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GETTING OUT OF PROPORTION

The real cause of food shortage when reduced to the absolute fact is that the ratio between producers and consumers is out of plumb. There are too many consumers for the number of producers. In other words the "back to the farm" movement is becoming a necessity. There is an abundance of land yet in this country that is not productive, and there is a vast field for improvement in the way of intensified cultivation that will enable this country to grow all it needs of the things it now grows for many years yet, and still have a large surplus for export. When our population gets above the three hundred million mark we may be compelled to begin to look elsewhere for some of the things we consume and which we now raise, but it will be a long time before we reach that stage. To illustrate this, attention is called to what could be done in the way of growing food stuffs within the city limits of Salem if it was necessary. There is idle land enough within the city limits to supply the city with all the potatoes it could use and a large part of its other vegetables. If conditions such as exist in some of the warring nations should arise here it would be easy enough to grow all we need even though our population was increased three times.

One of the things that will have a big effect on production is irrigation. Although there is plenty of rainfall here in Oregon there is no doubt but the yields of many crops could be doubled by irrigation, and more than that, this will be done before many years pass. There is an abundance of water flowing down from the mountains for this and it is being utilized in a small way now. The experiment has proved a great success and the system will be spread rapidly to such sections as lay well for easy watering.

We learn incidentally that one Salem firm has during the year just passed done a business of more than \$80,000 in the purchasing of hogs in the valley. With the acclimating of corn and the assurance of it being a crop that can be relied on, the raising of hogs will become one of the leading farm industries. The farmer who turns his crop into pork or beef is to that extent a manufacturer, and makes besides the farm profit the manufacturers profit also. Hog products will never again be cheap in this country and the field is the most promising one from a financial viewpoint now available to the farmer. A story is told of an Irishman in the old country who was asked by a visitor why he did not turn the pig out of the cabin and who replied: "Turn him out, is it? Sure he is the gentleman who pays the rent." He was right too, for he will not only pay the rent but will start an account at the bank and make it grow.

One week to Christmas. The weather clerk has ordered wet weather for this week and if the order is filled it is quite likely that Christmas day will be one that calls for umbrellas instead of fur overcoats. The day is one especially belonging to the children and on their account it is fervently hoped the day will prove a pleasant one and that the Cherrian Santa Claus will be there with all kinds of things for the kiddies. That big tree in the court house yard will surely blossom to some purpose if the weather permits.

The accession of Lloyd George to the position of prime minister of England gives promise of many changes. For one thing it is said the interference with the trade of neutral countries will be made as inoffensive as possible and its scope will be largely reduced. At the same time it is claimed that at last Ireland will have real "home rule." Perhaps she may but if she gets it Lloyd George will have as much trouble on one side of the tight little isle as there is going on on the other.

Funeral Services at Glover Residence

In this vicinity at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Glover at 1694 Court street. The funeral announcement will be made later.
Mrs. Holland, who is the mother of Mrs. Ralph Glover, was ill about six months. She was born in Oregon City, Oregon, and died in Portland Sunday, February 24, 1850, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Athey, Mrs.

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Berlin, via Sayville wireless, Dec. 18.—How Lieutenant Boelcke, Germany's premier aviator, found an enemy airplane sailing aloft with even keel and a dead man at the helm, was told in a graphic series of papers made public today by the press bureau. They were the reports which Boelcke made from October, 1914, up to the time he was killed in action recently.

Boelcke's report indicated the usual distance between fighting aircraft was 325 feet, sometimes only 120 or 150 feet. One time Boelcke pursued a French machine to within nine or 10 feet and he detailed how when a collision seemed certain he turned his machine and the enemy aeroplane turned upside down.

The Allies' Losses.
Berlin, via Sayville wireless, Dec. 18.—Total French losses since the beginning of the war have been 3,800,000 and British losses 1,300,000 according to "most reliable data," the semi-official news service announced today.

Russian Attacks Repulsed.
Berlin, via Sayville wireless, Dec. 18.—Russian attacks around Luck and near Bol. Porsk were repulsed, today's official statement asserted.

Northwest of Luck, the Russians. Athley was one of the first white women, if not the very first, to make Oregon city her home. Her early life was filled with incidents of pioneer life.

Mrs. Holland was a worker in the Unitarian church during her husband's life and later was identified with the First Congregational church. She was a member of the order of Eastern Star and the United Artisans.

There are four children surviving. They are Dr. Leon G. Holland, of Portland; Mrs. Irma B. Martin, of Portland; Mrs. Carl R. Thompson, of St. Johns, and Mrs. Ralph Glover, of this city. The funeral will be conducted by Rev. James Elvin, of the Congregational church, and interment will be in the City View cemetery, where Mr. Holland was buried about 18 years ago.

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trove in vain to capture positions which the Germans took from them on December 16. These attacks were repeated at night.

Near Augustovka and south of Zbortov similar attacks to regain advances obtained by the Teutonic troops likewise failed.

Fighting in Uz Valley.
Berlin, via Sayville wireless, Dec. 18.—"Varying success" of local engagements in the Uz valley was reported in today's official statement from the Ardennes Joseph's front. In the Meuse sector, east of Golden Briztrix there was a violent artillery duel in progress.

Confiscated the Money.
London, Dec. 18.—The prize court today confiscated under the reprisals orders, German securities valued at 20,000 marks which were seized en route to the State Commercial Savings Bank of Chicago.

Another Raider Out.
New York, Dec. 18.—The presence of a German commerce raider in the Atlantic was again indicated today when a British battleship off Sandy Hook flashed a warning to shipping.

It did not describe the suspected vessel.

Pope Urged to Act.
Rome, Dec. 18.—The central powers have urged the pope and the United States of America to back up their peace proposals, according to a report in circulation here today.

England Gets Note.
London, Dec. 18.—American Ambassador Page today delivered the German peace note to the British foreign office.

Ambassador Page fulfilled his mission without making any comment on the note.

George Will Speak.
London, Dec. 18.—Premier Lloyd George hoped to get out today and resume practically all of his duties after his illness of nearly a week. It seemed certain he would be able to address the house of commons tomorrow outlining the policy of the new government and stating Britain's view of Germany's peace proposals.

Quiet on Western Front.
Berlin, via Sayville wireless, Dec. 18.—"No important events," was today's German statement's report on the western front fighting.

"There was little fighting in the Somme and Meuse sectors," the report stated.

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TO REGAIN HEALTH CLEANSE THE BLOOD

When your blood is impure, weak, thin and debilitated, you cannot possibly enjoy good health. Your system becomes receptive of any or all diseases, and germs are likely to lodge in some part of the body.

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Confession Leads to Arrest for Murder

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 18.—That the United States district attorney's office will start action in the case of James Foley, the aged Alaskan who Friday night confessed to the police that he killed "Diamond Dutch" in Nome, 18 years ago, was the information given out today by Assistant Attorney Fishburne. Foley will be examined before the United States commissioner, and following this a complaint, charging him with the crime, will be sworn out and Foley will be moved to the county jail and held as a federal prisoner. As navigation is now closed in Bering sea, it would be next June before Foley could be taken north.

The bank of Silverton has purchased \$27,000 worth of bonds of Portland, voted for water improvements.

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MY HUSBAND AND I
Jane Phelps
Owing to delayed mails today's instalment of this story failed to arrive. It is expected it will be here by Tuesday.

Every Day Investing
THE thing that becomes a daily habit is the thing that dominates our lives, for good or ill.
"Shall I spend this small sum, or shall I invest it?" becomes a daily question with an owner of a Savings Account at this bank.
And every decision in favor of "investing" adds a coin to capital, and confirms him one degree more in the habit of every day investing.
More than that: It adds precision to his plan and decision to his effort successful.
For the "savings bank way," thought by some to be a slow way, is the one which has led to many fortunes.
Bring this question home to yourself:
"It is my privilege to become an every day investor; why not accept it?"
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"Aw! Please Don't Go"

WHEN GALE "BLEW IN"

When Mr. Gale "blew-in" to town. He said, says he, "I'll stick around." Each day he liked it more and more. Each day he added to his store.

His store of dry goods, boots and shoes AND IN THE PAPERS TOLD THE NEWS, "of goods marked down to 98." It's scarce enough to pay the freight. But I should worry and grow thin, although such SELLING is a sin.

What I would say to Mr. Gale who's running such a "MARKED DOWN SALE" and hitting prices in the back with such a sickening sudden whack--Is this--
"We ask you not to leave our city; to lose you, sir, would be a pity. We like your partner Mr. Brill--TO LOSE YOU BOTH WOULD MAKE US ILL."

So when you've sold out what you've got, send back and get another lot--of corsets, calico and shirts and muslin underwear and skirts.
We need young fellows with your pluck. A few like you will CHANGE OUR LUCK. Or better still will help create the LIVEST CITY IN THE STATE.

I'M FOR YOU--
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"Who likes live merchants like Mr. Gale and Mr. Brill and Hopes none such will leave Salem."

* OPEN FORUM *

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE PARENTS OF SALEM

I wish to call your attention to my articles in the Capital Journal of December 9th. You will notice that Mr. English offers to act as superintendent for the first year without pay. As the success of the enterprise will depend largely upon the ability of the superintendent, I will tell you something about Mr. English.

He is a retired farmer and fruit grower now living very much at his ease in his comfortable home on Cherry Creek near the Mute school. His success in life is as much the result of his business ability as of his skill as a rancher. He has generally continued to leave the commission man out and place his products in the hands of the retailer or of the consumer.

His home place consists of five acres. When out for a spin in your auto go past and see what he has done in five years. Go past the Mute school, cross the track and go to the end of the street and you will be facing his lot.

Across the hedge you will see an acre in gooseberries which pays one hundred dollars a year net profit. Although his flowering plants are of course fine.

Here now you can form an idea of how the place looks in summer.

As another evidence of his ability I will say that not long ago he received a call from a big ranch in California to become superintendent at a good salary. He has taken an interest in my plan from the first and has never had any doubts about making a success of it.

J. F. BARKER.

The Hood River fruit and berry yield this year is placed at \$1, 676, 627.

The Dalles valuations are down \$850, 000 and city levy goes up a mill.

Springfield has dedicated at \$35,000 Methodist church and parsonage.

The world's richest tin mine is one in Tasmania.

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