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BRINGING HOME THE "PORK"

The following conclusive argument in favor of the location of a naval base at the mouth of the Columbia near Astoria, appeared in yesterday's Oregonian:

"Why should Chamberlain worry about a naval base at the mouth of the Columbia River? Why worry about anything? He was triumphantly re-clected in 1914, and he does not come up for re-election for four years. By that time the naval base will be forgotten—he hopes. But the case of Senator Lane is, or ought to be different. He must stand for re-election year after next. When he considers that it is quite the fashion in Oregon to elect Demogratic sonators on the basis of things promised and to elect Democratic senators on the basis of things promised and hoped for and not on the record of service rendered, he, too, may well cheer up

The Oregon senators may or may not favor the establishment of a naval base at Astoria. There may be good reasons for opposing it, although Lane has introduced a naval base bill and Chamberlain is quoted as saying he can say things in a "picturesque" way that if a poor devil is doing what he can to pass it --- but that is to be expected. United States senators at best are only human and if they had good reasons for opposing the move would no doubt lack the courage to follow their honest convictions.

of the navy because they refuse forthwith to establish a naval base at the mouth of the Columbia river. They suppose some newspaper should say that the Oregon boys attendance is assured. are also hammering away at the Oregon delegation be- were so awkward and so poorly drilled that they fell cause they do not influence the officials to take such a down when performing their evolutions; or made allusstep, charging that they lack enthusiasm in the cause. This is only another illustration of "pork barrel" ideas of government expenditure of funds. What is wanted by the promoters of this naval base scheme is not so much the naval base but the money it will cause to be expended in the Calumbia river target of the astablishment and the cause to be expended.

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should be located near San Francisco bay, its most im- them so doing? portant and central port, and two or three submarine bases to the north and south would afford ample protection to the coast, since the European war has proven the up rain for the Fourth. While this may be all right and GERVAIS NEW CHARTED ADOPTED

But the Astoria and Columbia river realty boomers state to settle for itself. are after the "pork" and they are going to bring it home if they can. The so-called "naval base commissioner" sent on to Washington candidly admitted before the chamber of commerce of one of the Willamette Valley cities that he was working first of all for his own financial interests. Now he is abusing the Oregon sen- good done. ators through the press because he alleges they are not showing sufficient enthusiasm in the big real estate boom scheme. It is another treasury raid under the alluring last of Commissioner Bigelow's city woodpile. Can't say pretense of national preparedness—and the country might as well begin to be prepared for an epidemic of

And while on the subject of the "pork barrel" in federal appropriations, it might be well to speak of another. When they are right here at home we can understand them better. Representative McArthur informs the Portland papers that he hopes to secure \$1,000,000 for an automobile loop road around the base of Mount Hood to connect with the Columbia river scenic highway. Great public necessity isn't it?

share of the congressional treasury raid the Oregonian of the war. We are tired of death and blood, and we turn would how! "pork" long and loud---now it will have only words of commendation for McArthur if he succeeds in

bringing home a million dollars worth of pork.

It was always that way--probably it always will be--but the people may rest assured that national, state,

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boost tax levies just as long as we only cry "pork" and "graft" when the other fellow gets it. If we are not willing to bring the matter of economy home to ourselves and our locality, extravagance and graft will be the rule in the disbursing of public funds in the future just as it has been in the past.

Congressman Sinnott, who hails from The Dalles, and represents Oregon most ably, has probably found a solution of the jack rabbit pest. "Nick" learned that there was a secretify of rabbit fur among the hat makers, and as he

a scarcity of rabbit fur among the nat makers, and as it came from a section where the wind splitting jack rabbit the public school authorities have determined to open night schools for alien instruction at the beginning of the the long "felt" want. He sent a number of the hides to the hatters and Saturday he was furnished a brand new Compilished and greater are expected. The bureau of naturalization since the Feodora, grey in color and soft and fine of texture. He list of last October has sent the names wears it with that charming grace natural to his six of approximately 200,000 candidates for citizenship and their wives to the foot four frame and naturally puts it above most of the hats in congress, and where it will be seen of all men through their representatives. It is hoped the jack rabbit has at last been found of some use, as this will soon eliminate him and remove a real pest. Not that the ranchers will kill him, but so soon as the measly things are found to be of some value it will follow as does night with copies of preliminary naturalization forms, to aid teachers in the inthe day, that something will happen to kill them off.

Disease and pests tackle everything useful to man, and avoid any and everything that is useless. It is quite likely this will be the case with the despised jack rabbit. If he struction of candidates for citizenship. The cooperation of the public schools with the national government has come to stay, and the next scholastic year will show a tremendous increase all over the country. is any account his fate is sealed.

A cartoonist has all kinds of special privileges. He ers, superintendents and other prominent educators of the United States, of a newspaper man put the same ideas conveyed by the cartoons in print he would be mobbed. In Sunday's Oregonian, for instance, Cartoonist Reynolds shows the schools throughout the country and formulating a complete course of cit Oregon boys arriving at the front, falling down and Portland and Astoria papers are abusing the officials pretty nearly stepping on themselves while down. Oregonian subscribers will smile as they look at this; but and experiences of the public school teneners. A large and representative

Whether or not the tariff is made the main issue in

Secretary Daniels has suggested that the mouth of Secretary Daniels has suggested that the mouth of the Columbia might be a desirable site for a submarine the United States with its forces scattered along the Rio in his errand to make easier the last base, which would seem a logical and sensible idea. The Grande cannot stop bandits raiding across the border, minutes of his dying commander. "Go on, sergeant!" These simple words how can it blame Mexico for being unable to prevent should be engraven on eternal stone

important part the submarine will play in ocean warfare strictly within the scope of the federal officeholder, it strictly within the scope of the federal officeholder, it strikes us that like suffrage it should be left for each Tuesday, June 27, 1916, for the adop-

cities that he was working first of all for his own was more than compensated in Morrow county by the

The Oregonian wonders if Portland will ever hear the



POLITICS

Here's the presidential race we have long been wait-If this or a similar item was included in Florida's ing for, and its roorbacks will displace tiresome stories

who would be the nation's chief. Sleuths are busy laying bare all the things he ever did; whiter, daily, grows the hair underneath that statesman's lid. For he thought his foolish acts were forgotten, long ago; but the sleuths dig up the facts, make of them a public show. Correspondents, on his trail, strive to show, in language tense, that he served a tetrm in jail, having swiped a widow's fence. Affidavits, by the ton, written down by trenchant pens, will declare he got his mon, with a lantern, stealing hens. Anecdotes of Europe's strife will seem flat, absurdly tame when we take a statesman's life, and dissect and shred the same. Let the slogan gayly sound, let the hewgag hover

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