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EXPENSIVE EXPERIMENTATION.

While the conduct of the railroads and other utilities during the war has been a most expensive experiment only justified by the exigencies of the war, which may not have really existed, it may be that the experiment, at whatever cost made, is worth while.

The inefficiency and extravagance of government operation has completely sickened some who were before ardent exponents of government ownership. The government can now slip out from under, but had a government ownership program been put into effect, it could not have done so and the cost to the people might have been many times as great as has been the recent experiment, which in the case of the railroads alone is admitted to be something around sixty millions of dollars each month, and this despite the tremendous advances in rates that have been put into effect.

Government operation of shipbuilding yards has been equally expensive and the inefficiency has been greater. Money was squandered by the billions by men who didn't know the difference between a fighting ship and a schooner of the amber fluid that made Milwaukee famous.

In no single instance has economy and efficiency been developed to a degree that has made any converts to government ownership. The nearest instance would be the work performed by the Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen, where efficiency was developed but at an expense that no private concern would have countenanced, which is no reflection whatever upon the legion.

While teaching and preaching the thrift that was necessary in order that the government might have the money that it spent so lavishly, it set a mighty poor example to the citizens of the country, but one from which they may reap billions of profit in the future by being permanently cured of a desire for public ownership on a gigantic scale.

THE NON-PATRIOTIC LEAGUE.

Despite all efforts to evade and to delay proceedings, A. C. Townley, of the personally conducted Non-Partisan league, together with his cohort, Joseph Gilbert, are now on trial for violation of the espionage act during the war. The courts will decide whether these men, whose organization attracted all the pro-huns and obstructors of the war to its banner, are guilty of disloyalty, as the patriotic press has frequently declared. A number of those in Oregon who have been flirting with the league and have hoped to be appointed to lucrative positions when organization work should start here, are no doubt greatly interested in the result. Most of these are such men as Dr. C. H. Chapman, recently of Portland's single tax, socialistic, industry destroying evening paper, whose own patriotism is not above taint. There are some few, however, who are intensely patriotic and yet have a leaning towards the league. It is such men who have given the non-patriotic league prestige in Oregon. The Sentinel firmly believes that when the trial of Townley and Gilbert is completed such men will disgustedly refuse to have anything further to do with an organization promoted by these enemies of organized industry, if not open enemies of our government.

OREGON FOR US.

When we former Minnesotans read of the terrible destruction by the elements in our erstwhile home state, our sorrow for those who suffered is coupled with congratulations to ourselves that we had the good sense to come to Oregon, where cyclones and destruction by the elements are almost unknown, where the wind never blows except to counteract the rays of the summer sun, where the sun is never hot except to make the crops grow, where the weather is never cold in winter and never oppressive in summer, where it only rains enough to furnish the necessary moisture, where every man loves his fellowman and God loves and cares for 'em all. Give us the famous, fertile, fruitful Willamette.

THE HUN IDEA.

Were any further evidence needed that the idea of wanton destruction of life and property has been so deeply instilled into the masses of the German people that there is little hope for the present generation ever to become a really civilized people, that evidence is found in the sinking of the ships which had been turned over to the allies and which were yet manned by German crews.

That those of the military will go to any means to attain a measure of revenge is illustrated by the same incident and that those in Germany are so dense that they are unable to in the least sense the probable effect of such acts of treachery is proved by the same incident.

Honor was unknown to them when they were at the height of their military glory and it is equally unknown to them now that they must fawn before their former enemies for leniency which they in no way deserve and which their present actions, without being linked to past history, prove that they would not

have granted had they been the victors. The loss of the warships means little to the allies. It is hoped there will be no future need for warships and this sending to oblivion of the remnants of the German navy by those who bragged of the destruction it was to wreak upon those who opposed their wills is peculiarly fitting and proper.

It might be remarked in passing that if the ships have gone down to the lowest depths of the sea they probably have reached the level of the German character which is responsible for their being there.

PLAYGROUNDS.

The question of playgrounds for both of the city's schools will come up for consideration at the annual tax budget meeting.

This is an important problem for consideration by the taxpayers of the district.

The fact that the present generation did not have these things is no argument that the growing generation should not have them. Neither is it necessary that we have them merely because some other cities have them.

The value of the playgrounds is admitted. The question is "Can we afford to have them?" or "Can we afford not to have them?"

We should settle that question without too much outside assistance.

The Sentinel at first doubted whether the cost could be made low enough so that the district could really afford to have them, but a plan has been suggested for the construction of the sheds and a considerable quantity of the apparatus by the classes in manual training. It is possible that this will make the cost so low that we can't afford not to have them.

However that may be, when the question is up for final consideration, every taxpayer should be present to express his sentiments either for or against.

The Sentinel will welcome communications for publication upon either side of this subject.

THINGS WE THINK

Things Others Think and What We Think of the Things Others Think

The trouble with lots of us is that we get nervous when we should show nerve.

It almost seems a waste of energy to express opinions when it is considered how few will hear what you have to say and what a small proportion of that few will be influenced thereby.

No man should be so busy providing for his family that he hasn't time to see whether or not they enjoy what he provides for them.

The man with polished manners always shows you his bright side.

There is not enough education, and too much of that educates the boy and girl away from work.

There are altogether too many reformers and not enough reformers.

It's a bustle all the time to get money, and another bustle to spend it.

It hardly seems right for the aristocrats of New York to be vying with one another in the spending of money for jewels—but it's better that way than for them to hoard it up.

It's a good thing some people do not walk in their sleep or they'd get very little rest.

The person with an evenly modulated voice will hold your attention long after the person with a loud, high-pitched voice has lost his mind.

The Cleveland Plaindealer has discovered that there are 3000 ways of making pumpkin pie—and this number presumably does not include the way mother makes them.

We never give our enemies the benefit of the doubt.

Telephone girls are not flirts just because they holler "hello" at so many men they do not know.

There is no excuse for being crabbed and mean and, besides, it does you no good.

No person can possibly serve two masters, so it beats all what a man wants of two wives.

Some one who claims to know says that in the days when Latin was a live language the word "editor" meant "something to eat." The edible variety isn't raised in this country.

Don't keep your children living in fear of some fearful punishment or allow them to feel that they are not as good as their associates. It will develop a feeling of timidity that will be a handicap in their later fight with the world.

How some of the great nations of the world can hold out against international peace, when it costs billions and billions a year to keep prepared for possible war, is a mystery beyond solving. Any profit that might accrue by war is more than offset by the terrible cost.

When you are charitable a lot of folks say you are easy. But it's better to be a little easy than to be so close your clothes fit you like a wet bathing suit.

Everyone likes to see a man who is not afraid to assert himself, but patience also has its virtues.

The other day the printer got a wedding invitation to print which started out, "Mr. and Mrs. — request your presents at the marriage," etc.

It is true that rumors are usually false.

The man who gets the worst of a decision could always decide a case much better than the learned judge or the "twelve men tried and true."

We have found out where Darwin got his theory about the descent of man.

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THE QUALITY STORE - GOOD SERVICE

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JULY FOURTH

Let this store be of service to you with its large stocks, timely merchandise, big values



HERE ARE THE NEWEST OF Summer's Newest Blouses

All of the latest styles in lengths as well as trimmings are represented, and particular attention has been given to selections of models that we know will be particularly becoming to our customers. Note the variety of pleasing materials and dainty trimmings.

A new shipment of beautiful crepe de chene waists just on display this week for first time. They're so pretty and so reasonable.

able in cost that you will need to come early to get best selections.
Priced.....\$3.50, \$4.50, \$5 to \$6.50

GEORGETTE WAISTS

in new russian blouse, finger tip length, waists, etc—all the fashionable colors. Silk trimmed and latest wool trimming. Underpriced here at.....\$6, \$7, \$8 to \$9.50

A Beautiful Showing of Silks Here

Smart effects in single colors as well as stripes, plaids, and many novel patterns in prints in silken textures of all the popular weaves for summer wearing.



40-inch best georgette silk in over twenty wanted and fashionable shades. When planning your waist or dress be sure to see our color range of georgette. Priced yd.....\$2.25
40-inch printed georgette, something entirely new in figured and striped patterns. Priced a yard.....\$2.50
36-inch pure silk pongee in plain, printed and embroidered patterns, both natural and colors. Priced a yd.....\$1.45 to \$2.25

New Things That Women Are Interested In Found Here



New Skirts SILK, COTTON OR WOOL

Our women customers are pleased with the splendid showing of wash skirts, silk skirts and wool skirts in the latest styles—and such good values they are.

Priced.....\$2.25, \$3.50
\$4, \$5, \$6, \$7.50, \$8.50, \$9, \$9.50

Parasols FOR SUNNY DAYS

including silk tops of pongee plain and figured, silk taffeta, pure white linen and cotton top parasols—fashionable handles and all at low prices which mean a saving to you.

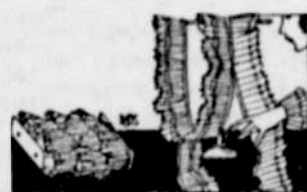


Priced.....\$1.65 to \$6

CORRECT GLOVES FOR SPRING WEAR

Your new spring outfit needs the right completion of gloves well harmonized in color and texture. Let us assist you in a becoming and pleasing choice.

New kid gloves in white, tan, gray, black, priced at.....\$2.25 to \$3.25
Silk gloves in black, white and colors.....75c, \$1, \$1.25



NEW RUFFLING

in silk georgette and cotton fabric. Colors: cerise, flesh, cherry, gray, white. Priced at.....25c, 50c, 75c to \$1.25

NEW HOSIERY IN SILK AND COTTON

in sheer dainty weights or the more substantial kind as you wish. You will find stockings here in all the fashionable shades and in black and white.

Priced a pr.....25c, 30c, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.25 to \$2.25



NEW PUMPS AND OXFORDS

We have just on display more than a dozen new styles of pumps and oxfords in kid, patent leather and cloth, in black, white and tan.

Priced.....\$2.50 to \$6.50

Timely Merchandise for Men and Boys



MEN'S HATS IN FELT OR STRAW

The selection is big at this store, the prices are reasonable and you will indeed be pleased with the styles and color selection.

Felts.....\$3.50 to \$5
Straws.....\$1 to \$5

BOYS' SUITS OF QUALITY HERE

Our Boys' Suits—all made of Oregon cashmere are always satisfactory because they are built right and of the best materials. Trousers are full lined. Bring your boy in today.

Suits.....\$7.50 to \$14



NEW SHIRTS AND TIES

We have just opened a new shipment of shirts and ties that are a delight to the eye. The shirts are fast color and the ties are nearly wrinkle proof because they are pure silk.

Shirts priced.....\$1.25 to \$5
Ties priced.....75c to \$1.25



BOYS' SHOES HERE

for work or play—and they're hard to wear out because they're "Star" brand shoes and made solid of all leather throughout. Try them for your boy.

Priced.....\$2.25 to \$4.50

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

When Adam gave up one of his ribs to have his wife made of, he found that he had made a monkey of himself by so doing.

An elixir of youth—never tell your age.

Some folks think they are humorists when they are merely being laughed at.

It would seem that a man who sees another drunk would never be foolish enough to imbibe too freely himself.

Girls will declare that they are just crazy to get married—and most of them are.

Some people get engaged and never see one another until the day of the wedding. Others never see one another afterwards.

Why not predict something pleasant just as well as something doleful. It's just as easy—and just as likely to come true.

same; also save all drippings from candles and do the same.

Almost all vegetables will be more tasty and nutritious if served with toast.

Old woolen material, even that from old trousers and coats, can be washed, sewed together and placed between coverings, thereby making a good, warm

When you purchase brown shoes have them well polished before wearing them. This will fill the pores and subsequent spots can easily be removed.

Any silk garment can be made to look like new when being washed if a teaspoonful of methylated spirit is added to the water and the garment ironed while damp.

If out of candles, melt some paraffin, pour into small greased egg cup, first placing a piece of grocer's twine in the

comfort. If made of several thicknesses it is much better than those filled with cotton.

Oysters can be broiled in a toaster over a charcoal fire and served with lemon and cayenne.

To make frosting deliciously creamy, add a pinch of baking powder to sugar before boiling.

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