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EM-TEES

THE STRAW HAT BOYS.

(By Amelia Josephine Burr, of the Vigilantes.) Romping in their barracks, Full of life and noise, Down the road I watch them go, The Straw-hat Boys. Faces that have yet to show The lines that manhood brings And capping feet that still are shod With childhood's wanton wings. Strong men will come back to us, Men who laugh at pain— The lads who laugh at nothing Will never come back again. That shallow, sunny mirth will be Like out-grown baby-toys. God make us worthy of your change, Our Straw-hat Boys!

OBSERVATIONS.

Josh Wise: "If everybody had I eat his words, there'd be a lot of dyspepsy."

A German paper condemns the Americans for using shot guns and says they'll be using tommyhawks and scapling knives next. Worthier than that. They'll be using boxing gloves.

Anyway, you must admit the Hun can run. The French had to send their cavalry after him.

A London dispatch says Wolf's comet has been found again. Wolf's a careless man. Any man who loses a comet is worse than the fellow who lost a bass drum.

The Yanks have taken Dammar. And it didn't seem to Dammar, either.

Here is one the old folk in England are teaching the children, in place of the old nursery rhymes.

Save the crumb, And you save the loaf, Save the loaf, And you save the wheat, Save the wheat, And you save the ships, Save the ships, And you save the men, Save the men, On land and sea, and thus you Save your country.

Yes, Germany wants peace provided the allies concede that might makes right, and that both might and right are made in Germany.

By the way, Dr. Rumely, who edited the New York Mail for the Kaiser, also haunts from Indiana. But it isn't Indiana's fault.

That Western Union president who didn't want to deal with the Telegraphers' union gets his wish—he can let Uncle Sam do it.

A report of the federal trade commission calls attention to the fact that in 1916 Armour "raised its capital stock from \$20,000,000 to \$100,000,000 without receiving a dollar more of cash." Pretty slick way of doing business, but the time's coming when it won't work.

Keep the Blood Stream Pure

Rheumatic pains, backache, swollen joints and sore muscles often are the results of impurities in the blood gathering in the region affected, a result of failure of the kidneys to eliminate waste products from the blood stream. Foley Kidney Pills heal, strengthen and invigorate weak, diseased kidneys and bladder. W. H. Hill, Justice of the Peace, Detroit, Tex., writes: "I used Foley Kidney Pills and say unhesitatingly that of all I have used they are the best, and have done the work where the rest failed." Sold everywhere.

THE ROGUE RIVER NUISANCE.

ONCE more the ascent of fish up Rogue river is blocked by the Ament or "Golden Drift" dam some three miles above Grants Pass. Probably nine out of ten fish are unable to get through the dam—both fishways being dry and there being so many iron rods and obstructions around the penstocks that fish attempting to go through are badly mutilated, and many of them killed.

Last year the dam effectually blocked the ascent of the salmon and the government hatchery at Elk creek had the smallest take of salmon in its 30 years of operation. This year promises to be even worse.

Having for 15 years appealed to the courts for redress and having been compelled to spend over \$10,000 in the construction of fishways while the structure was in the bankruptcy court, the state game warden last spring dynamited a hole in the coffer dam back of the main structure to let water into the fishway. For this he was fined \$50 in the federal court. As long as the water was at normal height, fish could ascend through this aperture. The abnormally low water, the lowest ever recorded in the history of the river, has left the fish ladders dry again.

The fish and game commission is appealing to the courts again for a mandatory order to the present owners, to either install an adequate fishway at once or remove the obstruction. But the law's delay will probably be invoked and nothing done in time to remedy the situation this year. However it is the only course the commission can pursue—as they cannot dynamite the structure itself—the only adequate remedy.

If the Ament or "Golden Drift" dam ever served any useful purpose, a temporary obstruction might be tolerated. But it does not and never has. Built as a part of a get-rich-quick scheme to loot eastern investors with a glowing prospectus for gold mining, it has been used over and over again to bunko non-residents, defraud local labor and enrich promoters—as a mining fake, as a power fake, as an irrigation fake.

The only purpose this dam has ever served is as a lure for floating fraudulent concerns. If developed to its utmost capacity, the dam would not generate enough power to make it commercially profitable. Its altitude is not sufficient to make it practical as a source of irrigation. The logical site for both water and power are further upstream where higher elevation and greater fall are secured. The dam has, however, been successfully used to defraud investors out of some hundreds of thousands of dollars and by Grants Pass poachers as an illegal source of fish supply. Whether it is to be continued in use for the same purposes, remains to be seen. It is, however, a remarkable example of how clever crooks can defy the law, make money by it and keep out of jail. It is so gotten that flood would take it out and it remains a menace not only to the small investor, to lower river commercial fishing, to upper river angling, but to people inhabiting the valley below—and apparently there is no remedy at law.

U. S. Dep't of Agriculture. HOW TO DRY Cabbage and Cauliflower.

Select solid, well matured heads of cabbage, trim off all discolored outer leaves and injured portions, cut the heads in half and remove the central stalks. Cut into slices 1-3 to 5-8 inch thick by means of a hand cutter or rotary slicer, separating any large, compact pieces with a knife. Prepare a good sized packing box by lining it with wrapping of newspaper and providing a piece of muslin with which it may be covered to exclude insects. Place it in a warm room and out of direct sunlight. As the material—cabbage or cauliflower as the case may be—becomes dry, place it in the box, stirring thoroughly as each new batch is added and at intervals of a day or two for ten days or two weeks after your work with this product is completed. The material will at first become quite flexible and leathery, but will gradually give up moisture to the air until it reaches a uniform, unchanging condition. It may then be packed in boxes lined with waxed paper or put into muslin or paper bags which are placed, after tying tightly, in larger boxes. If paper boxes are used, care must be employed to fold the wax paper closely at the sides and top so that insects may not gain access to the material. Store the containers in a warm, dry place.

REESE CREEK SUNDAY SCHOOL GROUP MEETING

The second annual "Group Gathering" for the Sunday school district north of Eagle Point, was held at Reese Creek school house, on July 25th. Seats and tables were arranged under the wide-spreading oak trees, where a splendid all-day service was held.

About one hour was spent in the morning in the study of the Sunday school lesson, after which a lively discussion was had on Sunday school needs and problems.

The picnic dinner was enjoyed by all. Some gathered their families under an oak tree, while many spread their dinners on a large flat top hay rack, and ate freely of things they desired. Hot coffee was served. A number of the people did not arrive until time for the afternoon service, as they had attended services

GIRLS URGED TO ENLIST IN STUDENT NURSES RESERVE

Every Oregon girl is included in the call for enlistment in the Student Nurses' Reserve. This call comes to girls from 19 to 35 years of age.

The war has taken so many nurses, and there will be a great shortage if more girls don't enlist to take up the work that surely will be theirs to do. There are many training schools in the country and girls who wish to be patriotic need no better opportunity than to answer this call. Oregon must go over the top and get her quota soon. Enroll at Mrs. E. N. Warner's, the Red Cross headquarters of the Public Library.

Many Nurses Are Needed. The following telegram was received yesterday from Surgeon-General Gorgas, who gives a message for all American girls:

I want every young woman in the country, between 19 and 35, to read carefully what I have to say. To give it earnest attention. It is a message which every girl ought to welcome because it tells of an opportunity to help the nation.

The army and country face a shortage of nurses. The army alone requires something like 25,000 nurses by January 1. We have secured 13,000 of this number and need 12,000 more. We have got to have them or the army will be short, and this would be an outcome incredible and intolerable to the American people. Only graduate nurses who have been thru the full course of training are available for this high service.

These nurses have to be taken out of the hospitals and from the care of the sick at home. This means that when we have recruited our full quota for the army their places in the civil communities must be filled. Hence this call for student nurses to fill vacancies. Prepare for professional service, and meanwhile, to make it possible for our hospitals, both civil and military, to carry on, and for the American people to hold the health standards of this country as high as they have ever been held in times of peace.

Training Schools Opened. If I were a young woman and wanted to do my country the greatest service in my power I should go at once to the nearest recruiting station of the woman's committee of the council of defense and enroll in the U. S. Student Nurse Reserve. This enrollment would at once make me a candidate for the army nursing school.

The term of training varies from two to three years, according to the requirements of the particular school to which the student nurse may be sent. No course takes less than two years nor more than three.

There are 1579 nurses' training schools in this country. Their need is as great and imperative as that of the army school of nursing. Those who enroll for these schools will be assigned as vacancies occur.

The enrollment card will indicate two classes of registrants—preferred and deferred. The preferred class will be those who are ready to accept assignment to whatever hospital the government directs them, altho they may state what training school they prefer to be sent to. Those who register in the preferred class will be assigned first, and all possible consideration will be given to their preference as stated.

The deferred class is composed of those who limit their pledge to service—that is, who will not engage to go except to certain hospitals. This class is intended largely for those who, for family reasons, can not accept training at a distance from their homes. Those who register in the deferred class will be assigned only after the preferred class is exhausted.

The government relies on the patriotism of those who enroll to fill out preferred cards if they possibly can, thus volunteering to go where they are most needed.

Nobody will be assigned to any schools whose conditions of training are not approved by the state board of nurse examiners. After graduation the nurse has an earning capacity of from \$100 to \$300 a month. Private-duty nurses now receive an average of from \$100 to \$120 a month, together with board while on duty; institution nurses from \$50 to \$250 a month, together with board, lodging and laundry; and public-health nurses from \$100

AT THE RIALTO TONIGHT AND TOMORROW



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There is no danger of the earning capacity of nurses being lowered after the war ends on account of the great number who will then be qualified for the profession; the country will need all the nurses that can be trained, not only during the war but after it, especially for reconstruction work.

HAMBURG PLANS TO STUDY FOREIGNERS

LONDON, July 30.—Hamburg, Germany's greatest commercial port and one of its three free cities, is preparing desperately for the trade war after the present conflict.

The big commercial and industrial magnates are realizing the task necessary to offset the enmity of the entire world against everything German. Their latest step is the proposed establishment of a "scientific institution for the study of foreign countries" at Hamburg.

That they realize their mistakes of the past and are willing to do anything to eradicate them is brought out in the prospectus of this scheme, which in part reads:

"This war has brought with it an appalling revelation of our ignorance of foreign countries. This ignorance has inflicted heavy political wounds on our country, and has often been the cause of our diplomatic failures. We proved that even the culture and psychology of our own allies was unfamiliar to us, to say nothing of those of our enemies.

Such a state of things must not recur. Our people, which wants to inscribe world policy on its banner, must establish a thoro system of study of foreign countries. In fact, the peaceful reconquest of the world's market will not be accomplished without such a study."

Whiskey in London 35 CENTS A GLASS. LONDON, July 30.—"France isn't so bad after all," said a returned soldier. "You can get good whiskey of pre-war quality here for \$1 a quart, while in London you pay 35 cents for a drink of whiskey that would disgrace the name of Scotland, or \$2.25 a year."

Only One Thing Now Lacking—Money

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AMERICA SEEKS ODORLESS GAS TO DECIDE WAR

(By J. R. Duckworth.) American chemists working on the poison gas problem may bring the war to a victorious close for the allies in their laboratories.

They are working hard, together with British chemists, to find a colorless, odorless and invisible gas, which, sweeping over a sleeping army, would destroy it.

The Germans are also working to find such a gas. Whichever side finds it first will win the war.

The "gas shell" is not necessarily a shell. It may contain a liquid or even a solid, and it opens up the whole sphere of organic chemistry to be drawn upon for materials.

Gas Strategy. In every German drive this year there has been a gas strategy. Full dress rehearsals in gas maneuvers to meet every possible situation were held by the Germans before an attack.

In the March drive captured maps show the Germans had worked out a zoning system over allied territory. Some zones were drenched with gas and others left untouched. The German attacking troops were supplied with maps to indicate the safety zones though which they might pass without harm.

Some zones were subjected to epidermal gases which evaporated before the arrival of the incoming Germans. Other areas were bombarded with several hundred thousand shells, the gas from which lingered for hours. On one seven mile sector the Germans discharged 125,000 12-pound shells in one day.

Surprise Necessary. The "front" is not the solid line



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ROSEMUND, OREGON.—"I suffered something terrible, had displacement so bad that I could scarcely stand on my feet, also had inflammation. My head and back ached hard and I was weak and nervous. My legs and feet ached—wouldn't bloat, and I was troubled with constipation. I had a severe pain in my side. I took Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and Pleasant Pellets and they made me well and strong. Then, during middle life I again took these medicines and got through as well as I was strong and well." Mrs. W. D. Mowin, 124 N. Jackson St.

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It looks to be on the maps. It is a series of strongly-held posts, often hills. The Germans use gas shells against these strong holds, attempt to drive the defenders from them and to pass through the safety zones between.

The element of surprise is important in gas warfare. The meteorological conditions are much better at night than during the day. Sometimes when it is believed that a gas attack is over the men take off their masks, only to be trapped with another dose.

The Germans tried the effect of surprise by silencing the noise made by the emission of gas from the cylinders, but this was found to lessen the concentration. It was more effective to drown the hissing of the escaping gas with the rat-tat-tat of machine guns.

Attention Woodmen. Important business Wednesday night and all members are requested to be present. W. B. JACKSON, Clerk.

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