to have few conflicting interests. The citizens of each city can spend their energies in developing their own tributary territory without reference to the other.

Medford is concerned at present principally in a railroad to the Blue Ledge and Klamath river mineral and timber belt and their development. When this has been secured, there is plenty of time to talk about further extension.

If Grants Pass wants to vote a bond issue to connect the Twohy railroad with the Medford-built line—well and good. The more railroads built the better.

The primary object for Medford is the development of her resources and through them secure her own development. Grants Pass is actuated by similar motives.

Grants Pass has a sugar factory under erection, having assured the promoters that sufficient acreage could be furnished in her vicinity. Because few of the farmers in this section care to engage in beet culture, except for a local institution, there has been no end of abuse and villification in the Grants Pass press.

Medford wishes Grants Pass the utmost success in her efforts for development and assures her freedom from quarrelsome meddling and expects similar treatment in return.

MEXICO INTERPRETED

BY FREDERICK STARR

University of Chicago—Author of "Mexico and the United States."

Remember the time it was the sixteenth century. There grew up in Mexico a splendid city with the wealth, culture and refinement of the day.

More than 200 different books, printed in Mexico before the year 1600, are known in libraries. In the sixteenth century, in the city of Mexico, Pedro de Gante, in his work for the Indians, developed a genuine industrial school—too of-

The Worth of the Household Magazine

(High School editorial by Vera E. Lane, '16.)

There are a great many magazines printed today, and as with everything else in the world, there are good and indifferent magazines. No attempt will be made to say anything about these two classes of magazines, as the subject is an extensive one and covers a great deal of ground.

Some of the most helpful articles in these magazines are the recipes, and the economical and time-saving devices which the magazines picture and describe, telling how they can be made at home with the least expense.

foods that have been passed upon by the government, thus insuring the good health of the family following the directions when buying. Last, but by no means least, are the styles. Apart from picturing the latest fashions, the magazines contain articles describing how cast-off clothing, which is usually relegated to the rag bag, may be made into something useful.

One feature of all household magazines which is generally enjoyed by the whole household, is the fiction department. Most of the stories are good, concise and easily understood by the younger members of the family.

These magazines thus take the place of several classes of magazines and fill the fiction vacuum as well. With due consideration of the fact that all fiction magazines are very popular with all classes of people, one must admit that the strictly "household" magazine fills an important niche in the home life of many families in our country.

VERA E. LANE, '16.

Coming Into Its Own

Nations and communities need discipline just as much as individuals. The European nations have been experiencing a system of discipline for the past eighteen months, and no one the world over can state with any degree of certainty when the course will be completed and the combatants privileged to hang out their "shingles" and pursue their much-longed-for vacation of the peace business.

The business we have been doing in years past, while very wholesome and prosperous in a large measure, has not been commensurate with the needs in many sections to warrant the extravagant practices which the blind eyes and dulled sensibilities of the people have been unable to cope with.

In the manufacture of any goods there is always waste material, and while in years gone by a large amount of this waste material has been considered of no value whatever, more and more our manufacturers are making use of it, buying gained wisdom from our much ridiculed and dis-trusted meat packers, who virtually do not allow a ounce of the excess of the four-footed animals to get away from them without a complete and satisfactory settlement.

dom and for the benefit of his servants in this world, a part of which body we all are. Many evils have been accumulated in the social world during this period of readjustment, which our country has been undergoing, but there is no reason for them to be wholly disheerened. While some will have to start life over again, there is a field for every one of them to operate in, and success lies on the highways of their travels.

From the standpoint of scenery and climate, there is no more attractive section in our country to live in than the beautiful and fertile Rogue River valley, of which the city of Medford, with her beautiful homes, well-paved streets, abundant water supply and irrigation project, together with many other physical attributes, takes just pride. As the metropolis of a section rich in agricultural productivity and surrounded by a country of untold and undeveloped mineral resources, there is every reason in the world for optimism to hold full sway.

WALTER FRAZIER BROWN.

NEW RAILROADS BRING MUNITIONS TO RUSSIA

NEW YORK, April 1.—Munitions which had been accumulating at Russian ports because of inadequate railway facilities now are being dispatched rapidly to supply depots inland over newly constructed lines, according to a party of sixty-six Canadian railway builders who arrived today on the Russian liner Kursk from Kola Bay.

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RUSSIAN HOSPITAL SHIP TORPEDOED IN THE BLACK SEA

PETROGRAD, April 1.—The sinking of the Russian hospital ship Portugal in the Black sea is thus described in a dispatch received from M. Goluboff, delegate general of the Red Cross with the Caucasian army: "At 8:30 last night near Shubie, our hospital ship Portugal, at anchor, was sunk by an enemy submarine which fired two torpedoes from a range of 60 yards. After the second torpedo the ship sank in less than a minute."

"Trawlers and a torpedo-boat rescued eleven of the twenty-six Sisters of Charity who were aboard. They also saved three commanders, including the French commander Duvent, and two doctors, one priest, 125 men of the Russian medical corps and thirteen men of the French crew. "The missing include Count Tatistcheff, delegate of the Red Cross, a doctor, the senior Sister of Charity, Baroness Meyerendorff, and fourteen other Sisters of Charity, fifty men of the Russian medical service and twenty-nine of the French crew. "According to the commander, the Portugal had 273 persons aboard, of whom 158 were saved. On receiving news of this outrage I proceeded to the spot and interviewed the survivors at the Red Cross hospital on shore. "The Portugal carried the usual Red Cross signs prominently displayed."

HOLLAND UNEASY PREPARES FOR WAR

LONDON, April 1.—Private dispatches received in Copenhagen from Rotterdam and wireless messages from German sources say that considerable uneasiness prevails in Holland and that the Dutch military and naval authorities are taking various precautions. All leaves for naval and military officers have been cancelled. Railway cars which were placed at the disposal of the military authorities on the outbreak of the war and subsequently were released temporarily have been requisitioned. There have been significant meetings of those high in command in the army and navy. One report says both houses of parliament have been summoned.

The dispatches do not disclose the cause of the feeling, but it presumably is connected with the sinking of Dutch steamships. Telegraphic communication between England and Holland still is interrupted.

FULTON TO FIGHT THREE IN GOTHAM

MINNEAPOLIS, April 1.—Fred Fulton, Minnesota heavyweight fighter, has signed a contract with a syndicate of five New York promoters, including Tex Rickard, to meet three fighters in New York for \$50,000, according to an announcement here today by Mike Collins, Fulton's manager, on his return from New York. The first fight will be with Al Reich on April 28 or May 6, the second with Jim Coffey or Frank Moran at a date yet to be selected, and the third on Labor Day with a man to be picked by the promoters, according to Collins, who also declared the syndicate had put up \$10,000 to bind the contract and that Fulton had deposited \$1000 forfeit money.

TWO MORE VICTIMS OF GERMAN SUBMARINES

LONDON, April 1.—Lloyd's reports the sinking of the Norwegian steamship Norna, of 1224 tons, and of the British schooner John Pridemore, of 118 tons. The crews of both vessels were rescued.

ETAB THEATRE Tomorrow LITTLE MARY SUNSHINE

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PATHE NEWS Our pictures begin where others leave off. Come and be convinced. Henry R. Walthall in "The Raven" Tuesday.

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HOMESTEADERS FILE ON SELITZ

PORTLAND, Ore., April 1.—After waiting in line for days, several of them for two weeks, in the corridors outside the United States land office here, scores of homesteaders today began filing on the Siletz Indian reservation, opened to entry by the government. While there is a total of 14,000 acres scattered throughout the reservation which is open to entry, only a comparatively small portion of it is said to be good agricultural land.

The first man in the line of applicants was John D. Guise, who filed upon a tract on which he had settled, but which he had failed previously to obtain title to.

A number of women who held places in the line for ten days or more, at the last moment gave their places to husbands or brothers, and only one woman, Mrs. Martin Mann, who was No. 41, put in an application. Several men who took positions among the waiting applicants as a financial speculation, sold their places to bonafide homesteaders.

COMMUNICATION.

Was Shakespeare a Prophet?

To the Editor: Much has been written about the prophecies of Mother Shipton and others, but did the local Shakespeare club ever consider the following report of the steward to his master in "Timon of Athens:"

Timon: Ho, Flavius, in good time art thou come

To render thine account of thy returns From my far-off estates.

Flavius: Now, good my Lord, I pray three lead to me a patient ear Whilst I acquaint thee with the full extent

Of thy misfortune. Here: In the Spring Came blustering Boreas and with icy breath

Did blight the tenderest growths and buds Which Nature had brought forth all or their kind.

anon, there came a blasting reason of drought, When Phoebus bright sent down his burning rays

Until the Earth was like a collied kiln; Still, my lord, from out the havar wrought

By cold and heat in turn, some good by store

Remained, which by thy careful husbandry

Had been wet-nursed into maturity. And forthwith, in full laden Argoes, Was sent across the seas, only to fall into the hands of fierce and warring hoards;

And by thyself brought no fair return.

Then, master, at this dire extremity, Came certain noble lords, and spoke us fair.

And bade us plant vines on our soil as little.

And gave assurance that when so we ploughed

They would provide wine pressed for our presses.

Which, thank and rightly, they would do otherwise.

To make them richer surpassing Cyprus' best.

But when we saw them plough as they could;

These insouciant lords, who trouble our intent,

Did leave, and built their wine presses elsewhere;

And left the servants in mud sorry plight

Of course, sugar tests were unknown to Shakespeare, but subsequent sugar tests for grapes in the foregoing, and he certainly seems to have foreseen conditions in this valley last season.

A STUDENT OF SHAKESPEARE.

President Wilson in his message on preparedness said the young men who would compose our army would really be fighting, in case of war, in defense of their employers. We opine that in his message on means of raising revenue to pay the expense of a bigger army and navy that he will suggest that the fellows who have most to defend will be invited to shell out handsomely through increased income taxes.

Those wild shrieks of terror from the Mexican border lead us to believe the commercial clubs, therabouts, are quite active. Nothing would help business in those desert burgs like the presence of a few thousand soldiers. It's about their only hope for a payroll.

If our plutocracy were given the choice of turning over their wealth to this country for the benefit of all the people, or retaining it all through annexation of our fair land to Great Britain or even Germany, which would they choose?

Colonel Roosevelt returned from the West Indian and claims to have discovered a bird with long whiskers. What we thing he really found or heard is that long-lost dream of Jonathan Bourne's about the "second elective term."

If Colonel Roosevelt really must run again, we suggest that William Travers Jerome be his vice. They could unite on this platform: "We shout the most and do the least."

About two years hence we will get a wire from Congressman Hawley telling us he has just secured the enactment of a law giving Jackson county two million dollars from the sale of the railroad lands.

If we need more troops in Mexico, the government might do worse than to call on the society ladies who attended the Willard-Moran fight.

Republican papers these days are quite filled with letters praying for the party to nominate a candidate who will be as good a man as Wilson.

As a rival candidate for president to Mayor Bill Thompson of Chicago, it is in order for someone to start a boom for Jess Willard.

Colonel Roosevelt did, however, render this country one very great service—he helped much to elect Wilson.

GUATEMALA DENIES ASSISTANCE TO DIAZ

NEW YORK, April 1.—Formal denial that the government of Guatemala is assisting General Felix Diaz in any alleged revolutionary movement against General Carranza was made by President Estrada Cabrera through Dr. Ramon Benavides, Guatemalan colonial general here.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC PLANT FOR GOVERNMENT PLANNED

WASHINGTON, April 1.—Plans for a government hydro-electric plant to take hydroes from the air was discussed at a conference today between Secretary Baker, General Crozier, chief of ordnance, and Senator Shields, author of the waterpower bill. No conclusion was reached.