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### YELLOW PERIL PERSPECTIVE.

It sounded very alarming when Senator Phelan, of California, announced that one-third of all the births in Los Angeles county outside of the cities and towns were Japanese, and that according to state reports, "the Japanese births in the ten years have increased 3000 per cent and the white births have decreased 9 per cent." He gave the impression that Japanese women, coming into the state as the wives of men already there, were populating all rural California with yellow children.

A little calm inquiry tends somewhat to allay the fears thus inspired.

It is pointed out that the last federal census gives California 41,000 Japanese, and the whole country 72,000. It is not likely that the number of Japanese males has largely increased, because they are kept out by international agreement. While recent figures are not given, it seems quite unlikely that as many Japanese women have come into California as there were men already there--the government would hardly admit more than a wife for each male.

Suppose, however, that there are as many as 40,000 Japanese women in the state. There are estimated to be more than 2,750,000 people in California, altogether, of whom nearly half are white women. Obviously, the whites are still holding their own.

As for Los Angeles county, it contains altogether no less than 800,000 people. Even though it is the stronghold of the Japanese invasion, it does not seem to be in imminent danger of Japanization.

That "3000 per cent" is alarming enough; but its real explanation is found not so much in the numbers of Japanese babies being born now in Los Angeles county as in the fact that until the last few years there were hardly any being born.

### RIPPLING RHYMES

By Walt Mason

MY ICELAND.

Oh, Iceland, fair Iceland, my dear old childhood home,  
I'd like to sail to you again, across the waste of foam.  
In dreams I see my happy home, my home of long ago,  
Where all the farmers planted ice, and all they reaped was snow.  
I often wonder why I left the floe where I was reared,  
For lands that sizzle in the sun, where men are scorched and seared;  
And I would give my halidom to be upon your shore,  
To see the musk ox eating ice, and hear the walrus roar.  
I used to kick, forsooth, because the kitchen fire  
Would freeze, and one must use a crosscut saw to slice  
The bread and cheese; and often, lacking proper pride,  
I'd wring my hands and weep, because I had to shovel paths  
Through drifts six furlongs deep. But time has shown me  
What is what, and also which is which, and if I had  
Those snowdrifts now I'd think that I was rich. Oh, Iceland,  
When my jaded back is sore with prickly heat, I'd like  
To tread your frozen shore, and revel in your sleet!  
Oh, Iceland, when my nose is peeled by solar glow and glare,  
I'd like to drive along your lanes, behind a polar bear--  
Oh, Iceland is the fairest land that mortal ever saw;  
She has a snowstorm every day, and never has a thaw.

### LADD & BUSH BANKERS

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The Japanese are undeniably gaining ascendancy in some rural sections of California and other Pacific states, and that fact is reason enough for concern to the white population. But there is nothing to be gained by distortion of figures whether intentional or unintentional. In dealing with the "yellow peril", as with any other peril, it is well to keep one's perspective.

### WORK HARD.

Lord Weir, arriving in London after a visit to America, tells his fellow Britons: "Every man, woman and child in this country has got to work, and work damned hard. It is the only way out of our difficulties. That is what they are doing in the United States, and a rich harvest is coming to them."

It is the gospel truth, though the phraseology is a bit profane. Nothing but hard work can cure the world of its present ills. Nothing else can replace the wealth destroyed by war, pay the debts and create a reasonable expectation of the future ease and happiness that the human race longs for.

Americans are, very likely, working harder right now than Europeans. They do it from force of habit. It will do no harm to work a little harder, however, provided the toil is performed intelligently, and accompanied by the proper amount of wholesome recreation and wiser living conditions generally.

Most people could accomplish 50 per cent more if they only ate, slept, rested and exercised more sensibly. An increase of 50 per cent in American production would wipe out the war debt in almost no time, and place American prosperity as far ahead of our own pre-war standards as it is now ahead of foreign standards.

Yesterday there was a mass meeting of the followers of Mooney, the dynamiter, and Dr. Marie Equi, the convicted anarchist, held in Portland, at which the speakers advocated and predicted the overthrow of the government and rule by soviet council on the plan supposed to be dominant in Russia now. One speaker from Boise, Idaho, advised workers to go to that city and get a job on the ne weapital building, stating that by repeated strikes they could get their wages constantly increased, since there was a desire to complete the work quickly and the workers could take advantage of that fact. The entire meeting was devoted to the expression of anarchistic views--and no officials interfered to hinder the "red" propaganda, now so industriously advocated by labor union organizers and all other brands of professional agitators. There are, however, laws in existence strong enough to curb such uprisings against the government and they should be enforced to the letter in order to avoid more serious consequences later on.

The church organizations endorse Billy Sunday and feature his senseless slang and frequently profane pulp exhibitions, apparently because they seem to draw a crowd of the curious. Then these same church people meet in convention to discuss the decline in interest in the church on the part of people of this and other of the most enlightened nations.

The Mexican war scare is on again, but it will amount to little. The greasers have discovered that the Americans can fight and have a whole lot of idle soldiers ready for the job, hence they will make quick reparation whenever it is suggested from Washington that we have a grievance.

The crew of the R-34, though English, chew gum on their trans-Atlantic cruises. Maybe they chew it because they can't smoke, and maybe they do it to mend leaks in the gas bag, but they do it, by gum! And thus America scores another triumph.

Maybe Henry Ford is suing the Chicago Tribune for \$1,000,000 because he needs the money. The Ford company only made \$34,000,000 in the last nine months.

## Hunting a Husband

By MARY DONGLAS

### THE LETTER

James Merle did not come last night. I waited until 8 o'clock. I went up to my room, tore off the hat that I had made with such pleasure in the morning. Plunged into my dress.

This morning I am trying to forget. But there was an letter. No telephone. How could he treat me so? I am plunging into doing things. I turned my bureau out on the floor. But even in the awful tangle the question went round and round in my head. "Why didn't he come? Why didn't he let me know?"

There is the bell. Mother came up the stairs a little breathless. A girl to see me? Jane Allen, I guess, to ask my advice as usual. I wish she could

give me hers. But I banished that thought from my mind. I shall settle my own problems myself.

I went down stairs. I pushed back a few stray locks of hair that would fall across my cheek.

There is our little sitting-room, sat Anne Jones! She returned my hand shake with a hearty grip. I like this girl. She is unspoiled by popularity. Every man at the house party adored her. Yet her head is quite unadorned. She goes upon her way serenely. "I have come to ask your advice," she said plunging at once into her subject.

My advice! Is it worth that? It seems to be quite insufficient to help me out of my own difficulties. She was tired of doing things in a

desultory way. Tom Angus had told her that I would be the one to help her. I had had experience. She wanted to do something--something worth while. Did I think she could be a secretary? If she could learn, she would take the secretaryship of one of the Red Cross groups.

"But it is hard work," I said. "It requires concentration, steadiness. If you learn you must be there day after day--not one and then skip three."

Anne Jones shook her head. "Oh, don't you know that I am not that kind, Miss Lane? I shall stick to it. But where can I learn?"

I knew several good schools. I would gladly go with her and get her started. Her eyes were shining as she left me. The conventional words, "Thank you so much," had a real meaning.

I went back to my bureau drawers. My last white collar was folded. It lay on its pile. Mother came into the room. She held an envelope--a prophetic envelope. Even before I saw the writing I knew it was from him from James Merle.

It was not a long letter. It asked my forgiveness. James (for so I call him to myself) said that he had had an attack. Had been unable to communicate with me. Might he come in person to ask my pardon?

Somewhat I have a vague fear. A foreboding of trouble. But I shall see him. I can give him the opportunity to right himself in my eyes.

I want to see him--  
(Tomorrow--The Foreboding.)

### Closed Streams Named For Information Of Anglers

The state fish and game commission are frequently hearing from disgruntled sportsmen who have undertaken to whip some of the streams in this territory, only to find that by legislation and regulation said streams have been closed to fly casters. The situation has been aggravated by the fact that the railroad bulletins have been advertising all these streams as good fishing ground. A particular instance is that of the head waters of the Luckiamute river which furnishes some of the best fishing in this region.

Among the streams listed this year as being closed are Beeman, Volmers, Johnson, Muddy and Mill creeks and the north and south forks of the Necanicum river, all in Clatsop county; Carberry creek in Jackson county; Cedar creek and tributaries in Washington county; a portion of Crane creek in Klamath county; Elk creek in Deschutes forest, and a part of Elk lake in the same section; Four Bit creek, Jackson county; Four Mile lake and upper half of Four Mile creek; part of the Klamath river near the Spencer creek fish hatchery; Mill creek, Luckiamute river and Salt creek in Polk county; north fork of Molalla river; part of Paulina creek; Bithie, Johnson, Trout, Driftwood, Granite, Indian, Gate, Martin, Deer, Ennis and Quartz creeks in Lane county; Rock creek in Washington and Clackamas counties; Seven Mile creek from Weed canal to Short creek; Squaw creeks.

### Local People Beat Mazamas To Top Of Mt. Hood Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zimmerman are now eligible for membership in the Mazamas, as they made the climb to the summit of Mt. Hood Sunday morning.

The party drove Saturday from Salem to the government camp and then four miles beyond to camp out in the open with a hundred or more Mazamas. Sunday morning at 3:30 o'clock they started the climb to the summit, arriving there at 9 o'clock about an hour and a half ahead of the Mazamas. After two hours on the summit, where five mountain peaks were visible, the party started the descent, arriving at the timber line at 2 o'clock.

On the way up the party passed Crater Rock, which is still smoldering, and also a number of ambitious hikers who were laid out on account of the altitude which sometimes affects the heart and sometimes the stomach.

It is the 1000 feet of climbing nearest the summit that counts and to aid travelers there is a rope, for which each climber pays \$1 for the privilege of swinging on it. At the top the government has two forest rangers who occasionally hand out hot soup to the weary hikers attending to their official duty of looking out for forest fires.

### "FIGHTING FIFTH" RETURNS

New York, July 19.--The vanguard of the "Fighting Fifth" Division of regulars, among the first troops to see action in France, arrived here aboard the cruiser South Dakota.

Composed of units from all sections of the country, the division faced the possibility of leaving few friends and relatives to greet it, so the war camp community service organized a committee to meet it.

The division which arrived in France in March, 1918, and saw service in the St. Mihiel and Argonne drives and the army of occupation, sustained 8280 casualties. It took 2057 prisoners and a great quantity of material.

Ten generals are aboard the transport.

Lieutenant General Liggett, Major General Dickman, Brigadier General Dennis K. Nolan, Major General Squier, Brigadier General Beese, Brigadier General Burt, Brigadier General H. O. Smith, Major General Kennedy, Brigadier General Barram and Brigadier General Craig were reported on the ship.



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### FLYING INSTRUCTOR IN CHARGE OF PLANE

### Twenty-Two Local People Given Flights Sunday By New Aviator.

Lieut. L. E. Franzen, late instructor of aerobatic flying with the American flyers in France, took out the "Jenny" airplane belonging to Lieutenant Browne and gave a number of Salem people a variety of thrills yesterday. These thrills included peaceful landings as gently as the leaf falls, or that of a straight drop of a couple thousand feet and then a straightening out of the plane just in time to quietly stop on O'cott aviation field. Of the 22 taken up yesterday, those who wanted a double run for their money, were given the most startling thrill.

Two women were given flights yesterday, Miss Ella Spaulding of Salem and Mrs. Belle Niles Brown of Portland. Other women who would like to go up will have the opportunity as Lieut. Franzen is here to fill all the engagements entered into by Lieut. Franzen. Also other men, who have seen the wonderful flying and ease with which Lieut. Franzen handles the plane, and those who are still ambitious of experiencing riding in the air with or without thrills, will now have the opportunity. The first communication should be with the manager of the Commercial club, T. E. McCroskey.

Among those who took flights yesterday are the following: Ben Savage, George Dunt, R. P. Fevers, R. P. Wood, E. M. Williamson, Walter Gough, T. L. Davidson, Lester Davidson, R. A. Lamb, Gustav Erickson, C. D. Amos, Mrs. Belle Niles Brown of Portland, I. T. Hansen of Portland, Percy Blundell, Loren White, Miss Ella Spaulding and Fred Maagis. C. F. Lanning wanted to take a flight but the bell holding passengers in the plane was not big enough. It is customary to strap passengers tightly to their seats in order that they may not accidentally drop out when the plane is doing some flip flopping or tail spins or any acrobatic stunt.

### ROLL OF HONOR

The following casualties are reported by the commanding general of the American Expeditionary Forces:

Killed in Action	1
Died of Accident and Other Causes	5
Wounded Severely	162
Wounded (degree undetermined)	11
Wounded Slightly	17
Missing in Action	1
Total	107

Total number of casualties to date, including those reported above:

Killed in Action (including 381 at sea)	32,754
Died of Wounds	17,370
Died of Disease	23,866
Died from Accident and Other Causes	4,942
Wounded in Action (over 85 per cent returned to duty)	210,984
Missing in Action (not including prisoners released and returned)	2,370
Total to date	259,616

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