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#### THE LUSITANIA CRISIS.

tion," "piracy" and like phrases are trine of naval warfare." used by the Eastern newspapers in has done far more injury to herself the high seas." It then says: than to her enemies.

As to what the United States should there is general agreement that the people should remain calm and should trust the President. All insist that not merely full reparation should be exacted, but that without long discussion Germany should be called upon to renounce such barbarous methods of warfare. Several suggest war as an alternative to be preferred to the continued massacre of Americans, and combined action by neutrals

is suggested demand that the Germans shall no Lusitania, in view of the threats longer make war like savages drunk which had been made against her. with blood, that they shall cease to stood that she is at war with the ate murder. It, too, asks why there whole civilized world." It calls attention to the fact that this is the cul-mination of a series of such acts. The President McKinley's long deliberapassengers "simply because it was im- time possible for them to believe that a great civilized nation like Germany Chicago Tribune in this language: would wantonly destroy a merchant ship carrying only peaceable nonscembatants." The Times refuses to 
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the net of the intents of the fer ings to unreasonable or hasty action." But if Germany has deliberately determined to make war in this manner, "then all neutral nations are on notice that the complete defeat of Germany and the eradication of the military spirit of Germany are essential to their peace and safety, and

the Lusitania and the Falaba "crimes against civilization in equal degree and the warning given by Gerdegree and the warning given by Germany no extenuation," because "no-body believed the Germans could or would carry out their threat," for "people thought better of them than they thought of themselves." It says Germany was "abetted by the complaisant indifference of the British government." It pronounces the military gains to Germany trifling, the moral losses incalculable. The whole German submarine policy against merchantmen is called "piracy organized, systematized and nationalized." By it Germany will be "left without a friend or a well-wisher in the world." The World commends the display by the American people of what the President called the "spiendid courage of reserve moral force," but says "there would be faited of ward that would be faitles and of war that would be faitles and perhaps ridiculous because the bolligerents would be in no position to do each other harm.

With the anteriod section of the converted by the converted to convening of Congress, he says:

As shewing the necessity for such legislation to safeguard the public interest, has taken outcry," says the Baltimore Sun, but it says:

We have arrived at a stage where we must have a clear understanding with Germany says to the future. This latest German irriumph" sirikes a far more disastrous blow at Germany than at Great British ardor and stimulate British recruiting a bundredfold, and it will increase British are of an all the same of the western states. Such a convening of Congress, he says:

As shewing the necessity for such legislation to safeguard the public interest, has the builted attention to safeguard the public interest, has they there are more distant. It is ays the Baltimore Sun, but it says:

We have arrived at a stage where we must have a clear understanding with Germany strikes a far more disastrous for part of the Western states. Such a consolidation of Western water-power of the called attention to safeguard the public interest, has they then have a clear understanding with Germany in the fine of the says and the public i The main question methods of warfare that are a crime against civilization and an affront to humanity." It asks, "Can the President save Germany from Germany?

The denunciations of the crime contained in the Times and the World are fairly representative of those contained in all the newspapers. There are many variations, but the tenor is the same and the severity of condemnation is general, varying but slightly

Dealing with the issue between the two governments, the New York Evening Post says the acts of the German submarines are not marines do." It continues:

This throws the responsibility back upon the Lussiania, the Indianapolis News says the situation is grave and the says the situation is grave and the Government. In the act, that government must be depended upon this truth which the indignant voice of its mighty Nation, joining in the chorus reprodution rising from all parts of the ground new seek to bits into the conductances of the German people.

THE 500TH ANNIVERSARY OF JOHN

York American in denouncing the deed, but it says "both parties to the

fate the American says:

for soif-defense which ought not to be preparation now but a completed fact. But late though it is, such action is doubly demanded by the lesson of the Lusitania. We can trust none of the parties to this war.

The New York Herald asks: Henceforth is international anarchy to be the controlling factor in marine warfare? Henceforth is piracy on the high seas to be recognized and go unprotested and unpun-ished? Henceforth is the wanton murder of neutrals and non-combatant passengers to be treated as regrettable incidents and go at that? It then continues:

will, in the Eagle's opinion, be cumu-San Francisco Office—R. J. Bidwell Com- lative upon Germany, for "they will convert Prussian, if not all German PORTLAND, FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1915. militarism, into a byword and a re-proach." The "right of every neutral to sail the high seas with full security to his person cannot be sur-"Wholesale murder," "assassina- rendered to any new-fashioned dec-

The expedition against the pirates denouncing the destruction of the Lu-sitania. They contemptuously sweep the New York Tribune, which says aside all German excuses for and pal- they "asserted a prerogative less inliations of the crime and several of tolerable than that which is now as-them agree that by this act Germany serted in Berlin and executed upon

No voice will be raised, no effort will be made, to force the hand, to hasten the action, of the President of the United States. But neither he nor any other official in our Government can mistake the temper in which their fellow citizens will wait.

If Germany murders Americans, turns her artillery against neutral Americans, sparing neither are nor sex, what worse treatment.

The British government is taken to The New York Times says the State task by the New York Evening Sun Department should send to Berlin "a for not providing a convoy for the

Affirming that Germany had seek the attainment of their ends by right to change international law by the assassination of non-combatants declaring a war zone and issuing the assassination of non-combatants deciaring a war zone and issuing and neutrals." It says this demand have it under-will be heeded, unless Germany in her madness would have it under-power, and that the deed was deliber-would be like to have his telephone would be like to have his telephone would be like to have his telephone.

warning of Germany's purpose is held tion after the Maine was blown up to aggravate the crime by proving de- and urges the people not to rush liberation and was not heeded by the President Wilson, but to give him

Two alternatives are stated by the

not mean war between Germany and is not enough money in the world to the United States, and that the loss of relieve the anguish that must be American lives on the Lusitania was caused by the distressing conditions "no deliberate attack on the honor of that surround us. the United States in the primary sense of the words." We can demand rethey will feel that they have ten-fold greater reason for desiring, and in the dress, but a war for redress would not

In any case, there will be found ways to rindicate this country's rights and dignity, without resort to a state of war that would be fruitless and perhaps ridiculous because the first state of the convening of Congress, he says:

reserve moral force," but says "there must make the torpedoing of the is sentiment everywhere in favor of a great Cunarder the text for vigorous firm, dispassionate, uncompromising reassertion of its position." That vindication of lawful American rights paper expresses belief that "we have on the part of the United States Gov- in the White House one equal to the is forcible assertion of our claim in be-"whether Germany can be brought to half of Americans at sea even when her senses and induced to abandon they are on board belligerent merchant vessels."

> The Boston Herald's comment is: The Dusted States is the one great neutral power, it has thus far not lined up to the full level of its proper duty and opportunity with the belligerents of either side. Now, if ever, is the time for the United States to speak for itself and for humanity—and would that there were a Hay, an Olney or a Root to frame the momentage message:

says:

There is no reason to think that diplon can prevail now where it has failed hith-erto. All that remains is the argument of force. We can take our appeal to arms. But shall we offer to augment the already wast superior fleets of the alles, or shall we seek to land armies on German shores? Pronouncing the situation grave, leacy," for "pirates do not act un-though the destruction of the Gulf-orders, but officers of German light was more serious than that of the Lusitania, the Indianapolis News

show self-restraint.

The 500Th anniversary of John Huss.

The 500th anniversary of the marking free of the Califlight in importance and urgency," the New York Sun says "no episode of the war has startled and aroused public opinion in greater degree," and concludes.

That it was premeditated we know; that it was reckies of innocent non-combatant lives we are sure, and "dastardly" is the word on millions of American lips this moraing.

Invective is not spared by the New York American in the same memorandum:

It is apparent that if the water-power sites of the West are allowed to pass into private ownership without restriction it will be practically impossible to requise of the water allowed to pass into private ownership without restriction it will be practically impossible to requise of the West are allowed to pass into private ownership without restriction it will be practically impossible to requise of the West are allowed to pass into private ownership without restriction it will be practically impossible to requise of the West are allowed to pass into private ownership without restriction it will be practically impossible to requise of the West are allowed to pass into private ownership without restriction it will be practically impossible to requise of control monopoly in fills important resource of the consumer. The possibilities connected with the utilization of the universary of the mark tyrdom of John Huss. Some seventy years ago a German composer, Carl Loewe, produced an oration which he called John Huss.

This is to be utilized for the occasion. The text was originally written in greater of control control monopoly in fills important resource or to regulate the practically impossible to requise of the West are allowed to pass into private ownership without restriction it will be practically inpossible to requise of the West are allowed to pass into private ownership without restriction it will be practically inpossible to requise of the West are allowed to pass into private ownership without restrict

The celebrated Bohemian reformer indorses transfer of power sites by the struggle have held themselves su-was burned at the stake on July 6, Government to the states on condiwas burned at the stake on July 6, 1415, having been sentenced to death the the allies nor the Germans give to international law or custom and more adherence than may suit their immediate end." Of the Lusitania's chain of radical thinkers which being chain the radical thinkers which be reasonable to the radical thinkers which are r fate the American says:

It must teach the people of the United States that a nation can rely upon nothing for its own protection, and for the safe-suarding of its own citizens, except its own physical power to protect them against all menace.

Sale Main Landau President Saircardy in efficient operation, and the time, was continued in England by Success which has been so far won has been win by these means, though the Government has always had at hundred years after the death of the Government has always had at completed by Martin Luther. Huss Sherman law. It is cruelly late to begin the preparation was a popular preacher and an at-

tractive lecturer at the University of the menace of an all-absorbing mo Prague. His doctrines excited dissen-sion, however, in consequence of possible "to regulate or control mo-

which the German students withdrew nopoly" without exercise of Federal and founded the University of Leipsic. power. The Federal laws contem-Huss taught various doctrines dis- plate no regulated or controlled pleasing to the church, but he gave monopoly, for menopely is utterly remost bitter offense by his agitation pugnant to them. If Mr. Lane confor clerical reform. Huss was greatly templates using the power which the disturbed by what passed in some of Ferris bill would confer on him to the monasteries and parishes and he regulate or control monopoly, loudly called for a moral houseclean-should better rely on the states to ing. This offended certain powerful protect us against the visionary dan-

Flainer words than these never have been used. The position in which they place this stake. It will be seen, therefore, that the modern view of treaties and royal add to the effectiveness of public concede if it could, and could not if it would. promises is based upon precedent that of jurisdiction and in litigation which the modern view of treaties and royal add to the effectiveness of public control. It would result only in a conflict of jurisdiction and in litigation which was imprisoned and burned at the in active and efficient operation. In-stake. It will be seen, therefore, that trusion by the Government would not Dale).

THE PURSUIT OF EQUITY.

The Oregonian prints a letter today from a correspondent who in effect complains that he is using less water than his neighbor, but has to pay the same price. The fact that the neighbor is a larger water consumer does not deprive the correspondent of an adequate supply or injure him in any particular, but the mere thought of the inequality is very distasteful. He is willing to pay out his practical money for abstract equity.

The gas company and the electric light companies are cited as examples would be wise to follow They meter their services. Bu neither the gas company nor the tells of her treatment by her mates electric light companies tap a natural in the Boston High School. Mary wa reservoir. Each is engaged in the not a particularly pretty girl. Her manufacture of a commodity. The family lived in a low part of the city neithery against neutral Americans, sparing meither age nor sex, what worse treatment can she reserve for an American nation resolved to defend its honor, its citizens, its women and its children? What can there be left for men or for nations to do but to resort to that method which in all ages has been the last resort against tyranny and anarchy? 

manufacture of a commodity. The more of that commodity that is used the more the cost to the producer. No one would question the merit of the meter system for water if every gallon used was a financial drain upon the city. But nature supplies the water. more of that commodity that is used and her clothing was sadly in need of the more the cost to the producer. No repair, or replacement. But that one would question the merit of the made no difference to her school mates. They made friends with the city. But nature supplies the water. The people provide only the distributing system. The supply is more than is used, so there is no call for conservation at this time. On the other hand, the use of water ought Mary, since it made happy four years no to be encouraged so long as that use of her life which might have does not reach the point of sheer hopelessly miserable if she had fallen waste or incommode others.

> would he like to have his telephone metered? There are the bridges also. others, yet pay not as much of the career by a prison sentence for for- light. taxes that go to meet the bridge bond gery. Not everybody uses the city parks to the same extent. Some, we understand, never go in them, yet men, we hasten to the point of the Department's upkeep is made more expensive by various kinds of care- Dreading that Willie would be taunted

ard names,

While condemning the deed, the costs a half million dollars, equity in

### SECRETARY LANE'S BUGAROO.

extreme emergency for helping to be within the bounds of reason." The bring about, that saving consummation."

In his efforts to restore the failing about, that saving consummation."

In his efforts to restore the failing about, that saving consummation. The fortunes of the Ferris waterpower they are not unreasonable. When they are not unreasonable. Springs the bugaboo of a huge private tation of the unfortunate example of their elders.

PORTLAND, May 12—1To the Editor.

No single corporate control of water power in the states named is con-That templated, and Mr. Lane's statement was refuted a few days ago by G. M. Dahl, of the Electric Bond & Share Company, of New York, at a hearing by the Idaho Commission. Mr. Lane by the Idaho Commission. Mr. Lane must be in desperate straits for argument in defense of his favorite bill rumor.

Were such a trust as he describes in contemplation, it could not overcome the obstacles which would placed in its way by the water-right laws and utility commissions of the several states. Were it to be created Apparently the Indianapolis Star in spite of those obstacles, it would can see no remedy but war, for it be the duty of the Federal Government to dissolve it under the Sherman anti-trust law. In fact, the Federal Trade Commission should know forehand of the movement for the organization of such a trust and should stop the movement before it could be consummated. If the Federal Government will efficiently perform its proper functions, it can prevent the formation of trusts without invading the jurisdiction of the states.

Mr. Lane raises another false alarm when he says in the same memoran-

it intelligible to the countrymen of private ownership without restric-Huss. Western opinion in general

In one breath Mr. Lane warns us of

mmunition. E-14 is another David. Stars and Starmakers BY LEONE CASS BAER

Right over my desk I have pasted

If you are lukewarm you don't under- tions.

Shaw).

Mr. Lane has become infected with the idea entertained by extreme conservationists that the Western states are so profligate that they cannot be trusted to manage their own affairs, but that the Government must intervene to protect them against them-Behind this argument is the selfish interest of the horde of land office officials. As the supply of land

they are "working themselves out of

poor little immigrant girl, invited her hundred ways contradicted the tradition that young people are by nature Their conduct was fortunate for

among less kindly associates. A story sible exception of Paul Gilmore is the A. H. Frederick, the newly elected president of the St. Louis Board of Some persons use them more than Aldermen, was cut short in his public Henry's tenor voice singing in a spot-

have helped pay for them. The Fire story, which is that Frederick had a just in time to hear these words issue Department's upkeep is made more son named Willie in the high school from the mouth of the boss printer:

on a tour that will not end until July Springfield Republican says this does all things is beyond our reach. There fault, these boys resolved to shield Panama-Pacific Exposition Chauncey

> lasco was born in 1862 in San Fran-Robert Athou, who used to have a

It was a beinous thing, the sinking of the Lusitania with hundreds of innocent men, women and children aboard. . . But our country is big enough to be tolerant and patient, particularly when it is plain that no offence toward this country has been intended by Germany.—Pendleton East Oreconian. little stock company in Portland, is offering tabloid drama at the Seattle Theater in Seattle, with his wife, Effie Johnson, as his leading woman. Frederick Harrington is in the company. No offense intended by Germany

Elsie Ferguson in "The Outcast" is on little Democratic paper, in its painful opens her engagement here.

effort to say something without of-

Tarrytown and the Federal Court has A. H. Woods, who owns "Potash and just decided that they are exempt in Cleveland. It would be pleasing to Perlmutter," has been sued in New learn just where it would be legal to York for \$150,000 by Miss Anne Cald-Perlmutter," has been sued in New tax our richest citizen and if he ever well O'Dea, who was one of several playwrights engaged by Woods to write comedies around the Montague There is one good life of John Huss Glass stories. Miss O'Dea declares that in the public library. Another has it was her version of the play that just been published by Dodd, Mead & Woods produced, and that therefore she Co., which will doubtless soon be ac- is entitled to damages in the sum when he relies on such a baseless quired. The new life is to commem- asked. Woods was haled into court and orate the 500th anniversary of the re- was made to produce his figures showing the amount of profits which his "Potash and Perlmutter" had produced, and the sum was to date \$608,-People who think an old book is People who think an old book is always valuable may be interested to learn the New York price of a sixvolume edition of Pope published in 1764, bound in leather and in good O'Dea, through her attorneys, wanted Justice must be short of lubricant who ager.

up North. Mickey the Dago, who killed a Vancouver officer last August, has just been sentenced to be hanged Unable to put on the brakes, if it cession. Another example of the wanwanted to, the Westinghouse Com-pany is going heavily into manufac-

John Drew said that our soon-to-be regulation of '12 bottles of beer per month per person seems to him to be "canned" oppression.

Another says if we are short let us put in another pipeline, there is plenty of water in Bull Run.

The real issue is not touched in these proposals. There is no question of the necessity of water, and if any section Conviction of a man at Salem for month per person seems to him to be giving away a glass of beer will interfere with passing the bottle in the

man husband. On reflection I think ier the mattress lost it when the robthat any man who would take alimony ber came. The burglars know all the from a woman is entitled to it. Mary Edgett Baker bought that new

The gypsies who attacked the wife book by Temple Balley, entitled "Con of a game deputy on Rogue River trary Mary." M. E. B. thought it was about the Queen of England. Blood cattle brought good prices at "This is a new wrinkle," said the in-

> genue grandmother as she consulted her mirror.

Children the Jewels of Home. Boston Transcript.

Gaston, Or. Mrs. Casey-Children are a great care an' a great expinse.

Mrs. O'Brien-They are thot. Shure
Oi sometimes think it's happy the
parents do be thot niver had anny.

Gifted With a Sixth Sense. Buffalo (N. Y.) Express.
"Mrs. Gabber is gifted with a sixth sense." "And what is it, pray?" "Inexhaustibility."

BEST KEEP COOL AND QUIET, TOO

Writer Believes President Will Solve Lusitania Problem if Let Alone. CLACKAMAS, Or., May 13 .- (To the Editor.)-However great the provocathis plaint of a dramatic critic. Louis Editor.)—However great the provoca-W. Cline wrote it for the Dramatic nevertheless at times appears, it is, Mirror and it hits the nail right square on the head. It takes up some little space but its worth it:

If you boost a play you are favorins a friend in it.

If you roast it you are peeved at some member of either company or the producer. nevertheless the part of prudence and

If you are pleased you forget you are a rible war from the outset it would not be a popular war. It would be popular only with the partisans of the alies. The partisans of Germany would fi you are satisfical you are satisficated you are satisfica haw).

If caustle you are copying A. D.

(Who as everyone knows is Allan suit? We would enter war a Nation di-

(G. B. S. you know is George Bernard Shaw). If caustic you are copying A. D. (Who as everyone knows is Allan Dale).

If you laugh at it you are a cynic. If you laugh with it you are an unapity you shall an an an expectation of people either out of the distribution. Times an an unapity you shall at a break you are supercitions.

If you smile at a break you are supercitions. If you conduct the state of the conditions, he quite likely that something be started in our own country, which is country cannot be likened to the runner. If we war is a country cannot be likened to the runner. If we war is a country cannot be likened to the runner of the American working class. If you are suring for someons also who is more enlightened to inform you whether it is good or not.

If you share your sease with someons you are string.

If you are quoted in the advertisements you are writing for exploration to give an unbiased report of the play.

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If you are quoted in the advertisements you are writing for exploitation with the point working of exploitation And if you miss an edition—you are fired! sympathizers be killed on a German ship, instead of Anglo-Americans and their sympathizers as chances to be the case with the Lusitania? Not much. sible exception of Paul Gilmore is the worst actor in the wide world, has joined the movie band. One nice advantage of it is that we can't hear of Henry's tenor voice singing in a spotlight. Unobserved, and unannounced, the president of a church society entered the composing room of a newspaper should follow in their wake. In principle, the case of an American ranch foreman being first tortured and then killed in Mexico, of which I read in today's paper, would be a better cause for war

No doubt some of our hotheads and grandchild, and 'dump' the 'Sweet war nurse' into the hellbox. Then 'make up' that 'Naughty Parisian Actress' and lock up 'The Ledy in Her Boudoir.'"

Horrified, the good woman fled and writing and I regret to any the capable of rational thought, speech or writing and I regret to any the same of our hotheads and that account. A good many of our people are so prejudiced and biased on one of our hotheads and that account. A good many of our people are so prejudiced and biased on one of our hotheads and that account. A good many of our people are so prejudiced and biased on one of our hotheads and that account. A good many of our people are so prejudiced and biased on one of our hotheads and that account. A good many of our people are so prejudiced and biased on one of our hotheads and that account. A good many of our people are so prejudiced and biased on one of our hotheads and that account. A good many of our people are so prejudiced and biased on one of our hotheads and that account. A good many of our people are so prejudiced and biased on one of our hotheads and that account. A good many of our people are so prejudiced and biased or one of our hotheads and that account. A good many of our people are so prejudiced and biased or one of our hotheads and that account. A good many of our people are so prejudiced and biased or one of our hotheads and that account are so prejudiced and biased or one of our hotheads and that account account account are so prejudiced and biased or one of our hotheads and that account accou Horrified, the good woman fied and now her children wonder why they are not allowed to play with the printer's youngster.

Chauncey Olcott is in San Francisco on a tour that will not end until July the content of the search of these are Anglo-Americans. Witness the riots in Victoria and England, which hodes ill for that country, as such things are the usual forerunners of defeat at arms. It seems to me the less the press and people agitate this Lauting to indicate.

secuted and shamed for his father's fault, these boys resolved to shield him. They would not punish him for what he could not help. We wish such maniliness were more common at school and in the world at large. Perhaps it is more common than Answer to Corvallis E. C.: David Be-Answer to Corvallis E. C.: David Be-

tor.) In the discussion of the question of meters in the water service the vital point seems to be overlooked. If water is to be paid for by con-sumers the only way to determine the charge is to measure it.

The gas company and the electric company use meters to determine the amount of gas or electricity consumed. Elsie Ferguson in "The Outcast" is on her way to the Coast. On June 14 she opens her engagement here.

What sort of business would it be if the gas company or electric company should fix their charges upon the number of lights, or the character of stove

See where a panic was averted at a theater by having the orchestra play "Tipperary." Just so. The audience probably realized that the worst is never yet to come when they play in farrytown and the Federal Court has just decided that they are exempt in A. H. Woods, who owns "Potash and with one faucet may draw more water."

See where a panic was averted at a theater by having the orchestra play "Tipperary." The water company is now basing its charges upon the number of taps, the different ways in which water is used, never yet to come when they play the number in family, etc. Water through the hose is charged for according to area to be sprinkled. What is the result of such methods? A family with one faucet may draw more water.

with one faucet may draw more water than the family with a dozen.

The man who pays for irrigating one lot has a hose which he keeps running during all the hours allowed for sprinkling. The man with two or three lots pays two or three times as much and uses the same amount of water. One man is scrupulous and regards the regulations of and even days, while his neighbor is not troubled with any conscience in the matter and lets the water run without regard to hours or days.

Some of our good citizens make no application for water through the hose, but when the garden gets a little dry either early in the morning or let.

o'Dea, through her attorneys, wanted to know how much she might expect in the event that she won her suit against the New York theatrical manager.

It is not so much a question of whether the city has an abundance or a scarcity of water, but shall the consumers of water be charged an equitable rate. Some say let us so along in

Actor who is suing his wife for di-vorce says among other cruelties that she fed him on veal for six days in suc-cession. Another example of the wanmains.

Actress in Philadelphia has been ordered to pay alimony to her ex-chorus

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The only way to have one price is to
meter the water.

THAT CRITIC.

Now and then, We witness men, Distressed with mental gout. Who, cynically, But flaws can see And point but blunders out.

Quite any fool Can ridicule, And pour the worthless thought, In torrents full, From out the skull, Where brains and sense are not! KARL WALSH.

### Insects and Science.

Exchange.
"Your boy Josh knows the scientific designations of all the insects that attack crops." "Yes," replied Farmer Corntossef, "but I don't believe it does much good. I ain't sure that callin' em by their right names doesn't make 'em want to hang around an git more familiar than ever."

#### Twenty-Five Years Ago

From The Oregonian, May 14, 1890 Washington-An Item of good news to Curry County, Oregon, is the suc-cess of Representative Hermann yasice. It was also announced yesterday that the increase in the Portland Post-office clerical force had been author-

he Cheyenne Indians to find the new

of Oregon, in 1829.

The Altona, the new steamer built by Captain Graham and brother to run to Oregon City in conjunction with the Latona, was launched yesterday afternoon at the East Side shippards.

D. F. Sherman, being the highest bidder, got the city bonds last night at the session of the Council. The issue is for \$175,000 and will be used for building a City Hall. They run for 20 years. The premium is \$4156.

Senator J. K. Wait, of East Portland, has made public his views on a free bridge. Nearly all Republican and Democratic candidates have favored such a structure. Mr. Wait thinks the county should levy a tax and build the bridge. the bridge

#### OUR RIGHTS MUST BE PRESERVED No Foreign Power Must Abridge Them

Even if Defense Means War. VANCOUVER, Wash., May 13 .- (Special.)-I desire to express my admiration of your splendidly patriotic edi-torial May 11. You chose a fitting caption for same. "The President's Duty."

True, we do not desire war; further, we are anxious to avoid war. Our hope is that the holy alliance betwixt Turk and Prussian will not involve us in the European struggle. But let us make it plain to both Prussian and Turk, that no foreign power will be allowed to dictate to us dur National olicy, nor yet will they be allo abridge the rights, liberty or privileges of our citizens either on land or sea. If we can maintain said rights peacefully, ell and good. If they cannot be aintained peacefully, then let war

It is truthfully said that we are not repared for war. In this instance nat would not be particularly material. We fear no invasion of our ter-ritory. Within ninety days we could land an armed force of 100,000 men in Turkey; in less than 12 months we could increase this force to 1,000,000 men. In no way could we help the allies more effectively than by helping to open the Dardanelles. In no ing to open the Dardanelles. In no way could we help civilization more effectually than by driving the Turk out of Europe. We were not prepared for trouble in 1861; still I can vouch from three years' personal experience that we not not affect that we not the still year of the that we not the still year of the transfer of the still year of the transfer of the still year. that we put up a fairly good fight.
J. HAROLD.

### OSTRACISM THE LEAST PENALTY Sinking of Lusitania Not War, but Mur-

der, Snys Judge Lowell. PENDLETON, Or., May 12.—(To the Editor.)—Permit me to commend the vigor and sentiment of your leading editorial of May 11. I think that the Nation is weary of holding its breath, fearful of offending some element of our population. The deliberate sinking of the Lysitanic without editors. of the Lusitania without giving the non-combatants aboard her an oppor-

tunity to escape, is not war, but sav-agery, murder and nothing else. Not only ought the courage us press of Christendom to speak as you have spoken, but a rea-blooded President would find means to let the world know that the American heart beats for something beside: the American pecketbook. War is not necessary, perhaps, but at least we can say to the German government, "You are bound by the accepted rules of war, and by The lingue conventions; you have exceeded every limit, and made courself an Ishmael until you are ready to keep your obli-gations and observe such humane prin-ciples as the rules of modern warfare equire, we shall refuse to hold further ntercourse with you" Behind that sentiment would surely

be found aligned the almost universal public sentiment of the Republic. STEPHEN A. LOWELL.

### Finttery of Imitation.

Exchange.
"Imitation is the sincerest fluttery."
"But I "Maybe," replied Mr. Cumrox. "But I don't like to have a stenographer copy

Class and Expectation. Baltimore-American. "There is one class of employed men who are expected to strike," "Who are they?" "Baseball batters."

## Fish Are Biting

Time to get out the rods and tackle box and see what's needed. The true angler takes the busi-

ness of fishing seriously. All things must be just right. And in the moments of planning

he finds the advertising columns of The Oregonian a great assistance, They tell him of the men who are ready to supply him wi't the things

he needs-at fair prices.