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### SEA THOROUGHFARES BLOCKED.

Great Britain's retailation for the German submarine campaign against her commerce is an announcement that she will stop all communication with Germany through the seas which the allies control. This statement includes all seas except the Baltic and the straits through which that sea is entered. A blockade, according to the hitherto accepted rules of war being impracticable, Britain and France adopt means to accomplish all the results of a blockade without incurring its obligations. They "hold themselves free to detain and take into port ships carrying goods of presumed enemy destination or origin." They do not intend "to confiscate such vessets or cargoes unless they would otherwise he liable to confiscation." That implies that they will pay for non-contraband goods, and probably release the vessels with a warning not again to attempt a voyage to an enemy

pert. This amounts to erection of a "ne thoroughfare" sign across every ocean highway controlled by the allied fleet. It is a blockade in fact, though not in It differs from the attempted German blockade of the allied coasts in that ships are not to be destroyed. and their crows and passengers are not to be drowned. It will be en-"without risk to neutral forced or neutral or non-combatant ships lives and in strict observance of the dictates of humanity."

Notwithstanding the restrictions which the allies have thus voluntarily imposed upon themselves, this blockade in fact, though not in name, is a violation of the rights of neutrals. It is a revival of the species of naval warfare which Britain conducted against France in the Napoleonic War and for which Napoleon retaliated in kind for the purpose of goading the United States into war with Britain France now resorts to the very practice which she then condemned and

in alliance with the nation she then fought.

The pass to which affairs have come in the efforts of the two leading naval powers to starve each other out demonstrates that the United States and other neutrals erred by negligence at the very beginning of When Germany first violated the accepted rules of war by scattering contact mines broadcast in the paths of international commerce the neutral nations should have called her to account. They should then have laid down the principle that no beiligerent has a right to imperil neutral ships unless they enter the scene of actual fighting or territorial or tions.

towns. They now think they know the worst that Germany can do. War-ships and transports have recently evaded mines and submarines, nearly all the raiding cruisers have been prevented with dire consequence

raids have been insignificant. psychological moment when The the United States might have held both belligerents to a strict observance of the rules of naval war there-

without protest. The allies seem now to assume that rules have been broken so often as to be of no effect and American securities which Europe that they are free to make new rules the United States immediate prosperas the war progresses to meet the exigency of the moment. When these ity, whatever may be its ultimate new rules violate the rights of neueffect.

trality, President Wilson should, and doubtless will, deny the right of belligerents to change the rules without onsent of neutrals. He would have been in a far stronger position had he protested at the outset, and his present protests will need to be backed by more vigerous action in order to be made effective than if he had met the first violation with a protest.

### WHERE DO THEY BELONGS

The New York World defiantly challenges the good sense of its readers by asserting that Mr. Parry and Mr. Rublee, appointed to the Federal Trade Commission, are Republicans, though they voted for Mr. Roosevelt in 1912. "They are not declares the World, Democrats," "They voted against Mr. Wilson in 1912. If they are not Republicans, what is a Republican?"

There is a notable lack of information about Mr. Rublee, but the semiofficial announcement from the White House had it that he is a Progressive. while Mr. Parry/was said to be a Progressive Republican. If a vote against Mr. Wilson justifles the statement by the World that they are not Democrats, it would follow that a vote against Mr. Taft means that they are not Republicans.

The arbitrary classification by the World of Mr. Rublee and Mr Parry as Republicans agrees neithe facts, nor with the White House definition. For Mr. Parry does not pretend to be a Republican, and has participated in Progressive party conferences, and Mr. Rubles belongs in the same category. How can one be a Republican who by his words and acts proclaims that he is ing fruits of Mr. Davis's explorations posed of but the law of possession and

omething else? But the real offense of Fresiden Wilson consists in the obvious politcal intent of his appointments to the Federal Trade Commission. Two of the three Democráts are politicians, and the two Progressives were evi-dently named with the idea of encouraging the union of the Progressive and Democratic parties. It is politics very little above the peanut variety.

### "SPOILSMEN."

iland Evening Journal. And ex-Governor West. Why it oswald West ignored? He is busy explaining also that he approves the principle laid down in the Moser bill, or he says publicly that he "believes merely talking. the Governor should have the power of appointment and removal, and that worthy outlet for its energies in a he should be held responsible for the plan to commemorate persons who success of his administration." An- had deserved well of the town. It facedly avows his villainous convic-

esque cuphemism for the Mo

uary last the balance in our favor was are a total loss. He thus arrives at seven months ending January, 1914. destroyed, one naval raid on the Coast but just begun to recover, that we tons. Brass contains 72 per cent of Avoy, almost 36 years old, was has succeeded, but a second has been need not be surprised if the monthly copper, hence the consumption would drowned when his cance upset near the export total should reach \$300,000,000 the raiders, and the results of aerial before the fiscal year ends on June year.

30, while a favorable balance of more than \$150,000,000 a month seems not improbable. A total balance of year and at the tumost can \$1,200,000,000 for the fiscal year may the amount to 36,000 tons. be realized, and the figures for the produces 4000 tons a year, though a.50 fore passed when we permitted the calendar year may easily mount to our authority says this is highly prob initial violation of these rules to go by \$1,500,000,000. This would turn the lematical movement of gold strongly westward, and would pay for a vast amount of may unload. The war has brought countries. The price of copper in

AN EMINENT EXPLORES.

The late Thomas M. Davis will be remembered for some of the most facarried them on with his private means and only abandoned them when

his health began to fail. He expired at Secretary Bryan's estate in Florida late last February. It was in 1905 that Mr. Davis made his first import

ant discovery. He was at that time excavating in the Valley of the Kings of Thebes, and by wonderful luck opened the tomb of Queen Meie's father and mother. This queen was the mother of Amen-Hotep, who figures in Egyptian history as "the here tic king" because he attempted to introduce religious innovations. Of course he failed, but his singular enterprise makes him conspicuous in a ine of monarchs who usually thought of nothing but war, glory and big

ombs. The tomb of Queen Meie was also pened, and in its depths Mr. Davis ound a beautiful alabaster portrait

head of the lady which he kept at his Newport residence "as a memento of a beautiful and attractive lady whon he was sorry he never had an oppor tunity to meet.' King Amen-Hotep's final resting

place was opened by Mr. Davis in 1907 It had never been disturbed since the onarch began his long slumber there. The walls were still encrusted with gold plates and the coffin lay just as the bearers had deposited i perhaps 3000 years before. It wa

beautifully carved in the finest style of Egyptian art. These were some of the more strik-

in Egypt, but he made many other discoveries less interesting to the public but invaluable to scientific men At times he excavated on a large scale, employing 150 workmen. His private fortune was ample to mee the heavy drafts which this work en-

tailed, and we can think of no better purpose to which it could have been devoted. Mr. Davis was 78 years old March 10 on her initial voyage and when he died:

### JASPER'S THIMBLE CLUB. The women of Jasper, Or., have in

vented something in the way of public-spirited effort which merits com-mendation. The new idea originated mendation. as we learn from the Florence West, in the Thimble Club, an organization

not unlike the guilds and socleties which may be found in any village except in one particular, apparently That particular was its disposition to do something effective instead of

The Thimble Club of Jasper found a

To the first Lincoln's name was ap-

This was also a good selection. Every

other wicked "spoilsman" thus shame- made no difference whether they were born there or not, They need not even geria. They are so primitive as have lived there. The only requisite

er act, to them and that condition being ful-

which passed the recent Legislature filled it was resolved to plant a tree in

by an overwhelming vote-six nega- the depot yard and bestow upon it the

\$403,957,019 against \$454,050,028 in a total loss on artillery of 105 tons and brings his total to 430 tons, Exports are increasing at such a though correction of an error in cal-prodigious pace, while imports have culation would reduce this to 423

> be 309 tons a day or 112,000 tons a Germany, it is stated, produces an average of 26,000 tons of copper a

total balance of year and at the tumost can increase Austria There results a shortage of 72,000 tons a year, to be drawn from huge stores, which have doubt-Mr. route. less been laid up, and from neutral Germany has increased 200 per cent

since the commencement of the war and it is predicted that the war will ton. be fought on a greater scale as it progresses and "will be more and more expensive in men and ammunition." The Times authority then says:

remembered for some of the most fa-mous discoveries in the history of ensumption exploration. He began his excavations more than ten years ago, carried them on with his private means and only shandoned them when Until and unless her enemies gain

control of the Baltic Sea and the adjoining straits, Germany may be able obtain a little copper from Norway and Sweden, but the production is in-significant. She may be able to obsome surreptitiously through tain neutral ports in spite of the strict British sea patrol, but she must rely principally on her accumulated stock and on remelting the copper now in use for other purposes, unless her scientists can discover a substitute. She has more expert chemists than any other country and they are doubtless doing their utmost to adapt other metals for use in ammunition. The length and outcome of the war may depend on Germany's ability to win before her supply of copper is exhausted or to discover a substitute.

Many persons in middle life remem ber Ann Arbor as easily first among the state universities. It set the pace or the others and held the lead for many years. But now it is falling behind. Ann Arbor is not so liberally upported as the state universities of Wisconsin, Illinois and Minnesota, has fewer students and fewer progres-

sive ideas. It is not easy to see anything that the New York anarchists would have gained had their plot succeeded. few millionaires would have been dis-

inheritance would have remained the same as before. New millionaires would have replaced the old ones, and things would have proceeded exactly as if there had been no explosion.

The first steamer to ply regularly between New York and Buenos Aires the Crofton Hall. She will sail thenceforward on fixed dates. Other vessels will be added to the new line as occasion requires. The enterprise turns a new page of our trade relations with South America.

Harper's Magazine notes compla cently the adoption of chauffeur and garage from the French. It is not terrified by foreign words but insists that we should completely anglicize

them in spelling and pronunciation. The popular word "risque," for in becomes "risky" in Harper's stance. as it should everywhere.

People who still believe in the "na tive goodness" of mankind are invited to contemplate the Ibibio tribe which Dorothy Talbot has discovered in Niscarcely to have a language, but Miss

The spollsmen's bill is the Journal- was that Jasper should feel grateful Talbot describes them as "cruel and

N. Nitts, War Expert. Half a Century Ago By Dean Collins. m The Oregonian March 3, 1865. Mc Walla Walla .- A man names tion, drowned when his cance upset head the mouth of the Walla Walla last Satur-day morning. He was engaged with some others in surveying a site for a bridge across the river connecting with the road from Wallula. tleation

L. Burt's pack train of 30 animal

loaded at Schwabacker Bros. & Com-pany, Walla Walla, Monday, has left for the Kootenal country. The train is oaded with flour and sundry groceries. Mr. Burt has several stores along the

We learn from a friend that 100 guns were fired at Eugene City, Or., on re-ceiving the news of the fall of Charles-

New York .- Letters from Rome state the Pope declines to conclude a con-cordat with Mexico and will withdraw his nuncio from that country.

The following merchants will close their places of business and offices tomorrow, March 4, after 10 o'clock i

morrow, March 4, after 10 o'clock in the morning, the occasion being a fitting observance of the recent successes of the Union's Army and Navy: Harksr Bros., E. J. Northrup & Co., Bunnell Bros., Marden & Folger, Wiberg & Strowbridge, Royal, Jacob Mayer, Wal-ter Bros., A. H. Johnson, Milwain & Morse, Knapp, Burrell & Co.; Jacob, Burrell & Co.; Crandall & Towle, J. La Parrish & Co., Goldsmith Bros., L. White & Bros. A. J. Butler, J. B. Congle, J. McHenry, D. W. Williams, Mayer, Danenbaum & Co.; Millard & Van Schuyver, Seller, Frankenan & Co.; J. Cohen, Stewart & Gourley, Richard & Schuyver, Seller, Frankenan & Co., S. Cohen, Stewart & Gourley, Richard & McCraken, Allen & Lewis, J. W. Cook, H. C. Hudson & Co., Wells, Fargo & Co.; Ladd & Tilton, Cohen. Lyons & Co.; Weil Bros, & Co., H. Sinsheim, Boston Boot Store, Portland Foundry,

N. Camphell, Hurgren & Shindler Connor & Co., F. Dartt, S. J. McCor O'Connor & Co., F. Dartt, S. J. McCor mick, Elfelt, Weil & Co.; L. Fleischner H. W. Corbett, Savier & Co., R. Pittoel Meerholz & Co., Fox & Redlich, H. Martin & Co.

About 9 o'clock last evening as Po About 5 octock tast evening as to licemen Saunders and Ball were at-tending to their official duties at the City Jall they were beset by a band of "roughs" and had an exciting tustle to avoid liberation of certain prison-CFS.

MEANING OF "NEUTRAL" VEXING Eugene Man Asks Is Webster Right, or Has Time Changed Word?

PORTLAND, March 2.--(To the Edi-itor.)--Whereas my judicial knowl-edge does not reach beyond common sense, I beg to be informed on the fol-

edge does not reach beyond common sense, I beg to be informed on the fol-owing questions: President Wilson, ex-President Taft and two able-bodied sons could not set work enough this Winter to keep the wolf from the door. My husband landed some work for the last three weeks and what is it? A dollar and a half per day for a mechanic. This is a disgrace to our country. My husband was born in Scotland, came here very young. My folks are all Americans. My uncle he Illinois and numerous others have stated that the shipment of munitions to belligwho can obtain it, is no breac of neutrality; that the interests of this country must be guarded; that an em-bargo might work against us in some uture war when we might run short and here very young. My folks are all Americans. My uncle in Illinois has the history of our family on my mother's side traced back to the Queen of Holland. What I want to say is

arms and munitions. Now while Britannia rules the waves

Now while Britannia rules the waves (or may have ruled them with the ad-vent of the latest submarines), Eng-land prevents this country from fur-nishing foodstuffs and other non-con-traband to Germany, Is this not against the interests of our country? Is Webster's definition of a neutral not contrary to the definitions of the present authorities viz. ant authorities, viz.:

of Holland. What I want to say is this: I think our Government should make a law so workingmen can live and lay up something for old age-se they will not go to the poorhouse. The other day an old lady and her busband were at my door selling notions, trying to make their bread. She was sick; her husband gimost blind. It made my heart bleed to think country like this those two old Ameri-sans had too much pride to go to a poorhouse. "Neutral; Not engaged on either side; not taking part with or assisting either two or more contending parties; cifically of a state or power lending assistance to either or any ligerents.

is Webster antiquated? Or. Now as to the ethics of the question. President Wilson proclaimed the ideals of Americanism in beautiful language.

Now as to the ethics of the question President Wilson proclaimed the ideals of Americanism in beautiful language. Expecially in Mobile. This country abhors war more than any other country. The present Ad-restore the good old flag once more. Let us boost for men who will work, for all parties concerned, rich and for all parties concerned, rich and for all parties concerned, rich and to be altruistic and have shown this to splendid style in our treatment of and our reciprocity with Cuba. We preach peace and good will to all and everywhere. Is it not hypocrisy, then, if we allow for manufacturers of arms and munition to furnish the means to anyone to con-tigene at a work of arms and munition to the work arms to anyone to con-tight the means to anyone to con-tight the means to anyone to con-tight the thereby and the provide the thereby and the thereby and the thereby and the thereby and thereby thereby thereby thereby the function of assistance to Americans in fusal of assistance to Americans in Mexico, except in a theoretical way. We claim to be altruistic and have shown this in splendid style in our treatment of and our reciprocity with Cuba.

and everywhere.

m The Oregonian March 3, 1896. Philadelphia The distribution of a nur-page paper entitled Clan-Na-Gael i front of the Roman Catholic Churches Nescius Nitts, sage of Punkindorf Sta Renewing his quid, had resumed masin front of the Roman Catholic Churches of this city has aroused the indigna-tion of some of the Catholic clergy. Sather Fitzmaurice, of St. Michael's Ihurch, drove the disturbers sway. At nass in a speech he denounced the

When a bee blundered by in its slow aviation; A nicotine jet caused its extermina tion llan-Na-Gael in strong language. The Nesclus spoke on the war situa

Olympia-The Legislature which has I see in the papers a piece where it tells Them allies is stormin' them there Dardanelles. With vigor and vim and persistence they hope'll Result in the capture of Contantinople; And while all the allies thus comes up to scare 'em.

sure up

Dove.

Turk.

off'n Europe;

troops' work

Tells of Hard Times Struggles.

The Sultan has flew with his court and his harem. The Northwestern and Union Pacific lines yesterday inaugurated an im-proved passenger service between Chi-cago and Portland, making the dis-

While French and while British is thusly attackin', The Russians the Turk armles elsetance in \$2 hours.

Twenty-five Years Ago

where is whackin', Until it appears that the time is now Hon. I. I. Morrow, after whom Morrow County, Oregon, is named is the atest lucky man in real estate. Seven rears ago he bought a plece of land it Ship Harbor and now he can take its and for it and now he can take the When Turkey will surely be backed Which shows that this war that I've mentioned above

\$50,000 for it any day. Is bad for the Turkey as well as the

Mrs. Mary Lichtenthaler, one of the ploncer residents of Oregon, died yes-terday at her bome in South Portland at the age of \$4 years. Two cons in Oregon who survive are F. M. Lichten, thaler, of Portland, and Hon. D. W. Lichtenthaler, of Union County. Why, seems like them allies don't never get fired Of lickin' the Turk# till he's well-nigh

expired; And ev'ry time Germany captures a few Of allies it seems like the thing that they do

The excavation for H. W. Corbeit's brick block at Oak and Fifth streets is By way of revenge for them German ompleted.

Is all to turn in again ligkin' the Wylie Chapman and wife, of Clacka-mus, have been in the city several days.

C. A. Malbeuf has resigned his posi-tion in the office of Superintendent M. G. Hall, of the Northern Facilie Ex-press Company, to accept a similar dutation in the office of Storekeeper WOMAN GRATEFUL FOR ORDINANCE Wife of Mechanic and Mother of Sever unningham, of the Union Pacific.

he Editor.)-I recently noticed in The

Oregonian a letter from Hanford, Wash.

in which the oft-repeated statement was made that "Preparedness for war

a this so often repeated that I had al-smost become convinced that I is true. Still, there is one thins that I can't quite inderstand how England and Germany could possibly have become involved in war. They were certainly prepared for if. There is a terrible mia-take somewhere. Is it possible that "Preparadness for war is a guarantee of war?"

Army and Navy are for defensive

i have heard

had al-

is a guarantee of peace." I i this so often repeated that most become convinced that

PORTLAND, March 2.—(To the Edi-tor.)—I want to thank our manly Mayor and also Mr. Daly and Mr. Bigelow for passing the most sensible and humane ordinance ever passed by a body of men—that is for all men within Mrs. E. I., Winks left by steamer ast night for San Francisco. She will join her daughter, Miss Blanche, who s the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Franken-

buy city on city work to be paid a living wage of \$3 per day. I ask any pusiness man to answer this simple question: When was our country in the most prosperous condition? Was The engagement of Leon Barnes, of Portland, and Miss Dora Silverstone, of San Francisco, has been announced he most prosperous condition? it when men were paid a living wage or under the present Democratic Ad-

inistration? ministration? My nurband is a mechanic and has been a hard working mac all his life, always willing and ready to work. We are poor through no fault of ours. We have seven children we raised in ISLANDS ARE STORING UP TROUBLE

Contributor Believes All Insular Possessions Should Be Cut Loose. MONTESANO, Wash, March 1 .-- (To

been within their rights had they undertaken to clear the sea of unanchored mines and had they sent their ships to sink any ships of any belligerent nation which were detect-ed sowing mines. Their neglect to insist upon respect for neutral rights has encouraged both Britain and Germany to successive acts in disregard of those rights.

The war has degenerated from combat conducted according to prizering rules into a rough-and-tumble fight in which the combatants bite, chew, gouge and kick. Both of them say to the neutrals who wish to pass peaceably along the public road where the fight is in progress; "Get out of the way or you'll get hurt." We deny the right of belligerents to block road with their fight, and we affirm their duty to leave the road clear for passers-by.

One foul blow is made the excuse for another. Enraged at hombardment of undefended towns, Britain seizes the German food monopoly as ground for cutting off Germany's food supply from over sea. Germany re-taliates with the submarine and mine attacks on merchant ships, whether enemy or neutral, without regard to sacrifice of life. The loss has fallen as heavily on neutrals as on British and French ships, and has proved in effective as regards stoppage of sea traffic to British and French ports. The destroyed British and French than mosquito-bites, which irritate and \$63,363,492 in January, 1913. This but do not injure. Their destruction favorable balance is due to a steady is a violation of the rules and is taken increase of exports and to a decrease by the allies to justify another viola- of imports which has been continuous tion, in the shape of their embargo on every month since the war began until

ward cutting off the allies' food sup- \$267,801,307, the largest for any of the first living authorities on the They have great stores laid up month on record. ply. and they are confident of opening the Dardanelles to export of Russia's sur-plus wheat. Canada is doing her ut-not been sufficient in the seven west at 750 miles, with an average sure of enough food without drawing ance in our favor showing a net de-tons and for Maxim guns thirty tons, a total of 335 tons. Not over 5 per on neutral countries. They are consequently independent in their attitude toward this country.

Germany's reported readiness to the Commerce Department's figures daily thus being 318 tons. cease her submarine attacks if the for 1914, for each month shows an inports may be ascribed to consciousness toes than they can do to her by their more than \$12,000,000 greater, and in to \$0,000 a day. To be well within retaliatory measures. The allies are January, 1915, they were nearly \$64,- the truth, he estimates the expendi-far less disposed to listen to conces- 900,000 greater. Notwithstanding the ture of the British, French and Belsions from Germany as to compliance slump caused by the war, the increase gians on the western front at 90,000 last August. At that time they felt sufficient to offset it, for the total for at the same number. An equal numgreater respect for Germany's ag-twelve months ending January, 1915, ber must be expended by Germany greatve power by sea than they feel was only \$27,477,620 less than that and Austria on the eastern front, sinking warships, cruisers were raid- Further, the excess of exports over authority reduces this to 150,000, to ing British commerce, and real dread existed of serious devastation by a German squadron and German air-twelve months ending January, 1914, eartridges cannot be recovered and

tive votes in the Senate and eight name of the person to be remembered in the House. We have the Journal's and honored. At the initial meeting word for it that the House was an for this purpose seven trees were independent and unterrified body. planted. Some seventy odd "spoilsmen" thus To the agreed that the Governor, or other propriately given. Although the great appointive power in the state admin-istration, should also have authority people nevertheless feel under pecuo remove. There is, and has been, liar obligations to him, as we all do to civil service for appointees under and expressed their gratitude by dedithe state. The absolute power of se- cating a tree to him. Among the six

ately

ection or appointment is thus com- other worthles who were commemo plemented by a similar power of dis- rated the West mentions Sam Handplacement. It was always so, except saker, "the first merchant of Jasper." s to appointces for a fixed term. Our weeping neighbor is left alone town ought to remember its pioneers in its flood of tears over the Moser and citizens eminent in other ways

act. For even ex-Governor West de- and held them up for an example and inspiration to the young. In this way serts it, and joins the "spoilsmen" who are seeking to restore to the a vigorous local life will be sustained Governor of Oregon the prerogatives and a civic spirit awakened which in which rightfully belong to him. The the long run may lead to much prac-

nost signal act of the "spollsman" tical good who is Governor of Oregon has been o appoint Bernard Daly, Democrat, than anything else is that feeling of judge for the Lake County District, local pride and mutual confidence and T. E. J. Duffy, Democrat, to be which bears fruit in co-operative efjudge of the newly-created Jefferson fort. Jasper has hit upon a method County-both, by the way, in the district of that other great "spoilsman" -Senator Thompson.

### OUR BOOMING FOREIGN TRADE.

The balance of trade in favor of the United States continues to grow, exports having exceeded imports in Janships have been so few and so small uary by \$145.536,103, as compared many or Austria is due to the fact that their loss amounts to no more with \$43,323,680 in January, 1914, that copper has become one of the all maritime intercourse with Ger-many. Nothing has been accomplished to-

statistics and use of copper." The increase in exports due to the

most to increase her 1915 wheat pro- months ending with January to create of one rifle to each yard, which gives duction 50 per cent, over that of as large an excess over imports as roughly 1,300,000 rifles. He estimates 1914. India also yields a surplus, was shown by the seven months end- that each rifle fires twenty shots which is under absolute British con- ing January, 1914. In that period im- every twenty-four hours, or a total of trol. So long as they control the sea, the allies, therefore, feel reasonably ports decreased \$137,127,312 and ex-ports decreased \$137,127,312 and ex-sary for this rifle fire is about 305 crease of \$50,093,019.

The adverse effect of the Under- cent of the expended cartridges wood tariff is traceable all through recovered, the amount of brass lost

As to artillery fire, it is estimated allies will permit food and raw ma- crease of imports and a decrease of that on some of the hottest days in erials for manufacture to enter her exports, compared with the corre- the battle of the Marne the allies sponding month of 1913 until Decem. fired 180,000 shells a day, can do far less injury to her ber. Exports in that month were France can manufacture only 70,000

with the rules of war than they were in imports prior to August was almost shells a day and that of the Germans

Mines and submarines were for the preceding twelve months, making a total of 180,000,

odthirsty.' Are we not all born

The total indebtedness of the United States is now more than \$5,000,000,000. This includes all debts, public and irents? private, National, state and local. In

e, National, state and local. If the grand total was \$2,838,896,-Since then it has just about ed. It is to be hoped that we ill value for this rapid spending. How can we take sides in a most sub-stantial way in Europe? We say to the whole world, includ-ing Germany: Hands off the American Continent; and we lend substantial as-1902 the grand total was \$2,838,896,doubled. get full value for this rapid spending.

"Skin" your roll for the new counterfeit \$20 gold note, which can be terfeit \$20 gold note, which can be identified by a poor portrait of Wash-ington, an easy matter to people as learn, as I may not know better, hence union was on February 22, 1892. The

keen-eyed as a bank clerk. What a stampede would be created

in most of Europe by a flock of American wild geese flying north at night about this time, with the gander pilot honk-honking the course!

Keep uway from San Francisco young women. What Americans need today more There are thousands unemployed there. Better a job washing dishes at home than to go hungry in that big city.

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of inculcating such a spirit and we No wonder the allied troops in the shall watch its development with great interest. We hope the Thimble Club will live long and prosper. urce.

trenches flee from the flaming liquid spray, which is another German re-There is little glory in burning to death.

COFFER AS A NECESSITY OF WAR. The merit in the proposed jitney British confiscation of copper carordinance is in its power to compel goes which might possibly reach Gerservice on streets not occupied the railway. That will be real public first necessaries of modern war, for service.

without it no ammunition can be

The many states will go "dry" one made. The home supply of copper after the other; but when the time comes for Kentucky to get into line in the Teutonic countries is but fraction of the immense needs. This the deluge will be near at hand.

The third local postal employe has been detected in delinquency, which completes the "rule of three" and dep-

This authority estimates the length redations will cease. The war situation may keep the

but out

President from this Coast, but surely an impromptu Chautauqua can be devised to bring Bryan.

The Germans need more target practice. A French surgeon was "pinked" 97 times before he had to

in late biographies. go to the hospital. The Germans have placed anothe burden on the linotype operator by

capturing Prasznysz (probably pronounced "Pinchy").

Oregon hens are leading in the egg-laying contest at San Francisco, of course, They are birds from Corvallis.

A New York woman has just given birth to her twenty-first child. Let us hope her husband is a millionaire.

Daughters of the American Revolution inherit all the fighting traits of their renowned ancestors.

One after the other the Westlings tion "U. S. Wage-Earne ships in British ports and inland while in the seven months ending Jan- the rings to fit the rifling for shells are forced over the edge of the nest.

manufacturers of arms and minimum to con-to furnish the means to anyone to con-time the war and thereby assist in working against the peaceful interests of our country to sell foodstuffs and ather non-contraband to other bellig-meanter of the bollig-

How can we uphold the Monroe

sistance to Germany's foes in Europe. Why, Germany even gave in to our request not to land any arms in Mexico of the American Revolution held their

asked for information.

of justice,

would sing the song of the toudy, The would-if-he-could-be such,

Who fairly burns and struggles and

With the great, the worshipful snoh.

would sing the song of the toady,

I would sing the song of the toady, Who gasps and trembles with awe
When the snob condescends (and be-fore all his friends)
To accept of his gift with a look uplift And holds out a two-finzered paw With a smile like a sliver thaw,

141 As there are many patriotic societies, the questions are not definite enough to permit answers. General Miles is

president of the Jefferson Memorial Association. This is the only position of the kind held by him that is mentioned

Use of Word. PORTLAND, March 2.--(To the Edi-tor.)-In the following sentence is the word "Mechanics," correctly used? Kindly explain. "Five out of 30 credits of this correct will be allowed of the sentence is the part? g sentence is the (2) What county in Oregon was di-correctly used? vided and what is the name of each

tence and paragraph structure." (3) Ho script form, spelling, punctuation, sen-tence and paragraph structure." (3) Ho sentative (4) Wi

Modern dictionaries neither authorize nor condemn such usage. We should

say it is permissible.

### Button, Button!

STEVENSON, Wash., March 2.-(To the Editor.)-Can any reader of The Oregonian tell me how old a button is which I picked up among some Indian relics? The button bears the inscrip-

C. H. PACKER.

days. He says he is a man for Idaho to be proud of. Let the workingmen and their wives commence our cam-paign now. MRS. CORA E. FLEMING. 622 East Saimon. PATRIOTIC OPPORTUNITY AT HAND. Coming of Sons of American Revolution Opens Way For City's Hospitality. EUGENE, Or., March 2.—(To the Ed. defending the Pacific Const paign now. MRS, CORA E, FLEMING,

Transportation companies have posses only, let me mention one great shipped in cheap labor to this country weakness in our National defense.

armament can be concentrated upon armament can be concentrated upon armament RAY OVERHULSE. Then all our entrated upon our

### ANSWERED.

As stated above, I am windle to be stated above, I am windle to be stated for information.
Furth is a sword forged in the forge justice.
E. SCHWARZSCHILD.
SONG OF THE TOADY.
would sing the song of the toady.
The would-if-be-could-be sneh.
to fairly burns and struggles and yearms
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Italy's Representative in Portland.

land, GEORGE ROBINS.

BICKLETON, Wash., March 1.- (Te

Dr. Carlo Visetti, Sargent Hotel,

northwest corner Hawthorne and Grand avenues, is Italian Consular

Agent at Portland. There is no Con-

Japanese Cannot Be Naturalized.

PORTLAND, March 2.--(To the Edi-tor.)---H a Jap was born in Japan and civilized in United States could be vote

here if he fulfilled certain conditions?

Japanese are not eligible to utizen-

If I Only Knew

Where -----?

land.

sul here.

endance. For rank is but the guinen's simp, A man is a man for a' that. This is stated to remove a faise im-

What are the lessons of this war? Incite no more the childleh mind With visions of a warlike kind. Teach life and liberty are grand. Whether at home or fereign strand. Such are the lessons of this war, F. W. WHITE.

With a smile like a sliver thaw, I would sing the song of the toady-Some day, if he makes his pile, He, too, can stare with a blase air At the toadies who follow and tumble and wallow An age the manners and style Of the snob who was toady erstwhile. MARIE CRAIG LE GALL. Salem, Or. General Miles and Patriotte Seelety. PORTLAND, March 2.-(To the Edi-tor.)-I seek information concerning a something several years ago. General Nelson A. Miles, I believe, was president of this society. Is there such a society? What is its name? What is its digict and is there a local branch in Portland? A SUBSCRIBER. A man is a man for a that. This is a tailed to remove a faise im-to revive in the present the spirit of the past. Next July we will have a congress here of the National Society. Some thing several years ago. General Nelson A. Miles, I believe, was president of the society is there such a society? What is its name? What is its digict and is there a local branch in Portland? A SUBSCRIBER.

can Revolution arise the same whether on the Columbia or the Hudson. Our appeal is now to get as many as possible to join us in extending the glad hand of fellowship to our visi-tors. This is one of the occasions in which co-operation is better than competition. We have only one pur-pose and our motto is "Pro Patria." THOMAS M. ANDERSON.

## Questions Answered. TRENHOLM, Or., March 1 .-- (To the

Editor.)-(1) What is the Tumalo

(3) How many Senators and Repr

sentatives from Oregon are there in (4) What is recall power? MARIE HEIN.

(1) An irrigation district in Central

Oregon financed by a state appropria-tion of \$450,000.

(2) Crook County was divided into Crook and Jefferson counties.

(5) Two Senators and three Representatives, (4) The recall is the power of the

people to remove by their vote before ordinary expiration of term of affice men they have theretofore slected.

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