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draw a sigh of relief when they finally learn whether their allegiance is due to the Washington Government or to some of the European monarchs.

MISDIRECTED. The Portland Evening Journal, which sees in the proposal for a city manager a dark plot by evil men to deprive the people of their hard-won liberties and to set up a local autocracy...

It is what our excited neighbor thinks of Woodrow Wilson's proposal for a city manager.

In its frequent calls upon the people to stand by their President, our neighbor chooses to overlook what it is pleased to regard as a device of the city manager.

The so-called ballot is only another name for concentrating enormous power in the hands of one individual.

That delicious telegram of commendation sent by the Governor, Ellhu Root, who sought to concentrate enormous power in the hands of the Governor of New York, was misdirected.

Ever since the war broke out United States manufacturers have been worrying over the supply of dyes.

One of our bright chemists has worked up a fairly complete system of philosophy, based on the appearance of the neighbors' back yards.

The charge that the sponsors for the seamen's law used the plea of humanity in order to carry through unobserved those pernicious sections which are driving American ships to foreign ports...

It is interesting to reflect that our industries exist largely subject to the dictates of a foreign nation like Austria.

owners themselves. Only five changes are asked by shipowners among the twenty sections of the bill and the objections to these five are that they are ruinous to the shipping business and are designed only to fasten upon it control by an organization nine-tenths of the members of which are not even naturalized American citizens.

A PHYSICAL EXAMINATION. Henry Ford has had one thousand of his foremen in the Detroit plant examined for physical defects by the New York Life Extension Institute.

The Ford workmen are fatter than clerks, but this is no indication of better health, since fat comes from over-eating, while the clerks are thin from slow starvation.

No man asks the immigrant to forget his native land. That would be to ask him to forget his mother.

The Rev. E. O. Morris may feel with some justice that he has been harshly treated. By a court order he is forbidden to open his mouth again at the Chicago Colored Baptist conference.

Men who have accomplished much in the world are always practical but at the same time they are idealists.

The Arab captain's story was that he turned to relieve the Dunley, which was being torpedoed.

MAKE THEM REAL AMERICANS. The propaganda which Germany and Austria have carried on in this country has produced results destructive to the existence of the United States.

Phenomenal weather for fair and hoppelkiting, but do not mention it and break the charm for 'Our Fair' at Gresham next week.

perform the duties. Indeed, if the United States engaged in war with the native country of any one of these groups, the Ambassador from that country would call upon his group to fight against the United States and very large proportion would respond to the summons.

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European War Primer

By National Geographical Society.

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GRANT SETTLERS WILL NEED AID

Temporary Tax Exemption and State Assistance Are Advocated.

BROWNVILLE, Or., Sept. 8.—(To the Editor.)—I wish to say to our readers, and to L. L. Burns, of Roseburg, whose article in the matter of the Oregon & California land grant was published in The Oregonian, that there are many large tracts of that land in Linn County with good, rich, fertile soil.

The great difficulty in the way is to get it into the hands of those who are able to buy it hereon, and to get the state or the Legislature to allow them to build homes thereon.

It is certain that none but the hardest will undertake and carry through an enterprise like that.

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Twenty-Five Years Ago

From The Oregonian, September 10, 1890.

Nearly 5,000 people crowded into City View Park yesterday for the opening day of the greatest race meet ever held in the Northwest.

Salmon.—The report in the census at Salmon shows a gain of more than 200, the 1890 figures giving 18,407 as against 17,211, the first count, and 2508 the corrected first count.

San Francisco.—California celebrated its birthday of admission into the Union yesterday. The Native Sons staged a gala party.

George W. New, prominent citizen of Indianapolis, father of Charles H. New, bookkeeper for Esberg, Bachman & Co., and a member of the United States Treasury, now Consul in London, arrived in Portland yesterday.

The Associated Press has given instructions to its telegraph operators to learn the manipulation of the typewriter as it has been found that this instrument is being used to increase the speed of receiving messages.

Messrs. William M. Ladd, R. L. Durbin, C. E. S. Wood, Morris Stern, Leonard C. Jones and T. Jesse Warner have purchased a large tract of land near Astoria, and propose to put up a hotel next year.

Senator Hearst is reported to be dickering for the New York Star, for a number of years, for the purchase of a certain amount of improvements made on the land.

T. B. Reed was re-elected Speaker of the National House of Representatives yesterday. The Republic of Maine held a joyful celebration as soon as the news was learned.

A scheme to build a motor line through the south end of East Portland toward Sullwood and Milwaukie came to light yesterday.

TO MAKE ARTISTS IS IMPOSSIBLE. Unless So Born, Product of Schools and Will Be. CHICAGO, Sept. 9.—(To the Editor.)—The Oregonian speaks approvingly of the other day of Augustus Thomas' plea for the independence of the American stage from European influence.