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CURRENT TOPICS.

By J. H. UPTON.

Editor TRIBUNE:

A big Norwegian steamer, the
Storstad, loaded with supplies for
starving Belgium was sunk last
week by a German submarine. This
makes the eighth Belgium supply
ship so destroyed.

The Government began proceed-
ings to dissolve the illegal partner-
ship which has existed for many
years between Southern Pacific and
Central Pacific Railroads, through
the operation of which competition
has been completely muzzled. A
decision in the case has just been
rendered by Judges Hook and San-
born of the Federal Court against
the Government.

A similar case was tried and won
by the Government a few years
back wherein the Southern Pacific
had become owner of the Union Pa-
cific, including the control of the
said Central Pacific, which was built
contemporaneously with the said
Union Pacific and as an extension
to the Pacific Coast of the first
through line constructed. It should
not be forgotten that, after the Union
Central Pacific had been in oper-
ation a few years as the only trans-
continental line, Huntington and
Stanford sought and obtained an
immense land grant to aid in the
construction of their Southern Pa-
cific as a competing line.

And another fact to be kept in
mind is that, in addition to the
grant of land enough to make a large
sized State in aid of the construction
of the Union Central Pacific, the
Government issued bonds which
were cashed by the companies in
charge for more than sufficient funds
to build said roads—Union Cen-
tral—without a cent of investment
by the builders.

So it goes. To them that hath
shall be given, while from him who
hath not, shall be taken away even
that which he hath!

Under the heading, "Early His-
tory and Romance in Nebraska,"
the Norfolk Press contains account
of early township surveys. Survey
or Alexander Schlegel describes the
fate of a steamer in 1877 near the
"Boiler Ranch" operated by mil-
lionaire cattle men on unsurveyed
townships, who had been hung to
the limb of the cottonwood tree as
a warning to trespassers. These
cattle kings sought to intimidate
all comers, and always kept mur-
derous spies in their employ, while
back at their homes they were re-
spected bankers, etc., etc.

Despite a vigorous fight by the
people of Los Angeles against the
increase, the Legislature of Califor-
nia has just saddled upon that city,
24 new Superior Judges in addition
to the horde of hungry attorneys
already on the "Bench" down there.
Serves the taxpayers right as a pen-
alty for the persistence with which
they permit the sending of hack
lawyers to their Legislatures. Ore-
gon got a fierce dose of new Judges
by the 1915 Legislature.

United States Senator Stone who
owes his success over Folk in Mis-
souri to the large German vote in
St. Louis because of Folk's supposed
antagonism to wide open saloons,
and who became Chairman of the
Foreign Relations Committee of the
Senate, like to get the itch, by "sit-
ting next it," when the Republicans
lost control of that body, has proved
himself a sorry mischief from the be-
ginning. As if courting the con-
tinued German support he made
haste to volunteer an opinion when
the Lusitania was sunk that he was
not sure but international law jus-
tified that awful crime. And now,
thanks to a sort of "Senatorial Court-
ney" fetish, he is continued in his
position that he may go on embar-
rassing the administration in its
handling of foreign affairs during
the crisis that threatens the peace
of our country.

The Nebraska Legislature is wrest-
ling over a bill for a more strenuous
law compelling "respect for the
flag" whereupon the Nebraska Far-
mer very pertinently remarks:

"There is nothing to be said
against the efforts of the legislature
to promote the use of the stars and
stripes. The more Americans can
be led to stand for the flag and the
best in the nation it symbolizes, the
better. But one thing legislatures
and everybody else should never
forget. You cannot make people
love a thing by forcing them to do

it homage. Love of country like
love of anything is a purely volun-
tary thing. Such is the constitu-
tion of the human soul.

Representatives Radke and Reis-
ner were right in fearing that the
provisions of the proposed flag law
compelling school children to pay
certain salutes to the flag might have
an effect contrary to that intended.
Forced service is always onerous
and irritating. Inspiring children
to love and salute the flag is well
enough. That can be done. But
compelling them by law to go
through a form regardless of feeling
promotes protest and hypocrisy."

It has not always been the fact
that the people loudest in their de-
mands that children be compelled
by law to render homage to the flag,
have proved themselves the most
patriotic in practice. J. P. Morgan
for instance, suggested the proprie-
ty of a law compelling children to
be up from their beds in time to
salute the flag each morning at sun-
rise; yet it was he that, early in the
rebellion, sold to the Government
authorities at St. Louis, five thous-
and and counted, worthless and dan-
gerous cavalry carbines. These arms
had been thrown back on the hands
of the manufacturers, and Morgan
secured an option for their purchase
at a fraction over \$3 each and work
ed them off in a lump while Gen.
Fremont was in command at St.
Louis, at \$23.25 each. The fraud
found its way into the Courts, yet
Morgan finally won out.

And again there existed a more
loud mouthed gang of patriots than
the Carnegie crowd while they were
supplying armor plates to the Gov-
ernment so full of "blow-holes" as
to be incapable of resisting an im-
pact with a ball of most moderate
force.

And the Nebraska State Journal
suggests that the sort of legislation
to move everybody to love the flag
would be the repeal of every corrupt
special privilege law and a firm re-
solve to enact no more such.

Innate human stubbornness of
proversity if you will, may move
the best of us to resent compulsion
by law to do something in itself
immaterial, and, conversely, to re-
frain from the doing of something
that, harmless in itself, can properly
concern no person save the actor.
The people of England awoke in
consternation to the truth of this
letter assumption after they began—
"Hanging men and women too
For wearing of the Green."

The general consensus of opinion
seems to favor the abolishment of
the publication in newspapers of
delinquent tax lists, and grasping
greed, collusion, conspiracy and
multiplication of lines and padding
by a few papers are to be thanked

for the revision of public opinion
on the subject, and publishers in
Curry county have not been the
smallest offenders in this behalf.
Another and legal objection will lie
against the usual form of printing
these tax lists. It must be inferred
that the law requiring these publi-
cations intended them to be of ser-
vice to the people concerned, and
conceding this point, it must be as-
sumed that the plain and necessary
implication must follow that said
lists must be alphabetically arranged
so that persons interested can find
"where they are at" else what the
devil can be said in favor of the ne-
cessity or utility of such publications
at all? Finding the needle in the
hay stack may prove easy compared
with the hunt for one's name and
sum of delinquency stowed away
somewhere in one of the three hun-
dred to five hundred columns of mat-
ter—in Portland lists for example—
strung in, pell mell without order,
rule or reason."

I did not support Woodrow Wil-
son with voice or pen or vote, yet I
support him loyally in the great di-
lemmas which confronts him and the
rest of us, and, it would be an im-
peachment of the efficacy of popular
rule for any one of us now to say
that the man who received nearly
six hundred thousand majority of the
popular vote is not the right
man in the right place.

Langlois, Or.

J. H. UPTON,
NOTARY PUBLIC.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Land Office,
Roseburg, Oregon, February 5, 1917

Notice is hereby given that
JOHN H. GLASPEY

of Denmark, Oregon, who on August
14, 1911, made Homestead Entry, Serial
No. 07440 for the SE 1/4 of NE 1/4, NE 1/4
of SE 1/4, N 1/2 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4, SW 1/4
of SE 1/4 of Sec. 23, and SW 1/4 of NW 1/4
of Sec. 24, T. 31 S., R. 14 W., and on
August 4, 1915, made Additional Home-
stead Entry, Serial No. 010239 for SE 1/4
SE 1/4 of Section 23 T. 31 S., R. 14 W.,
Willamette Meridian, has filed notice
of intention to make Final Five-year
Proof, to establish claim to the land
above described, before Hardy T.
Stewart, U. S. Commissioner, at his
office at Port Orford, Oregon, on the
24th day of March, 1917.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Alfred Haft of Denmark, Oregon.

Oscar J. Mather of Port Orford, Oregon.

Thomas Robinson of " " "

William McPhillamey " " "

W. H. CANON,
Register.

Notice Of Notary Appointment.
Having renewed my commission as
Notary Public, I am now prepared to
do any work along that line.
H. T. Stewart.

President Wilson is right beyond a doubt when he
would force arbitration and prevent the threatened rail-
road strike from tying up the traffic of the county at
this time. President Wilson would also be right if he
would say to the Big Interests who are robbing the country
right and left in the prices charged for the necessities of
life "so far shalt thou go and no further." Bean crops are
now being speculated on, where the beans are not yet
planted. This gambling in food stuffs, for the want of
which our people are suffering, is a sin and a shame.

A LAW THAT SHOULD BE ENFORCED.

One of the meritorious laws enacted by the recent Or-
egon legislature, is the one prohibiting the use of cigarettes
by persons under 21 years of age and compelling the min-
or found smoking them to divulge the name of the person
selling the same. There are school boys in Port Orford,
and Port Orford is no exception from other towns, who
are smoking cigarettes. It is against the law now for those
under 18 years of age, but it is a more stringent law that
goes into effect May 21, and if the practice is continued in
after that date both the seller and the user will be liable
to punishment. The use of cigarettes dwarfs the mental
and physical development of the young, and the law pro-
hibiting their use is one that every good citizen should
help to enforce.

A PEOPLE COMING INTO THEIR OWN.

The bureaucratic rule in Russia has hit the toboggan
for good. The greed and graft and oppression of the lowly
that has been synonymous with the Romanoff rule, is now
a spectre of the past and Young Russia that will rise from
the ruins will soon be one of the foremost nations of the
earth. For intrigue and corruption the Russian govern-
ment has long been in a class by itself, but the capability
of her great populace was never better illustrated than in
the recent uprising when they took the reins of the gov-
ernment in their own hands with a unanimity that shows
an awakened people who are capable of grasping and over-
coming all obstacles that lie in their path of advancement.
With an awakened people and her wonderful resources a
bright future is ahead for Russia.

NEW LAW HARD ON THE DOG.

A section of the game law passed at the late legisla-
ture says that free running dogs, or dogs following upon
the track of any game animal, may be declared a nuisance
upon notice in writing to the owners of such dogs, and the
animals may then be killed without any criminal or civil
liability on the part of the person killing the same.
This law is so broad that much trouble may result there-
from. Under it, it seems possible for one who has a spite
at his neighbor to cause him to be notified that his dogs
are a nuisance and then shoot them down at the first op-
portunity. There are deer-running curs in the county, and
some of them are not very far from Port Orford, that
should be killed, and on the other hand there are varmint
dogs that do more real game protection than the game
wardens. And such dogs not only help to conserve the
deer of the county, but they are a necessity of inestimable
value in the sheep and goat-raising industry. The value
of a good dog in a county like Curry should be recognized,
and the game commission should not secure the passage of
laws that puts his life in jeopardy.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon,
March 17 1917.

Notice is hereby given that
WILEY CHASTAIN

of Denmark, Oregon, who, on
January 25th, 1915, made Homestead
Entry, Serial No. 08531, for the SE 1/4
of NW 1/4 SW 1/4 and the SE 1/4 of SW 1/4
of Section 24, Township 31 South,
Range 15 W., Willamette Meridian,
has filed notice of intention to make
Final Three-year Proof, to establish
claim to the land above described, be-
fore Hardy T. Stewart, U. S. Commis-
sioner, at his office at Port Orford, Or-
egon, on the 26th day of April, 1917.

Claimant names as witnesses:
James B. Coops, of Denmark, Oregon.
Frank Nelson of Langlois, Oregon.
Lester E. Hutson, of Denmark,
Pena Hutson, of

W. H. CANON,
Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Land Office,
Roseburg, Oregon, February 23, 1917.

Notice is hereby given that
SCHUYLER COOK,

of Port Orford, Oregon, who, on March
12, 1914, made Homestead Entry, Serial
No. 06859 for the NW 1/4 SW 1/4 of Section
11, Township 32 south, range 15 W., W.
M., has filed notice of his intention
to make final Three-year Proof, to
establish claim to the land above de-
scribed, before Hardy T. Stewart, U. S.
Commissioner, at his office at Port Or-
ford, Oregon, on the 9th day of April,
1917.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Lester Keller, of Port Orford, Oregon,
Elmore Spurgeon, " " "
R. A. McPherson, " " "
A. W. Cook, " " "

W. H. CANON,
Register.

HARDY T. STEWART
U. S. COMMISSIONER
and
NOTARY PUBLIC
Port Orford, Oregon.

J. J. STALEY
Lawyer,

COQUILLE, - - - OREGON

Starck Pianos advertisement featuring a piano image, '30 DAYS FREE TRIAL IN YOUR OWN HOME', and contact information for P. A. Starck Piano Co. in Chicago.

BANK OF POWERS advertisement listing services for handling business banking by mail, interest on savings, and contact information for Mrs. C. D. Lamson.

THE BREAKERS advertisement for an inn with newly fitted tables, located on Gold Beach, Oregon, managed by Mrs. C. D. Lamson.

Langlois Hardware Store advertisement listing various hardware items, machinery, and sporting goods, managed by Weaver & Bowman.

Port Orford Furniture & Hardware Store advertisement for Monarch Malleable stoves and ranges, listing a full line of household items.