

many to President Wilson's note has been the sinking of a ship flying the flag of the U.S. carrying contraband, without warning or investigation. The ship of the ship

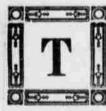
Alexander by conquer-

Hun; that Germany is controlled by a Prussian all the school books used in the state. Oregon can pay. The company organized by Swift and which places people in homes and tends to rewar lord with the in-

GERMANY'S REPLY

ing all of the world. We have no desire to war with Germany but we saved. Submarines, submarine destroyers and tic but business like. aerial navigation with a million soldiers will the way of manufacturing plants to supply them will carry us far on the road toward safety.

It is not necessary to be a jingo to advise preparation. We have been shown its necessity. England's unpreparedness has deluged the world in the blood of innocents. He who objects to preparation is mildly designated as "mollycoddle."



O HE Oregon Voter is pleased to give "a road to public ownership" tending to show the unreasonableness and disadvantages of such ownership. There are other reasons for this course and another road to-

wards administration of public utilities by the people. We do not believe that, under our decentralized system of government, public ownership will ever prove economical. The mismanagement of our var-

ANOTHER ROAD TO

ious departments in-PUBLIC OWNERSHIP. dicate this to be true. Our grossly misman-

aged postal affairs indicate where we would land with other complex enterprises: nevertheless problems in the arithmetics are based upon dis-

created huge unearned overhead charges; they deliberately imposed upon the people; they forctreated the public with scant courtesy; they ignored just complaints as to service and charg- thoughtful attention. es; they entered politics and debauched the lawmaking power of the people; they discriminated Fee BO HIS is a country of free speech; against individuals and communities; they combined to unduly force high prices. Thus they exasperated the public and in retaliation laws were enacted curtailing their power; investigating committees advised a vast network of regulation, complicated and expensive; the people have moved in anger and with indiscriminate country where the doctrine of lese majestie is hornet like stings are hurting just and unjust not in force; but when a number of our people business alike. This is the road we are now tra- (fortunately a small number) take it upon themveling. Will it turn into a broad channel of prosperous business built upon honest management which will naturally disarm the public or will it continue along the tortuous trail of suspicion, distrust and bitter enmity on the one side and desperate attempts to continue the evils of watered securities, high interest rates for the producers and unfair discrimination in favor of wealth? Who knows?



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ONE CENT

helps the people not at all if the their tune. POSTAGE. price is to be raised on other

that the rate will not be raised on the parcel post vancement and its meaning meaningless. One to offset the loss on first class reduction. Second million brave men unarmed and without experclass matter is carried to the people at an ex- ience would fill the earth with dead and the enceedingly low rate. To advance this rate means emy with laughter. that the people must pay it. Advertising just at present, is at its zenith of use and efficiency, time and are backed with amunition and trainit will decline. The people have the bills to foot ed men. Where can we get either under five and if the rates are lowered to one cent, the big years? "Mollycoddles" is easy. There are othdepartment stores will have made a further er terms of designation more appropriate, fully saving which will enable them to antagonize the as euphonius but more suitable on different small dealer in a greater degree.



paying more than twice as much money each year for school books that are printed in the east as the same books would cost, if produced by our Os- --- O state printing office. This fact

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must either place ourselves in a position to pre in Oregon goods, and the Enterprise believes six per cent and live through it. That there low wages and poverty. Even mighty and imvent Germany from attacking our country or that a campaign alongthe same line, which will may be some few exceptions to this is possible, perial Germany is anything but a country of expect to have her attack us the day she settles save the school children one-half of the expense but practically all Oregon and Washington far- homes. The people house with their stock and with Europe. We can prepare a defense which for books, and at the same time leave a half mil- mers have made their big money through in- live on a tithe of what it takes to support an can be made good against the world. It will be lion dollars of money in the state each year, that crease in values rather than from producing American family. Crushed under the mailed expensive in money but millions of lives will be is now being sent east, would not only be patrio- crops.

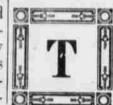
save us. We are not in need of many dread- this matter up, secured the data, and are asking made good money; the man who secured a home- consumption is underfed, badly housed and unnaughts as we shall not attack. Guns, and am- the people of the state who are paying two pric- stead and sold it during the boom made money; derpaid. munition are what we need or at least ability in es for an eastern product to assist in having the man who got a timber claim for \$2.50 per his work done in Oregon, thereby saving half acre and sold ten million feet of logs at \$2.00 per pant in every manufacturing center, from Mas-Time is a factor in this defense and two years he cost of school books and at the same time thousand made money. None of these men sachusetts to Colorado. Irigation, rural credits, making more work for Oregon printers.

> this matter, and knows that there is an actual all the money they can get at ten per cent, but this is what's the matter. Perhaps there is a saving by having the work done in the state railroads are not paying ten per cent, yet their conspiracy of wealth and determination to crequit sending east for books and have the work nage, in fact their loan is secured on the land of haps that is why there are peace at any price fort will have to be put forth and a demand any rolling stock, or other personal property imperial government. Republics are uncongenmade for the change in our present system. The have if the country produces no tonnage? state printing office will need additional equipment, but the saving of half a million dollars anthe money market. He asks no special privilege. nually, as shown by the report of the Text Book He asks for money at an equal rate and equal sefurnish a splendid modern equipment for the now, however, he has to pay more interest on eigners except the Indian and there is no reason state printing office and still show a big profit to better security than any other class in the coun- to believe that the descendants of any of the the people over the prices now being paid for try. The time is at hand when the people who many nations are other than patriotic citizens eastern made books.

appealed to the writer ever since the new school them. text books were adopted. It is the fact that the readers are filled with illustrations and read-legislation without, and in spite of, the banking ing lessons descriptive of places and conditions fraternity. The much vaunted Rural Credit bill east" points, to the exclusion of the West. The ed joke. No rural bank could be successful un- wins it will be but a short campaign for her to there is great danger of that very thing coming about and this trail leads to, and accounts for the possibility.

| Concord, etc., which are of no practical benefit farmer escape from their clutches, congress is that financial interests are very loth to let the farmer escape from their clutches, congress is Private enterprise secured gifts and fran- some Oregon and western literature in the read- their only hope. chises from the people. Seizing the opportunity ers and propounding problems of local interest. offered by an undeveloped and rich country and the practical education of the children would not satisfied with great legitimate profits, they be promoted, and local pride increased, while iness in Alaska, and has mulcted the public in need to be sat upon thoroughly.

text books in the state printing office appeals ca. They averaged \$300 per lot for worthless bird still retains his accustomed elevation above ed patrons to pay exhorbitant charges; they both to the patriotism and pocket books of the tide lands and at a point which will never amtidewater. school patrons of the state and should be given ount to anything, the navigation of the sur-



this is a country where the humblest has the right to express himself in regard to the government and its administrafree speech is abused; this is a

selves to publicly advise a course which every page of history shows to

MOLLYCODDLES. be suicidal, it is time to

call a halt. Bryan, in his haste to accomplish his political ends, has done a vast amount of damage. He has caused Germany to believe that the country is divided; he has caused the unthinking to take a course which if successful would result in our complete destruction; he has brought his doctrine of piffle into is any other business, as a whole. prominence and that it is a doctrine of noise is We may not single out any par- not understood by other countries, England per-

Those who are advocating signatures to question is the greatest good to the greatest number. The people demand the parcel post, the income from finite harm. Have they a right to insist upon a this alone need not necessarily be self support- course of almost certain destruction to our ining. The present rate of first class postage falls terests? Whether or no, they will do it, and we not hardly on the people generally and pays a therefore presume we must endure, but a slight great revenue. Cutting it down touch of German imperialism would soon change

The oratorical rant about our brave sons lines. The attack is directly rallying to our defense has but one object and against second class matter. It is well known no sensible meaning. Its object is political ad-

Our inventors will defend us? Yes if given



job," says an exchange. They sure are if the statements now running in the papers are true, and they are of course in accordance with the facts. Banks in Desthe west can get higher interest

Portland bankers where

SURELY THEY very much interest- ARE ON THE JOB. might obtain money at

The printers at the state capital have taken ing and sold it after 30 years for \$100 per acre, borer in those countries producing for foreign

The farmer is entitled to an equal show in

To get this equal show they will have to get

fraudulently increased the original costs and saving money and patronizing home industry. | a bolder and a more successful manner than The whole proposition of printing the school the wildest town lot speculators in Amerirounding waters being dangerous. They have either attempted to destroy Seward or they have are—Oregonians, even though a future historian

> Is it the intention of the big department stores to control the business of the country. reduce their expenses.



S was expected the reply of Ger- CHOOL patrons of Oregon are Oregon Bankers are on the Oregon Ba eign trade. This is well, but why congress should be expected to offer aid to this and at the same time neglect our home affairs is a mystery. Big business must have help but the

the crew to escape. It is time the administra- is conclusively shown by a comparison of the than can eastern banks. They will help the far- farmer can get along as best he may. Big bustion took cognizance of the fact that Germany prices paid in Oregon with those paid in Calimer to loans, perhaps long time loans, but the liness must have legislation enabling it to place means business; that Germany is still a vandal fornia, where the state printing office produces interest rate will not be a rate which the farmer its money in foreign countries but irrigation duce the cost of living

by men raising stock FOREIGN TRADE. may do as it best can.

Manufacturing countries 8 per cent helped to and manufacturing centers are not places of campaign for made some extent, but farmers cannot pay more than home owners. They are invariably districts of trod of Emperor in Germany; groveling in the The man who got a donation claim for noth- dust made by an aristoracy in England; the la-

In our own country we have poverty rammade it by producing crops at the same time local improvement will build up homes, but the Everyone who has looked up the figures in paying ten per cent interest. Banks can loan owners are and will be independent and perhaps printing office, is both willing and anxious to security is the farmers ability to produce ton- ate an aristocracy as against a democracy. Perlone at home. But to do this an organized ef- the producer, indirectly, for of what value will propogandists, they are really working for an ial associates for imperialistic rulers.

The uncalled for attack on "hyphenated" Committee published elsewhere in this issue, will curity on equal time. He has a special privilege Americans amounts but little. We are all forproduce shall have an equal opportunity in the of this country. They may and will have their Another item suggested by the printers, has money market with those who are exploiting desires as to the result in Europe, but will stand solidly in line for the country they have adopted.

Germany will let Austria and Italy fight it in Vermont, New Hampshire and other "down proposed by the last congress is but a thinly veil- out. If Austria whips she is satisfied. If Italy

> It is time Americans took a hand in the game. The peace at any price propagandists The government went into the townsite bus- are beginning to take themselves seriously and

> > The mighty has returned and the celestial

might class them as from the United States.

That creamery argument reminds us that They are attacking the present rate of postage dry farming is also under the ban except at tion; this is a country where on letters for no other reason than that it will points under immediate control of the "City of Six (or more) Rivers." It do beat h-l!



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