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NAVAL STRENGTH.

While the German military tidal wave is sweeping down upon France and ruthlessly brushing aside French, heated stages of the war, the question naturally reverts to the naval situation which, just now, is wholly obscured from the eyes of an expectant world. What Germany is in a military sense England is in a naval way. The tremendous offensive forces of the great German army are equalled only by the vast striking power of the English navy. Between England and possible defeat in the war lies sea It is the safeguard of Britcontrol. ish possessions, the force which keeps the sun from setting on the British

Empire. Reports that British armies have been defeated will cause the world no surprise. The British fighting man has matchless courage, spirit and grit, But from the standpoint of organization and numerical strength the British army is nothing more than a military toy. Its fate will be the fate of the French army, which it is able to support but feebly. If the British military operations are not sufficient to save the day.

So the British dependence must fall upon the British fleet if military calamities continue to pile up. the same time the German Empire must reckon with that same fleet. Even if successful on land Germany would still be practically isolated from sea with the British fleet intact, and German fleet is held back obviously inadequate to give pitched time, at least,

Several weeks have elapsed since the British fleet left Portsmouth under sealed orders intent on meeting deepest secrecy.

North Sea have worn themselves out representation at Washington, could mortgages are exempt in most counoperating from a distant base on wait. boat destroyers and submarines they recorded date of Representative Laf- show that notes and accounts are can sally forth under cover of fog or ferty's presence in Congress, he has listed by the Assessor in every county darkness and seek to pick off one or achieved a record of absenteelsm extwo hostile boats in the hope of even- tending to one hundred and twentynumbers to a more equal basis. Then ports, it will have been one hundred U'Ren, in the state pamphlet, on the is finally ended. should the German main fleet under and thirty (130) days. the naval genius of the age, Tirpatz, succeed in defeating the British fleet. German domination of Europe might loom as a possibility. The chances would appear to work against such a victory.

In the meantime, while Britain her territory in the North Sea and also to maintain control of the Baltic, thus holding back Russian hordes The protected Kiel Canal life. mans easy access to either sea, while self is the one who sinks beyond recontact mines, which she has scatter- covery. widely, prevent the British from Pacific. This would be something of a blow to German prestige in world trade but whether these seizures would stand would depend neceswould stand would neceswould stand would depend neceswould stand would depend neces
New and plausible theory explains the bank. But the Assessor's to elect an official in Oregon unless that class comprises within itself more than onetrace but whether these seizures are not to be taxed well enough if the rest of the physiclass to elect an official in Oregon unless that class comprises within itself more than onetrace but whether these seizures are not to be taxed well enough if the rest of the physiwell enough if the rest of the physiwell enough if the rest of the physiwell enough it will be made as a class to elect an official in Oregon unless that class comprises within itself more than onetrace but whether the seizures are not to be taxed with the bank. But the Assessor's

From the first trace are not to be taxed with the services are sarily on the final outcome of the sudden deaths in the water by defects under the provisions of the section. food.

first land operations, the end is still fective ear-drums. This membrane remote and the outcome a deeply- may have been pierced in childhood velled question. In a larger sense the by the inflammation of scarlet fever or pay taxes on their deposits. If they whole campaign in France may be re- measles. It may have been ruptured were compelled to do so there would ing things? garded as but a single phase of the by an accident in later life and the inwar. Not only must the British navy jury never repaired. However the banks, The law contemplates that war. Not only must the British navy been pierced, that money shall be assessed to the the German machine will overtax porated as banks, which do a banking hordes, which have not yet gotten such a defect is dangerous in the owner. Money in bank is legally taxfairly into action, are yet to be heard France, crushed but unconquered, would still have her Navy which has the Austrian squadron hopelessly blockaded in the Adriatic. It may be that the odd distribution or strength will serve to keep the full meal risks his life if his tym- money in fair proportion to the exhaustion and bring about a peace which will not greatly after the map

THE GERMAN INFANTRY ADVANCE. British military experts who were scoffing at German infantry tactics a few days ago must have revised their opinion by now. Perhaps they are able to see some virtue in the depth and density of the German they ever wish to swim or not. It in- would certainly withdraw their money firing line. The German advance is sures other organs besides the ears based on the most aggressive princimaintaining fire superiority. The cost "lost arts." It has been partially lost statement that "men who have obple, with the grim aim of gaining and

losses in killed and wounded. By the down to the charging point they present an almost solid wall of humanity. It is a line which affords a splendid target but at the same time pours forth a deadly fire-and tacticians have found that superiority of fire is thing that counts. The thin lines of ten years ago are seldom used in modern warfare.

As a result of these tactics it probably will be found when the casualties are counted that the Germans have suffered more heavily than the Allies, even though they have gained the advantage in the fighting thus far. But the Germans stand ready to accept heavy losses provided they attain their objective-victory.

WHY A WAR TAX?

The Oregonian finds in the Wash-English and Belgians in the first ing item about the increased cost of as shown by the pay-roll made the left for pasturage. following extraordinary showing:

Legislative establishment \$ 686,255 \$ 647,729
Executive office 72,500 23,481
State Department 283,850 176,110
Treasury Department— 283,850 176,110
Excluding public buildings_2,222,829 1,946,032
Public buildings 1,856,079 952,701
War Department— 7,816,576 7,886,692
Department of Justice 855,160 119,797
Navy Department villan

Excluding pensions and indians 1,675,778

Department of Agriculture 1,308,351

Department of Labor 229,320

Independent offices and commissions 178,783

District of Columbia 554,776

Thus in a shad Thus in a single month there is an excess of \$3,000,000 for ordinary ad-

year ago. It is not surprising that the Administration is startled by the emergency French are doomed to final defeat the that confronts it in the imminent loss of revenues through the war. It ontemplates a war tax, but fears the political result, and will postpone the inevitable day till after the November election. But there will be a war tax. financial transactions, always means lapse into uselessness again. or some similar expedient.

The present Congress is the most extravagant in history. All pretense of economy has been thrown to the winds. No wonder the Administration is alarmed about a war tax It might have been avoided if the battle to the British squadrons at this Democratic party had carried out its platform promises.

BACK TO HIS POST AT LAST.

The expedition was unaccompanied Mr. Lafferty's sudden withdrawal more plausible explanation had he not hospital two hours after being hit by A MERE TECHNICALITY, HE SAYS. by press correspondents. Its move-ments have since been covered by the Rumors have flown public duty calling him to Washing- ganda. In the same speech which rule to look first to the left and when thick and fast in the interum. Reports ton. It would assuredly leave an contains the foregoing inactive and safeguards the pedestrian when have been received of British minor agreeable impression with his condefeats, of the sinking of seven Brit- stituency, if he were to make it clear Oregon had there been to exceed followed. war craft. Other reports have to them that his obligation to per- eight Democrats in the Legislature had German craft at the bottom. It form a public service, and not any This was used as an argument for is incredible that the English War acute alarm about his pay check as adoption of proportional representa-Office should conceal the fact of a a Congressman, was responsible for tion. The facts are that there were

Germans must await a more oppor- that the call from Washington is in reference to the statutes and the tune time. Bottled at either Wil- any way imperative. His supreme thousands of machines listed on the helmshaven or at the Kiel Canal they task- was to combat and defeat his can afford to await serenely until the private opponents. All other matters, British blockading squadrons in the including the state's urgent need of averred that accounts, notes and

Beginning with April 24, the last

SUDDEN DROWNINGS.

sudden and mysterious death in the that Norway has a single house Legis-A strong swimmer disporting lature. water. himself in the waves goes under like a flash and is never seen again alive. ment by Mr. U'Ren in his letter today whole world, the German naval force A boatload of merry makers capsizes in relation to a purported list of peris able to control the approaches to and, however prompt rescue may be, sons in Portland whose household some person is found to have per-ished. Usually it is the strongest of the \$3000 each. "Many of these persons," some person is found to have perparty who thus inexplicably loses his he says, "have an exemption of many The young man who seemed thousands of dollars in the makes this possible, giving the Ger-

There are a thousand theories to far as guiding the Assessor in as-account for such baffling accidents. sessing banks or money is concerned. German provinces in many parts of We hear of heart failure, apoplexy. Not a dollar is exempted from taxthe world, however, must remain un- spasm of the pneumogastric nerve ation under its provisions. and so on. But none of these exprotected for the time being. They planations is satisfactory. Physicians method for assessing the property of fighting. The real bitterness falls before the initiative and referendum or their allies. Such a fate already seldom find any heart trouble in perconfronts Kiau-Chau and may even- sons who have suddenly expired in like which are not incorporated tually overtake other German hold- the water and the pneumogastric banks, yet do a banking business. The ings in Africa. Asia and the South nerve is not so delicate as many seem section provides that the deposits in

in the tympanum or ear-drum. Many persons whose health is exsweeping the Allies before her in the cellent in other respects have de- in their title but none of them carry water because it gives access to the able to the owner-the depositorwonderfully sensitive structure of the but it is only the man with the acute internal ear. Cold water flowing into conscience who permits the Assessor this cavity may cause instantaneous to know that he possesses it. death by affecting either the brain or and poor alike avoid paying taxes on the stomach. A strong swimmer who money. The only states that have enters the water immediately after a ever succeeded in collecting taxes on panum has been punctured. Such are amount in existence are those states

> life and death for us. The natural conclusion is that very person should have his ears Portland the man or woman who has thoroughly examined by a competent savings in bank at 3 or 4 per cent physician before he ventures into the interest or on current deposit naturalwater. In fact, the practice of sub- ly objects to paying 2.7 per cent in mitting to a full physical examination taxes on it. If existing law were enfavor among prudent people, whether and if it were enforced, the depositors

Agriculture is probably one of the

Carthaginians made The hope. brief interval by a second line, third, volumes which has been lost except little home-owner such a other lines are fed in with sufficient farmers. Plentiful slave labor solved

IRISH FARMING EFFICIENCY.

There is much food for reflection for the American farmer in a statement of crop and produce conditions which has just come from Ireland. it serves to emphasize once more our wastefulness, and report discloses that there are 608, 074 farms in the country. Of this number 88,133 are of no greater size than one acre. The farms run from that up to fifty acres, a farm of that size being the limit.

On this they raise an immense quantity of potatoes. The yield for 1913 is shown to have averaged about 200 bushels to the acre. best we can do is 110 bushels to the acre. Some Americans do better than that, but many do worse and 110 Transcript an exceptionally interest- States. The difference is one of meth-

> Of course we have not so pressing population that we are forced to this respect. make such intensive use of the land. Yet the example shows us what we could do if we had to. It is in striking istence on ten, twenty or sixty. Thouready learned the lesson and remain who have yet to learn,

A RECORD OF MISREPRESENTATION, One phase in the campaign of the promoters of the U'Ren measures that ministration over the same period a failure to stick to facts in their arguments. Among these promoters Mr. U'Ren is perhaps the worst trans-The other day in a speech gressor.

> monds held for sale are subject to taxation. over the word "invest." neaning to what is said. U'Ren inadvertently said "invest" when he-meant "spend" would be a

ties in Oregon. In contradiction, the

Similarly inaccurate is the affirmative argument, also signed by Mr Among the unwarranted assertions therein is the one that the "State Senate is an imitation of the British Every day or two we read of some House of Lords," and the statement fight?

Characteristic therefore is the state-3574 is a dead letter in Portland so

The section in question provides associations, loan companies and the upon the women. There are a few unincorporated associations that have the word "bank"

It may be said here that no banks the trifles which decide the issue of which place a very low rate on it Under the uniform rule in Oregon it must be taxed at the full rate. In from bank and sequester it in safety

deposit boxes or buried tin cans. Mr. U'Ren is ambiguous in his

in lives is made a secondary consid- at any rate, though not wholly, we tained laws under which they are legally exempt values anywhere Having reached the point of de- Northern Africa far more productive from \$5000 to \$100,000 are showing-ployment, the German infantry puts than the moderns can. They had a mighty mean spirit when they oporward a thin line, followed at a great treatise on agriculture in many pose allowing the farmer and the fourth and fifth line. When the first some fragments preserved by the lively small trifle as \$1500 exago today the first line strikes the point of contact the Romans who were also pretty good emption." He apparently is referring driven oil well in unincorporated-bank the United States either to the rapidity to gain a heavy volume of fire and fill up all gaps caused by are now perplexing. household exemption law, Nobody its precious fluid can tell which. If the former, his can tell which. If the former, has an epoch in the argument is unwarranted, for there illumination of the is no exemption under it. If the latter, it is only necessary to quote his own assertion that "No one class can huge fortunes, make the law in Oregon now. It was The chief illuminot so before the initiative and refer-The household exemption were whale, endum.

was adopted by the people.

We can see but one purpose in the general tone and many misrepresen
general tone and many misrepresen
a derivative of tations in Mr. U'Ren's arguments in turpentine and behalf of his several measures. He is endeavoring to excite class prejudice where there is no justification for it.
His measures are Socialistic and he adopts Socialist tactics in an attempt about \$2 a gallon. to gain them favor.

C. E. S. Wood's optimistic predic- a serious economtion that tife present war "will bring ic problem. It was about a disarmament of the nations" that argument makes the average. Conditions do not about a disarmament of the nations" favor the potato in Ireland more than would be more cheering if it did not ington correspondence of the Boston in the farming districts of the United fly so boldly in the face of history. States. The difference is one of methods. Nor is the potato all the Irish disarmament and peace by destroying "Colonel" Ed government under the present Admin- grow. On their frugal farms they the fighting power of the vanquished L. Drake. government under the present Administration. The departmental expenditures for the single month of August on to fresh bloodshed. The Francoon to fresh bloodshed. The Franco-Prussian war of 1870 was typical in the local residents

> "Romantic incidents" and miraculous ed on the surfaces of creeks and escapes will multiply in the imaginacontrast to see the Irish gardener tions of gossips as the war proceeds. gan work in 1857.
>
> The company of naked British Hus- His early attempts lean eking out but a wretched ex- sars who stood off an attack of Ger- resulted man cavalry, at a place not named, ure; his financiers sands of American farmers have ale al- did pretty well but we shall read of money and his im- much more astonishing feats of valor workmen desertproved their methods but thousands in a day or two. If real armies could ed. His scheme fight as well as imaginary soldiers do became the joke wars would be brief, though terribly sanguinary side. "He might as sanguinary.

> The proposal to cultivate England's marked one rural deserves severe condemnation is their idle land as a war measure may lead spectator. meir idle land as a war measure may lead spectator. When to permanent good results. The on the verge of Mr. "Space for his lakes, his parks, extended bounds, space for his horses, tended bounds, space for his horses, equipage and hounds" which the from Pennsyl-British magnate now withholds from yanians and recommendative was would so for toward sumed his operawhich a man has "invested" \$5000 productive use would go far toward sumed his operawhich a man has "invested" \$5000 feeding the nation if it were wisely feeding the nation if it were wisely passed. Several facts are that only diamonds in use are exempt. "Invest." in relation to large with a selective as would go an toward tions. Months passed. Several tilled. Once brought under cultivadirilling methods too it would hardly be allowed to re-

> the laying out of money with the ex-pectation of deriving profit. Dia-Colonel Wood is a West Pointer and At a depth of feet the plone Diawas too young to be engaged in the finally civil War. If he had been old traces of Mr. U'Ren now retorts in a letter enough fifty years ago he would have the next morning published today that we are quibbling been inflamed by the inherent patriot- the liquid was over the word "invest." It is not ism he decries in the youth of Euover the word "invest." It is not sim he decries in the youth of Euclidean erally upon the quibbling over a word when the choice of that term gives an untrue in the aged class, Colonel Wood is not in the aged class, Colonel Wood is not beginning of one of the greatest of That Mr. old enough for counsel.

The death of Mrs. Fairchild in a The Mr. U'Ren Used Wrong Word in Re It would assuredly leave an contains the foregoing inaccuracy he past the middle to the right is simple

> It is devoutly to be hoped Kitchener is not a prophet. A three-years' war, with killings at the rate made in

called out even her old men. The Teutons seem intent on fighting the thing to a finish.

Peasants in Belgium were compelled to hait their work and dignormal and their work and dignormal and their work and that graves for 2000 soldiers. And that sort of work has barely commenced. records of the State Tax Commission graves for 2000 soldiers. And that

> If Kitchener is right and the war lasts three years Europe will be but a shadow of itself when the thing legally

London walters have gone to the front en masse. Wonder if the General has to tip them to make them

With the football season approach-ing the gridiron hero will shine but Oregonian, the Non-Partisan League dimly these warlike times.

and their kindred spirits who are try-ing to maintain the old system of minority government in Oregon in-stead of providing for majority rule. Senator Lane's election in 1912 by less The non-fighting nations will sus tain a steady pull for Red Cross funds then 31-100 of the voters is a practical illustration of minority rule under the if the war lasts three years. plurality system.

Columbia River salmon have, too, scome deluded into thinking their troubles are over.

Diamonds are going to be dearer.

Another obstacle in the way of Fall Senators, proportional representation,

The men are led on by the lust of was adopted.

When the people adopt proportional representation, the short ballot and preferential voting by the first, second and other choices method, it will

The bombarding off Coos Bay is referred to Captain McGenn for in-

It's so dry our bones are beginning to rattle.

Are the Japs and Germans in ac-U'Ren as giving the rich an exemption tion off our coast or is Coos Bay hearon money in bank, is that portion of the tax law which specifies the method of assessing associations, not incor-Of course there is the chance that

itself. Once more let us thank the men who gave us Bull Run water.

We may get a glimpse of a big bat tle off the Oregon coast yet.

Dumdum bullets and Zeppelin oombs are in the same class, The Turk is gazing with horror a the work of the Christians.

The losses in killed and mortally wounded were greatest at Gettysburg Perhaps Kitchener used the Boer war as basis for figures. 5434 Union soldiers were reported miss-

So far we have heard nothing or the French sang froid. This will be known as the year o the big drouth.

Make the idle men work or move.

Then and Now

August 27, 1914.

nually began to give throughout reaches the enor world and the b ginning of many 660 gallons a year nants of that day were sperm, or whale, oil, retail-ing at \$2.25 a galvalue estimated at plosion; "coal oil," obtained from coal How to light the home and worktwo Connecticut financiers to ad-Edwin

Fifty-five years ago today the first

had been gather ing oil as it floatwell drill whiskey," reuntil he sank six-inch iron pip traces of oll, and

modern industries

ferring to Tax Exemptions.

OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 6 .- (To the

spend" instead of "invest," it would

A man does not necessarily expec

All my efforts in politics is and has

been for measures tending to remove the causes that produce class hatred

From that time laws will be made and enforced in Oregon solely for what the majority believes to be the general

Section 3574, referred to by Mr.

Portland which receive deposits. Not

one dollar is legally exempt under this

Killed In Battle.

ELMA Wash. Aug. 25.—(To the Editor.)—Please give the largest number of men killed in any one battle in the Civil War, and the largest number in

any battle outside the Civil Was

missing.

anese, 40,000 to 50,000.

W. S. U'REN.

J. J. IRWIN.

welfare of all the people.

vou are quibbling over the word.

in Knowles' Demonstration. PORTLAND, Aug. 26 .- (To the Edior.)-In The Oregonian recently over ohn W. Ellsworth's signature appeared the statement that the experied States are an producing two-thirds

NO REAL VALUE IN EXPERIMENT

Writer Fulls to See Benefit to Mankind

peared the statement that the experiment of Knowles "is a grandly useful lesson to all the sons and daughters of Adam and Eve," and that "there is no doubt of the value to mankind of this demonstration."

I cannot see it in this light at all. I cannot see wherein it is useful in any degree to me, nor in what way I could turn it and apply it to be of any assistance whatever in the ordinary life of the ordinary modern man. What does Knowles' experience argue that The vield does Knowles' experience argue t is of constructive sociologic value? doesn't prove he could support a wife and raise a family or do anything really worth while, except just as and just where, in a warm and favorable world. Rockefel-ler's. Scores of other multimil-llonaires owe their present wealth to the sticky fuid. Oil has called into

existence huge man has found so many better ways? webs of pipe lines, aggregating more much ahead? We are, as some one has then 25 con miles than 25,000 miles said, but standing on the sea shore of in length, which knowledge, picking up here and there convey the crude a bright pebble, while the great ocean product of the city of the truth upcaralaged the head ocean convey the crude product of the oil of fruth, unexplored, lies before us. The last time I hunted through the country where Mr. Knowles "experimented" it was in the company of a giant mountainer—240 pounds of bone commerce—gasoline, naprha, ther-heart and life, who knew the ways of specific or the country where Mr. Knowles "experimented" it was in the company of a giant mountainer—240 pounds of bone and muscle, 6 feet 2 inches, clean in heart and life, who knew the ways of apeutic cintments the forest and mountains by instinct, and jellies, illuminating oils, but it was no uncertain experiment greases and poles and polisis dyes. It has seen the steel with a little hole in it fastened on a crooked stick that a fellow by the lad oil-carvessels that the seven distributing product of the seen of the seven distributing product of the seen of the seen of the seven distributing product of the seven distributing product of the seven of the seven distributing product of the seven distribution the seven di greases and pol-sonous dyes. It has created great fleets of specially designed oil-car-he had a pocketful of round brass

which is made up hing as only a scattering growth of timber. I amountly into 300, a scattering growth of timber. I also only one candles of dressed the deer and know. The beaumore than 700 different varieties. It is upon the dear number two hang in my den today. In 10 days 13 bucks and grouse and fish till we got tired of them and quit. And dried venison all Winter for our families. What show did Knowles stand? And what's the use when the Winchester estate is still making those crooked

Take a big. husky Adam and peel him down to the skin and furnish him an Eve, ready made; give them a dowry of two generous fig leaves—sent up from California—and turn them adrift on Fifth and Washington streets, under the rules that governed Knowies, for 30 days, and if a modern man reduced to primitive conditions could all their agents, stock and coaches to the adjournment of the Council on Thursday evening, J. J. Hoffman was chosen to fill the vacancy occasioned in the Second Ward by the resignation of Councilman Goodshoot the resignation of Councilman Goodshoot the adjournment of the Council on Thursday evening, J. J. Hoffman was chosen to fill the vacancy occasioned in the Second Ward by the resignation of Councilman Goodshoot the resignation of Counci meet his responsibilities surrounded by modern conditions, this might teach us "the value of clean, upright, fearess living, and might help solve ome real problems for the ordinary

Maybe we could get Knowles to

OUR LESSON FROM EUROPEAN WAR have been technically correct. But Need to Foster Home Industry Becomes Plainer as Conflict Progresses.

reasons the Germans might have seen fit to keep secret news of successful operations, for the German naval situation is plainly a desperate one.

But it is safe to assume that no really important engagement will occur at an early date. German naval is trategy for early aggressions. The German naval astrategy for popposed to early aggressions. The German naval is trategy for early aggressions. The German naval is trategy for early aggressions. The German naval is trategy for early aggressions. The German naval as trategy for early aggressions. The German naval is trategy aggressions. The German naval is not at all unusual for a person to fine and children. The outcome of the pending elder, Portland that he intended to remain derelicts and cripples and hopeless to invest savings in diamonds and objects to the same and children.

William Roberts, presiding elder, Portland that he intended to remain derelicts and cripples and hopeless to the same than the course of pleasure their only a source of pleasure, but he campaign an argulation is plainly a desperate one.

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the deplorable war in Europe is going to be a means of teaching us a lesson in home industry that will completely \$3000 each under the law of 1912, to be a mean Many of these persons have an exemption of many thousands of dollars of money in the banks under section 3574, learn from it. overshadow everything else we We have already been brought up

with a short jerk to learn that we have so far been a bartering nation who have lived by buying an alarming amount of the necessaries of life from owners. Perhaps I am wrong, but a seems to me that men who have obtained laws under which they are legally exempt on values anywhere from \$5000 to \$100,000 are showing a from \$5000 to \$100,000 are showing a mighty mean spirit when they oppose mighty mean spirit when they oppose in demonstration of the point. We may that simple article of commerce, at that simple article of commerce. abroad and trading them among our-selves. The chemical market has been completely upset by the sudden discov-ery that it is now almost completely

owner such a comparative trifle as \$1500 exemption of the things he must have to live and with which to get a living.

I am not promoting class warfare, but leave that kind of work to The Oregonian, the Non-Partisan League and their kindred spirits who are try. import something over a million hushels of potatoes per annum. At the
same time as we delve further into
those statistics we find that in Germany they prevent the waste of a surplus potato crop by making them into
chips. And if I am not mistaken, we
buy large quantities of those chips. I
presume if we could not import them
we would not eat them at all. There
has been no end of writing in the past
about our preference for things imported, but it has done little good, for
our perversion in that respect has been
sheer insanity. Our predicction for
things imparted has been as stubborn
as is the Democratic tendency further
to hamper our manufacture by permitting the products of cheap labor.

LEO FRIEDE. dum, direct election of chies states as senators, proportional representation, short ballot, preferential voting, all tend towards making class warfare impossible. No one class can make the law in Oregon now. It was not so to mitting the products of cheap labor to come here free of duty, and has been the only possible excuse for reckless reduction in the tariff.

If the European war continues considerable time we are to learn hard fact that we will have to prod hard fact that we will have to did a larger part of the necessities of life which we have been importing, and what is more important we will be forced to keep the millions which we have been sending away for such imports, and thus add to our presperity. J. A. CLEMENSON.

Requirements of Compensation Law. ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 25.—(To the Editor.)—Kindly inform me whether it is compulsory to pay a fund to the S Industrial Accident Commission on count of the workmen's compensation law. I have been but a short time here, and am not versed on this subporated as banks, which do a banking ject. Parties have told me that it is business. There are none such in optional with parties concerned whether they pay it or no NEW SUBSCRIBER.

> A workman engaged in the employments named in the act may elect not to receive its benefits or contribute to the fund by filing written notice with his employer at least 30 days prior to June 30 in any year; or if newly employed, by filing notice upon commence

ing work. An employer may elect not to come under the act by filing written notice with the Industrial Accident Commis of the battles of the Civil War. The sion at Salem, Or., within 60 days of total, both sides, was 32,855; in addition June 30 of any year; or if he has newly engaged in business by filing such no ing and 5150 Confederates captured and tice within 10 days after becoming an employer. The latter's employes have

15 days in which to give notice. The losses in the battle of Mukden When written rejections are not filed, in the Russo-Japanese war were the employers and workmen in hazardous greatest in modern history. The Rusemployments automatically become sian losses are estimated at 97,000; Japsubject to the provisions of the law.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

estate of the late Ben Heiladay, sold at public auction in front of the Courthouse yesterday the claim of Holla-day against the Government of \$200. eee for Indian depredations committed on his overland stage during the time the redskins were so numerous. Gen-eral Rufus Ingalis, executor of the estate of Mrs. Esther Hollsday, purchased the claim for \$750 and will en-deavor to get something out of it for Ben and Linda Holladay.

Tillamook City, Or. Aug. 23 - Pernaps no part of Oregon has had more rapid growth during the past year than that enjoyed by this county. Within that period the tri-weekly mail service by way of North Yambill has developed into a daily carriage.

Astoria, Aug. 26 .- Mesars. Holcomb and party arrived on the Reed yesterday morning and im-mediately transferred to the George H. Mendell, going down to see the Fort Stevens Jetty. Mr. Adams, Mr. Hal-comb and Mr. Smith concurred in the statement that they were taking all the preliminary steps necessary for the building of a railroad to Astoria as soon as possible.

Chief Morgan states that he has been looking up different plans for a fireboat as he feels confident that the joint committee from Portland East Portland and Albina will decide to have one built at once.

do funnies with little lead dodads stuck in the end of them and we had stuck in the end of them and we had not gone 20 minutess from camp on the next morning after we got up into the next morning after we got up into the country until we came out into a mountain meadow and there, about 100 earth. In the guise of gasoline it is driving the millions of automomiles through the world. It supplies the power for vessels and rairond engines. It has driven wax and tallow candles from the market by substituting one of its by-products, paraffin, which is made up annually into 300, e00,000 candles of the connection of the candles of the connection of the power for weather the control of the power for vessels and rairond engines. It has driven wax and tallow candles from the market by substituting one of its by-products, paraffin, which is made up annually into 300, e00,000 candles of the power for the products of the connection of the control of the products of the product of the connection of the

Would it not be a plous idea for the city to erect suitable sheds on Front street and other prominent localities and charge a "bit" a head for horses and oxen kept feeding during the day, while the owners go about town to do their trading?

Previous to the adjournment of the

this post for protection. There is not a white inhabitant between here and Denver. All have fled to this post for protection. The country around Denve reported swarming wit Omaha is almost entirely deserted the whites, except at two f

The following are the appointments made by the annual Methodist Episcopal conference lately in session at Salem, for the Willamette district: William Roberts, presiding elder; Port-land, D. Rutledge; Milwaukie, C. H.

Mr. Friede Compliments Roadmaster

PORTLAND, Aug. 26 .- (To the Editor.)—I had the pleasure and good for-tune recently to accompany a party headed by Construction Engineer John Yeon, going over Highway, and I feel as if many of our citizens like myself, before going over the road, fall to appreciate the vast work being done and the possible sults therefrom. We found a roadway of 24 feet width, with no grade ex-

Knowles' Hiraute Troubles. PORTLAND, Aug. 26.—(To the Editor.)-I noticed in The Gregorian that Joe Knowles was unable to shave dur-Joe Knowles was unable to shave during the 3d days' forest experience. He might have adopted the American indian method. It is said when that gentleman wished a shave he applied a fir balaam plaster to his chin, and compelled his squaw to buil it off, incidentally removing the board with the plaster. When the pain annoved the chieftain, he relieved his feelings by giving his wife a good heating.

But, for Joe, this method might have falled, there being no party of the second part to whom he could apply for relief from his overwrought feelings. relief from his overwrought feel

Scope of Monroe Doctrine PORTLAND, Aug. 15,-(To the Edi-or.)-Please inform whether the Mon-Doctrine applies to the Pacif

It applies only to the Western Hemi-

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