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Portland, Monday, August 30, 1915.

Knocking Down a Man of Straw. Senator Chamberlain, in his speech on public land before the bar convention, indulged in the favorite amusement of setting up a man of straw in order to knock him down.

Mr. Chamberlain does not know, he ought to know better. He is a member of the Senate committee on public lands. He heard the evidence given before that committee on the Ferris bill.

WOOD FOR PAVEMENTS. The North Coast lumbermen are going the right way about reviving their industry when they start a campaign to find new markets for their products.

GAME NOT WORTH THE CANDLE. There are several reasons for Germany's apparent willingness to modify the methods of submarine warfare so radically as to meet the demands of the United States.

ECONOMY IN MARKETING. Secretary of Agriculture Houston has undertaken what may prove to be his most arduous task—securing the adoption of a more economical system of marketing farm produce.

DEATH TAKES PROMISING YOUTH. Eugene C. Protzman writes tribute to Edward Mendenhall. PORTLAND, Aug. 28.—(To the Editor.)—Edward W. Mendenhall, who was born August 21, 1885, was the eldest son of Albert J. and Lizzie E. Mendenhall.

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powers of the country controlled from Washington City, thus strangling their practical development unless the Government itself develops them.

EVERYBODY DOING IT. The cost of municipal government in 1914 was nearly \$450,000 more than in 1912.

ABOUT MEDICAL EXPERTS. Among the evils of administration of the law, one of the greatest is employment by each party to a suit, particularly a criminal suit, of medical experts.

Does a boy get the best part of his education in school or out of it? Where does he learn to talk, to use an axe, a hoe and a fork, and to make change? Where does he learn the money values of things?

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HABITS OF MIGRATORY BIRDS. HENRY E. DOSCH, of Hillsdale, gives theory from his observations. HILLSDALE, OR., Aug. 28.—(To the Editor.)—In an editorial of recent issue of The Oregonian, the question is asked: "Why do birds migrate?"

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send no letters, but would trust the Senators and Representatives to do the work for which they were elected.

The general board of the United States Navy maintains that the achievements of the submarine have failed to displace the dreadnought as the backbone of the Navy, and it recommends construction of a number of new battleships and battle cruisers of that type.

When Congress comes to act upon plans for naval expansion it would do well to accept the results of the general board's deep study as a guide, rather than the judgments of its own members based on merely superficial evidence.

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Twenty-Five Years Ago. (From the Oregonian of August 30, 1890.) Cressen, Pa., Aug. 29.—The President and family, consisting of Mrs. Harrison, Rev. Mr. Russell, Mrs. Russell, Mr. McKee and Mrs. McKee, baby McKee and Mrs. Dimick, arrived here this evening from Cape May.

Vienna, Aug. 29.—The Freis Presse says that Emperor William and the Kaiser had a disagreement, in the Kaiser's visit and hastily quitted Peterhof a day earlier than he had intended.

MONS. AUG. 28.—The total number of coal miners on a strike in Borinage district is 16,000 and the movement is still spreading.

The British have assumed possession of the Shire Highlands. Messrs. Swedland and son, confectioners, left Wednesday over the Northern Pacific for a six weeks' business and pleasure trip to New York and other points.

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THE GREELEY STREET SITUATION. Committee Explains Opposition to Improvement at This Time. PORTLAND, August 28.—(To the Editor.)—As the strife between capital and labor goes wearily on, the committee representing in part the thousands of resident and nonresident taxpayers opposed to the extension of Greeley street at the present time will be naturally few and far between.

This great outlay of money is asked for by a few wealthy and well-to-do speculators and street work contractors who are able to pay the cash for their part of the cost and who would rather the cream of benefits, followed, of course, by the usual train of unwise, thoughtless people whom they control, who echo for their masters orally and in the public press, as interviews, many errors or misleading statements.

WESLEY JENKINS, G. B. TUCKER, GEORGE H. HAM, D. B. BENDIS, M. S. MCCOLLUM, Committee.

Direct Tax to Government. SANDY, OR., Aug. 28.—(To the Editor.)—I have to tell me through The Oregonian if the taxpayers pay a direct tax to the United States Government?

Cartridges on Lusitania. PORTLAND, Aug. 28.—(To the Editor.)—The Lusitania was sunk did she have any powder or other explosive in her cargo? C. A. B.

Pacific Northwest Fair Dates. STATE. Oregon, Salem, Sept. 27-Oct. 2. Idaho, Caldwell, Sept. 27-Oct. 25.

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Half a Century Ago. From The Oregonian of August 20, 1865. The London papers indicate by their comment on the arrest of John Mitchell that they are rather pleased with that act of "despotism" on the part of our Government than otherwise.

New York, Aug. 27.—Each French steamer that arrives brings a portion of the 100,000 troops called for by Napoleon. Maximilian's Ambassador to Europe was a passenger on the steamer from Havana to Vera Cruz.

New Orleans, Aug. 24.—The ship Frank B. Cutting, cleared from Mobile for Liverpool, has been captured by the United States Navy and is being taken to the United States.

WOLFE PUT SPIELERS ON TRIALS. PASCO MAN THINKS PORTLAND SHOULD ADVISE TRIBUNARY MORE.

PASCO, Aug. 25.—(To the Editor.)—In The Oregonian of August 18 is an article entitled "City is Losing Out" that is worthy of more than local interest.

While it is Portland's duty to display the flag, it is also the duty of other cities to do so.

Let Each Donate Submarine or Airship to Government is Proposed. PENDLETON, OR., Aug. 28.—(To the Editor.)—Some years ago an impoverished family, backed off the dock of an Eastern city and was drowned in the presence of a considerable crowd of persons.

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