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We agree that all our resources, nattirel, industrial and in transportahighest efficiency and co-ordinated for the service of the Nation in military defunse as well as for penceful

We do not believe, however, that the American people will approve the President's modification of the Monree Dectrine to take other American United States for its maintenance. dent to that primary purpose. It asumed for this country a position of pre-eminence in the American hemi- the rule of the Democratic caucus, sphere which the Nation will not abandon for an alliance with other repub-We may comsult and on easiens invite the assistance of other

It is quite conceivable that our interests might demand suforcement of statement that no Schatorial fillbuster a revival meeting, innovation or Fedthat doctrine in a manner conflicting was ever attempted unless it was eral law. with the interests of some nation backed by an aroused public sentiwhich Mr. Wilson would make a part-We should retain our freeslom to act in such a case as our interests and our judgment dictate without regard to the interests and opinione of any other nation. That policy would not exclude increasing co-operution of the other republics as their interests and policies came more ate-

The President has no reason to exult, as he does, over the success of his policy in Mexico. In defending the right of that country to have reve lution upon revolution and in the process to slaughter and pillage Amerignores the fact that he did interfere von Papen, attaches of the German most ineffectually so far as defense but most effectually so far as the parting their hair, if they have any, or to a far different interpretation. While course of events in Mexico was con-wear their respective monocles; but claiming for Mr. Wilson success as a Virginia bill of rights a declaration lomatic usage between great nations, cedes that as a statesman he "has that the majority in a state has a the old couplet right to overturn and change the whole form of government. That declaration embodies the basic doctrine of secession, which was repuand it regards a state as a mere party to an alliance, free to change its form of government at pleasure without theory which, if followed, would destroy the rights of the minogity in the Japanese Emperor may not have a state and would destroy the Union been sound on American Ambassa-

As to the other matters of which the President treats, differences of epinion arise only as to the means to attain the ends he admirably describes. His plans for splargement of as those "idiotic Yankees." the Navy will receive general approval, though they should provide every ship we now have and for enough more each year to serve that year's additions to the fleet. The proposed addition of 10,000 officers and men will not, according to credible authority, suffice for our present fleet, much less for the proposed ad-

The general principles laid down by the President for enlargement of the all level-headed, patriotic citizens, term which does not include the Bryanite, little-Army-and-Navy men. But the proposed application of those the last Legislature in the manner of The suggested increase of the regular tions, the Presidential primary law of Army is so small that it would give a Oregon is marked by a glaring de- have done so without losing the supmobile Army of only 45,000 men. The ficiency. It is not possible to send at ideal of a trained citizenry which lies uninstructed delegation. could be realized only when immi-first and second choices of Oregon nent National danger or actual war Republicans for Presidential raised patriotism to a fever. When date this year are Justice Hughes the fever died down, volunteers would and Sanator Borah. Neither one will be lacking and the Army would dwin- consent to the use of his name in dle to a skeleton. Yet the one im- the primaries, yet the nomination pressive lesson which the present war and acceptance by one or the other teaches is that maintenance of such as result of open and insistent conan army at full strength and effi- vention demand is not impossible. riency in peace is necessary to a nation's safety in war. It cannot be so lot the names of other men not so ac maintained by the voluntary system for that system does not suffice to keep the National Guard up to the Borah will not appear, unless the im-

ompering with it for recruits in the ance field

The unity effective means of securng a trained citizenry on the contiental army plan is compulsory servce, as practiced by the Swiss or Aus- choice, rallana. The President's allusion to would give us the sutward appearance of a well-prepared Nation.

The reasoning by which the Presileut defends his shipping po too weak to stand analysis. He truly calls our present shipping policy blind and provincial." quate merchant marine, yet he pro-Ithe president's address blind and provincial and thus to tempt private capital into the business. He recommends that the consuments and high purposes and emphasive in President Wilson's address and element build \$10,000,000 worth build \$10,000,0 heights in the denunciation of those provide the money, why should the money the money that to seek and for which we need that to seek and for which we would glacase. Disease talks by symptoms of disease. Disease talks by symptoms of disease talks by symptoms of disease or their privileges of the money that the

in peace and in freedom of democratic Panama Canal and the ordinary ex- great educational bureau located at nations, aloof from the jealousies and penses of the Government which Washington, quarrels of the old world. All agree bring no returns. The Canal is certhat the Nation should not borrow fiscal year if the emergency tax and shall be effected. money to pay its ordinary expenses sugar duties were continued. He stands corrected by his own words.

Whatever may be said by its many critics that the United States Senate is the "last stronghold of predatory newest device of the Democratic muchine to destroy the minority and conrepublics into partnership with the trol the Senate. For one hundred years the United States Senate has had that discipline has vanished from the That doctrine was set forth primarily unlimited debate, and during all that schools. as a policy for the preservation of time, or nearly all of it, the Senate edge with a hickory stick, we have the interests of the United States; it has been proudly acclaimed as the gone to the other extreme of coaxing, was designed to guard the interests of greatest deliberative body in the cajoling and humoring. There are its opposition to the saloon and the other republics only as an inci-world. Now the Senate itself is asked educators who favor excusing children strong drink. To revise his statement

> of passing a force bill. ment. It could not be su Now it is proposed to take erwise. away the surviving club of the minor ity and subject it to the iniquitous

Cloture cuts both ways and all parties. It is a step backward, another sign of the deterioration of the Sen-The bosses hope to control through it. It does not help much even when the chief boss is the Presi-

dent of the United States.

Secretary Lansing could tell Amsandor von Bernstorff why he does not like Captain BoysEdsand Captain Embassy, but probably he will not. He then quotes from the whichever it is, it is enough. In dip-political leader, the Republican con-

I do not like you Mr. Fell, The reason why I cannot tell,

expressive of a practice that is ade quate to recall the most august Ambassador.

It will be remembered that our own John Barrett was held to be persons non grata to his majesty, the Mikado usuiting the other parties. It is a of Japan, and he was not sent there. as had been intended. The taste of been sound on American Ambassadors; but it was his own taste, and he had a right to exercise his imperial prerogative, and to expect no back talk:

It was the supercilious Von Paper who referred to the American people not a sensitive lot, but really a diplomat who holds such opinions of for enough additional men to serve Nation to which he is accredited greatly impairs his usafulness. He should, besides, be happy to leave our

It is not likely that the German foreign office expected the United States to furnish a bill of particulars as to why Boy-Ed and Von Papen are not What would have been schieved for a better understanding between the nations if the information had been given?

A FUTILE PHIMARY.

Despite sane corrections made b electing delegates to National conven-

It is a sufe assumption that

There will be on the primary bal ceptable to Oregon Republicana, The ames of either Mr. Hughes or Mr. proper standard, and the continental probable occurs, and their supporters Democratic leader in preference to

army would weaken the militia by decide to offend them by ignoring success as leader of a possible protheir wishes. The preference as expressed by a plurality in the primaries is a definite instruction to the dele gates. Nay, more. The delegates must make oath to support the party

A primary election under such cirthe farmers' victory at Lexington is cumstances will not indicate a true most unfortunate, for the misplaced party preference. Some voters may unfidence in untrained men which write in the names of Hughes or that victory bred is responsible for Borah; many will decline to vote. all the dimesters of the wars minority expression in favor perhaps of the Revolution, of 1312 and of the of a candidate with no particular secession and for the waste of the backing may result. Where Oregon Spanish War. The President's plan will stand might as well be determined by drawing straws.

The Presidential primary law would be improved by the addition of a provision permitting an expression the voters as to whether the delegates should be instructed or uninstructed.

EDUCATIONAL SHORTCOMINGS.

School days are days of cramming his defenses. poses nothing to make our present head with facts, figures and fancies.

ready to enter the shipping business, quate and improperly directed. There we do nothing to prolong the war the woman who is busy with her home, and do our utmost, consistently with as a mutter of fact, symptoms is a lack of unity of method, a lack of depth and a lack of all unity of method, a lack of unity of method sphere as a field for the development ultimately paying investment like the the issuance of certificates from a chases.

n which we continue to live. which is peculiarly destructive of dis- the death roll would be extended, Far from applying knowlto abandon all pretense that it is a from tasks which are obnoxious and deliberative body, and surrender to distusteful to them. Parents join in

this pampering. Under cloture, the ship bill would Naturally any advances and imhave been rushed through the last provements in the standards of edu-Congress. Likewise the fillbuster con- cation must find origin in the activity ducted by the determined Burton and growth of the public mind. Al American nations in maintaining the would have failed. Years ago the inMenroe Doctrine, but we should never dignant Democracy of the South of a people. Experiment and local ensent to make its application to any would never have been able to withcontingency subject to agreement by stand the rabis Republican project give the greatest promise of success Improvement of educational methods The truth of history supports the must come as a growth rather than as idle for him to blame the Federal

SIMPLE CAUSE AND EFFECT.

and its reunion with the Republicans as a consequence of Mr. Wilson's suc cess and as the probable cause of his have again rallied to Colonel Roosevelt and by dividing the opposition would have brought about Mr. Wil son's re-election.

That is great consolation to Mr. Wilson for his prospective defeat. It Possibly it is the way they have of mirer, but the circumstances are open has also been discredited by the fail ure of the Underwood tariff to yield revenue or to revive industry, by the Canal tolls law, the Colombian treaty and the shipping bill, by the partisanship, spoils distribution and extrav agance of his Administration. ne conspicuous success has been the Federal reserve system, but for that he must divide credit with the Republicans, who originally devised it and helped finally to shape and pass

It is Mr. Wilson's failure as a statesman rather than his success as political leader which has helped to bring about reunion of the opposition rogressives have seen how were their differences with Republicans by comparison with their repugnance to Democratic policy and incapacity. Republicans have frankly recognized that Progressives had some just cause for revolt and have set about removing that cause. The another. President's fidelity to Democratic policy and his assaults on policies whereon these two parties agree have revived their devotion to Republican principles to the point where, for the sake of those principles, they are

ready to forget their differences. Mr. Wilson was elected as a proexpected by many to effect a coalition with the revolting Progressives and with those Republicans of progressive tendencies who did not revolt. The event has proved that he could not port of many in his own party. He made some attempt to gain the one failed. He is now definitely estabhaving first permitted Mr. Bryan to discredit himself and then having ousted him from that position. Any hopes which the Progressives might have nourished that he would take them into full partnership have been blighted, for like the Oregon non partisans, he has taken all he could get from them and has given them othing in return. He has won suc cess as a politician in preference to success as a statesman; success as a

gressive coalition. His opponents are simply taking the hint he thus gave.

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE LEDGER. In considering our moral right to profit by the war we must not forget he other side of the account. At the beginning this Nation and its citizens lost enormously by the war. Our industrial, commercial and financial systems were deranged; the foreign markets were closed to us and forwere and still are cut off from us stock exchanges were closed, emer-

gency currency was issued and extraordinary measures were taken to pay debts abroad; for months the cottongrowing industry hovered on the brink of ruin; tens of thousands of our itizens were stranded in the war zone and were brought home at great ex-A young man may or may not have customs revenue was so diminished Christmas seal people is that they want consumption diagnosed earlier. learned to think for himself when he that new internal taxes became necesand he admits that "private capital gets through with his schooling. The sary; the speciacle of a world at war They know that the average person must ultimately" build up an ade-

We have suffered all these injuries taws less blind and provincial and When he enters the great university from the war, and have no means of

seek peace is order to develop in tainly benefit and which it seems it might be advantageous to do away freedom. All except the few but hardly fair that a single generation with the states altogether. However, thus to advance demands the training of our citizens to arms in sufficient pay with additional taxes at a time is well that he puts forth the idea in service. The other party, which was called into other interval, a man has himself thorpore. numbers to repel aggression. All of shrinking revenue. His own fignarine is essential to the develop- would provide enough funds to make of educational methods. The trouble the question of our duty not to deny marine is essential to the develop and as good the deficit and to meet addiment of our foreign commerce and as good the deficit and to meet addiis that no two detectors are able to one party its advantage in obtaining treatment is recommended. If faulty an auxiliary to our Navy. We agree upon just how needed reform through naval strength the supplies fiabits are discovered, changes are recwhich the other party was unable to ommended. It is reasonable to assume that the obtain through failure to develop fault is one of the transitional period greater naval strength, such a course The would be grossly unfair. It would de-American people are on their way, prive the one party of so great an They have not yet arrived. This ac- advantage that it might be treated as advantage that it might be treated as sized minority of those who read this counts for the defects and inadequation a hostile act and thus might draw us statement are already following the into the war. It would be more like-plan. To them it is no novelty. The des which may be discovered in nearly into the war. It would be more likeevery particular from literature to ly to prolong than to shorten the war, greed," it remains the fact that the preparedness. These deficiencies are for it would bring the supplies of the present campaign for cloture is the heightened by an intense individualistic democracy which has not yet equality. The desire to stop the fully adjusted itself to our needs and slaughter would thus be thwarted for

Seventh-Day Adventist pastors encouraged a plan to keep saloons open That sect is noted for on Sunday. or recall it would be doing justice to a people sincere in their beliefs as hey are carnest in their practice. Discretion, zeal and Christian tolerance are a trinity to make the world

The story of the New Haven Railad's affairs shows that its ruin had been accomplished by Mr. Mellen those who controlled him long before the Government made a move. It is prosecution for proclaiming an accom-

field Republican in the effect of President Wilson's success as leader of his party upon his chances of relection. That journal regards the dissolution of the Progressive party and its reunion with the Republicans

Constantine is said to be firm in his determination not to let the allies defeat, suggesting that, if he had been force him into the war. All he need less successful, the Progressives would do when he feels a wavering is to step into the kitchen and look at the butcher knives.

The President has become decidedly more amenable to woman's influence since his engagement to Mrs. expresses the view of a Wilson ad- Galt. There are no more brusque dismissals of suffragist delegations.

The Northwest, which is the East from this point of view, is three mil-lion tons of coal short and the nails been hopelessly discredited by his in the walls have not yet begun to neutrality and Mexican policies." He snap.

> The mutiny of a Bulgarian regiment was not incited by the Ford plans for peace. The Bulgars wouldn't know a Ford from a wheelbarrow. The man who bathes regularly Sat-

> urday night-if that custom still exists-will observe that soap went up yesterday and not be wasteful. Retreating Serbians have the elephant by the tail and cannot let go. The back-tracking is hampered by

40,000 Austrian prisoners. "Be it remembered," as they say in their records, that the members of County Courts of Oregon are welcome in the metropolis.

Fifth and Alder will be a real cross roads by tomorrow, with a corn show in one corner and a poultry show in

Wilson is stalling the suffragettes The students of Harvard (1899) have until after the ceremony. Then it not forgotten the mishap of a European will be as the "Missus" says.

babies" that threw a scandalous scare fnto the world a year ago?

refuses to back a loser.

The Minnesota's troubles begin a ew phase in the fight for "freedom of the seas."

Kipling has opportunity to immoralize the masterly retreat from Bag-

Many a lame duck corporation has been put on its feet by war orders. This is farmers' week in Portland with all the shows running.

The ocean has a grudge on Barnew and is paying it off. The Senate takes three days in which to recover.

How to Keep Well. By Dr. W. A. Evans.

(Questions pertinent to bygione, sanitaion and prevention of disease, if matters
i general interest, will be answered in this
olumn. Where space will not pormit or
he subject is not suitable, letters will be
ecconally answered, subject to proper limiations and where a stamped, addressed enelope is inclosed. Dr. Evans will not make
ingnouse or prescribe for individual disases. Requests for such section cannot be
navered. (Copyright, 1918, by Dr. W. A. Evans, Published by arrangement with Chicago Tribune.)

Physical Examination.

This is physical examination day The managers of the Christmas seal campaign have asked their friends to call attention on this one day at least to the need of systematic periodic physto the need of systematic periodic physical examinations. I have done this day. It is a beautiful altruistic sentimore than once, and I am giad to do ment for our benevolent merchants to it again. The reason for the interest of the

they ho comes to their attention has had ensumption more than a year, and very many of them lost their chance getting well before they began actively to hunt for help.

the issuance of certificates from a chases.

great educational bureau located at Washington.

The remedy might prove an effect- would be the effect? One party to Scientist who follows the same policy with him that in their nature great tainly one of those "permanent things we one. But before turning all functions over to the War, which was ill prepared, would will be constantly pouring into ears democracies are not beligerant, but by which many generations will certions over to the Federal Government be deprived of a large part of the sup-

physical examination. If he be found

The advice is How to Live and Keep Well, or, and Get Well. If the man does not choose to accept the advice that is his business.

This proposal is not new. A good-

majority of the people are on the old, the last century, basis. Among those who have gone on the new basis are who have gone on the best size several groups of sufficient size form the basis of statistics. I will r give the results in this column, but if anybody wants to know where they can a letter with stamped envel-Dr. Tufts is mistaken when he says ope for reply will bring the informa-

Sweets for the Little Folk.

J. M. P. writes: "If a baby 2 years id wishes to nibble at a quarter or a third of a lump of sugar while her par ents are eating their breakfast, which is a time between meals for her, should she be allowed to do so? The child she be allowed to do so? The child is healthy and strong in every way, but weems to wish to nibble at a bit of sugar. Would it be less harmful to let her have a grape or a bit of buttered toast? One of her parents maintains that according to your teaching she should be allowed the sugar, while the other holds exactly the opposite opinion. Will you kindly answer through your column? through your column?

REPLY A child younger than 2 years should ear strictly according to schedule. A child 2 years and older can depart from schedule to the extent mentioned without detriment.

J. C. S. writes: "Will you please addise me how to get rid of tired legs and sometimes sore muscles? Ever-time I ride a mile or two on my bik my legs are very tired, and sometimes my muscles get very sore." REPLY.

The following savies is based upon the issumption that you have no disease of our cord, nerves or muscles. When the nuscles become sore an the result of expressed it is a sign that they have been over armised. exercised.

The man whose muscles become sore as the result of a mile on a bloyds is soft. Clearly he should continue riding. He is in especial need of what bloyds riding supplies him.

My suggestion is that you continue riding. Probably you need to be more systematic about it. Hegin with a mild stunt and increase it every day.

Hardening of Arteries.

F. W. L. writes: "Will you kindly publish in your column the signs by which one may know whether or not his arteries are hardening or have his arteries are hardening or have hardened? What are the medical tests? REPLY.

The blood pressure is taken by an ap-paratus designed for that purpose. The best proof is that shown by this instrument. Other stens sometimes present are albumi-nuris, dissiness and houdaches.

Possible Danger.

D. writes: "Kindly inform me is there any danger in enting bread baked by a baker having tuberculosis?" Yes. If he is a careful man the danger is not great.

WHEN LECTURER DUPED HARVARD incident Related to Illustrate Abuses of Existing System.

SALEM, Dec. 7 .- (To the Editor.) "The Harvard Crimson pronounces the method (lectures in our colleges) clumsy, wasteful and inefficient."—The

lecturer. Escaped from the little City of Nyon, he was ignorant of English, German, Spanish or French, He only knew his native gibberish. To a stupefied audience, he read some unfathor able compilations.

Later on, we discovered that he had

King Constantine sees that the been shortly dismissed from a Swiss allies have not a winning hand and school for incapacity. He had never refuses to back a loser. to recite or to extemporize even in his dislect. He managed to take many dollars away, but little esteem. The suggestion of the Harvard Crimson is not only "worthy of considera-tion," but also of gratitude. For too long time have our universities been the refuge of the soum of European schools. EDWARD RODE.

> Sturgeon Weighing 750 Pounds PORTLAND, Dec. 7 .- (To the Editor.)
> -About '86 or '87 one of the express mpanies of which there were the Northern Pacific and Wells-Fargo Con pany, shipped a sturgeon that was feet long and the tag was marked I think it was shipped Senver, Colo., it was sent over on id transfer steamer Willamette C. from Ash-street wharf to the old incline where the Broadway bridge now is. ONE OF THE CREW.

MERE ENCOURAGEMENT OF FOLLY "Shop Early" Campaign Designed

Augment Useless Giving. PORTLAND, Dec. 7,-(To the Editor.) - The clamorous cry of Portland merchants to "Do your shopping early" is now due. Let me raise one voice against the folly of it. It is merely plossal advertising campaign to get the people to spend more money for gewgaws and a superfluity of useless trash that they otherwise would not buy. Ostensibly, the early shopping campaign is to secure a saner 23d or 24th of December. But that is merely the mask. The real motive is to get your last penny which might not be spent if you would wait till the last day to buy your presents.

Bless my soul, every merchant in Portland would gladly have the mad rush begin on December 1st and consay: "Shop early and spare our riris."
The salesiadies of the department stores certainly are worked, and crowded overmuch in the mad rush of Christmas shopping, but I apprehend that the department heads would be glad to put them through a grueiling.

milling, maddening rush for 30 days rather than for a week. My apology for this letter is simply this: That to our already bumptious propensity for a useless extravagance at Christmas time the folly is fostered and abetted by this annual cry of "Shop early." We are not sane in our Christmas shopping anyway now, why encourage our weakness? To start early is merely to multiply the list and

ncrease the cost of Christmas.

I would not deiract or suppress one oy from any home in Portland next Christmas. The genuine Christmas spirit is a spirit of kinship, of fellow-ship and love. We should seek to make it a rejuvenation of this mad old commercial world. My contention is that profuse and costly gifts, bought more for ostentation than usefulness, more for the day than the year, does not make for the Christmas spirit.

Believing that Christmas is not bought in dollars' worth, and knowing

that hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of goods will be delivered to Portland homes this month in auto deiveries, to be hauled out again in February and March as rubbish by the garbage man, I raise a voice of pro-test against a campaign of excitement and shopping fever.
S. J. CLARIDGE.

MIGHT GET AID FROM GERMANY

Use of Teuton Navy to Protect American Ships From Briton Suggested. VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 7 .- (To the Editor.)—Mr. Myers' suggestion that we provide our merchant ships with armed convoy is timely and in order. I will suggest that each of our merhantmen be furnished a convoy conisting of two battleships, two cruisers and four destroyers,

The trouble is our Navy is too small o permit of doing this. But, Gernany's war strategy seems to have outlined no programme for her navy. It has lain idle in port for 16 months. It would be but a friendly not on the part of a friendly nation for her to send out her fleet and assist us in protecting our ships from molestation y the meddlesome Briton,

Further, Mr. Myers' time may have been limited when he addressed his note to The Oregonian. Otherwise he ertainly would not have overlooked the necessity of increasing our regular army to a standing strength of at east 2,000,000 men in order to protect our manufacturing interests from being destroyed through acts of untry's enemies who reside here with s and enjoy all privileges and liber les which we enjoy.

My suggestion regarding Germany offering us the protection of her navy has a double purpose. Remaining for such a lengthy period in port cannot be conducive to the health of the per-sonnel of her navy. It would certainly to the boys good to get a sniff of sait and see blue water once more.

J. HAROLD.

TWO LANDS OF PURE DELIGHT. "There is a land of pure delight

Where saints immortal reign. Exquisite day excludes the night. And pleasures banish pain." faith alight, As on that land they fixed their reverent sight

and worshipers today yet sing the strains Of that old cheery, heaven inspired song-Sing of the land where deathless pleasure reigns, And sacred music speeds the hours

AWAY. There is a land of pure delight!" How sweet The thought that when from sinful earth we soar We'll press our wounded, journeywearied feet

low sweet to know that not a worldly care follow us across the Great Can Divide,

But that elernal peace will bless us there When we are safe upon the other

let there are many who would choose Upon the earth, would heaven but will it so, Who'll feel regret when they are called away And be quite strongly disinclined

Although the land of which the saints oft sing May be a land of pure delight, they'll be Reluctant to give up a dead sure thing For one that's wrapped in sacred

mystery, BECAUSE There is another land of pure delight, And, though it may not boast of saintly reign, May have an equal share of day and night. And pleasures may not always banish

The people who inhabit it if they The choosing of a future home were Would almost every one prefer to stay

Here in their own fair Oregonian heaven. JAMES BARTON ADAMS.

THE FIRST SWEETHEART.

When the sun has kissed the mountains

When the purple robes of twilight start to fall. When my dreams are turning home-ward, I recall The sweatheart that I'll always love the best. Her hair is turning silver with the YOUTH. And her step is growing feeble day by day, But the kindly smile continues still to play In the eyes that oft for me were dimmed with tears.

Oh, mother, best of sweethears, best of friends. 'Tis you that draws aside the veil of And greets us with the first sweet voice we know; Your soul with ours aspires, with ours

en, should we doubt, amid our earth - ly strife, That Gor created angels here below?

MILDRED SMITH

In Other Days

Twenty-five Years Ago From The Oreganian of December 8, 1890. The king of humorists, A. Miner Griswold, editor of the Texas Siftings, better known as the "fat contributor," is coming.

Sol Watson, brother of B. P. Watson, of this city, and of W. W. Watson, died at Orting; Wash., yesterday morning.

Detective Gritzmacher, chief of the Portland detective force, stated yester-day that it is not yet known who will be implicated in the alleged steamship dock swindle, as the books of the comhave not been thoroughly ex-

Jacob Kamm will build, no one knows ow high or how fine, at the corner f First and Washington streets.

Work is going ahead on the massive oundations for the Chamber of merce building, and Mr. Bamford is doing a job that he can feel proud of.

The characteristic and romantic dra the bill at Cordray's Theater this week beginning tonight.

TROUBLES OF PEACE MISSIONARY Mr. Fogarty Discusses Regrets of Those

Who Couldn't Join Mr. Ford. PORTLAND, Dec. 7.—(To the Editor.) — Now that me frind Henery For-r-d has intristed himself on behalf f peace, I'm lookin' for evints to hap-en. When they star-r-ted that boycett on the ditneys in the war zone, I knew that Henery wouldn't stand for it. Now he's goin' right ahead to get the Frinch and the other fellows in a good humor

wid his make. Some of the folks that's asked couldn't go along, to be sure, but there's always some that didn't tell the boys o live in trinches, and they're among those prisint on the boat, Guynir Witticum couldn't lave. What wid his spaichmakin' at all the doins

in the commonwilth, the cares of state d his kapin' one eye on Mr. O'West, the Guvnir's busy.
Guvnir Lister-r finds it inexpadient to get away. It isn't so much the cares of state, nor the fact that he doesn't want the men out of the trinches, as is watchin' that High Gill don't bate im to it on the tu-r-key trot an' other orms of dancin'. High is reported to ave learned several steps in one avenin', and the Guvnir is alar-r-med. Guvnir Johnson, of Californy, couldn't pare the time to settle the war befor he holidays. He has Tiddy and the sellow perrul and the I. W. w. s to and the W. a to

lale with, and the thought of havin' o stop a fight in so many furrin lan-The Prisident himself isn't lookin' or peace right away. If he couldn't be thinkin of gettin If he was he m married, and I know whin I had cace and whin I was glad to take to he trinch. If the Prisident decides to alk peace he'll write a note to the furiners widout usin' Henery's stationery. "On to the trinches! Ivery one of ez come out not later than Christmas

ornin," says Henery. I'm doubtin' if Henery gets all the ghtin' men home in time to hang up heir stockins, but he'll be gettin' a g lot of advertisin' for his jitneys. hat is, he'll be gettin' the notoriety is this country. Unless he can get the rriners to stop killin' one another here won't be any one left over there o ride in his 1916 model. I'm doubtful to some ixtint as to the

ucciss of the expaydition. What wid ubmarines on the way that don't re-plet the rights of the people on the oats, and the intanglemints of diplomacy that seem to incompass all the ere isn't, accordin' to my mind, any place where Henery can hire a hall to or-roclaim his missage of "Peace on earth, and to you fellows who're hidia" ander the surface. Come out, wery nother's son of ye. The war-r-s over." MICHAEL FOGARTY.

NO EXEMPTION FOR OLD MAIDS Singleness Cwn Fault, Therefore, Tax Them With Bachelors.

SILVERTON, Or., Dec. 6 .- (To the So sang the Christian folk of long ago, Merry Widow, who writes concerning Their breasts with living flames of the bachelor tax. Her statement that Their eyes with pure religious fire the spirit moves man to propose seems to me ridiculously untrue. The even go into print to make u think that we instead of they choosing of mates. I can just imagine a woman sitting behind a cook stove waiting for a man to propose. Boshi When a woman wants a man she just smiles at the poor boob, then keeps him guessing, and she has caught a sucker. I think that if a buchelor should be taxed for not proposing marriage, the girl should be taxed for average no to the ardent plendings of saying no to the ardent plendings er Romeo. Wild and selfish passion is

too often mistaken for love, thereby creating the divorce evil. When we love a person they have no faults.

I am not worrying about leap year, Upon the sands of that immortal shore.

ow sweet to know that not a worldly seems. But for the question. Some narried woman please answer man marry, live and raise children decently on \$2.50 per day? SUBSCRIBER.

After the War.

AIRLIE, Or., Dec. 6.—(To the Editor.)—Will you tell in a general way the views of the leading financiers as to the financial conditions of the United States after the close of the European war? Yours respectfully, SUBSCRIBER.

There are about as many opinious as here are financiers. One authority lately contended that One authority lately contended that the belligerents by "mobilising fixed capital," had increased the volume of capital; that money would therefore be easy. Another held that the war was exhausting European capital and that the American reservoir would not be sufficient to supply the demand.

German Efficiency. PORTLAND, Ifec. 7.—(To the Editor.)
—Allow me to make a remark on Mr.
Evans' article in The Oregonian. He
tells us Germany is not efficient in
anything but militarism. But does he not understand that there must be ciency in everything else before there can be efficient militarism? When Germany takes care of 65,000,-000 people on a piece of land not the size of Texas, that nation deserves the die of Teams, one of the world.
OLAF AMUNDSEN.

How He Found Out.

Judge.

Bertrand (on a visit back home) You don't mean to say that Beatrice
Oleblush is still in the market? Steward-Well, you see, she has a fresh complexion.

Discriminating

Retailers

Store keepers are constantly beset by galesmen. They must buy care-fully or they fail. They must buy goods that move quickly. Profits that rest on the shelf are not much good at the bank. It pays the retailer to be friendly to goods backed up by newspaper savertising, for these goods have motive power behind them. It pays him to back up the news-paper advertising, to show the goods in the windows, and to push them. is discrimination that pleases