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A little more paid advertising and a little less "kindly print," boys.

Democratic hopes are reviving. Len Wood is making considerable headway.

"Gum to go to six cents," says a news report. Well, gum stuck quite a while.

Quit peddling the bunk about capital punishment being a preventative of murder.

In one way equal suffrage is not fair. It gives some men two votes and others none at all.

"Take my name off the ballot," demands Mr. Hoover, but his candidacy goes marching on.

The story of "Opal" is very interesting and most people think she is a remarkable child for one who has attained the age of thirty or more.

Somebody was commenting recently on how many ways there is now of spelling Catharine. Twenty years ago it was spelled K-a-t-e.

What has become of Charley Hughes? Four years ago he missed the White House by a snub. Shouldn't such a showing entitle him to entrance in the next heat?

McAdoo and Bryan are the two strongest Democrats in the country today. Either might be defeated but after the battle the Republicans would know they had been in a fight.

It looks as if the next Oregon legislature would not upset any precedents. Among its members will be the usual number of small gauge politicians and corporation trucklers.

Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Jackson and Polk declined a third term and Grant and Roosevelt tried in vain. We wonder in which group Woodrow Wilson will put himself.

The Portland Journal Stroller appears to be such a good natured chap that his front name must be Sam. Haven't you noticed that most of the boys named after their country are that kind?

Berger, the alleged traitor, can't get into congress. Newberry, who corrupted popular government by money, stays in. Both should be in or both should be out. Yet men wonder why there are so many "Reds" and so much Boshevism in this country.

### THE RHYMING SUMMARIST

Saturday night the O. F. boys met,  
No Jerusalem-Jericho,  
There was a rougher path to travel,  
A more rocky one to go;  
It's fun to be within its sacred walls  
As candidates are groaning,  
To hear the cries,  
The shrieks and sighs,  
The music of the moaning.

When Odd Fellowship goes on a tear,  
By hornet, jiminy jerkus!  
It puts out the sign—"Going Some,"  
Its sure to beat a circus;  
Brothers may come and brothers may go  
But the order there is no defeating,  
In a thousand years  
Without any fears,  
The boys will still be meeting.

The Rebekahs too deserve a cheer  
While into the order we're poking,  
We say this as a solemn truth  
Amidst our josh and our joking;  
Sadie opines they have a goat,  
A nanny they've christened "Jakey,"  
We believe the lass—  
But who will pass  
A piece of Cora's cakey.

### WHO SHOULD PAY?

(From the Portland Journal.)

Scores of Portland firms and individuals paid an income tax of more than \$100,000 last year.

So runs a news story in the Journal. And a number of Portland firms and individuals paid a tax of more than \$1,000,000. And one Portland firm paid an income tax of more than \$4,500,000.

When you contemplate more than \$4,500,000 as the mere tax on an income and when from that you try to figure out what the whole income of that Portland firm was, what is your honest conviction as to who should pay for the war?

It is not stated what firm made these profits. The question of what firm it was does not figure. The heart of the issue is the fact that any firm was able to pile up such a colossal profit out of the war, for only the war could have made such an earning possible.

A propaganda is being spread thru the country to the effect that the excess profits should be abolished. Should it? Should this more than \$4,500,000 excess profits tax be returned to the Portland firm and the sum be collected in widows' mites thru taxes on ice cream and the picture shows and the other small items by which plain people are drag-netted?

It is no crime to be rich. Some will always be rich and some poor. More and more will be poor if America continues in her present gambler's career of spendthrift extravagance. Some riches come by legacies, some by thrift and some by exceptional knack for accumulation. So, in general, there is no war to be made on riches and no reason to decry the wealthy.

But here is the point: The war made difficult living for a lot of people. With prices as they are the wonder is how some are able to survive at all. It took away the business and changed the entire careers of many of those who went to war. But it enabled one firm in Portland to pile up such colossal profits that it paid an income tax of more than \$4,500,000.

Would it be right for those who lost by the war to pay for the war? Would it be wrong for those who profited so enormously from the war to pay for the war, or most of it?

### Interest Rate Bill Not Retroactive

(Contributed.)

Altho there is no danger of the 4 per cent and 5 per cent rate bill passing, it is interesting to speculate on what would happen if it should be adopted. Professional paid circulators who are trying to get signatures for the measure are telling people it would reduce the rate of interest on loans which are now in force. That is to say, if a man had an 8 per cent mortgage on his home it would reduce the rate to 5 per cent as soon as the amendment was passed.

This is entirely untrue. It would not affect the interest rate on loans already in effect. If the man referred to above had a mortgage at 8 per cent which matured on January 1, 1922, his mortgage could not be foreclosed until it was due, but during the life of the mortgage, that is until January 1, 1922, he would have to pay the 8 per cent. When the mortgage finally fell due on January 1, 1922, it could not be renewed at a rate above 5 percent, but this would simply result in his being unable to renew the mortgage at all, as the man who had loaned him the money would loan it in some other state at 8 per cent.

Very few people who have mortgages are enabled to pay them off in full at maturity, and for this reason a law which would make it impossible to renew mortgages would result in the wholesale foreclosure of Oregon real estate. It would be a nice thing for the attorney, but pretty hard on the people who have their mortgages foreclosed.

### Bargains in Bonds

(From the Baker Herald.)

Nothing is easier than to get rid of Liberty bonds, and the public seems to be taking full advantage of that fact. Everywhere the market is flooded with bonds. Special places are opened to buy them. Goods are offered in exchange for them. Above all, stock certificates are offered for them. And the public bites more eagerly than ever, despite the widely published fact that in the past year about \$5000,000 of good money has been paid for fraudulent or worthless stock.

The secretary of the treasury judged it necessary not long ago to issue another warning. "Where Liberty bond holders are urged to give up their securities," he said, "for stocks of speculative character, good sense suggests the presumption that the offer is made because the Liberty bonds are worth decid-

edly more than the stock. Experience in a great number of cases shows that the stock is worthless, and the bond holder who makes the exchange is simply another victim to the army of sharpers, who find easy booty in these days of reckless speculation."

When bonds are sold or traded in such volume as they have been lately, naturally the quoted price of such securities drops. That disturbs millions of bond holders and tends to accelerate the selling movement and lower the price still farther. The bonds are, of course, as good as ever. They produce as large a percentage of income as ever. Anybody who buys a war bond of any issue, at present prices, gets a bargain. Especially is it a bargain when compared with most other securities which investors nowadays seem so eager to buy. The wise man today is the one who keeps on saving as he did during the war, and spends all he can save in buying more of these war bonds at the prices now current.

### Medical Assistance For China

In no part of China is there a medical force at all adequate to the needs of the situation. In one province there is but one doctor to five millions of people, and missionaries living in localities must travel many days to procure medical help in case of need.

The program of the Interechere World Movement, based on a careful survey, will include the strengthening of present institutions and the opening of a large number of hospitals in new areas where they are most needed.

### Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Charles Silas Cooper, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, and has qualified.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned administrator at his residence near Airlie in said County, within six months from the date of this notice.

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LOREN COOPER,

Administrator of the estate of Charles Silas Cooper, deceased.

Swope & Swope, Attorneys.

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