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PORTLAND, FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 1915. INDEPENDENCE TO FRANK. The other day a San Francisco grand jury returned indictments against ten men for forgery in connection with securing signatures to three initiative and referendum petitions.

IN OHIO SCANDAL ACCOMPANIED THE first application of the referendum. Petitions were filed against a workmen's compensation law and two laws. Whole pages were signed in one handwriting.

IN OREGON, ONE MAN HAS SERVED A STATE UNIVERSITY APPROPRIATION, BY throwing names to a Portland Anti-Saloon League measure. Several others indicted at the same time fled the country.

THE DAY OF GREAT ARMIES. The British expect their army in France to cut some figure, now that it has grown to a total of 750,000 men and is still growing.

MR. EDISON'S BATTERY FOR SUBMARINES. When Mr. Edison visited the Brooklyn Navy-Yard last December it was hinted that he had in mind an improvement for the storage batteries used on submarines.

TO THWART STOCK THIEVES. The Times-Herald of Burns, Harney county, says there is prospect that the Cattle and Horse Raisers' Association of Oregon will hold its annual meeting in that place June 14.

UNCLE SAM, THE STOREKEEPER. Uncle Sam keeps a store, but has no delivery system. His customers must back up their own delivery wagons to his door and take away their purchases.

THE DEPARTMENT OF NORD, ALL BUT A FEW square miles of which is occupied by Germany. Leads France in agricultural and industry. Here and in Pas de Calais, Meuse and Meurthe-et-Moselle are the great metal-working plants.

GERMANY OCCUPIES MUCH TERRITORY WHICH CAN BE TURNED TO HER ADVANTAGE. That country is a great granary and cattle-grower, exporting about 27,000,000 bushels of cereals yearly.

TOES and tobacco. In the southwestern corner, adjoining Silesia, are mines of iron, coal, tin and zinc, and Lodz is a great center of textile industries. Both these regions are occupied by the Germans and can be used to make up at least part of the deficiencies caused by the maritime blockade.

INTO SILENCE. Night after night Mario Lombardi saw the curtain fall on mimic tragedies. The singers voiced their joy and their orchestra wailed or laughed in sympathy.

THE LONDON METHODIST RECORDER TAKES AN interesting view of war, which, it says, "is always under the complete control of God's will."

AMELIA E. BARR, the novelist, has found a novel answer to the question why the Lord sends wars into the world. She thinks they stir up women to unselfish effort and are, therefore, upon the whole, desirable.

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SENSE AND NONSENSE. Cuffed by Addison Bennett. PEOPLE come back to Union not infrequently, after trying their fortunes in other places. William McCordie, who sold out in the town several years ago and went to Canada, arrived back to the city Wednesday.

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HORSES AND MULES FOR WAR. Humane Society President Would Stop Shipping Animals for Slaughter. PORTLAND, April 21.—(To the Editor.)—Would it be asking too great a favor of you to have the following articles appear in the columns of your paper?

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Twenty-Five Years Ago. From The Oregonian, April 24, 1890. New York.—The American Federation of Labor has issued an appeal to all members excepting carpenters and joiners, asking them not to take a part in the agitation and demonstration for an eight-hour day.

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Corvallis, Or.—The Benton County Democratic nominated the following ticket yesterday: Delegates to the state convention, S. G. Thompson, Allan Parker, John Burnett, M. M. Davis, P. Avery, P. Scott and I. E. Cauthorne; State Senator, S. G. Thompson; Representative, Jess Foster, R. H. Gibson; Auditor, G. W. Weaver, Sheriff, William Mackey, Assessor, C. E. Kilgus; Commissioner, Wesley Hinton; Treasurer, M. P. Burnett; School Superintendent, C. A. Smith; Registrar, A. A. Porter; Coroner, Dr. Applewhite.

All teachers of the city schools will meet tomorrow afternoon at the High School to hear an address by State Superintendent McElroy and a paper on "Physical Training" by Mrs. Martin, vice-principal of the school. Professor Ackerman, of Holiday School also will participate in the programme, as will Professor Gault, of Tacoma.

The Seattle Press Club has been established and officers will be elected next Saturday. The number of guests entertained at the new Seattle Press Club was 100. For several nights there have been scarcely any rooms vacant and travel is already increasing with the coming of the summer season.

As George B. Markle and wife were returning from the funeral of William Sherman yesterday their horses took fright from an electric car at Eighteenth and B streets. One of the horses jumped over the other and in the confusion the car was overturned and a general smashup and runaway was imminent. Mrs. Markle helped to get the horse out of the wreck and the driver was unhurt. Several of the firemen from the engine house came to the assistance of the couple and prevented what appeared would be a disaster.

The James G. Blaine Club is planning a round-trip excursion to the coast and intend for it to stir Republican enthusiasm to a high pitch. Mr. Olin L. Warner, the sculptor of the Skidmore fountain, has spent part of the winter in the city in the study of his own building on Johnson Hill. Mr. Warner has had commissions from W. L. G. Chaffin, the architect, to design wood for the group of the five Wood children, and for a life-sized medallion of General Gibbon, commanding this department.

Delegates to the Democratic state convention are arriving. Penneyaker, the incumbent, is expected to receive the nomination for Governor. J. N. Teal and Ed McKee are spoken of for chairman. OREGON BUILDING IS APPRECIATED. D. O. Lively Says Recent Criticism of Interior Not Warranted. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 19.—(To the Editor.)—Some time ago I read in one of the Portland papers a criticism about the interior of the Oregon building. Exposition officials are more than ordinarily busy men, but after reading this criticism I took the opportunity of paying a visit to the Oregon building to see for myself the work that had been done by the Oregon commission.

"NURSES" PAMPHLET ATTACKED. Devoted Mother Points Out Work for Portland Athletes to Do. PORTLAND, April 21.—(To the Editor.)—Your item, April 21, regarding the shortage of babies desired for adoption, calls to mind an incident that came to my attention the other day. My 16-year-old daughter was discovered by me reading a pamphlet written by a nurse regarding the adoption of a trained nurse. I am not certain that the name is genuine. I am inclined to think that it is assumed, for I cannot find any reference to it in any of the respectable woman would sign her name to such a level and obscene writing as this pamphlet proved to be.

EVENTIDE. The house was still, the room was still, 'Twas eventide in June; A caged canary to the sun Then setting, trilled a tune. A free bird that had been shut Outside the lattice here, He listened long—there came a hush, He dropped an answering word. CHARLOTTE BRONTE. Chess Game by Mail Wanted. GRANTS PASS, Or., April 13.—(To the Editor.)—Could you give me the name and address of some person who would care to play a game of chess by mail? I am a beginner and would be very much obliged. Am only an amateur. L. DWIGHT JEWELL. P. O. Box 724.

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