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healthy citizens, the advance was easy to the setting up of a minimum standard of living, which is the purpose of minimum wage laws.

In denouncing such laws as socialistic Mr. Barnes will not get anywhere and will not scare anybody.

"I find," said Judge Gatens, in the State Circuit Court yesterday, "nothing in the evidence introduced this morning to show that either Miss Goldman or Dr. Reitman had anything whatsoever to do with the distribution of the pamphlets on which this charge is based."

Why the testimony given in the lower court was not admissible or admitted in the upper court is one of those deep mysteries of the law which brings it into contempt.

When a great scientist, after exhaustive investigation, doubtless accompanied by great personal danger, confirmed his suspicions that several million germs are exchanged in the process of the bubbling...

The bubbling menace of the drinking fountain that some persons are afflicted with a greedy intake and must all but swallow the ball from which the water bubbles.

When a correspondent writing today intimates that those who patronize the drinking fountains should chew tobacco, for tobacco, he means, has been found to be the danger probably exaggerated.

"We're here expecting the protest," says a correspondent in discussing moving-picture censorship, "but why aim a party at a clerk and reserve a part on the back for an iniquitous innovation that would cause the Oregonian to holler murder if applied to newspaper editors?"

Minimum wage and old-age pension laws are correctly described in William Barnes as socialistic, according to definitions of that term adopted by older authorities on political economy.

Public favor is the automatic censor of the newspaper. Any man who becomes a financial asset of the moving-picture theater, but it has not yet become so.

Civilized nations have been gradually getting away from that idea and have been acting on the more humane theory that the welfare of each citizen is the concern of the state.

Minimum wage laws followed in natural sequence. It being held to be to the state's interest to have educated, moving-picture resorts and unjustly cut their own patronage.

Most moving-picture house managers want to see a standard of excellence and clean, established in their business. They could probably worry along and finally triumph over unrestricted vicious competition.

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Every person who wished not to do anything yesterday had a good excuse in the Friday the 13th superstition.

The Russian army may have dodged the Warsaw trap, but Von Hindenburg may have set another for it.

The Montana girl is bound to break the record of her Kansas sister in the harvest field this season.

St. Louis is getting ready to treat cracked skulls. A thousand teamsters are on strike.

The lad of the family is "gooder than ever" today, with a circus in sight next week.

The city will yet hold a bargain sale of wood to clear the yards for new stock.

Portland has room for more steamers like the Parr-McCormick.

This is the open season for Zeppelins in Europe. The president of Zeppelins in Europe, is getting ready for killing deer.

European War Primer

The world's war-interest is now held by the German-Russian campaign and, with all energies for war more or less fully developed. Austria has raised in all \$1,000,000,000.

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Twenty-Five Years Ago

From the Oregonian of Aug. 14, 1890. Professor W. H. Lee and wife, of Albany, Or., are in this city, the guests of Mrs. E. Story.

A. C. Emmons, of Emmons & Emmons, left yesterday morning for Washington, D. C., and New York City, on business for the firm.

H. W. Corbett returned a day or two since from his farm on the Columbia, much improved in health. He has done a great deal of work for the public during the past year or two in getting the Portland fitted, furnished, and started, as County Commissioner and member of the immigration board, and he needs a good rest to which he is well entitled.

Sing Sing, N. Y., Aug. 12.—An attempt was made at this place last night to wreck the express train from New York by winding a chain around one of the rails. The large locomotive cut through the chain without causing any damage.

Jacksonville, Or., Aug. 13.—Crawford & Howell, of Corvallis, are here and propose to build the Jacksonville & Medford motor railway. If the people will give them a bonus of \$20,000, should the project be raised, and it is believed it will, work will be commenced at once and the road completed in a short time.

Los Angeles, Aug. 13.—The lockout of union printers on the Times and Herald newspapers still continues, with no prospect of compromise between proprietors and employees. Twelve printers, members of the protective fraternity, arrived from Kansas City last night, and went to work on the Times. The printers have arranged to keep up the fight indefinitely.

San Francisco finds its Institution Excellent Advertisement. San Francisco Labor Clarion. San Francisco has been given almost as much publicity during the last week or two from its organization of a symphony orchestra under Alfred Hertz as the Jewel City has been getting at the expense of an enormous publicity department—so much so that the power of music as a means of self-exploitation. All of the large weekly musical journals have interested themselves in the re-organization of the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra and many New York Boston and Chicago daily journals have given editorial congratulations on securing the services of a director as eminent as Hertz and an orchestra which, while it is not representative, is representative of that type of symphony orchestra and will, likely enough, become so.

Boards of Supervisors, Chambers of Commerce, City Commissioners and other public and quasi-public organizations are regenerating and amending the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra should prove a practical illustration of the fact that nothing gives a community a finer or more extensive publicity than its devotion to the gentle ministrations of music. Such organizations should see in the fame that San Francisco has achieved through its love of music the finest, purest and noblest sort of publicity. It is an advertisement to the world that a community is regenerate, cultured and amenable to the highest and most refining influences; it is a sign to the world that the commonwealth that is devoted to music is a sane and wholesome place wherein to rear the children who will be tomorrow's citizens and that it is a place where woman is respected and the love of beautiful things is cultivated.

Such is the kind of exploitation San Francisco has been given through the medium of its symphony orchestra. The organization and such exploitation is of the highest value to a city and much good and greatly correcting influences are bound to result from its practical side which may be translated in terms of dollars and cents. We mean that the investment of money in a symphony orchestra is good investment, yielding vast returns through a thousand indirect and unrecognized channels.

Modistes of France call half on premature publishing of designs and exclusive drawings of 1915 modistes have just arrived direct from the world's fashion center. Sterling Heilig, who has had personal interview with dress creators, gives in a vivid way the latest fashions in the dress-making world. The story in The Sunday Oregonian will be of interest to women everywhere and to merchants, too.

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Half a Century Ago

From the Oregonian of Aug. 14, 1865. Quartermaster-General Meigs, in a letter to the Adjutant-General of New York says: "Your state has a proud record, having furnished within four years nearly half a million of men with a promptitude and efficiency worthy of the highest praise."

Colonel George B. Curry has assumed command of the Department of the Columbia, with headquarters at Vancouver.

There is an innumerable number of small crafts now engaged in supplying trade and traffic of Portland. We observe them near shore in most instances, in harmony with the old adage of little boats, unloading hay, gravel and stone, lumber, etc., as infirmity.

It is strange how hot and dry the weather keeps. We have had but two inches of rain since May 21. But the thermometer runs up to 90 degrees sometimes. The weather for two days past has been splendid.

The undivided half of the North Portland sawmill was sold at auction on Saturday last, for the sum of \$2200 cash.

Crescent City, Aug. 10, via Cannonville—On the 3d inst. the body of a man came to ashore on the wreck of the Brother Jonathan. He is supposed to have been a steamer passenger. This morning a boy, fine looking, about 6 or 7 years old, with a life preserver on, came ashore at this place.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 12.—Orson H. Elliott, whose feet were frozen on the voyage from Victoria to this port, obtained a verdict of \$1000 damages from the California Steam Navigation Company by consent of the defendants.

The colored troops quartered in the vicinity of St. Louis have, it is said, contributed \$74,000 toward the erection of a monument in Washington in memory of the late President.

San Francisco, Aug. 12.—A firm in this city that had a ship and cargo destroyed by fire, and which had forwarded a bill of \$260,000 to Washington to be filed with other claims of indemnity against England for property destroyed by English pirates.

THAT DANGER TO THE THIRSTY Tobacco-Users Leave No Germs When Hitting Bubbling Fountains. PORTLAND, Aug. 13.—(To the Editor.)—In The Oregonian is an account of a health inspector's examination of public drinking fountain in which it is stated that "the public drinking fountain may be a greater menace to health than the common drinking cup," by reason of the fact that "in almost every case the lips were placed almost completely around the metal ball." And then it is stated that "the lips obviously were chewing tobacco."

I have repeatedly noticed the same tendency to swallow the ball on our own streets, and for that reason would not, under any consideration, use the public fountain—at least not until 1916—I may come to it then.

But it is not because some of the "buckers" use tobacco that I refrain. This is the one redeeming feature of the public fountain—a free, frequent and effective disinfecting of the mouth-piece—for it is a known fact that there is only one bug that can live on or in tobacco, and in respect to germs, the mouth of the tobacco-user who drank at the fountain is disinfected. It is freed from injurious bugs, germs, bacilli, bacteria, etc.

The disinfecting principle of one man-size clear propolis preparation and a dose from a half dozen would kill a Turk. The only objection to tobacco that has a leg to stand in the disinfecting incident to its use.

The real danger arises from those who do not disinfect as they go, and for that reason may not be that in these public drinking fountains, instead of being a godsend, are a distinct menace to the health of any city so served? DISINFECTOR.

NEWS FEATURES—In the main news sections of The Oregonian tomorrow will be found up-to-the-minute accounts of the day's happenings throughout the world and well written and accurate reviews of passing events. The Sunday Oregonian covers the field with a staff of trained men and women, who know how to write the news so it can be understood. A comprehensive chronicle of history in the making is interspersed with little human interest stories that appeal.

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Sensational Fashion Move

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