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Washington, Dec. 30.—With a protest against British seizure of mail destined to the United States in preparation, it developed today that the probable cause thereof was a British desire to regain Belgian and French securities which Germans had seized and were forwarding to this country for sale or deposit.

Norwegian mail from Christiania, chiefly parcels, none of which was op-

oned, has been released from British detention, the Swedish minister notified the state department today.

### OFFICERS OPPOSE IT

Portland, Or., Dec. 30.—Officers of the Oregon National Guard today are on record as opposing the proposed continental army. Unanimously they expressed this sentiment at a mass meeting last night. Federal pay for militia was urged.

# Go Home For New Year's

The holidays will soon be here. The time of happiness and cheer. Your friends will be expecting you to come home. So will mother, father, sister or brother.

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## NATIVES OF PITCAIRN ISLAND VIEW SIGHTS

### Thomas and Edwin Young Are Introduced to World of Civilization

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—An automobile whirled down Market street; a phonograph ground out its wheezy tunes from a bar along the way; a trolley car bumped along; here a man was talking through a telephone; there an electric light glared.

To Thomas and Edwin Young it was all a wild, puzzling, mystery, for they were from Pitcairn Island—out in the Pacific, a land of only semi-civilized folk. Professor W. Scoresby Rutledge, of the British museum, brought them here after he had hunted more than three years on the strange island for monoliths and prehistoric bones.

Little wonder then that the inventions of civilization astounded, even frightened, them.

They had heard of some of the strange things that men make back in civilization. For, as they told of strange Pitcairn, it was thus. A British crew mutinied 200 years ago. The men were cast ashore on the island. They wedded native women of Tahiti; then they quarreled, and all but one white man was killed. He set about to be father to all the half-caste children. He raised them in the faith of the Church of England; they learned—some of them—to read and write.

As time rolled on, it was found only 200 men could dwell on the island. They chose lots as the colony grew and then some went to neighboring isles to dwell. A crude government patterned after the English form grew up.

None has ever heard a musical instrument; they have no money; only the barter of medieval times exists.

The two young men go to Oxford, England; they may return for the world with its 20th century inventions is to them a strange place.

Professor Rutledge told today of how he and his wife narrowly escaped death on Easter Island when the Polynesian natives rose in revolt.

### Former Dairy Manager Returned to Illinois

(Capital Journal Special Service.)  
Dallas, Ore., Dec. 30.—G. E. Bangs, formerly manager of the Guthrie Dairy of this city, and who was arrested early last week by Sheriff Quine, of Roseburg, on a charge of embezzling \$10,000 from an Illinois concern will be returned to Illinois at an early date to face the charges made against him as Monday, Governor Withycombe honored a requisition from Governor Dunne of Illinois for his extradition. Bangs came to this city from Roseburg where he had been for some time and accepted a position as manager of the Guthrie dairy. When arrested he said he would not fight extradition but did not confess to the charges made against him.

### Judge Grants Divorce.

Circuit Judge H. H. Belt has granted a divorce to Joseph A. McLenn from his wife on a charge of wilful desertion. The evidence produced at the trial showed that Mrs. McLenn had lived apart from her husband and in California for more than a year. The parties resided at West Salem.

### Independence Case Appealed.

At a recent session of the Independence council the North Independence street case was appealed from the decision of Circuit Judge Belt and unless the incoming officials take a different view of the matter the case will be carried to the supreme court.

### Captain Staffin to Attend Meeting.

Conrad Staffin, captain of Company I, O. N. G., goes to Portland today to attend a meeting of the officers of the Oregon National Guard. The meeting will be presided over by Adjutant General White and among the more important matters to be discussed will be the National Guard pay bill which is now before congress.

The annual meeting and election of officers of the LaCreole club will be held in the club parlors Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The hearing on the county budget for 1916 will be held in the county court room in the court house Thursday. It is expected that the meeting will be largely attended by the taxpayers of the county.

Fred Moore spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Piasdecki were Salem visitors Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Starr, of Portland, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives and friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Brown and children are in Baker, guests at the home of Mrs. Brown's parents.

Mrs. B. Casey and daughter, Miss Helen, are guests of relatives in Roseburg this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Parsons were in Falls City the first of the week visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Pugh.

The regular quarterly inspection of Company I was held Tuesday evening at the armory.

The Christian Endeavor of the Christian church are planning for a big watch party on New Year's eve at their church and invite all the young people of the city to be present.

The music section of the Dallas Woman's club meets this afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. B. Starbuck on Court street. This will be the first meeting of the section for the season.

The annual meeting of the Polk County Fruit Growers' association will be held in the Commercial club rooms Saturday, January 8. The officers for the ensuing year will be elected at this meeting.

Mrs. A. M. Vassall was in Falls City the first of the week a guest at the home of Mrs. Ada Chapin.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chapman and little son, of Salem, spent Christmas at the home of relatives in this city.

Carl Fenton, an instructor in the Eu-

gene high school, is visiting at the home of his parents in this city.

Brook Todd, of Corvallis, is a guest at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Cary on South Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther J. Chapin and family of Salem, spent Saturday and Sunday in Dallas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Van Orsdel, of Portland, were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. Van Orsdel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Van Orsdel, on Jefferson street.

Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Starbuck and daughter, Miss Edith, returned to their home in Portland the first of the week after a short visit at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Starbuck.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Patterson were Independence visitors this week.

Miss Sadie Lynn, Miss Veva Burns and Miss Ella Carpenter, teachers in the Portland schools, are spending the holidays at the home of their parents in this city.

Mrs. D. P. Patterson and daughters, Alice and Dorothy, are visiting relatives and friends in Hillsboro this week.

T. C. Stockwell was a business visitor in Falls City the first of the week. F. J. Coad and W. V. Fuller transacted business in the Capital City Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Good and little son of Salem, were over Sunday guests at the home of Mrs. Good's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Morrison.

Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Tyler-Smith, of Sheridan, were week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Craven on Mill street.

U. S. Loughary visited his mother near Monmouth Monday afternoon. Miss Winnie Hargrove, stenographer in the Brown-Sibley abstract office, is spending the week at the home of her parents in Salem.

Frank Bethel returned Monday morning from a two days' visit with friends in the Capital City.

Fred B. West has returned from Dayton where he spent Christmas with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Price are returned from a short visit with relatives at Woodburn.

### MAY EXTEND HONEYMOON

Washington, Dec. 30.—President Wilson is planning to extend his honeymoon at Hot Springs, Va., to Wednesday, instead of returning Monday. Absence of alarming news in the Austro-American situation was assigned as the reason.

### LETTER GOT THERE.

Albany, Or., Dec. 30.—Elmer Williamson, a bank cashier, is today in possession of a letter which was mailed to him July 7, 1910. The letter was more than 5 years en route from Corvallis, ten miles away.

## OPEN FORUM AFTER THE WAR, WHAT?

To the Editor: Sherman said, "War is hell." He was mistaken. War is worse than hell. Hell is the place where, after the judgement day, the wicked are to be punished according to what they deserve. But in war the innocent are punished, and the instigators of the bloody carnage go unpunished. War will never cease as long as men are unregenerate, and the nations glorify war by putting the laurel wreath on the brows of those who send shot and shell crashing through the bodies of men.

Men are horrified at the disregard of international law and treaty obligations by the belligerent powers engaged in the present war. But the necessities of war recognize no law, either human or divine, as too sacred to break. It is utter folly for men to think that men frenzied by the spirit and exigencies of war will respect law, justice, or humanity. War is entirely outside of God's purpose, and is not amenable to any law or obligation.

Terrible as is the present war in its destruction of human life and its disregard of the restraints of law and justice, yet this war is as nothing in comparison to the significant and terrible things that will immediately follow the present conflict. New and startling developments will come quickly. Men everywhere will be ready to condemn the old regime as a total failure, and unfit to rule humanity. Remedies of all kinds will be suggested to avert future wars, and to usher in a reign of universal and lasting peace. All kinds of extensive religious combinations will be effected in order to guide the ship of state safely over the turbulent political seas. Attempts will be made to have the voice of the church dictate legislation, and have the civil officers submit to the decrees of the church, and regard its pronouncements as an equivalent to a "Thus saith the Lord."

They will demand righteousness by law, God and Christianity recognized in the fundamental law of the land, a standard of religion set up for all men by the state, and Sunday laws universally enforced, irrespective of individual faith or conscience in the matter. All these things will follow in quick succession as proposed remedies, and the authority of the church will be exalted above the state.

History repeats itself with unflinching accuracy. When the Roman government went to pieces after the days of Constantine, the church took advantage of the situation and placed herself in the forefront, making the civil officers subservient to her decrees. Her reign, which was at first welcomed,



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