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ALL DEPENDS ON BULGARIA. Italy having made the plunge, diplomatic efforts of the two groups of belligerents are now turned with redoubled energy to the Balkan states. Throughout the war each party has a deadlock.

desires to acquire territory from Turkey, she is loath to gain it at the cost of definite surrender of that part of Macedonia which was snatched from her by Serbia after the second Balkan war. She has visions of a greater out to work out her own destiny, not weather man. merely without regard to, but in di- The law prohibiting remarriage be Hence the thought of helping Russia and Asia Minor, helping Serbia to am never been granted, nex the South Slav provinces of Austria and helping Roumania to seize nant to her.

But Bulgaria may consider the possibility that allied victory might ac- piration of six months, the courts complish all these things without her hold that a marriage entered into in out in the final settlement and the fraud upon the other state or upon door would be forever closed against the persons performing the ceremony, her expansion. That possibility nat- and that the marriage is void. urally suggests the wisdom of seeking to avert it by aiding Germany, Austria and Turkey, but the thought is pursue those who do so. A num-immediately stifled by consideration ber of uninformed persons in other ince upon her from all sides. Both caused Austria and Turkey would be too fully make the law on the question more occupied with self-defense to aid her, positive, but at that time the Legis and, though Germany might possibly break through the ring of enemies to had been so contracted prior to a cer- poured in upon him just the same as her aid, such a contingency is highly tain date. We have heard of one man improbable. By allying herself with who divorced No. 1 and married No. Turkey, Bulgaria would shut herself 2 before six months had elapsed. Then out from expansion in the very direc- learning that his second marriage was tion where she wishes to expand, for illegal, deserted No. 2 and married in the event of victory she could not No. 3. Thereafter the Legislature by

the allies or to remain neutral. Could The lesson is that a void marriage lawy r's imagination, but every disapsishment they would not get it. she but obtain from Serbia and Greece should be formally declared void by pointment seems to generate a new country is going mawkish mad. the coveted part of Macedonia, she the courts to be on the safe side. would probably have been enlisted on the side of the allies ere now. While the allies were striving to obtain for her concessions in that direction, Germany was impressing on her the wisof neutrality. Venezelos, exsion, the Greek King's action furnish- collected and reducing revenue \$11,ing a good excuse. The naval attack | 900,000 or more yearly on the Dardanelles was no strategic

hich did not appear. Both Greece and Roumania now Greece is restrained by the opposition of her King, by his illness and by the influence of her Queen, who is the of a golden opportunity through allied bate provision was declared inoperconquest of Turkey and Italian con- ative and was ignored. quest of Albania. Would Bulgaria but deadlock which only the fortunes of war can break.

OLD SONG DAYS.

recall the bloody days of her struggle tariff. with the border ruffians, "Old John Brown" and "Les Marais des Cygnes." sure y Perhaps Whittier's poem on theme last mentioned has been set to music for Kansas schoolchildren. If has not it should be

The songs the people sing are of no particular race, time or country. "Dixie," "Old Black Joe," "The Kansas Emigrant" and "The Wearin' of the Green" are some specimens of this cosmopolitan musical outpouring. The Boston Transcript notices that no good song piece is shut out of the nursed into the fancy that they have and other state officials.

for them. It is just as well to cease inals. coddling foreign prejudices and race. The type of boats to be used has not hatreds on this side the water. Kan-been determined, but will be of inter-

rest of the states might follow with abundant profit.

IT CAN'T BE DONE.

Is there anything imore absurd than the claims of the meterites? Installation of meters, we are assured in passionate tones, will reduce the consumption of water, and because the water thus "saved" will flow down 3.25 the sewer outlets of the reservoirs .60 instead of going through the mains. the price to the consumers can be reduced. We are promised that we

Portland, according to a newspaper meter advocate, consumes 30,000,000 gallons of water daily. The water revenues for the year are estimated by the department at \$750,000. average rate paid by the consumer is therefore a trifle more than 6.8 per 1000 gallons Suppose the meters reduce the con-

umption one-sixth, or 5,000,000 gallons. The average daily consumption will then be 25,000,000 gallons, and if the same rate of 6.8 is applied the annual revenues will be about \$620. 000. But the fixed charges against the water fund are \$712,000. There would be a deficit of \$92,000 in insought reinforcements in this quarter, terest charges and operating expenses, but their efforts have resulted only in with no provision for meeting the cost enth time. The numerous descendof the meters. If an appreciable re-Bulgaria is the pivotal point in the duction in water consumption is are suing Trinity Church for possesses Balkan combination. Much as she age rate must be raised.

The plight of the couple at New port who are surf-bound in their ef-fort to cross the bar, get beyond the three-mile limit and there be wed in Bulgaria, an empire with Constanti-nople as its capital. Very early in her arouse the tender sympathies of the history as an independent state she romantic, but the couple will probably renounced the guardianship of Russia save themselves future heartburnings by electing a German ruler and set by consulting a lawyer instead of the

rect conflict with, Russian policy and fore the expiration of six months after She can never forgive divorce cannot be evaded any easier Greece and Serbia for taking Mace-donia, which is largely populated by divorce is not actually complete until her people and is consecrated by their six months have elapsed after entry blood; nor Roumania for taking the of the decree. The one granted a de-Dobrogia and for intervening at a cree still has a living spouse in a legal stage when she had gained the upper sense for six months. The new marhand over the Serbs and Greeks riage beyond the three-mile limit would not be considered more lawful to capture Constantinople, helping after the couple returned to shore Greece to acquire territory in Albania than if the decree of divorce had

It is a good thing for persons divorced in Oregon to remember that Bukowina and Transylvania is repug- the courts have passed conclusively on the question. Inasmuch as the law prohibits remarriage before the ex-Then she would be entirely left another state within that period is a

The marriage state is not to be light-

ANOTHER COSTLY BLUNDER.

The decision of the Customs Cour sustaining the tariff rebate of 5 per cent on goods imported in American Premier of Greece, had arranged ships and declaring that it must apply these concessions and had obtained to imports in ships of countries havco-operation of Greek and Bulgarian light another example of bungling land forces, the allied navy made its Democratic legislation. When income

Had real statesmanship been shown blunder, but was designed to prepare in preparing the Underwood bill, the rage of conquerors. the way for a promised land force full legal effect of this rebate probefore it was incorporated in the bill. elements in civilization as it is now await the decision of Bulgaria, white But in its anxiety to gain the politi- Some of the belligerents have pro-Bulgaria awaits the result of the cal benefits of throwing a sop to the claimed that "effective warfare must in the middle of the block. attack Austria, could she feel secure swallowed it and then, of course, the troops and fortresses. The monufrom a flank attack by Bulgaria. House had nothing to do but accept it, ments of art sustain national pride Kalser's sister. Her people would vored-nation treaties. Another jump is exposed to the fire of modern longgladly fight, for they foresee the loss was made at a conclusion and the re- range guns on the shore and the shall

make the plunge, these two states in this offhand manner, however, our day. would quickly follow. When General They saw a chance to save that 5 per you der Goltz went to Sofia he caused cent and they went after it. They cent and they went after it. They built are formed from the detritus claim the robate on imports in both carried down from the Alps by the As the court recognizes no executive southward current of the

A wise colloquial saying is: the Underwood and his colleagues went ahead blindly and found they were ferred no benefit on American ships. The benefit has all accrued to the foreign manufacturer and the American

importer.

A HINT FROM THE ERIE CANAL. for a of State Song day because it happens to offend the delicate sensibilities of some pampered nationality. The various hyphenated elements of The latter canal is 85 per cent finished.

The turbulence which weeked the property rest of the world in the dark ages was favorable to the growth of Venice-ites of some pampered nationality. Eric Canal enlargement in New York. Protected by its signation, it throws its community learns that the property learns that the property learns to the world in the dark ages was favorable to the growth of Venice-ites of some pampered nationality. The various hyphenated elements of the latter canal is 85 per cent finished. the community learn that they must and last week the five great locks near and founded a lasting prosperity upon put up with some things they do not Waterford were used for the first time the exchange of commodities between They are not "babied and in the presence of Governor Whitman the east and the west. They are special rights and must have special the highest flight of locks in the the early history of Venice centers world, making a combined lift of 169 around a great struggle with Genoa In Kansas all these various ele-ments of the population must learn for the canal proper \$108,000,000 has to like what other Americans like and been appropriated and \$19,800,000 ad-fight by her rival, her entire fleet no doubt the discipline is wholesome ditional has been provided for term- taken and the city itself exposed to

ald us in deciding how to use the Ce-

would fill a lock. This discussion of large barges and of the first long. The Greeks rapidly of strings of barges towed by a power-boat is worth the attention of Columbia River steamboatmen. By the use

After the crushing defeat of the being conducted in this manner. to revive and develop similar traffic in this country.

The Anneke Jans Bogardus case is up again in New York for the dozants of that prolific old Dutch dame Manhattan Island.

In her day the estate was used for ered with tail buildings and is worth became free from Austria and joined a million dollars a square inch, more or less. At any rate it is valuable enough to excite the cupidity of the Bogardus heirs and they periodically bring suit against the Trinity Corporation for its recovery. Their bad luck consists in the fact that the property was sold a good many years ago and their legal title extinguished. So they lose every time they sue, but that scientific effort. Life is not extinct does not discourage them. Hope for hours in many victims of drownsprings eternal in their breasts and ing accidents. It can be restored if the lawyers wax fat on their perennial

folly Mrs, Anneke Jans Bogardus, was an ample and amiable Dutch farmer's wife, never dreamed what a heritage of litigation she was bequeathing to the world when she closed her account and placidly retired to the tomb; The unintentional evil that she did lives after her and

effect upon them. A hundred failures authors, who will encourage the livdo not deter them from new efforts ing? to recover what does not exist. Bogardus heirs who pursue a chimer ical claim in New York are no more foolish than the scores of American men and women who are litigating to get possession of estates in England, Holland and Germany that nobody dangerous than alcohol. ever saw but the lawyers. When Ans after securing divorce. This the Legislature in 1911 to the law on the question more the health the heirs telling them of their nonsensical waste of time and money lature also validated marriages that The circular had no effect. The claims tion for these fanciful estates. Every prey to the insignificant submarine few months we hear of a new set of heirs who expect to acquire enormous and a number. wealth by contributing to fee some enterprising lawyer who has discovprofit at the expense of an ally.

Thus Bulgaria has been halting between two opinions—whether to join charges against him for bigamy.

general law validated his second main. Investigation always shows that the domain exists nowhere but in the ered their heirship to a vast ducal dothe domain exists nowhere but in the condemned men did not deserve pun lawy r's Imagination, but every disapand eager crop of victims. If it were not for humbug what should we have to make us happy?

Remembering what has happened in Belgium, people who value the monuments of human genius are disthe King's consent. Counting on the ing favored-nation treaties, brings to posed to worry a little over a possible by the Austrians. Italy has gone into less when adrift. His Admiralty negattack on the Dardanelles. But King daily shows a decrease and outgo an the war deliberately and with her eyes Constantine denied having consented increase, and when every dollar of open. No doubt she is prepared to loose tags so a fellow can know danto war and Venezelos resigned. Bul- revenue is needed to keep down the endure the consequences equably, ger when he sees it. garia at the same time obtained a loan deficit, this decision comes, requiring whatever they may be, but the friends from Germany and postponed deci-

Not since the days of the Huns has vision would have been ascertained war been so destructive to the finer low waters of the lagoons in which her mud flats lie hardly protect her Importers were not to be disposed of from the ingenious naval attacks of

American and favored-nation ships, rivers of Northern Italy. The strong power to suspend acts of Congress or Adriatic deposits the material in long treaties, it finds for the importers. The banks parallel with the shore, leaving Kansas has many singular habits, one of the strangest being the cele-bration of "Old Song Day." On that lessly given the same benefit to 5500 stable islets have been inhabited by festive holiday the schools and the general population join in singing "the old, familiar bongs" which every"the old, familiar bongs" which everyscope of the provision is so broad reeds that grow in the fertile mud. body knows by heart or ought to that it is equivalent to a further hori- Toward the close of the sixth century Kansas has many such songs which zontal reduction of 5 per cent in the of the Christian era a great many inhabitants of the mainland, fleeing from the merciless Huns, sought with the fisherfolk on the in accessible mudflats. Rain furnished their only water supply. Fish was the wrong, as usual. They have con- only food obtainable except by import. Still the population increased. Fresh incursions of the parbarians drove new bands to shelter there. A trade sprang up with near points on the sea. The immigrants gradually smalgamated with the aboriginal fishermen and a political unity was Opening of the Celilo Canal on the formed with a great future before it. Columbia River gives the people of the The turbulence which wrecked the

Apart from its growing commerc capture. But the Gencese did not push their advantage to extremes and some thirty years later they were drown.

sas has set a good example which the est to the Oregon country, for it may brought low by their old enemy. After 1380 for more than a century llio Canal and locks with greatest. Venice ruled the Mediterranean and economy. Although the Eric waterway is called the 1000-ton barge canal, with the Orient. In 1204, during the a single boat of 2000 tons or more fourth crusade, Venice led the soldiers could be locked through, while two of the Cross to the capture of Conof 1500 tons each could be locked stantinople. The Doge Dandolo contandem, and some persons think one ducted a siege which ended with the powerboat and three consorts having mack of the Greek capital and the a combined capacity of 3200 tons foundation of a Latin empire on the Bosphorus, But the new monarchy

> of towboats to propel large fleets of Genoese in 1380 Venice began to feel coal barges down the Monongahela, an ambitton to found an empire on those streams has successfully surfor territorial expansion. Ample vived railroad competition. Where the provinces in Northern Italy soon fell vessel which supplies the power car-ries the cargo also, river traffic has seemed built on an enduring basis. fallen into decay. Expansion of traf-fic on the Columbis, in order to be happens when a nation becomes too successful, must follow the lines sug-gested for the Erie Canal, lines which lealously hostile. The Turks gnawed have long been followed on the great away her empire in the Levant and waterways of Europe. A great water the discovery of the Cape route to traffic has flourished there through India broke up her menopoly of the In Oriental trade. The climax of her no other manner does it seem possible troubles came with the League of Cambral, formed by the Pope and the European powers in 1508, which took away her possessions on the main-

From that time Venice slowly declined. But it was in the period of her decline that the great artists, Titian, Tintoret, Georgione, flourished, so that the years of Venetian decay were those that make the city most interesting to the modern world. One

of the best of the numberless books on Venice was written by the Americhicken-raising and dairying and was can author, W. D. Howells. It is worth no more than any other piece called "Venetian Life" and was published in 1866, the year when Venice fortunes with united Italy,

> The resuscitation of little Emma Williams with a pulmoter by the Salem firemen shows what modern methods can do for persons supposed to be dead from drowning. year many persons are buried alive who might be resuscitated by patient, those at hand will take trouble enough.

The Princeton class of 1915 has chosen for its favorite literary lights Tennyson, Dickens and Shakespeare Tennyson is more musical than the author of the "Spoon River Anthology," but he is not so up to date. College students are supposed to have The faith of supposititious heirs in the reality of imaginary inheritances is invincible. Disappointment has no

Some cities have founded a "toothbrush week" in the public schools. The purpose is to habituate the pupils to take care of their teeth. Dr. Osler said once that bad teeth are more The schools have long waged war on drink. It is of the certain consequences. Russia, years innocently remarried within six drew D. White was Minister to Berlin pleasant to see them attacking another and perhaps a worse enemy to

> There seems to be a hoodoo or braggart names for battleships. Formidable, Inflexible, Irresistible, before. England is the favorite loca- Triumph and Majestic have all fallen which is distinguished only by a letter

What right has Bryan to interfere t prevent the hanging of a number of Mexicans in Arizona today? If the

to say that of his daddy. The German Ambassador at Washbombardment or capture of Venice lington says floating mines are harmlects, however, to attach the fast and

That gigantic Pan-American steamnot be expected to look on without ship scheme sounds good, but under grief should the "Stones of Venice" be what flag would the ships sail? Posendangered by cannon balls or the sibly a composite of the flags of all American republics might be designed for the occasion.

A man was killed by an auto the other night while crossing the street The in-Bulgaria awaits the result of the saling and moral result of the block. The inallied operations on the Dardanelles. Shipping interest, the committee destroy the intellectual and moral results of the block. The inallied operations on the Dardanelles. Roumania would probably be glad to

> District Attorney Ivanhoe, of Union must have a large element of humor in his makeup. Learning the petition of recall was being circulated, he resigned. That was real spiteful venge-

The girls of Jefferson High will grow into sensible women. They The mud flats on which Venice is graduate this year in cotton gowns, vith wild flowers and roses from the family garden.

Villa claims a victory. Who's Villa? Some such name did figure in the gispatches a year ago, but it has been

The Austrian is said to be retiring before the Italian. No wonder. does not mind being shot, but does hate to be macaronied by a bayonet.

Governor Withycombe has the right dea about the Fish and Game Commission-to take money off the payroll and put it into fish and game.

years has been organized. These showers will have run off all the rain before the cherries are big

enough to crack. Not being a candidate, Mr. Taft can expres his real opinions about labor unions.

Senator Langguth has the unique distinction of having an office thrust

box score.

Now, Mr. Beals, the moon changes today. Quit fooling. Do not swat the fly. Let him

European War Primer By National Geographical Society.

diplomats negotiating, is as follows: diplomats negotiating, is as follows:

Austrian proposals to Rome included the cession of the Southern Tyrol, or that part chiefly populated by Italian-speaking people, and of a strip of territory running from Tarvis to the Guir of Trieste. Italy was to receive that part of Tyrol which cuts deeply into Northern Italy, an outlying, irregular, wedge-shaped land, whose apex reaches nearly to Verona. The new international boundary was to be drawn just

Italian partriots.

As minimum concessions Italy asked the cession of the Province of Trent. in the Austrian Tyroi; the cession of Eastern Friueli, east to Nabresina; the formation of a state entirely independent of Austria out of the territories Trieste and Istria; cession to Italy of the dominant islands off the lower Dalmatian coast, Curzola, Lissa, Lesha, Brazza and Maleda; the abandonment of Austrian interests in Albania and Austrian acknowledgment of Italian sovereignty over the Albanian port and great landlocked bay, Aviona. These concessions would have changed the status of the Mediterranean from that of an Austro-Italian lake to that of an Imalian lake.

Such parts of the dual monarchy's coast line as Italy would have left in

coast line as Italy would have left in its undisputed possession is territory that Serbia shopes to get some day in the course of her natural expansion. To meet the minimum demands expressed by Rome, Austria must have surrendered her greatest seaport. Trieste, the New York of Southern Europe, together with her principal naval base. Pola, at the apex of Istria, upon whose development the dual monarchy came in value.

Came I in vain, whose development the dual monarchy has invested many millions of dollars, and must have abandoned all hope of the strategic value of the Dalmatian coast with the cession to Italy of the large islands that screen it. Deprived of her Adriatic seacoast, her unity outlet to free water, Austria-Hungary felt that she would finally sink to the There's but one way! importance of a portless, land-bounded

Mexicans in Arizona today? If the condemned men did not deserve punishment they would not get it. This country is going mawkish mad.

"Goody, goody," said the little 3-year-old son of Captain Greene, of the Nebraskan, when informed that his daddy was safe. Many a little 3-year-old in other countries will not be able her succeeded in greatly complicating to bar and now, will none follow in my way? And now, will none follow in my way? If the describing part in the determination of her demands. "Irredentism" is the desire of various nations to bring within their boundaries and illed with the same language and filled with the same language and filled with the same legals. "Irredentism" is an enthusiasm widely spread in Europe, an enthusiasm that has succeeded in greatly complicating bare not one of you follow me? spread in Europe, an enthusiasm that made of gold, has succeeded in greatly complicating Dare not one of you follow me? the issues of the present war. Thus, the Germans claim that the Baltic provinces more reason, holds Transylvania and Bukowing as "unredeemed Roumania; Russia sees in Germany's Polish provnces Slavonic lands in Teutonic bon-

> Italian irredentism affects not only Austria but also France. The French paid themselves for their valuable aid to Italy's cause of unity on the field of Solferino by enriching themselves with Savoy and Nice. Thus Italian irredentism looks to lands and countrymen lost to France as well as to Austria. The Trent Province of Tyrol was demanded of Austria by the Italians solely on the basis of unredeemed Italian land; this land had been Italy's and it was peopled by Italians who have clung to their mother tongue. Likewise the coastlands around the Gulf of Trieste and around the Istrian Peninsula are largely inhabited by Italian-speaking people, though some of this territory has been in Austrian possession for Italian irredentism affects not only people, though some of this to has been in Austrian possession for centuries. Below Finme the Austrian coastland is peopled almost exclusive-coastland is peopled almost exclusiveedentism, or the movement to delive fellow countrymen from the rule of strange peoples, was the mainspring of Italian action, Beyond Flume politi-cal and commercial rivalries dictated the Italian course.

Fragrant Paconia,

PORTLAND, May 25.—(To the Editor.)—Permit me to say a few words in vindication of the paconia, which, you assert, is (like the Oriental poppy) "all show" and without fragrance.

Doubtless you refer to the old-fashioned "pined" (Pacony Officinalis) of our grandmothers gardens and are probably unfamiliar with the wonderfully improved sorts by which this has been eclipsed in recent years, such as seen eclipsed in recent years, such as Couone d'Or, Queen Alexandra, La Tu-lips, Duke of Wellington, Madame Forel and dozens of others. I do not own 20,000 paconics (wish I could). but am the happy possessor of a 60-foot hedge of the newer varieties—all Happy Home, in Linn County, is a of which are as fragrant as they are name that now means what it says.

The first Sunday school in fifteen quisite and delicate as that of the La France rose. What could be sweeter? France rose. What could be sween.
MRS. F. X. LEGRAND.

Market for Herbs.

CLATSKANIE, Or., May 25.—(To the Editor.)—I read in The Oregonian last Fall that many medicinal herbs could be gathered and sold for a good price. Will you please tell me what is the Jimey shall make complete trips to end nearest market for herbs if proper cared for? H. K. K.

cared for?

H. K. K.

Herman Metzger, Fifteenth and Lovejoy streets, Portland, is the only firm'in this city which buys medicinal herbs on a large scale. He purchases for sale to Eastern houses. The market for herbs is said to be rather low at the present time.

Tetting Up Early.

Atchison Globe.

Why do old people get up early in the morning? They haven't much to do.

At a large scale if properly of fouries except during morning and evening rush hours.

Rate of fare limited to 5 cents.

No more passengers than seating capacity hall be carried.

Jineys to be inspected for mechanical defects that might cause accidents.

Weekly fumination of litheys required.

Jineys shall not leave their routes during operating bours.

Rammination of chauffeurs to determine ability to operate car safely provided.

Driver convicted of reckless driving shall be harred from driving for one year.

Route signs must be attached permanently to front and sides of cars.

Operation on Washington street from Third street to Broadway prohibited. This is baseball week here, but the herbs on a large scale. He purchases weather table gets mixed with the for sale to Eastern houses. The market

USELESS, BUT COSTLY APPENDAGE Why Spend City Money for Meters

When Other Things Are Needed? PORTLAND, May 27 .- (To the Editor.)-There seems to be a mystery Austria was willing to cede to Italy to shrouding the persistency of advocates purchase peace, as published by the for the installation of meters in the City of Portland. If the waterworks

nearly to Verona. The new international boundary was to be drawn just south of Bozen, giving to Italy more than 2000 square miles of Tyroless country, wherein are the larger cities. Trent Riva, Roveredo and Male.

Trent Riva, Roveredo and Male.

Trentino and surrounding country that was to be turned over to the Italians northeastern frontier, bringing italian northeastern frontier, bringing the border line well into the difficult, mountainous Alpine country of Tyrol. This region bristles with Austrian fortifications and almost every foot of its way is adapted to stubborn defensive way is adapted to stubborn defensive from whence it is derived, it belongs military operations. More than 150,000 to the city and can be diverted to other people are supported in its valleys. uses if the water system does not need Most of these people speak the Italian it. Insofar as some people are quoted tongue and their region has long occupied the fervent "irredentism" of by allowing it to pun through the hose Italian partriots. Italian partriots.

The proposed Austrian cession upon the northeastern borders of Italy affected a strip of land, roughly 50 miles and 10 miles sands of high-headed and proud horses.

along the border line and 10 miles wide, or comprising somewhat more than 500 square miles. Throughout this territory, likewise, the Italian-speaking population far outnumbers that of German or Slavonic tongue. Well-fortified hills, also, dot the northeastern border. This additional territory would have brought Italy to a position upon the Gulf of Trieste, changing the sheltered Austrian harbor into a harbor whose northwestern gate would be in the power of a powerful neighbor.

Austria-Hungary's reason for rejecting the demands of Italy is said to be her view that it would have resulted in an effective checkmating of both her commercial and her political interests on the Adriatic and the Mediterranean.

commercial and her political interests on the Adriatic and the Mediterranean, almost as thoroughly as were her Aegean ambitions destroyed following the successful struggle of the Balkan states with Turkey and the establishment of a greater Serbia. These demands, the dual monarchy contended, were planned to give Italy strategic control, naval and commercial, of the Adriatic and also that their acceptance by Vienna would have struck a vital blow at the monarchy's future.

As minimum concessions Italy asked the cession of the Province of Trent, in There is spirot and bunghole in cre-

A CALL TO ARMS.

You asked me and I told you: "To love one another

You fear the crucifixion of my wayare German and must be reunited to Yet count the slain of greed, and hate, their fatherland; Roumania, with still and fear.

There's but one way— Through love and nothing else but and this prevents her from reaching an understanding with the Germanic love.

powers; Bosnia and Herzegovina are "unredeemed lands" to Serbia, white And now I hear the cannon roar.

I came to give you love and peace, For love and peace is life.

To arms! Lay down your arms And go among my sheep and teach them love and peace!

Come join my colors, the rainbow's colors—

For I came to save all men—the world.

My countrymen The noble, brave-Be free!

Be not afraid to die—
For love!
To Mexico, to Germany, and to France,
To England, to Russia, and the world— To teach the world to follow Christ. JULIAN P. SCOTT.

Measures on Ballot.

At present the jitney bus and autoconse and are subject to no restrictions regarding the carrying of passengers. On the ballot at the city election. June 7, is a measure which, if passed will subject them to limited regula-tion. The measure was prepared by the City Council and passed April 2. The referendum was invoked by Jitney

drivers. The measure is not as stringent as has been passed in some cities where the jitney has started in competition with the streetcars. It is severe enough, however, to be objectionable to some of the jitney drivers. They object to being forced to follow a given route and to being forced to give service during certain specified hours.

Following is a summary of the principal previsions of the measure; No iltney shall be operated without operator or owner first securing a personal Application for permit must show mute to be followed by litney, seating capacity and the schedule of trips to be made. For of 52 month charged for litneys seat-ing up to seven passengers. Twenty-five cents a month fee extra for each additional

or driver for cause.

Service must be given daily from 6 A. M.
to 10 A. M. and from 2 P. M. to H P. M.
Jitneys shall make complete trips to enof routes except during morning and evening
rush hours.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

From The Oregonian of May 28, 1890.

Manager Jeff W. Hayes, of the Pacific Postal Telegraph Company, has found the Town of Linnton, one of Portland's latest suburbs, to be growing so rapidly in importance that he has established an office at that place. Will J. Lindy, a very deserving Portland young man, was appointed chief of the keyboard, and took charge

of the new office yesterday. Captain R. H. Lannon, clerk of the Inited States Court, who has been in Southern California with his family since last November, is expected home

The Board of School Directors held an important meeting at the office of the School Clerk last evening and elected Professor J. H. Ackerman, principal of the Holladay School for the past year, to the office of School Superintendent.

A meeting of the Ballot Reform League, which the different candidates for election were requested to attend for the purpose of giving their ex-pression to a proposed bill drafted by a committee appointed by the league and embodying the salient features of the Australian ballot system, was held in the Masonic Hall last evening. The meeting was called to order by C. H. Woodard.

All the items put in the river and harbor bill by Mr. Hermann for Oregon went through today without a break. Few states have fared as well as Oregon, and, compared to population, Ore-gon is far shead of all others in the bill.

The Union Pacific wil begin immediately the construction of its branch line to Puget Sound. It will run via Vancouver, Olympia and Tacoma to

BUSINESS PRINCIPLES VIOLATED Private Enterprise Would Not Install Meters II in Control.

PORTLAND, May 27 .- (To the Editor.)-Your position on the establishment of meters for waterusers seems to be undoubtedly correct. Their extablishment at an expense of \$100,000 or \$500,000 and the continuous annual expense of a large sum of money entailed each year in examining them to ascertain the amount of water each user consumes are, under all the cirumstances, an extravagance cems useless.

Many who have meters will be so cautious in using water in flushing as to cause an accumulation of fith and its necessary consequence—disease— which counterbalances all extravagance in the use of water while it measured. And with a supply that can easily be made sufficient from Bull Run River to accommodate a city with three times the present population of Portland, it would seem to any business man an absurdity.

It would increase the number of em

ployes of the city in so many ways that the necessary expense would be a great burden upon the people. The meters would have to be examined at stated periods and a record kept for each con-sumer, and the collection would insumer, and the collection would increase the burden. It would also require clerks to keep a complete record of each consumer and collectors to collect the amounts due. No private person would ever think of such extravagance, and if a business man under similar conditions would not do so, why should the public impose such a burden?

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NO TIME TO SADDLE MORE DEBT Meter Advocates Could Be Devoting Energy to Better Purpose.

PORTLAND, May 37.—(To the Edi-tor.)—Would it not be a far better plan for the city if the same advocates for an enlarged meter system should devote their energies toward encouraging something to provide employment for the people, such as factories, instead of saddling them with an additional tax at this particular time of all times? For heaven's sake give the people a chance to catch up with their present obligations before getting

them in any deeper.
We all know that we have a beauti-

ful city, but there are other things to be considered in making a municipality permanently attractive. Why manifest such a reckless disre-gard for the other fellow's pocketbook? causing him to feel that the pursuit of such policy unchecked ultimately would lead to the confiscation of his earthly possessions? Don't compel the people to mortgage the future any more than they already have done. For as Longfellow said: "If thou wift buy a thing not needed ere long thou shalt aell thy necessities. B. O. CABL. 105 East Thirtieth street

Polls May Close for Lunch.

At the last general election I went to the polls, at considerable inconven-ience to myself, and arrived there a few minutes after 1 o'clock. I found the board just packing up their papers to go to lunch and was positively re-fused a ballot. I tried to argue the matter with the judge but he would not listen to any arguments at all; simply stated that the law allowed them to close up the polls for lunch and they would only be gone an hour or so and I could wait until they came back.

Not being a lawyer I could not contradict his statement in regard to it.
but I have since been told by people
who pratent to the who pretend to know, that this was mobile is not subject to regulation ex-cept such regulation as applies to all other vehicles. They pay no city li-ting until they are finally closed in the the time they are opened in the morn-ing until they are finally closed in the evening.
I would be pleased to have you state

what is the law in the case. A VOTER Section 3311, Lord's Oregon Laws:

also page 556 Laws 1913, in prescribing the hours for opening and closing the polis in all general, special and Presidential elections, contain the following provision:

"The judges in their discretion may adjourn the polls at 1 o'clock for one hour, proclamation of the same being made, but the judges and clerks shall keep together, and at no time shall more than one of them be out of the presence of the others."

At a Prayer Meeting. The S. R. O. sign is seldom displayed at prayer meeting.

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