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PORTLAND, THURSDAY, MAY 13, 1915.

STRICT ACCOUNTABILITY. President Wilson's reply to German war a mone proclamation, February 4.

"If the commanders of German vessels of war should act upon the ture of the German reply. presumption that the flag of the high seas an American vessel or the the friendly relations now so happily on full reparation. existing between the two govern-

arise, the imperial German government can readily appreciate that the war material to the allies, the Presi-Government of the United States dent took the matter out of the hands knows. it might be necessary to take to safegoard American lives and property

ITALY ON THE BRINK.

After halting long between two epinions, Italy seems now to be on Touton allies. Her hesitation may be not take the field against her traditional friend, Great Britain, she ther attempts." shrank from turning actively against her former allies. Although national sentiment prompted her to take from causing men and women to do things she could not disguise the fact that a

supreme in the Adriatic Sea. If she the opportunity slip, Austria might polsession is necessary to naval su-If Turkey were dismempremacy. pered without her aid, Italy would forfeit her claim to a share of the spoils and all dreams of reviving the glories of Venice and Genoa in the Eastern Mediterranean would vanish. Italy, like every ambitious country in Europe, hopes to expand. The way westward is blocked by France, both in Europe and Africa. The only way open is towards the east, in Austria and the Balkan peninsula and in Turkey's Asiatic possessions. With Rushammering at the Carpathians and with Britain and France hamering at the Dardanelles, she saw that way about to be closed to her unless she promptly took a hand in

While Italy thus hesitated, reports or great victories in Galicia came from Vienna and Berlin, and a vigorous German offensive began in Belgium. These successes seem to have been exaggerated purposely to influence Italy. Russia admitted a repulse Western Galicia, but denied the that the French and British have be- exists: first reports of German-Austrian suc- Multnomah County. garded as a faithless ally? Italy expense. might well picture herself alone and gloating over her sufferings.

their work

cial sentiment, which prompts her to and west of Multnomah County is still of good deeds by making them timely. massacre. deliver Italians from Austrian rule; more useful for general traffic than material interest, which tells her the part within that county. that now is the time to round out her farmer is as free to drive his wagon borders, to render herself secure over it as is the tourist to drive his against the Slavs and to gain a slice automobile.

But Ifaly will not take the decisive traffic within the county which builds the submersibles in speed, radius of step until she is assured of her reward for aid to the allies. Casting sentiment aside, she is driving a good bartiment aside, she is driving a good bargain. As Russia pressed Austria hard- good roads have no desire that they mostly small, local freighters, which er, the price of neutrality offered by be built solely with a view to the were too slow to run away and two Vienna and Berlin was raised and convenience of persons who wish to unwieldy to maneuver and dodge tive. His activity has doubtless state. They should, however, be laid of considerable speed which were prompted the allies to make more out in such a manner that they will sunk were the African liner Falaba the Adriatic and in Asia Minor. Be- through traffic. These two uses are March 28. The number of deadly hits fore Italy makes the plunge, she will not conflicting. Lateral roads can scored against ships has averaged cisely what she is to gain.

Vancouver. After devouring these they will pass on to new fields. The defense against them is arsenate of lead.

Spray early and often. When the well as to the city man, No great were made in the North Sca and the next in a few days.

useless willow swamps are cleared the caterpillar pest, which breeds in them, will perhaps disappear.

President Wilson seems to have

risen to the occasion in his treatment called Germany to account for that by the voters of Multnomah County guarded by destroyers and torpedo-violation of American rights as well after a thorough canvass of the subas for the offenses against interna- ject, and experience will soon carry tional law involved in the attacks on the same conviction to the minds of Germany must atone, both morally and financially, for the wrongs done ing unpaved roads will at no distant peninsula to round the Land's End to American citizens and must give day be so far behind the vast majorguarantees for good conduct in the ity of its neighbors as to be branded Islands and in the Irish Sea. Vessels future. No mere money compensa- as mossbacked and shunned by pro- of a wide radius of action may have How to Remit—Send Postoffice money ortion will suffice; no mere expression
of regret. Atonement cannot be made
of regret. Atonement cann

The firmness with which the Presiby the synopsis of his dispatch sent out from Washington, justifies confidence that he will proceed throughout with equal steadiness. The occa-sion is not one for soft language, nor is it one for angry bluster. occasion for plain setting forth of wrongs done and of redress demanded. The next step will depend on the na-

So long as Germany has not defigood faith, and should destroy on the demanded, the people will do well to restrain their natural indignation. Should Germany not grant what the

The fact is worthy of note that in this emergency, as in that of Ambassa-"If such deplorable situation should dor von Bernstorff's charge that we would be constrained to hold the ira- of Secretary of State Bryan and wrote perial German government to a strict the dispatch himself. No former Secaccountability of such acts of their retary of State has been thus pushed leaders in finance are usually opnaval authorities, and take any steps aside when a delicate matter in his department came up for action, but the public will have the more confi- always what is called a bull on the far as figures are available. Of these

KNOWLEDGE.

the verge of a decision which will the fact that newspapers have given turn the scales in favor of the antiTourn allies. Her hesitation may be attempts at suicide by young women, been called the barometer of business, than that done by allied aircraft in ascribed to several motives. While for the "psychological effect on the she could not, consistently with the impressionable minds of girls who this country when the war temporar-railroad junction, munition factory sentiments of her people, aid Gerhave read with morbid interest the ily arrested it. It had been resting or airship shed.

The sinking of the Lusitania is the and Austria in what she con-accounts of the attacks on their lives and recuperating like an athlete who accounts of the attacks on their lives and recuperating like an athlete who the sinking of the Lusitania is the awar of aggression and could by Ida Bonora and Helen Carruthers has just run an exhausting race, and will be responsible for similar fur-friend. Great Britain, she ther attempts."

The sinking of the Lusitania is the ambient was in good condition for another race. The way is now clear before it rights. Holding that they could not

Austria the unredeemed provinces, they ought not to do. A picture, a war ends. When that happy time force, It, therefore, becomes Germany story, an incident, finds lodgment in comes confidence will be fully restored to consider whether the injury she inwar for that purpose would be frank- the plastic brain of some foolish per- at home, causing revival of domestic flicts on her enemies is not counterof swar in which she had refused to which leads too often to action. It is panded by the demand growing out herself, in provoking the neutral nations to make common cause against these scruples of conscience, however, probably weighed lightly in the waves. One murder is followed by American dollar will become the trade mation of Italian statesmen against another, one suicide by another, one standard of the world may be fulfilled, the material interests in the other sensational episode by another of sim- for transactions will be made in the scale. Now or never was the time to llar or kindred character. The rule money of the leading commercial navib unredeemed Italy and to become does not always hold good; but it fre- tion. quently does.

But what is to be done about it? Nothing more disastrous to a combe dismembered and a great Slav Nothing more disastrous to a com-state, an outpost of Russia, might munity could happen than suppression of the facts of a murder or other grow up on the east shore of the slon of the facts of a murder or other Adriatic. All the good ports of that crime, so that it would become a prisea are on its east coast and their vate, not a public matter. If the police alone were to be concerned, for example, in the circumstances of any criminal event, what enormous power would be given to a few individuals. would live in. Nothing can be more salutary than the lessons to be drawn from the penalties known to follow ganized. wrongdoing, and nothing can be more useful, even to impressionable minds than the knowledge of the terrible consequences flowing even from sensational attempts at suicide. Knowland horrible world without it.

Life is in some of its aspects a sad affair. Whatever it is, it is best that problems. should know whatever there is to be known about it. The evils of suppression by newspapers of Associations, just as progressive public the salient events and incidents of a worldly world, in which all live, are far more to be feared than the penal- ing to the welfare of children and the ties of dissemination.

GOOD ROADS POLICY.

The road policy advocated by State rout reported from Vienna. More re- Grange assumes the existence of a to protect young girls from vicious cent dispatches indicate that Russia conflict between the interests of coun- associations and on the other to teach still holds much of the ground she ties and localities and the interests of had gained in the Carpathians, and the state at large. No such conflict hood The only primarily "scenic gun a new offensive in the west with highway" or "pleasure boulevard" is zations and others of similar purpose some measure of success. But the that part of the Columbia Highway in is one of the most encouraging sympcoss may well have set Italy to de- this county regard its scenic beauties strates the deep interest taken by citliberating on what might happen if as a valuable asset which is well izens in the common welfare and exthe allies she had forsaken were to worth development. They have con win after all. Exultant with victory, structed it almost entirely at their rifices to promote the public good rould they not, after the war, turn own expense and have voted, two to The work of the Mothers' Congress is upon and despoil the nation they re- one, to pave it entirely at their own extraordinarily significant because it

It is not by any means purely a friendless between two groups of na-tions, one cursing her for desertion, trunk highway accessible to general vice and failure arise more commonly the other cursing her for not aiding as well as pleasure traffic and can be from preventable disadvantages in them; the one thirsting for vengeance, made accessible to the whole comother crushed and bleeding but munity by the construction of short, The Mothers' Congress comes to the outing over her sufferings.

local connecting roads at the expense of the county and the road districts.

Count von Buelow became more ac- rush at breakneck speed through the missiles. dittering promises of acquisitions on serve the purposes of both local and and the steamer Aguila, both on

nect with the main roads. Oregon is sending an innumerable demand also that all trunk highways an increasing number of trawlers has army of caterpillars to invade Wash- be paved. We have progressed from been aunk. These vessels have proved fington. They are crossing the Van-couver bridge by the million. Their auto truck and from the buggy to the marines, acting as sentinels for patrol objective is the prune orchards near passenger automobile. Motor-driven ships and as mine-sweepers.

will at no distant day displace horse-drawn vehicles. They are already inhicles on unpaved roads is so great tial cost, paving is a measure of econof the Lusitania massacre. He has omy, That is the conclusion reached Seemingly the latter is too the Falaba, Cushing and Gulflight. people in other counties. Any state dived beneath the frequented waters gressive people.

Mr. Spence has been scared by a American Nation. There must be an lumbia Highway or Pacific Highway from February 18, when the suband is recommended to tourists under from February 18, when the suband is recommended to tourists under from February 18, when the submarine campaign began, to May dent has made his demands, judging for that only among other uses. By any other name it would be as useful to the farmer.

MR. FARRELL, THE OPTIMIST.

The message of good cheer which President Farrell, of the United States Steel Corporation, brought to Oregon is elequent of the rising spirit of opsuch as the doubling of steel producworld are the conclusions of one who one destroyed.

It is noteworthy that those whom sian ships, either with submarines or we term captains of industry and mines. timists. Their success is founded on campaign began the Germans have optimism. The late J. P. Morgan was sunk twenty-three neutral ships, and to secure to American citizens the dence that the Lusitania affair will be well handled because it knows that full enjoyment of their acknowledged rights on the high seas."

In the plant will have the high seas the dence that the Lusitania affair will be well handled because it knows that firmly in the increased production of this country and in its great possibilities for development. He grew rich the plante with fact the firmly in the increased production of this country and in its great possibilities for development. He grew rich the grew rich the plante with fact the firmly in the increased production of this country and in its great possibilities for development. He grew rich the firmly in the increased production of the grew rich the firmly in the increased production of the grew rich the firmly in the increased production of the grew rich the firmly in the increased production of the grew rich the firmly in the increased production of the grew rich the firmly in the increased production of the grew rich the firmly in the increased production of the grew rich the grew rich the firmly in the increased production of the grew rich the grew largely by capitalizing his faith in mans thus prevented from reaching the future and by communicating that the allies would offset the adverse An official connected with the de- faith to others. Mr. Farrell has the effects upon their cause of the irrita-

> THE NATIONAL MOTHERS' CONGRESS. 'The National Mothers' Congress, working in close alliance with the

Parent - Teachers' Association, has done a great work in the United school and to obtain legislation suitable for that end. The Parent-Teachand what a fool's paradise the public ers' Associations have brought parents into closer relations with the schools wherever they have been or-They have broken up that unfortunate isolation which caused many schools to lose their interest in the living world. Through the work edge is light, and it would be a dark than they formerly did, while teachers sentially helpful in their difficult sand homes.

The best teachers everywhere welcome the aid of the Parent-Teachers' men welcome the co-operation of the Mothers' Congress. Nothing pertainfamily is outside the scope of this organization. It is interested in pupils noonday lunches served at the school houses, in playgrounds, recreation centers, pure food legislation and child Master Spence in his address to the labor laws. It strives on the one hand young men the sacredness of parent-

> The rapid growth of these organi The people of toms of our National life. It demonemplifies their readiness to make sacbegins at the foundation. The child who has a good start in the world is childhood than from all other causes. rescue of human beings when help counts for more than it ever can in

DOES SUBMARINE WAR PAY?

Sinking of the Lusitania is the greatest success so far scored by Gerof Turkey for herself; and by fear of Undoubtedly the public roads many in her submarine war. It shows the consequences of Teuton victory. should be so constructed as to serve the gradually increasing efficiency of The first passenger vessels know, or will think she knows, pre- be built into local communities to con- about one a day, two or three on one day being followed often by two or Modern improvements in vehicles three days without a hit, but recently

English Channel, small boats of a limited cruising radius were used. Then the raiders vading the field of the interurban began to appear in the Bristol Chantrolley line. The wear of such venel and the Irish Sea, without having molested the constant stream that, notwithstanding the heavy ini- transports which crosses the English Channel between England and France. success. If the submarines went westward by this route, they must have or county which persists in maintain- and emerged again off the Devonian and make their raids off the Scilly gone around the north of Scotland. through the channel between the land and the Orkneys, and

cial use. The truth is that it is built merchant vessels of a total net of 128,806. Of these the tonnage forty-two was due to subloss of to the farmer as to the tourist; the marines, five to cruisers and one to name does not diminish its usefulness a mine. Addition of the Lusitania, Candidate, Centurion, Truro and Don brings the totals to May 8 inclusive to fifty-three vessels and 145,367 tons net register in fifty days. No figures are available as to number and tonnage of new ships launched in British yards during that period, but we have the comparative figures of losses and United States was not being used in nitely refused to give the satisfaction timism prevalent in the East. His new ships for the three months ending message is based on concrete facts, March 31. The losses of British merchant ships, including fishing veslives of American citizens, it would President rightly asks or should she is better qualified than he to speak The new ships numbered 125 of 267,be difficult for the Government of the United States to view the act in other light than as an indefensible violation of neutral rights which it would be very hard indeed to reconcile with the states of should she attempt to prolong discussion where attempt to prolong discussion wh very hard indeed to reconcile with back up the President with insistence dency. Therefore, his predictions yards can produce about 400,000 tons that tremendous expansion of trade of merchant craft every three months, will follow the war, that American but a third of this capacity is now manufacturers will control the world's taken by warships. With this reducmarkets and that the American dollar tion Great Britain can still turn out had violated neutrality in shipping will become the trade standard of the from two to three new ships for each also sunk eight French and three Rus- PIPELINE, NOT METER, NEEDED

In addition, since the submarine

A laboratory in Paris owns the most powerful and exquisitely constructed electro-magnet in the world. It was designed by P. Weiss, a Swiss professor. It is used in the study of the atoms, each of which, by the latest heory, is an electro-magnet surrounded with a ring of electrons,

condition of children at home and tions in a local court a few days ago, to alienate the affection of a wife, the iceman is not in it. The milk might sour and still be good chicken feed, but the ice would melt and put him out of business.

The increase in the number of children of school age in Oregon over last year is a trifle above 1 2-3 per of the associations parents know a cent, the actual figure being 3412. great deal more about the schools Eliminating twins and triplets, leavcent, the actual figure being 3412. ing a child to a family, there is more find the co-operation of outsiders es- or less dereliction in a hundred thou-

> When the shot and shell are silenced for a respite now and then in Europe, no doubt the rulers of the involved countries pause to think of the shattered friendships among monarchs and statesmen as well as of the shattered lives and broken hearts, No doubt the chauffeur who

knocked a horse seventy feet yesterday will allege he was going at a moderate rate and he may believe it, for the animal was headed in same direction; but nobody will believe him. Ty Cobb has an expressed ambition

-to be the best batter in the American League for a period of ten years; but he adds, if there is anything more he would rather do, it would be to beat Lajoie's average of .422 in 1901. Judge Hennessy Murphy and other

noted empirists will observe that King George's birthday is due in three weeks and His Royal Highness asks that the event be celebrated soberly as befits the situation.

Having so many warnings to keep calm, not to talk and not to rock the bost, the American people are apt to display an excess of calmness rather arms of the anti-Teuton allies by ra- The extension of this highway east later life, and it doubles the efficiency than of excitement over the Lusitania The head of the Weather Bureau

> nothing be done about it. Just let it rain. A man who has carried a card for a generation says the only way to rid Washington Park zoo of rats is to

of this Nation is due in Portland

within a few weeks and asks that

unionize the inmates. Smokers can burn only their indignation on the rear seats of open cars, as the Council tabled the pe-

Principals Dinwiddie and Stafford ather put one over Superintendent Alderman and the Board.

go up again with the advent of the berry season. Now, then, General Kitchener, this May 13. When do things begin

Of course the price of sugar would

The Italian hen is bound to be off

Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian, May 13, 1865. I Strauss, the bird fancier of No. 3 Front street, has just imported 200 fine singing canaries and some goldfinches.

There is an immense crowd of emigrants, going to Mexico, where we un-derstand each is to have given to him a tract of 1800 acres. The West turns out amazingly in the Mexican land speculation and threatens to play out Gwin and the Emperor and also the French gentleman at the Tuilleries. It is very probable that Mexico will forget Em-peror Max and take kindly to Juarez when Rosecrans arrives with those 2500 Western agriculturists who are fortunately to be provided with "arms of defence." Fortunate thought, that last. Grant is dining, too, with Signor the Mexican Minister who represents Mexico, but not any Emperor. Enlistment offices are opened everywhere and we insist that the rebel soldiers should have an even show to "emigrate" with the rest. The whole business is being done according to international law, of course it is but when those 2500 yes. course it is, but when those 2500 vet-erans get to Mexico there are some chances they will backside and go to fighting like they are used to. When they commence, international law will be nowhere and so will Maximilian,

Beriah Brown, said to be a rebel all the way from Maine, has arrived as a passenger on the Orizaba from San sco. It is said he is traveling until the excitement concerning him in California is somewhat allayed. On his trip he had considerade to say of his grievances and losses We certainly don't believe in mob law and have no exception to make in its favor against him, but we incline to the belief that the rioters were fully as disloyal, though not as ably edited,

Billiards again seem to be patronized. Several of our most fashionable sale have four to seven tables each.

"Pet" Water Plan Held Economic and Hygienie Neursightedness.

PORTLAND, May 11 .- (To the Edior.)-If a double pipeline is not sufficient to meet the demands now bestalled, but they will never, in the in-herent nature of things, be able to upply more water to the City of Portland than it is now receiving through the present inadequate and greatly overtaxed water system. Water meters alone will not affect the change.

It is absurd to suppose that by adopting any ingenious device for adopting any ingenious device for regulating water rates two water pipes can be made to perform the services of three. It is likewise idle to argue that the demands of a rapidly growing population like that of Portland may be satisfied in the future, as at present, by a system which contemplates a constant narrowing of the limitations and restrictions placed upon the use of water. It is wrong to suppose that the ex-

pense of laying another water pipe may be saved or long delayed by any possible manner of circumiocution or visionary innovations proffered as a substitute for this imperative need. All that we may hope or expect to gain through an indorsement of our myopic city fathers' pet "meter ordinance" at the forthcoming June election will be a brief postponoment at a costly and profligate waste of money. To be more specific, if we ratify their action we will be obliged to pay for the original cost of purchasing the water meters amounting itself to an expense of several hundred thousand dollars, the cost of installing and connecting them, plus I kindly ask you to print this in does come, in the life of a nation when year and a half, according to allega
of installing and connecting them, plus I kindly ask you to print this in does come, in the life of a nation when year and a half, according to allega
tabulate and record the amount of wasake of keeping the peace. ter consumed by each resident of the City of Portland.

And for what purpose will all this expense be incurred? Merely to discard and relegate these amusing playthings to the rubbish heap when a third water pipe, costing little more than the expense of installing meters, is, as it eventually must be, laid, and the city again supplied with an over-abundance of clear, wholesome water. The expense, however, is not the only question to be considered in connection with this matter. It may also be regarded in another light. We do not want to restrict the use of water; on the contrary, it should be our policy to maintain and encourage a liberal consumption of it. A plentiful supply sprinkled upon our lawns will continue to make our yards and gardens match-less for their freshness and beauty. In this way the fame of Portiand, the Rose City, as a community of beautiful homes will endure for time to come. The loyalty and devotion of the resi dents of this city to the care and attention of their lawns in the past has been and is now one of our greatest advertising mediums. Every year we spend over \$100,000 in staging a Rose Festival, the object and purpose of which is to tell the world that Port-land is a flower paradise upon the Pacific Coast. Much time and a great deal of money is spent in asserting that our city is the garden spot of the world. Can this condition, if true, be

world. Can this condition, if true, be prolonged without an abundance of water? Certainly not.

Beautiful yards and gardens should not be merely the heritage of the rich, but the privilege and common prerogative of the poor. This cannot be so if water is to be measured out and paid for by the ounce.

Again, the pientiful consumption of

Again, the pientiful consumption of water makes better sanitary conditions possible, produces good health and is enducive to longevity. Each year the melting snows fill to overflowing the basin of Bull Run River with an inexhaustible supply of

sparkling, clear water. A natura gravity system conducts it to the city The only expense we are or can be put rington chosen as enginee to in obtaining water is the cost of vise construction of bridge. laying water pipes.

As a substitute for the pian adopted by the Commissioners, but not in any sense to be considered as a propagandist of a new idea, I would suggest that we levy a tax to defray the expense of laying a third pipeline and delay a way with the charge system

doing away with the charge system altogether. In adopting this method, I believe the exigency which has occasioned the meter ordinance will have been mot and the problem disposed to the greatest advantage of the citizens of Portland. In conclusion, let me relterate I op-pose the meter ordinance and approve the opposition of The Oregonian to

this thoughtless and ill-considered measure, and I sincerely hope the people will repudiate it at the June elec-WALTER H. KORELL.

Bank Clearings in 1912. LEBANON, Or., May 11.—(To the Editor.)—Please give me the Portland bank clearings for Friday, October 4, 1912, also the weekly clearings that appeared in Saturday's paper of October peared in Saturday's paper of Octobe 5 1912. D. A. REEVES.

October 4, 1912, \$2,161,396; week endg October 5, 1912, \$12,639,147,

A New Understanding.

AMERICAN VIEW IS ALL WRONG So Says Father Gregory in Justifying the Lusitania Tragedy

PORTLAND, May 11.—(To the Editor,)—Your first editorial article in The Oregonian Tuesday is warlike and unfair to Germany. We do not want any war, and so likewise Germany wants no war. She never wanted to have a war and learn of all this to have a war and least of all this

Germany cannot be blamed for the destruction of American lives on the Lusitania. They went on their own risk. They were warned. They hooted and jeered at Germany. Germany did not do an untoward act against our not do an unteward act against our Government. Germany is most friendly towards the United States and the American people. I was in Germany during this war, with some other 130,-000 Americans. We all would feel it an unwarranted indictment against Germany. If we were to insinuate that Germany was unfriendly or discourteous to any of us; on the contrary, it, with a childlike fondness, craved American sympathy and friendship. It is therefore preposterous for an influential paper to advocate hostility to this powerful and friendly people who must fight for their existence ple who must fight for their existe

When Americans sail on English merchantmen with much contraband and arms, they take their safety into their own hands and Germany's blow is not directed against us, but is an act of self-defence, justified by the eternal law of self preservation. Germany warned them all. A great na- comely woman and gives evidence of tion cannot allow itself to become the high histrionic ability. butt and jeer of its bitterest enemy. Germany has a right to use any and all means that are fair for the successful issue of this struggle. England has the same. There is now a new mode of warfare that is due to human cate made several fine investments in

progress. Air rhids are new too. Airships give no warning of their approach; that would be fatal to them. So it is also with a submarine. If the fact of the presence of Americans on British ships would render them im. manue from Germany's attacks, we the Columbia shortly after 9 o'clock may be sure that English money would entice American adventurers and proschooner Louise Olson from Tillamook, Britishers to enlist in the English navy, and thus, if Germany would sink a British ship and an American perish, it would be a blow at our honor and British ship and an American perish, amidships, the boom away gently it would be a blow at our honor and saround and toppled him into the water. Nation. This appears to be the argu-ment of The Oregonian. Such faulty to eatch himself, but the hold didn't reasoning and glaring absurdity should take and he was lost. His body has not hardly be permissible to an influential yet been recovered. I know the American temperament as

well as The Oregonian, and I venture to say that the American people would lack the cool and thorough delibera-tion that the Germans show in their ficient to meet the demands now being made upon it by the water consumers of Portland, would not the proper and expeditious way to meet the situation be to lay another water pipe? Water meters may and undoubtedly do curtail the use of water, when installed but they will recover in the many and all stalled but they will recover in the many and all stalled but they will recover in the many and all stalled but they will recover in the many and all stalled but they will recover. manner of war material to their enemies. German women and children enemies. German women and children are made widows and orphans by American mercenary and vensi habits. These wounds will remain in the coming generation and they will not forget that the American bullets have place and Monmouth, Or.

forget that the American builets have made them orphans.

The German is a patient and long-suffering people. Germany assures us that her submarine warfare will stop as soon as we treat her on a par with England. We must but demand our rights to trade with the civil population of Germany in foodstuff. England violates law in this point and we are too subservient to her wishes and too.)—President Wilson's address before a large assemblage of naturalized too subservient to her wishes somewhat too stiff with Germany.

It is well enough, no doubt, to apprise the American public of the anti-American view of the Lusitania horror and the German Justification therefor. For that reusen, Pather Gregory's letter is printed. The Oregonian is quite unable on that account to modify its previous expressions or alter its present views. It has small respect for and less patience with the reiterated argument that the Americans on the Lusitania were warned away from the war zone, and that they have properly forfeited their lives. The murderer's forfeited their lives. warning to his victim, or to any in necent bystander, that he will slay them on sight if they cross his path does not humanize or legalize the deed. Nor is it at all true that America is the only neutral power selling munitions of war to any of the belligerents.

Interstate Bridge Chronology. VANCOUVER, Wash., May 11,—(To the Editor.)—Will you kindly give me an outline of the development of the bridge between Vancouver and Portland up to the present date, giving important dates and jurisdiction concerning It? ROSE SHOPP.

February, 1913-Legislatures of Oregon and Washington passed enabling acts to aid counties in constructing interstate bridges.

November 4, 1913-By a vote of 19,791 to 6013 Multnomah County voted \$1, 250,000 bond issue for interstate bridge connecting with Clarke County, Wash ington.

November 29, 1913-Interstate Bridge Commission, consisting of Boards of County Commissioners of Multnomah and Clarke counties, and Governor of Oregon, met in Courthouse at Portland and effected an organization. December 29, 1913-Waddell & Har-

rington chosen as engineers to super-July 15, 1914-Supreme Court of Oregon upholds valigity of Multnomah

issue by a vote of 5233 to 756. November 12, 1914-Multnomah County's bonds ordered issued.

February 23, 1915-Bids for construcion of bridge are opened. February 28, 1915-Contracts for construction of bridge awarded in sections to several contractors after the bids

had been examined and reported on by the advisory engineers. March 6, 1915-Construction work is

April 27, 1915-First pile driven at

south side of Oregon Slough.

From An Ex-Progressive

PORTLAND, May 12.—(To the Editor.)—It is quite apparent now that Colonel Boosevelt has given up all notion of going to Europe this Summer but that if circumstances compel him to go be would be sure to steer clear of Germany and Austria. On his return of Germany and Austria. On his rejurn from Africa they heaped honers on him, but just now the temptation was more than he could resist. William Howard Taft, in his speech last night, talked with the polse and dignity of a true statesman. Our two ex-Presi-CORNELIUS. Or. May 10.—(To the Editor.)—Please tell me if the income tax can properly be called capital punishment? EDGAR W. WINANS.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

From The Oregonian, May 13, 1896. Washington-Senator Dolph, of Oregon, is the only member of the North-west delegation who is not in favor of free coinage of silver and he will make speech against the inflation idea, e says he is in favor of the enhance-ent of silver and bringing its value ment of sliver a

San Francisco-United States Circuit Judge Sabin of Nevada who has been ill with inflammatory rheumatism for with inflammatory rheumatism for some time, died here yesterday morning.

Work was begun yesterday on the foundation of the West section of the Marquam block. The stone for the upper structure is being cut and a kiln of 300,000 brick is being burned.

President Adams and Vice-President Holcomb, of the Union Pacific, who are expected here today, will not arrive before Thursday or "riday we are ad-vised. General Manager C. J. Smith will go up the road to meet them.

Miss Maude Adams, who plays Jesse with the E. H. Sothern company at the Marquam will be remembered as the bright, intelligent child actress who played at the New Market theater 19 years ago. She has developed into a comply

R. W. Mitchell and James Mcl. Wood. the Olympia and Aberdeen sections while on the trip,

John T. Sherlock, a son of Mrs. Willlam Sherlock, who was well known in this city, met his death by drowning in

ent as the executive board of the Builders' Exchange has rejected the offer of peace of the atrikers and the Portland labor trouble is not at an end yet. The Builders' Exchange has taken the attitude now that the strike will just have to wear itself out.

Baker City-Hon. D. P. Thompson, Republican nominee for Governor, companied by Lydell Baker arrived here yesterday. They will address the citiyesterday. zens of this place today on political

Independence—A contract was let to-day to J. C. McCoy, of Salem, for the building of the motor line between this

fore a large assemblage of naturalized wishes and American citizens in I'nillidelphia the somewhat too stiff with Germany.

There will be other occurrences like the Lusitania. and Germany's bitter feeling will increase if we prolong this war by our exportation of guns and powder. There would be peace now in Europe, had we put an embarge on all ammunition. Every civilized country has done so, we only excepted. Should we rather adhere to technicality than to the great and eternal law "To do unto others as we would have them do unto us"? We call the Europeans barbarians because of the war, but history will call us worse—"hypocrites" pretending peace, yet furnish the means for prolonged slaughter. It is every man's duty to exert himself for peace. These are words of His Holiness the Pope.

I kindly ask you to print this in institution of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The sale of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The sale of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The sale of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The sale of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The sale of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The sale of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The sale of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The other days was a masterly presentation of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The other days was a masterly presentation of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The other days was a masterly presentation of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The other days was a masterly presentation of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The other days was a masterly presentation of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of government. The other days was a masterly presentation of the ideals of citizenship under a republican form of the ideals of citizenship under fort of national dishonor. But have we reached that crucial point in the present crisis? Certainly not, but such

a contingency may yet arise, and when it does American manhood and patriotism will know how to meet it.

In many ways President Wilson reminds me of the great Lincoln. He possesses a samilar lucidity of thought, simplicity of speech, and seems to have the same love for humanity, a generous and tender was the same love for humanity. and tender sympathy for all struggling peoples and a living thirst for lofty ideals. He does not possess, however, Lincoln's bright sense of humor, nor the keenness of wit which made "the great emancipator" the American people's most ideally believed unbits are reconstructed. most ideally beloved public serv

RIGHT WORDS IN RIGHT PLACE The Oregonian's Attitude on President's

Duty Now Is Indorsed. PORTLAND, May 12 - (To the Editor.) - Your leading editorials in The Oregonian yesterday and today on the President's duty in the present crisis are the right words in the right place at the right time. Your stand in this is in line with the highest and best traditions of The Oregonian and will raditions of the Oregonian and will aid in its future greatness and renown. Pardon these remarks from an obscure spectator on the back seat who likes to observe, think and sometimes feel deeply about affairs. Then, I like to clap, hence this letter to you.

Does not Theodore Rossevelt speak out now like our ideal President? Is it not a pity he tried to wreck the Re-publican party in 1912? Can we rally around him and take him back to us?

Don't Be # Duck.

Sense! "Advertising prepares the way and the salesman follows it up!" This is the opinion of one of the most experienced, cultured and enlightened husiness managers in the country, Arthur Williams, of the New York Edison Company. At a recent luncheon he said: "In my opinion every business house should set aside a certain percentage of its income for advertising expenditures," and he added that the expenditures," and he added that the advertiser was like the chicken which August 13, 1912—Clarke County approved \$500,000 interstate bridge bond saying anything. Don't be a duck.

Film Company's Address. ONTARIO, Or., May 16,—(To the Edi-tor.)—Please give me the address of the American Film Manufacturing Company. MRS. L. A. WALKER,

\$227-25 Broadway, Chicago.

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solve the advertising problem.