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### GETTING RID OF EXTRA HELP

During the war extra help filled in every line of busi-  
ness, both public and private. Every state found itself loaded  
with men and women on the pay rolls, and the federal govern-  
ment is top heavy with extra employees.

In state and national affairs this was especially pronounced  
and as a result every political unit found the pay rolls groaning  
with excess people. The Portland Oregonian in a recent edi-  
torial in which it attempted to analyze the Observer's cure for  
high taxation, openly admitted the difficulty in separating pub-  
lic officials from their jobs, but even with the Oregonian's al-  
most helpless analysis we notice several states are getting rid  
of the excess.

It is refreshing to call the readers' attention to the fact  
that with one stroke New York state cut off 250 state offi-  
cials and employees. It is also refreshing to see President Hard-  
ing standing firmly behind Mr. Dawes in his business program  
which when enacted will send the employees out of Washing-  
ton in droves and save the federal government hundreds of  
thousands of dollars each month.

The Oregonian feels the task is hopeless and almost im-  
possible but we contend such is not the case and call attention  
to those demonstrations which are now at hand.

The time is here for getting rid of extra help in all lines  
just as the railroads have done. The balance sheet with its  
red ink prompts every line of business to live within its in-  
come, and why should not the state and nation do likewise?

### HOT WEATHER PROFITEERS PENNIES.

The secretary of the council com-  
mittee on the high cost of living in  
Chicago is on the trail of the hot  
weather profiteers, the men who per-  
sist in charging excessive prices for  
ice cream and similar hot weather  
foods and drinks, although the cost  
of their ingredients has decreased.  
It is a campaign which should be car-  
ried on wherever a similar fashion of  
robbing the public exists.

In Chicago it was found that the  
dealers were taking \$11.88 of the pub-  
lic's hard-earned money for hot weath-  
er commodities costing not more  
than \$3.30 entire, including the froth  
on the glass and the spoon in the  
dish. It is a form of gouging all too  
common, although the heights attain-  
ed in Chicago are not equalled in  
most communities.

Ice cream is not a luxury in hot  
weather. It is a cooling food which  
should be easily and cheaply accessible  
to all. If the turgid fancy of the oc-  
casional foolish consumer leads him  
to cover it up with indigestibles, let  
him pay accordingly. But for the  
basic article which is good for the  
entire family from great grandfather  
to baby sister, let that be sold at a  
fair price, and let the dealer who does  
so well find the reward of public  
recognition.

### DAWES, THE MUSICIAN.

Life is full of little surprises which  
should keep any observant person  
free from boredom, but who would  
suspect the stormy and impetuous  
Brig. Gen. Charles G. Dawes of com-  
posing music? Yet so he does, in  
his gentler moment, and good music,  
too.

Use of his compositions has been  
brought into public notice recently by  
Erlis Kreisler, master of the violin  
and keen judge of music. Accord-  
ing to the story, Kreisler first played  
the piece attracted by its beauty and  
not knowing who composed it. He  
was astonished, as most people would  
be, to learn later that the composer  
was the Chinese banker who had  
made history by "ousting" Congress  
to a staid still, and who is now em-  
barked upon a perilous voyage to re-  
scue the ship of state from foundering  
in a sea of debt.

It is an interesting sidelight on the  
man whose wisdom as a financier, ef-  
ficiency as a war executive and fear-  
lessness as a citizen are already fam-  
iliar, and it arouses new confidence  
in his ability. The combination of mu-  
sical and business genius points to a  
balance of the qualities and powers  
which should make the administra-  
tion of any job doubly successful.

### JAPAN ON DISARMAMENT.

Representatives of the Japanese  
government have expressed themselves  
as favorable to a joint agreement for  
the limitation of naval armament.  
What do the Japanese people think  
about it?

Perhaps Yukio Ozaki, former min-  
ister of justice, knows as much about  
that as any living man. He recently  
completed a speaking tour of Japan,  
in the course of which he spoke in al-  
most all of the important cities and  
towns addressing more than 100,000

representative Japanese in more than  
100 meetings. At every meeting he  
distributed postcards asking his hear-  
ers to express their views on disar-  
mament. The final count showed that  
94 per cent of them favored limita-  
tion.

So much for the people. "But sup-  
pose the government is bluffing and  
does not choose to do what the people  
want?" it may be asked. Japan is  
no longer an absolute monarchy,  
neither is it an oligarchy, though the  
"elder statesmen" would like to make  
it such. Japan today is obliged to  
do what the people want, to almost as  
great a degree as western countries  
with the same parliamentary system  
of government, and its trend toward  
democracy is increasing all the time.

Mr. Ozaki has this message for the  
people of the United States:  
"If the American government prop-  
oses an international conference to  
discuss restriction of armaments it  
will surely be the beginning of a solu-  
tion of all the diplomatic questions  
between Japan and the United States."

"If we are unable to prevent the  
clearly unnecessary, wasteful naval  
competition, how can we expect to  
solve other irritating and more em-  
barrassing questions between our two  
countries? The latter will easily  
adjust themselves when the former  
has been settled."

It is worth trying, at least.

### SPORT DIPLOMATS

Americans have been contesting the  
golf championship and the polo cham-  
pionship in England. A Frenchman  
has been contesting the pugilistic  
championship in America. Now the  
world's woman tennis champion is  
coming to this country for a tour.

Miss Langlen will be what a New  
York paper calls "ambassador of  
sport." She will be another striking  
example of how far France has gone  
in recent years in athletics, and a  
good witness to what athletes have  
done for France.

Such embassies, perhaps, are the  
most effective kind. Ambassadors  
plenipotentiary are sent from govern-  
ment to government, and rarely touch  
the masses. Champion sportsmen  
are sent from people to people. They carry  
a friendly message of mutual fair-  
ness and good will, and make it felt  
without official formality. The ex-  
change of sportsmen is a fine way to  
get understanding between nations.

### THE WET PARADE

The anti-prohibition parade in New  
York City on the Fourth of July was  
expected to be a record-breaking af-  
fair. Those in charge of it had prom-  
ised a line-up of at least 100,000 men  
and women. The actual number who  
marched was under 15,000. There were  
10,000 less than were mustered for  
the Irish independence parade, on the  
same day.

New York sentiment is regarded as  
more strongly in favor of the liquor  
traffic than that of any other big city  
in America. When the metropolis can  
only muster 15,000 out of several mil-  
lions to give a public demonstration of  
its faith, the eighteenth amendment is  
certainly in no present danger.

They say that heat is a state of  
mind. That teaches us the folly of  
being wrapped in thought these days.

## THE OFFICE CAT



—By JUNIUS—

### To One Who Hates Himself

Who's making all this trouble here?  
Who willfully would kill a dog?  
Must he be some durned old mealy  
lout

Who has not love for man or God,  
Jes' 'cause the dog don't b'long to  
him,  
He'll kill it off to suit a whim.

'Aint no excuse and durn little cause  
To poison dogs—and there never  
was.

It makes no difference where you go,  
You'll find some ornery, low down  
cow.

Who jes' delights in smotherin' woe  
And stirrin' up an awful fuss,  
The ignorant fool who set the bait  
Is much less human, I would state  
Than that same dog he tortured so.  
He is, by gracious, guess I know.

A dog's a dog, you'll meebly say,  
But one thing's sure and that 's  
two,  
A faithful friend you're sure to have  
And one who'll give his life for you.

No matter where you go you'll find  
The trusty feller right behind.  
There 'aint no lies—or sham—or  
fraud  
In that same good old, friend—a  
Dog.

This hot weather is hard on us  
fat guys, but according to M. B.  
Donahue the distance from the horse  
plate to first base depends on who  
is fielding the ball.

If they ever charge a dollar for  
a haircut, a man may be proud of  
being bald.

A drummer returning from Cana-  
da with a loaded srip might be called  
a bottle-scared hero.

After watching little Willie eat on  
Christmas day you understand why  
he calls them cranberries.

Profound Secret  
Where does the bass drummer do  
his practicing?

Swords and pens are all right in  
their way, but the pretty typewriter  
is more killing. The time was once  
when we started to write a letter be-  
ginning: "I take my pen in hand."  
Now "We take our typewriter in our  
arms."—Masonic Home Journal.

Brother, you can't tell us that  
when you take your typewriter in  
your arms you are starting to write  
a letter! No, sir!

A white collar isn't going to stay  
white if you wear it around for two  
weeks without changing it. But  
some men in La Grande seem to be  
color blind.

In the Wrong Tent  
"Ah, this is the place I have been  
seeking," said the pained old man  
as he pushed open the door of what  
he supposed was the specialist's of-  
fice. He saw a number of supposed  
patients who he thought were there  
to undergo a course of treatment  
for St. Vitus dance.

"No, you're in the wrong place,"  
said the boss, when the old man had  
stated his case. "This isn't a spec-  
ialist office—this is a dancing school  
and the people you see are not pa-  
tients—they are beginners trying to  
master the shimmy-wabble."

Sadly the old man agonized for  
intruding and turned away.

William Jennings Bryan would  
never tell this story. It's on a  
"Pussfoot" lecturer who was talk-  
ing in a certain hall one evening on  
the drink question. "Now, suppos-  
ing I had brought a pail of water

and a pail of beer on this platform,  
and then brought on a donkey,  
which of the two would he take?"  
"He'd take the water," came a  
voice from the gallery. "And why  
would he take the water?" asked the  
lecturer. "Because he's an ass,"  
came the reply.

Disphany  
A man  
May not be able  
To decipher women.  
At all times;  
But believe us  
During these sunshiny  
Days, a man  
Can see through 'em.

We are trying to develop speed  
to the point where we can start to-  
day and get there yesterday.

Precisely  
Manufacturers of silk hose must  
have most of the society buds dem-  
onstrating for them by the pictures  
in the society columns.

'Round The County  
Little Bit of Everything Gleaned  
By the Observer About  
People and Things.

Home instincts are not peculiar  
to doves and the lower forms of an-  
imal life only. Proof of this was vivid-  
ly supplied when La Grande Allen, son  
of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Allen of M.  
Glenn, during a period of scare, last  
evening walked and stumbled and  
ran a distance of three miles in an  
effort to get home from Riverside  
Park. To add to the stirring ad-  
ventures, it was his own father who  
found him and returned him to his  
distracted mother at the Park, none  
the worse for the scare.

Mrs. Allen, Mrs. E. D. Whiting  
and other M. Glenn residents, were  
enjoying the afternoon at the Chau-  
taquua and La Grande was playing  
on the chutes with neighborhood  
children after the supper hour. Af-  
ter a moment or two he was missing  
and the Ethel with whom the little  
fellow had been associated, notified  
the mother and a hasty search for  
him availed nothing. The alarm  
was passed from group to group un-  
til two dozen men and the entire  
delegation of Boy Scouts on the  
ground began to rake the brush  
and search the streams for trace  
of the missing boy. Call for addi-  
tional searchers was about to be  
passed when the mystery was clear-  
ed. For three quarters of an hour  
the search had been kept up and  
everyone was much concerned.

During the excitement at the park  
La Grande was in mental fright too.  
Losing his mother at the playground,  
the homing instinct guided his steps.  
Young though he was he knew the  
correct direction to take. The boy's  
father had returned to the Allen  
home earlier in the evening on an  
errand, and hurried back to the  
park. At the Al Good place, three  
miles from the park, he perceived,  
at a distance, a little tot in the road  
way that had a striking resemblance  
to his son. To make a long story  
short, Mr. Allen had found his lost  
boy three miles from where the fran-  
tic search was under way. Hurry-  
ing to the park with his precious  
prize, the excitement of the evening  
was abated, the mother's anxi-  
ety relaxed and it was surely a hap-  
py moment for hundreds about the  
grounds when the "Here he is" was  
passed from mouth to mouth. Asked  
why he had left his companions he  
offered the very plausible reason  
that "I lost my mamma and I want-  
ed to go home to Daddy."

Political History  
July 15, 1773. Capture of Stony  
Point, N. Y. (midnight).

July 15, 1893. Thomas C. Platt,  
senator, born. A leader of the Re-  
publican party in N. Y. State.

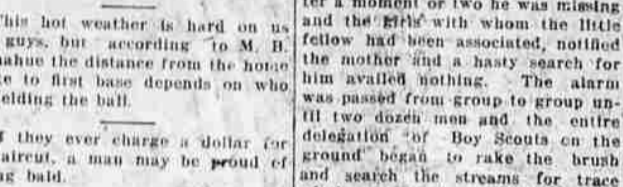
July 15, 1862. Battle between  
the Confederate ram Arkansas and  
Federal vessel.

July 15, 1879. Richard P. Hob-  
son, naval officer, born. He sank  
the Merrimac in Santiago Harbor,  
Cuba, in Spanish war.

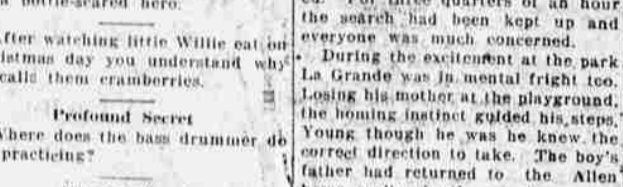
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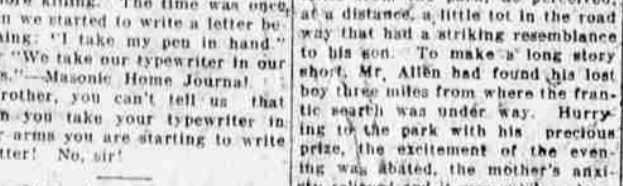
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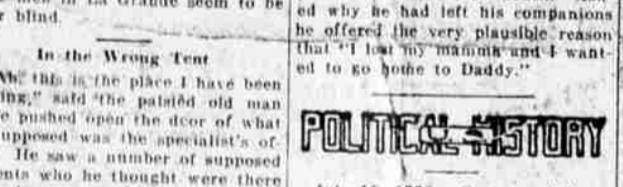
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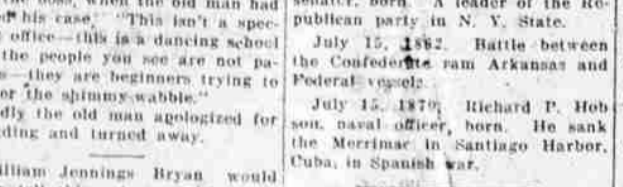
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## State News

Lorenzo E. Dole, of Florence, has been sentenced to four months in the Multnomah county jail, for willfully setting out forest fires in the Siuslaw National Forest in 1920. According to witnesses, Dole had long been suspected, but while one of the rangers was testing out a telescope, he saw Dole, riding horseback, deliberately lighting matches and tossing the blaze into the dry ferns along the roadside.

### AVERAGE WEIGHT OF CALVES

Figures Secured From Dairy Herds of University of Illinois—Factors That Influence.

A very well-bred Holstein bull calf weighing 112 pounds was recently dropped at the Kansas state agricultural college farm at Manhattan. One of the dairy infants, however, weighed considerably less than this Kansas heavyweight.

In the dairy herds of the University of Illinois the average weights of the calves of the various breeds at birth have been as follows: Holstein male, 60 lbs.; female, 54 lbs.; Ayrshire male, 57.7; female, 51.4; Guernsey male, 70; female, 64.8; Jersey male, 62.4; female, 60.7 lbs.

It is a good practice to note and record the approximate weights of calves at birth, because this information is valuable in apportioning milk to the young animals. The 112-pound Kansas giant, for instance, could handle a feeding of milk that would put a Jersey calf of average weight in line for castror oil.

### WATER FOR COWS IN WINTER

Good Plan on Very Cold Days to Heat It Just Enough to Take Disagreeable Chill Off.

The dry cow must have plenty of good water and on very cold days in winter it is a good plan to warm it just enough to take the chill off. When cows are forced to drink ice-cold water in zero weather they will turn away from it before they have consumed enough to meet their requirements. If salt is sprinkled over the fodder portion of the cow's ration or otherwise supplied at intervals of two or three times a week it will assist in keeping her system in good tone.

### FOR WASHING MILK BOTTLES

Fill Receptacles With Water When Empty to Prevent Albumen and Casein Hardening.

The milk bottle, if not washed as soon as emptied, should be filled with cold or lukewarm water till it is washed. The albumen and casein harden and stick fast when they dry as well as when heated. So that if hot water is poured in the bottle or can that has had milk in it the albumen and casein will harden and stick. After washing with lukewarm water use hot water which removes the fat, and place in boiling water or steam to kill the bacteria.

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