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## COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER.

## A GERMAN FAKE.

The New York World has been doing some intelligent figuring on the explosives of all kinds exported from this country during the month of May, and finds that the total only amounted to \$5,500,000 more than in the same month last year when all Europe was at peace. For the eleven months ending with May, these exports were \$24,000,000 larger than a year ago.

These figures become important when weighed against the German charge that American ammunition to the Allies is prolonging the European war by preventing a quick German victory. The World says:

"It is of American shells that the chief complaint is made, and these exports of explosives include bullets as well as shells. We will be liberal and assume that \$5,500,000 worth of shells alone were exported in May to France and England.

"The German General Heinrich Rohue has had published in Berlin some figures on the allied expenditure of shells along the western front. He says that 'nearly 300,000 shells were fired north of Arras on June 17,' and that 'this was almost as much as the whole fire of the German artillery in 1876.' He also says 'the very smallest gun shoots a projectile costing at least \$6.'

"At \$10 per shell for an average, the allies shot off \$3,000,000 in shells in one day at a spot along a 450-mile line. This is at the rate of \$90,000,000 a month for a small part of the line, and America's exports of all kinds of ammunition per month at the time must have been less than \$5,000,000 for the whole line!

"These are American facts and German calculations, not German guesses. In this light, what becomes of the German invention of 50 per cent of losses and 86 per cent of losses caused by American bullets and shells? Whatever else these American explosives have done, they are shown in fact to have exploded with deadly effect under the 50 to 86 per cent liars."

As a matter of record, France has purchased no shells at all from the United States, but is relying wholly on her own production. Russia has been handicapped through inability to get munitions of war from Japan, where she has been purchasing the great bulk of her supplies, and as the British forces only hold 40 miles of the fighting front in France, it is evident much of the German ammunition talk is pure sham.

## COLUMBIA COUNTY DAY.

Due to the fact that there had been a misunderstanding by the citizens of Clatskanie, confusing the two events, the trip by the Highway Commission and Columbia County Day, and having made arrangements to entertain the commission at Clatskanie on their trip over the highway yesterday, the business men of that city do not think they can successfully entertain another large delegation next week, on August 21, the day set apart as Columbia County Day. For these reasons it has been decided by the committees in charge to postpone the event until some time on or about the 13th of September.

This is a good plan for several reasons. The highway will be in much better condition to travel, where as now the trip has to be made over a great deal of soft dirt road and it will place the two events far enough apart to enable a great many more to attend Columbia County Day than if it had been held next week.

"Without criticizing any one whatever, I would say that it is a good plan to postpone this event, as we want to make it a great success, and it cannot be done by August 21st. We want to cement the friendship with our neighbors, and we want to get as many live ones as possible to provide cars and make an effort to get as many as possible to make the drive," stated a citizen from the south end of the county, while talking about the change of date. "You have no idea how much such a visit will be appreciated down here, and I am sure I am speaking for all the people in this end of the county, when I say that we will all be winners as a result of Columbia County Day," said a visitor to the county seat from the northern part of the county, "and any date that should be set later, we want to see the whole of the south end make the trip."

## THE CAP SHEAF.

Considerable of the prosperity of Oregon depends upon our agricultural and livestock interests. It is also true of Columbia county. The past few weeks have furnished the cap sheaf to the great shock of prosperity that has been built up in the county during the past few years.

The result is that crop conditions are just about all that could be desired, and the farmers are face to face with abundant fields. The ranges will have abundant grass for the winter. The agricultural interests will continue to enjoy the prosperity, and with the prosperity evident in local mills and shipping yards, there is no fly in the St. Helens ointment at this time. We are face to face with a prosperity that promises to last long. St. Helens will continue to forge ahead with those great strides that causes wonderment on the part of the visiting observer.

## SUCCESS WITH PRODUCERS.

The management of the Columbia County Fair are doing everything in their power to make the coming fair a great success. They are bending every effort to interest every citizen of the county. But they can entreat, labor and sweat, but it remains with the producer, the farmer, the stockgrower, to make a success of the three-day event. The management may make all kinds of elaborate arrangements of every description, but this is as far as they can go. It is impossible for them to prepare the exhibits, the grain samples, the fruit, etc. The whole success rests upon the people of the county whether the fair shall be the event that it should be. To be a success, it means a complete exhibition of the products of every section and can be brought about only by each person doing their part.

An exchange says that a man has to go in debt if he is ever worth anything. The saying is probably so, but we fear a habit has grown up in this country of people not only going in debt, but that they are buying to the very limit of their credit, and even beyond. The trouble with many individuals is that they are not only disposed to go in debt, but they are willing to remain in that condition. It is the man who does not pay his debts that brings constant reproach on the credit system.

There seems to be some agitation for a race course in the fair grounds, not so much for racing purposes as for the showing of stock during the fair. No doubt this would be a good step, but it takes money to do all these things. The fair association have learned by past experience that it takes money to run a fair as well as anything else. Perhaps someone has a solution.

With more money in their vaults than they know what to do with, the banking institutions of the middle west are busy hunting for investments, declares Senator Reed of Missouri. The banks are full of deposits, which are constantly growing, and bankers are kept busy in the effort to find desirable loans and investments.

Ship building activity in the United States is now reported greater than for several years, as a result of the heavy demand for shipping facilities since the outbreak of the war. Department of Commerce statistics show that 125 vessels were building in this country on July 1st, 66 of which are steel ships and 60 wooden vessels.

One great trouble with these Mexican peace plans that are continually being unloaded in the United States, is that there is nothing behind them. And with the certainty of American intervention, if there can be no Mexican agreement, our Mexican friends appear as far from agreement now as at any time during their revolutionary troubles.

John Wanamaker would have the United States purchase Belgium from Germany for the sum of \$100,000,000, and return the country to the Belgians. But Mr. Wanamaker should bear in mind that Germany has not as yet received a bill of sale to Belgium, and there may soon come a time when the purchase of the country will not be necessary.

The great American dollar is now worth \$1.02 in English money, \$1.09 in French, \$1.17 in German, \$1.18 in Italian, \$1.32 in Russian, \$1.34 in Austrian, \$1.03 in Scandinavian, \$1.04 in Swiss, and a sack full of Mexican. Verily, the American eagle is fully justified in emitting a lusty scream.

A registered Jersey cow in Tillamook county has furnished her owner with 9000 pounds of milk during the past ten months, with a yield of butter fat that is equivalent to 1 1/2 pounds of butter per day. These are the kind of cows that are well calculated to bring financial independence to their owners.

There may be some who favor a creamery rather than a cheese factory, and vice versa, but when it comes to final arrangements, the minority will join with the majority and work hand in hand for the best interests of the section.

In all the columns of dope that has been written about the Columbia Highway, with the exception of local county papers, the lower Columbia River drive has been completely ignored. One would think that the highway ended at Portland.

The owners, lessees and captain of the steamer Eastland, are declared by a coroner's jury to be responsible for the recent Chicago river horror, and if they are guilty they should be properly punished.

The Oregon small grain crop is bringing in considerable money into the hands of farmers at this time. Columbia county boasts of one of the best crops for years, and practically all the grain is being saved.

A city is judged not only by its wealth, progress and righteousness, but also by that degree with which its citizenship awakens to and embraces the natural opportunities awaiting at the threshold.

An exchange from Texas says that the largest fish ever caught in the Rio Grande at that point was recently caught, and weighed 44 1/2 pounds. The fishermen use that size down here for bait.

With the mercury standing at 100 in the shade and the beams of Old Sol in evidence 20 hours out of the 24, it is evident that Alaska must be trying to approach Phoenix, Arizona, climate.

It is said that Secretary Lansing finds much pleasure and solace in his pipe. It may be that good tobacco puts more stiffening into a man's spinal column than grape juice.

Why not make it an annual event second to the Columbia County Fair. Columbia County Day and once a year would be none too often for a friendly pow wow.

Dame fashion dictates that a man's tie shall match his hair, and this creates a very grave predicament for the individual who has lost his hirsute embossing.

To say the least, you should pull for a greater and better fair. Now is the time your efforts will avail you something.

Vacation will soon be over. Soon the lad and lass with an armful of books will be seen scampering along to school.

Why not a resort, a bath house and a few boats at Columbia beach. No better place on the coast.

An astrologer tells us that a dead meteor can come back, as well as a ball player or a prize fighter.

Portland has a policeman who wears a No. 15 shoe. He must be a broad-soled and well-heeled cop.

"Where there is a will, there is a way." Do you want that creamery or cheese factory?

What does St. Helens need most? The columns of the Mist are open for your ideas.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO

August 16, 1895.

E. E. Quick was in Portland Wednesday.

Mrs. J. G. Muecke visited friends in Portland Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Deming spent the first of the week in Portland with friends.

Robert George had the misfortune to badly injure his hand last Saturday, caused by the accidental discharge of a shotgun.

We are informed that W. B. Dillard sailed from San Francisco for Alaska several days ago, where he goes to spend his summer vacation.

T. C. Watts of Reuben, was in town Tuesday on his way home from Portland.

A letter from Dr. Edwin Ross states that he arrived at his destination in Wisconsin, after a six days' journey, remaining in Chicago two days, spending one in Salt Lake City.

At the time of going to press, we are informed that the fire raging in the vicinity of George Percy's place, near Houlton, broke across the road, greatly endangering his property.

Superintendent Watts of Scappoose, passed through town Monday, en route to Clatskanie, where the teachers' institute and quarterly examination were held this week.

Columbia county alone has suffered many thousand dollars loss by fire alone in the last six weeks.

The party of campers, consisting of David Henshaw and wife, R. Cox and wife, E. E. Quick and family, Capt. Henderson and wife, and Ole Sunday, returned to their homes Saturday, from the coast, where they spent an enjoyable trip.

## STATE AND COUNTY

A \$100,000 mausoleum will be erected in Portland.

A \$2000 swimming establishment is completed at Eugene.

There has been talk of a shoe factory locating in Salem.

The Douglas county fair will be held September 15, 16, 17.

The scenic highway to the rim of Crater Lake has been finished.

Pendleton has commenced the construction of a \$9000 steel bridge.

At Medford, 12,000 acres have been signed up for an irrigation project.

The Newport Ice & Fish Co. made a shipment of ten tons of halibut to Portland.

The Salem Commercial Club is working to establish a broom factory at Salem.

Reports say the Hood River apple crop will be short 30 to 40 per cent this year.

The third annual corn show of the O.-W. R. & N. Co. will be held this year at Walla Walla.

Millions of Norwegian herring came into Siuslaw bay for the first time in eight years.

Eugene's 2,500,000 gallon reservoir will be ready for use August 15, according to reports.

Business is better, says D. W. Campbell, Asst. Gen. Manager of the Southern Pacific company.

The Portland Woolen mills plans to increase its force 20 per cent, in anticipation of large orders.

Sixty-three lumber cargoes left Astoria in July, with a total of 46,857,094 feet, including rafts.

T. M. Anderson of Grants Pass, brought in a piece of quartz as big as two fists, apparently one-half gold.

The Southern Pacific has announced that it will make a 30,000 yard fill on the big trestle near Coquille.

C. A. Parker, representing New York capitalists, is reported to be leasing land for oil test purposes in Coos county.

It is reported that two California companies will soon begin extensive operations for gold in the black sand on South Inlet, Coos county.

It continues incomprehensible why trench warfare isn't made in the eastern end of the war as it is in the western. Why can't the Russians hold their trenches?

Bond & Gargett, owners of the Gold Run mine, located on the southwest slopes of Red mountain, are planning to install ten stamps, according to a report that comes from Baker hills.

It is reported that a California company is taking over the mining on the Sixes river, Curry county, and according to present preparations, will have between 150 and 200 men at work in the course of a few months.

Thousands of dollars worth of liquor was poured into the Arkansas river at Wichita; and if the stream were as low as it sometimes is, all the farmers and ranchers down the river would need only ice to make their own highballs.

## FIRE! FIRE! FIRE! FIRE!

See E. E. Quick, St. Helens, and insure your property in the Oregon Fire Relief Association of McMinnville, Oregon. Don't put it off, Mehett W. L. WARREN, Agent.

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