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FIGHT ON FEDERAL USURPATION.

There is no conflict of policy between the bill passed by the House at Salem, giving corporations power to condemn Government land as well as state or private land...

Although the United States cannot be sued, courts have held that condemnation proceedings are not a lawsuit but are a legislative act of the state or county...

One of the most plausible, and at the same time most deceptive, arguments against bringing our Army and Navy up to the needs of our National defense is that, while we are in it, we are not in it...

When the Federal Government owns the public land as a proprietor only and not in its sovereign capacity, the Federal Government has no power or jurisdiction to regulate the use or disposition of water within its borders...

Neutral nations will be in the greatest danger of aggression during the first few years after the close of the present war, for later the victors' military ardor will have time to cool and they may have settled down to business...

The arguments are not all in favor of the school savings banks. Some thoughtful observers have feared lest they might make the little ones puerile. Thrift is an acknowledged virtue but, like many other good things, it can be carried too far...

Both the bills before the Oregon Legislature aim to resist Federal usurpation, the one by preventing passage of the Ferris bill, the other by setting the state in motion to occupy the ground which Congress has taken to usurp...

stances. Atlantic City also reports that the school savings banks have started a number of pupils on a course through the state normal school...

UNLOCK THE STREAMS.

It is said that every timbered state in the Union except Oregon has made some provision to encourage the use of streams for floating logs to market or tide-water...

The improvement in the Portland public schools during the last twelve months is noteworthy. The studies have been strengthened, the teachers have been freed from a number of wasteful impositions and a general spirit of earnest work has been aroused...

No good reason can be assigned why women teachers should be paid less than men if they do the same work equally well. To under pay them is plain injustice for which the ordinary excuses are puerile...

NEUTRALITY ADVICE HELD GOOD.

The Oregonian's Stand in Matters of War Has Been Helped. PORTLAND, Feb. 11.—(To the Editor)—Agreeing heartily with Dr. Dammanch that in your editorial in The Oregonian February 9 you touch a vital issue...

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Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian, February 13, 1865. "The fact is not with us is against us" may be truly said in the present crisis of our state.

Mr. Bryan was proud of this letter. The consequences of what is called "this perversion of trusteeship" have been that the receipts for the first year of the present Administration were over \$500,000 less than for the preceding year.

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SUPPORTING THE MEDICAL SCHOOL.

Why Not Use Part of Millage Tax Income? PORTLAND, Feb. 11.—To the Editor: Why not support the medical department of the University of Oregon from the millage tax income provided by the 1915 Legislature?

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Twenty-five Years Ago

From The Oregonian, Feb. 13, 1890. Washington—Solicitor W. P. Hubbard, of the Treasury, has addressed a letter to L. L. McArthur, United States Attorney at Portland, Or., in reference to the suits now pending, brought by the United States against the Gardner mill company for the payment of \$223,211. This is recited, the Commissioner maintaining the timber is worth \$9 cents a thousand.

Ed Chambreau, of Portland, the famous scout and guide, has been granted a pension. He was with General Howard in the Oregon Indian war of 1873 and gave valuable service to the Government.

Washington—Senator Mitchell has introduced a bill, Mr. Arthur, United States Attorney of Portland, \$248 for money paid a clerk when Starkweather was Register of the Land Office at Oregon City.

J. L. Lowe, special land agent for the Government, is in Astoria, inspecting swamp land in that vicinity.

San Francisco—Pete McCoy won a six-round bout with Charlie Gleason at the Golden Gate Athletic Club last night. McCoy finished Gleason in a decisive way. Both are middleweights. John McAuliffe refereed.

Dr. Hunter Wells has written a descriptive letter from Vienna, in which he says that city is the grandest capital in all Europe.

George Newbury and Charles Conroy, both of this city, were married by Father "Stevens" yesterday. E. H. was the groom, of Spokane Falls, and Maria A. Fallon, of Portland, officiated. Rev. Warren H. Landis officiated.

Mrs. Eva Rathbun, a visitor here, lost a \$200 diamond ring while near Stark and First streets in a boat during the flood. Henry Freidlein, a commercial man, found it yesterday at Stark street near the entrance to the Union Block. He found Mrs. Rathbun's address and returned it to her, desiring to accept a reward.

The Calvary Presbyterian Church (Dr. Landon, pastor) will be dedicated Sunday, the balance of the debt having been provided for. Rev. Dr. Campbell, lately of Minneapolis, will preach.

Mrs. S. A. Moreland has received word that her daughter, Mrs. Horace Thieser, who has been visiting in New York, was severely injured while coasting near Lake George.

At the End of Trouble. Life. "At last I am at the end of my troubles," exclaimed "Optimism," which "Which" asked the Pessimist, gloomily.

Special Features in THE SUNDAY OREGONIAN

Military Map of Great Britain. In view of recent aerial and naval attacks on the English Coast, a German military map of Great Britain and Ireland, to be published tomorrow, will be of particular interest. This map, which will occupy a double page, shows all railroads, steamship lines, submarine cables, fortified towns, rivers, canals, lightships, rocks and forts.

Arch of the Rising Sun. A full page in colors of the wonderful triumphal arch at the main entrance to the exposition. A beautiful study in sculpture and architecture.

Soil Repair in Willamette Valley. Lessons drawn from the history of farming in Western Oregon, from earliest pioneer days to the present. This is the first of two illustrated articles tracing the development of agriculture.

Lincoln's Last Birthday. Interesting sidelights on the life of the great American as shown by the way he spent his last birthday. He was more hopeful of peace than at any other time in the Civil War.

How to Dance the Maxixe.

Whether you pronounce it maxixe, maxicche or mattsche, you will be interested in reading just how it is danced by the Castles as told by themselves. All of the steps illustrated.

Another Penrod Story. "A Boy in the Air" is the title of this week's Penrod story, by Booth Tarkington. These are the greatest boy stories ever written. No matter what your age, you cannot afford to miss them.

This Week's Sermon. Another sermon in the series contributed by prominent Portland clergymen. Dr. Luther R. Dyott, pastor of the First Congregational Church, is the writer.

Exploits of Elaine. The third installment of this great detective serial by Arthur B. Reeve, creator of Craig Kennedy, is as absorbing as the chapters already published. A thrilling novel that has been dramatized for motion pictures.

Other Features. Doc Yak, Polly and the other popular comics. A page of latest war pictures. News events in all parts of the world caught by photographer. Oregon in retrospect. Another interesting picture of Portland in the early days.

A half page of stories and pictures for youthful readers. Dolly Dip's Washington's Birthday. Latest fashion news, illustrated. And many others.

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