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WAR MAKES OREGON'S OPPORTUNITY.

Since the war started there has been a steady and notable decrease in the number of new arrivals from Europe, and this decrease will probably "increase" as time passes. The August arrivals were but 27 per cent of last year's arrivals for the same month, and for the three months ending August 31 only 133,429 immigrants reached New York. During the same period last year the number was 347,672.

The New York World comments on this and calls attention to conditions following the wars of the recent past, and the immense immigration following them. According to its figures, the two years after the Russo-Japanese war brought us 473,000 immigrants from Russia alone, while the three years before that war brought us but 328,000. The two years after the Franco-Prussian war sent a flood of immigrants that broke the records from those countries.

Judging by these precedents, there will be a tremendous immigration when the present war ends—if it leaves any one to emigrate.

Conditions have changed materially since the great inflow from France and Germany in '71-'2, and there are not the same attractions, lands still to be located and the great demand for workmen to rebuild the industries of the country just recovering from our own terrible war. At the same time conditions have changed, or will be changed, to such an extent that there will be an irresistible desire to get away from the old countries and governments where men are puppets, or worse yet, targets. It is probable in this view of it that the immigration for the two or three years after this war will break all records. In the cases noted there were but two governments at war; in this case there are eight, and of these, five are the greatest and most populous nations of Europe.

While conditions have changed in the east so as to discourage immigration, just the opposite condition has been reached in the west. The opening of the Panama canal has made the Pacific coast almost as accessible as New York has been, and here there are vast areas of cheap lands that will appeal with irresistible force to these people. To the American, the idle lands of eastern Oregon and the whole Inland Empire are looked upon as waste. They will not produce without too much labor, and at once. That is fatal from the American viewpoint, for they want quick results, and will not wait as will those coming to us soon from the old world.

These lands will be made to produce by the hardy people who are coming to us, and who will build up homes for themselves where, let us hope, the gaunt specter of Want and his grim brother, War, will never be again visitors.

Now is the time for Oregon to wake up as she never did before and arrange to secure a large share of these thrifty people. We have the greatest and most easily available water power in the world, at least 4,000,000 horse power. Among those who will seek homes on this side of the ocean are Belgians skilled in all flax manufacturing branches. We should secure them and make the Willamette valley another Belgium in this line. So it is along other lines far too numerous to mention. There are thousands of skilled workers whose longing eyes are already turned toward America, and Oregon, with her vacant lands, wasting water power and vast opportunities along all lines of manufacturing, offers them a home such as they have never even dreamed of. It is up to us to show these people what we have that they want, and to show them just as soon as conditions back there permit of their moving.

A subscriber, writing from Aumsville, criticises newspapers for printing sermons of any denomination. And it is true that a good many persons object to religious articles appearing in secular newspapers. When it is remembered, however, that a great many newspaper readers devote much time to church work and are interested in all matters pertaining to it, it is hardly fair to them to give no space at all to this phase of modern life. The average reader is catered to with the general news of the day, politics, sports, etc., and he ought to be willing to let the religious worker have a reasonable amount of space, because the newspaper is after all only a daily history of the

world's progress, and should bar no activity, social, political, moral or religious. The newspaper publishers of the present time have generally accepted this view and go out after church news just the same as they do for other events of the day.

One by one the "absolute truths" we learned even in the nursery are taken from us by some ruthless investigator who is not satisfied with things as they are, and so knocks out of existence the things we have deludedly accepted as verities. Little Bo Peep is a myth, and Jack the Giant Killer is unfortunately a dead one, and along with these the sayings of sages and the solemn statements of history are proved to be but fairy tales. The latest in this line is H. J. Hoffman, who says he heard General Sherman's letter read at Atlanta and that he said therein: "War is cruelty and you cannot refine it." From this statement some paragrapher drew the condensed form, "war is hell," and let us poor benighted Americans for years heartily endorse what Sherman never said. Well, if he didn't say it, he ought to have done so, and it will have to go that way.

It is stated that our county clerk, Max Gehlar, is drafting a new registration law. This, too, when the weary voters had been told that at last they could register once and then have a rest from that job, only to find they must register for the city election. Directly the people will rise up and ditch the whole registration business, which so far seems to be a device only to hamper the voter and make his life a burden. For some years it has been the custom under this most asinine law for the business man as he went down town to register and then turn his attention to his business affairs. Let us hope Mr. Gehlar has discovered some way to get a man registered so he will stay that way.

Dr. Withycombe, out of regard for the newspapers supporting him, should refrain from talking. He keeps them busy trying to keep up with his ideas, or going back to take positions abandoned by them years ago.

The Oregonian front page cartoon Wednesday showed Governor West on horseback dragging Dr. Smith up the capitol steps and into the governor's office. It is noted the governor was making a success of it.

That was quick work at Tacoma Wednesday when Charles S. Gilchrist, a bank cashier, pleaded guilty to embezzlement, and that same night was in the penitentiary at McNeil's Island.

It is rather peculiar that a woman's heart is damaged by broken promises and blighted affections just in proportion to the size of the blighter's bank roll.

The news from the North sea indicates that that place would be the scene of the next big mining rush. About everything that goes there hits a mine.

THE ROUND-UP

The Fossil Journal says Fossil hotels are full every night, and are compelled to rustle rooms on the outside for their guests.

The East Oregonian says those boys who walked all the way from Portland to Pendleton to see the Round-up will be entitled to a chance to ride Sharkey!

Banks Herald: From the amount of pheasants seen in this vicinity, there should be some good hunting when the season opens October 1. While walking near town, Sunday the editor scared up 11 of the birds in one bunch.

The First Annual East Clackamas fair having proved a great success, a meeting has been called for Thursday, at Astacoda, to arrange for something far better and bigger in 1915. This year's fair was more than self-sustaining.

Business men of Prineville are urged by the News to provide work for students of the high school. The News says there are 60 boys and girls in Crook county who cannot attend the school unless they have work during the year.

A. J. Hicks has bought the Heaver town Ore. weekly, and changed its name to Beaverton Times. The newspaper appears in ten columns pages, six of them home print. It has an air about it, and starts right out as a vigorous town booster.

Lebanon has gained five hours on incoming freight shipments. Merchandise leaving Portland in the evening now reaches Lebanon at 9:17 the next morning.

A committee has been appointed by President Vorus of the Baker Taxpayers' league to make recommendations for a more equitable system of assessments in Baker county. The committee will report at the October meeting of the league.

A WOMAN IN THE CASE.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 21.—Patrolman R. V. Murray was near death today of a bullet wound inflicted by John Hermann, whom he sought to arrest for threatening the life of a rival for the affections of a woman. Hermann fled from the scene of the shooting, but surrendered to another officer.

Murray was shot through the stomach. The shooting occurred late last night.

Many a man is under the impression that he is wise merely because he has no children to ask him questions.

THE BLACK ARMY ASSISTING FRANCE

Paris, Sept. 24.—"La Force Noire," the "Black Army of France," as the Turcos now fighting with the allies are called, was organized by Colonel Mangin in 1911. The Turcos are Arabian light infantry recruited in Algeria. The force in 1907 consisted of only about 9000 Senegalese. Colonel Mangin raised the number to 30,000 soldiers recruited from Senegal in the Soudan, from French Guinea, Dahomey, Algeria, Tunis and Morocco.

The supply of men from this source is almost inexhaustible, and, furthermore, this source of supply is out of the enemy's reach. It is declared that so long as only one French post remained in French hands, these terrible black fighters could be poured in streams into France.

The black soldiers of these districts are born fighters. Death in battle is to them, the highest distinction one can achieve. As a result they are relentless in the face of attacks and absolutely fearless. They never surrender. Their wonderful physique and almost total imperviousness to pain keeps them fighting on after they have received wounds under which fighters of white races succumb.

Col. Mangin once said of these soldiers: "His sense of discipline, his devotion to his white officers, and the fierceness with which he risks himself at the enemy are wonderful."

Gen. Langlois, writing in the Temps in 1909, when the raising of the present Algerian force was being discussed, said: "The sanguine and fatalistic temper of the troops of these races makes it a terrible asset to a shock."

In an article in Gastois, Gen. Bonnal said: "On the wide battlefields of any future war, the Arabs, trained by Caucasians and armed with the terrible weapons of war of the white races, will prove unvalued when the final blow will have to be devoted to the enemy."

With the black troops organized and equipped in her African possessions the republic holds and rules a territory as extensive as Europe, inhabited by 20,000,000 people.

The use of Arabs in European warfare by the republic during the present conflict is not the first time this has been done. Napoleon employed black troops and they were used also in the storming of Mulakhoff, Algeria also was drawn on for fighting men during the Franco-German war of 1870.

The early troops raised in Africa by France were recruited mainly from the Kabyles and Arabs. The majority of those which came from the Kabyles were a tribe called the Zouaves, who gave their name to the Zouaves. The three regiments of Algerian tirailleurs who fought in the Franco-German war lost 97 officers and 2,589 men.

MACLEAY HAPPENINGS.

(Capital Journal Special Service.) Macleay, Sept. 24.—Mrs. Ben Knapp gave a prettily appointed dinner in honor of Mrs. Sijpeer's birthday this week. Besides members of her family, additional covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Trestrail of Macleay.

Honoring Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Chamberlain, a farewell party was given Tuesday evening at their home near Macleay. A delightful time was enjoyed by all. Music and games filled the entertaining evening. Mrs. H. O. Taylor, Mrs. Jack Patton and Mrs. G. W. Stapleton assisted the hostess in serving refreshments. Those present were Misses Inez, Alma, and Verda Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stapleton, Mr. and Mrs. J. Patton, Theon and Homer Russell, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Martin, Mr. T. Olsson, Miss Ida Olsson, Miss Mand Knapp, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Taylor, Miss Cook, Miss Marina Taylor, Carl Miller, Master Harold Stapleton, Miss Alta and Miss Hazel Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Morris, Irvin Crook, Vern Patton, R. M. Trestrail, Miss Ruth Erickson, Walter Taylor, J. M. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Dunams and son Wilber, and Mr. Elmo Wright.

Mrs. R. M. Trestrail of Macleay is spending a few days visiting friends in Eugene and Creswell, Ore., leaving Tuesday noon to be gone one week.

The Italian prune crop is very short this year. Some of the growers think it is because of the long dry summer. Miss Maude Miller is attending school in Salem this winter.

Walter Taylor made a business trip to Salem this week.

Mrs. John Tekenburg will leave as her guest Miss Byers of Salem, who will leave Macleay about this winter. Miss Byers is a very highly accomplished young lady and the directors of Macleay school were very lucky to be able to procure her as a teacher for this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jones and family have returned from several weeks outing at the ocean. They report a very pleasant trip.

Mr. and Mrs. William Humphreys are moving to their farm in the Waldo Hills, where Mr. Humphreys expects to go into the farming business in earnest.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hornor, who have been the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Ashby, have returned to their home in Linn County.

Byrl Payree, 2-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Payree, made his first trip to Salem September 22nd. He was attended by his mother and Mrs. F. T. Nash.

WHATEVER IT IS SERVIANS GOT IT

Nish, Servia, Sept. 24.—Capture by the Servians of their farm in Ljubovicia and Shreberintza, on the River Drina, was announced by the war office here today.

It was said the Austrians resisted desperately but the Servians carried their entrenchments by a series of bayonet charges, with enormous losses on both sides.

The Servian advance in Bosnia was said to be progressing rapidly.

Children Cry for Fletcher's



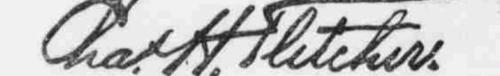
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TURKISH AMBASSADOR NO LONGER WELCOME

Washington, Sept. 24.—A demand by the state department for the recall of A. Rustem Bey, Turkish ambassador to the United States, because of recent utterances, was reported imminent today.

The Turkish ambassador, it was learned this afternoon, will leave the United States within a week or two as a result of becoming persona non grata. He has notified President Wilson that he has asked for a "leave of absence." Reports that the Turkish ambassador had stood pat on his recent remarks were unconfirmed but it was understood that he refused to retract anything he had said.

THEY DIED TOGETHER.

Chicago, Sept. 24.—Letters hinting vaguely at disappointments were found here today on the bodies of Arthur Reck, aged 25 years,

a music teacher worth \$100,000, and his fiancée, Miss Katherine Seymour. Their bodies were found in a closet of Reck's apartments. Each wore an American Beauty rose. The couple had committed suicide by asphyxiation.

Miss Seymour had been in poor health for some time.

THE DEADLY AUTO.

San Francisco, Sept. 24.—Rene Oster was instantly killed here early today and four others—Henry Marin, A. Berland, Edwin Carpenter and H. D. Courcelles—were severely injured in an automobile accident.

Courcelles, chauffeur for Robert E. Root, a prominent merchant, was driving his machine along Stanyan street when it collided with another car, driven by William H. Koepke. Koepke denied that he was to blame for the accident.

It is to be gathered from the news reports that each side to the war is heartily in favor of peace when it can name the terms.

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Europe, when the war is done, and rust dies sword and sabre, in barren fields, from sun to sun, old men and dames will labor. The patriarch must guide the plow in fields yet red from slaughter, while hitched like horses are the fran, the grandma and the daughter. Perhaps some cripple from the wars may help to do the seeding, while groaning o'er his varied scars, and old wounds freshly bleeding. Some veteran on wooden legs, whose strength is swiftly dwindling, may milk the cows and fetch the eggs, and split the daily kindling. But everywhere the weak and old must do the heavy toiling, must strive the little farms to hold, and keep the pot a-boiling. Old men and dames, the harvest waves! Be forth and do the reaping, for in their red and shallow graves your strong young men are sleeping!

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PIONEER SALOON WILL CLOSE IN JACKSONVILLE

Medford, Or., Sept. 24.—Ed Helm's place in Jacksonville, the oldest saloon in southern Oregon, which has been open for business continuously since 1852, will close on October 19, the date upon which its license expires, after 62 years of business. The place is one of the pioneer landmarks of Jackson county and its walls shelter many historical relics of the early days of the Rogue river valley. In the early days the building was the center of life and a popular meeting place, even for the courts. A collection of pioneer relics, valued at from \$25,000 to \$50,000 is on display in the place. The first gold nugget found in southern Oregon and the first pool and billiard tables ever set up on the coast are among the attractions, the tables having come around the Horn, were packed from Crescent City on pack mules. The final disposition of the valuable collection of pioneer life has not been decided upon.