PORTLAND, TUESDAY, DEC. 28, 1912.

FOR THE DRY SPELL

convenient storage in cellars. There is the same exhibition of preparation do well if it should total \$1,800,000. for a long dry spell throughout the 000 for the year. state. Evidently the bibulous and the sami-bibulous are fearful that the freight and express service from California and the East will break down.

But the dealers have no such apprehensions, if we are to judge by the announcements of removal to San Francisco after January 1, 1916. San Francisco is to be the favored base of Francisco is to be the favored base of production of the same effects unless operations for the two-quarts-a-month in the meantime we remove it. That

The and plight of the daily traveler probably not cause him to emigrate from Ovegon to West Virginia, or Idaor Kansas, or Arisons. In the first-named state the law prohibits importation of all liquors and the inst-named state the law products and the importation of all liquers and the importation of all liquers and the staid city of Baltimore is shak-require all its powers, to marshal all state Prohibition Commissioner (by name Blue) has sought and has obname grace; has sought the rail- the Governor, which after three years' that this be done by securing the voltained injunctions restraining the railreads from permitting passengers to
carry liquer in their personal bagsags. In Idaho it is, or will be, a
feling to have liquer in one's possession, and in Kansas rude policemen
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ethers, for contraband articles. Down
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price and the includation may happen two quarts (regulation, not bottle, settled dispute about segregation and size) of whisky or wine every month, or their patriotism. They struck and were promptly branded as unpatriotic. Now we read that landlords in great suppression, and that the more one suppression, and that the more one cities are raising rents to recoup them sometry which is lost altogether when cotton is used. Women know but he may not store up his credits.

States to avoid that contingency,

less these Americans would have ing. beiped to defend her, but they fall to about it? see how they are interested in the wars of the mother country which are being fought on other continents, and they recognise no obligation to contempt men who leave the country to avoid fighting for it. ment is as natural as would be that for he says: "Kansas is quite sane, and has been rules, but he repeatedly appeals to out the original plans. That \$270,000 out the original plans. That \$270,000

any country except the United States. Ingails and his day. but an American who emigrates to but an American who emigrates to Canada may be drawn into a war in Europe. Asia or Africa, with which Paffer."

Thomas, a Labor member of Parliament, imposes as a condition of consent that "the ministers pass a bill guaranteeing to trades unions the re-Canada has no direct concern. Can- Peffer.

material gains over the corresponding menths of 1974, when the industries of belligerent nations were suffering from the first demoralization of the war. Stating the figures in round millions, August showed an increase in menths and sunday school experiments and sounday school experiments. The contember 1. He defined that last May the German production of high-explosive shells was 180 times the jiritish. Though the man with a way, stating the figures in round millions, August showed an increase in mentant of the corresponding menths of 1974, when the industries with production of high-explosive shells was 180 times the jiritish. Though the man with a way 180 times the jiritish output was enormously intended that last May the George 1814 was 180 times the jiritish. Though the man with a way 180 times the jiritish output was enormously intended that last May the George 21. from 129 to 141, September from 135 in face and continued pacing to 131, October from 138 to 148, and November from 128 to 148, and for November, 1315, is almost the same as that for May, 1314, two months before war began.

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In fact the totals are getting back Thus Kansas lost its greatest Senato the same figures as for the early tor because he preferred to stay out months of 1814. Beginning in March rather than buy his way in. We wonof that year, each month showed an der if Kansas, knowing the truth, increase over the corresponding would now elect Ingalis as it has elect-month of 1913. In millions March ed Curtis, through the new system, showed an increase from 155 to 182, where all things are pure, and all April from 146 to 173, May from 133 men, too, to 164. June from 131 to 157, and July from 119 to 159. Exports at the time were decreasing month by month. In millions January showed a decrease from 227 to 204, February Tillamook, Clatsop and Columbia pet it permits selfish class interests from 193 to 173; for March the totals counties is attacking the high cost of to hamper it in pressing that war to a conclusion and to prolong the time showed a decrease from 199 to 161. June from 162 (Regon, Efforts to reform taxation May from 194 to 161, June from 162 (Regon. Efforts to reform taxation must continue. It permits landlords to 157, July from 168 to 154. Apparatus have heretefore been directed chiefly to raise rent, unions to impose condicative the same influence which protact that sale per cent of the November of the secure a reduction of taxes by going the latter of the secure and secure a reduction of taxes by going always too late. As the London nations have adapted their trade to ing over the list of governmental actually and sales.

TOTALNIA, GRECON

FORTLAND, GR after the war depends on our future tariff arrangements and shipping laws,

as well as upon the enterprise of our merchants. Growth of imports has checked the There are signs of preparedness all monthly increase in the Tavorable over Gregon and Washington—pre-paredness for the salconless ordeal that it would total \$2,000,000,000 or even \$2,500,000,000 for the year 1915 served the other day on the depot will not be realized. To November 30 served the other day on the depot will not be realized. To November 10 it totalled \$1.817,449,764. Increase of imports, combined with the railroad in five-gallon demijohns, syldentic for

was causing a steady growth of im-ports and shrinkage of exports and heavy exports of gold. When the war ends the same influence which has been but partly suspended will resume influence will map the foundations of along the 5-o'clock cocktail route will our normal prosperity when the abnormal prosperity produced by the war has disappeared.

VICE AND BABIES.

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brewery or a distillery. It is against that the statement as to bables will bear repeating. The report asserts that investigators found there were institutions in Baltimore to which the mother of an illegitimate child could mother of an illegitimate child coul The Americans who migrated to ment of an agreed sum and forever the aristocratic and plutocratic classes more than anything else to stir John western provinces are experiencing it. Of the hundreds of children thus taken in charge by the institutions, the name embarrassment as hyphenatic classes of the United States. Coned citizens of the United States. Constant calls for more troops to join the sale large number die and are hard. The working classes are experiencing it. Of the hundreds of children thus taken in charge by the institutions, the commission says that a remarkclasses as beings to be exploited for ten years if necessary. What they was heard as of

if Carada had been invaded, doubt- more, organized, heartless, law-defy- prosperity of both.

fight for the allies. Canadians, how- from a conspicuous Kansas editor ever, regard the war as their own just complaining of a recent statement in order, to effect this change, he has as fully as though it were being fought its columns that "next to Kansas, restricted the Briton's dearly loved on their own soil, and they view with Oregon is the chief proving ground for the country all the going economic fads and has limited the employer's war profits and the workman's drinking hours.

they be compelled to fight for the years. Have we not just elected Curtis and to "allow" the governmentate do must be expended. to the Senate? And did not James J. that which it should do without ask-All of which goes to prove the winingalls for a long time represent Kaning anybody's consent, but with the
dom of keeping out of a country which
has entangling alliances, colonial or
you say that the Ingalls epoch was
men and from 200,000 to 300,000 uncharwise. A European who emiconstructed to the United States knows that that Kansas just now is engaged in a tories, but cannot employ unskilled men for new munition factories, but cannot employ unskilled men without the unions' consent. Mr.

ada realises an obligation, for she values the tie which binds her to the mether country, but an American settler in Canada cares not a fig for that sundry approachable Populiets as a permanent or as a basis for a new deal tis. He should have stayed away from when Ingalis was elected. The facts the class war which is not entirely the country which might draw him were then laid before the Senator. suspended during the world war. Then the story continues:

THE BOAD TO LOWER TAXES, forced this result is again at work reform the method—to shift part of tions. It never deals with an evil out-What it is may be inferred from the John Smith's burden to the shoulders come of this class struggle or of the fact that 68.3 per cent of the Novem- of James Jones. The other has been war itself until that evil is upon it. It

that imports are steadily climbing dred-cent dollar." It has published an The Cabinet after the manner of

BRITAIN'S INTERNAL WEAKNESS, Slowly and with many jolts and creaks of the machinery, the British

government is accomplishing the task organizing an individualist state people, like the Americans, have always refused to become cogs, and the task undertaken by their government has been that of inducing the people to do of their own free will that which in Germany they would do by military order. Hence the re-peated appeals to labor unions for cooperation in producing munitions and the atrenuous efforts to induce men to volunteer for military service

to rather than be compelled to serve. The one great fault about the British conduct of the war is not adherence to the British ideal of personal liberty; it is the failure to take at the beginning the steps which are now becrastination with which each advance has been secured and the hand-to-mouth method adopted. One would naturally expect a great empire, recognizing that it was engaged in struggle for existence which would

but he may not store up his credits he is to favor the other.

But there is one aspect of the remember of their tenants. Indignation menths or twelve in six months. Yet he ought somehow to worry along.

The point is that Oregon makes no pretense of heing a prohibition state;

Oregonian. The developments are only a state without a saloon, or a construction of the remaining and the charges so ghastly so lead by landlords for raising rent.

personal liberty at many points. He He has induced unions to suspends Thomas, a Labor member of Parliaeffer." establishment of the status quo at the The story is that during the Sena-termination of the war." That means "retainer," the remainder to be paid after the war. There crops out again

REPORTS from the United States continue to double imports, but the latter
increase mouth by mouth and show
material gains over the corresponding
sell est. What that class war, allied with shortage in the three weeks' hard fighting of September and October. "this was the result of four months careful husbanding," and "the Generals stated that with thrice the quanachieved twenty times the result."

Lloyd George went on to say:

Here is a nation spending \$25,000,-An association with members in 000 and many lives daily on the war,

tage of the Underwood tariff, beneficant to them, but not to us.

Comparison of the figures shows that imports are steadily climbing dred-cent dollar. It has sublished.

back to the totals prevailing in the initial builetin in which various wastes politicians, has concealed its blunder

ought to speed that happy condition. and economic reorganization based on the principle that conflict of interest between rich and poor, between capttal and labor, injures the nation and should not be tolerated. A new Cabinet may arise with Lloyd George at its head, which may force that reorganizing an individualist state organization and may bring about irkutak-Vladivostok. Service has halted which every man is but a teamwork among the classes in the indfinitely for the Nord Express, with in the machine. The British nation's cause. Whatever changes it its compartments coming from Paria, nation's cause. Whatever changes it its compartments coming from Paria, effects in that direction will continue after the war and will make a better, more efficient, more prosperous Britain than before,

> One by one the Ford peace emissaries are deserting in disgust. What an incompetent lot as compared with a military expedition. Soldiers, be ing disciplined and consistent, would stick to their mission to the end. So with the manner of men and women who have done things in the world. Suppose Columbus had turned back merely tends to confirm the charge battle fronts. dreamers, unfitted for the serious business of mortal existence. should have thought better of them had they all clung to the mission to the bitter end.

mother of an illegitimate child could the would have guarded against them.

The troubles mentioned are due to determination. It takes a series of the wide, deep gulf which separates reverses fairly to arouse him. Those

of financing and fighting. In this war the colonial is more enthusiastic than many of the home-born.

The Ford party should, by all

If the belligerents would limit hostilities to singing, they would have cracked voices, but fewer cracked skulls, Rebellion in China, rebellion in In-

dia, rebellion on the Ford peace ship! Where shall the dove of peace find a resting place? An erganization similar to the Belgian Relief Commission is needed to

If in doubt, an Austrian submarine did it. When the victim is undoubtedly British, it's a German submer-

needy Serbs.

December must not pass without a Sleigh bells and runners are appropriate New Year's features.

An indication that money is be oming plenty is the talk of reducing

the interest rate on deposits: Austrians roll rock on Italians, More primitive methods of warfare, pursued in the first mountain war.

It must be fine for Doc Aked and Doc Gladden to be bossed by a woman It'll be easy to swear off on one

particularly bad habit this New Year. Now the ladies were not, as some might Good American money will build the Ford peace palace at Copenhagen.

bar before the last night.

in one of their visits (this time an Lucky Europe! Bryan has canceled his trip, since Ford is returning, The wise saloonman dismantles the

growling about the rain. Everything is coming Wilson's way. Today is his birthday.

Four days for "irrigation" and the Congress opena today.

Prosperity swells the ranks of the silk-stocking brigade. Barleycorn and Bootlegger are con

It's "sick transit" for H. Ford,

press trains, only four are still able to run. The four lines still open are the Ostend-Vlenna Express, the Berlin-Karlsbad-Marlenbad Express, a mer train; the South Express, Paris-Bordeaux-Irun-Madrid-Lisbon, and the Siberian Express, Moscow-Krasnojarsk-Irkutak-Viadivostok. Service has halted indfinitely for the Nord Express, with its compartments coming from Paria, Catend and Brussels, which left Berlin for Petrograd and Moscow, its sections splitting up for their respective destinations in Russia at Warsaw. The Nord Express was a brilliant European link in the far-spanning Trans-Sibertan Railway, and, in peace times, it pulled out of Berlin daily.

The popular Berlin-Tirol-Rome-Na-ples and Egyptian Express, whose many sections were always filled with travelers beginning about this time of the year, has ceased to operate. Its conductors and engineers, aristocrats among European railroad men, with Suppose Columbus had turned back at the first storm, ar Peary had halted when his food began to run short, or that any of those who have done things had quit before their task was completed. The Ford peace expedition in men and munitions to the various battle fronts.

Before the outbreak of the war, the Orient Express ran over a line cast and west; now it runs northwest and southwest. It was made up at Paris, and its route was Paris-Strassburg-Munich-Vienna-Budapest-Belgrade-Sofia-Constantinople, while one of its sections went to Bucharest. The Orient Express, probably, ran through more important capitals, eight of them, and bore a more truly international character than any other train in the world. The stations of this famous train were marked by the national cities of peoples, and its way halted at either end in earth's two foremost historic centers. The Orient Express was Europe's proudest boast in international railroading, and it represented luxury and comfort brought to the highest point that a sensitive patronage could demand.

The Riviera and Lloyd Express has ceased to run. This train was made up in Amsterdam. Holland, and finished its course amid the mild sunshine and the galety of the Riviera. It ran through Utrecht, Duesseldorf, Cologne, Belfort. Lyon, Marseilles, Toulon, Cannes, Nice, Monte Carlo and Menton Its German section made up in Berlin and joined the main train at Frankfort-am-Main. The Riviera and the Lloyd Express was a Winter train, and English, as the Americans speak it, verticate the merits of the evolution-The Riviera and Lloyd Express has

a protection against exploitation. Thus both they and their employers injure the industry on which depends the present of both.

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The one man in the British Cabinet who seems to have had the insight, the courage and the determination to the courage and the determination to gencies of war. It is even conceivable that Mr. Bryan might fight.

The Oregonian has a private letter from a conspicuous Kansas editor complaining of a recent statement in the courage and the financing and fighting. In this columns that "next to Kansas editor complaining of a recent statement in the British Cabinet who seems to have had the insight, the courage and the determination to the knife and peace only after victory." Thus do the beautiful sentiments of peace vanish before the eximple and the interest whose of each nation shout: "War to the representation to the knife and peace only after victory." Thus do the beautiful sentiments of peace vanish before the eximple and the interest whose of each nation shout: "War to color later the perison and the Caline-Basic express, between a time the Central Library to those of each nation shout: "War to color later who was a later to the knife and the interest whose of the perison shout: The perison shout: The Paris-Marseilles and the it wis to the Paris-Marseilles and the Caline-Basic express, a study of the rivals the Paris-Marseilles and the Caline-Basic express, a study of the rivals the Paris-Marseilles and the Caline-Basic express, a study of their schedules canceled by the war for of attendants, if Mr. Cline did not now an indefinite time. Practically all of take advantage of a score or more of the Binch Diamond, Empire State and books written by the ablest scientists Twentieth expresses of Europe are war-stalled, and such time tables as remain in force are, for civilians, unertain things subject solely to military advantage.

THE SOURCE OF THE ORACLE.

A number of women suffragist corps Went after the votes in the fashion of Lay siege to the enemy wherever we WAT: To our righteous cause we'll eventually bind him!

Spare not the aged, the tall or the short!
But fight him with reason, repartee, retort! We'll enlighten the mind of each manly see that relief for Serbia goes to the defender And never desist till we make him surrender!

So flerce was the enslaught they put all to flight—
Except for a few who continued to fight.
One of the last refused to unbend.
Curtly declining influence to lend;
Just listened in silence—refused to ex-

And waved them aside in this oracle

"Grain for the rooster! Grass for the hen!!
Tea for women! Coffee for men!!"
The ladies retreated; it must be confessed.
Their ardor was dampened, their spirits

depressed.
Though they falled to see any force in the oracle.
They admitted it hampered their labors rhetorical. But little they droamed that in destiny's They soon were to find the oracle's

suppose, Forever engaged in belligerent pose often, in fact, they'd all undertake To visit around for sweet charity's

asylum)
They lingured to help, to cheer and be-Quile 'em. One of the inmates, so the keeper ex-Read about the blizzard and stop Had never a glimmer of knowledge retained. Had been there for years, the records would tell. And this was the extent of his lunatic "Grain for the rooster! Grass for the

Ten for women! Coffee for mon!!"
SUSAN ANTHONY SMITH.

Help From Her Husband.
Judge.
Mrs. Crawford—If you're separated
from your husband and don't speak,
what do you expect to get out of him Mrs. Golightly-Alimony.

STUDENT OBJECTS TO TRANSFER

languages, sciences, etc. If they are compelled to drop them now, the little the majority have received thus far will represent so much wasted time, for to be of any practical value eight terms of a language are necessary, and the same may be said of almost any other major subject. This applies as well to the students outside of the department who take commercial subjects. A student who desires to go to college and at the same time take typewriting or shorthand to insure him a means of helping to earn his way is thus denied that privilege.

A number of students, myself among the number, would never have taken the course had they foreseen the pres-

the course had they foreseen the present situation. Certainly the regular studens would not have taken commercial subjects had they known they would be forced to abandon them.

As high school students, we entered the Pacific Coast. Lincoln expecting the privileges and advantages of such, and now we find ourselves scheduled for an old build-ing, with none of these advantages save only greatly hampered educational facilities. We consider this a breach of faith. "All work and no play makes

Jack a dull boy." Strange to say, that is just the way we feel.

If our City Superintendent, Mr. Alderman, must have a commercial high school to please him, by all means let us hasten to gratify his desire, but until one worthy of the name is erected, give vs Lincoln, the school we chose. It is worse than folly to pay \$16,000 to render an old building habitable when that amount would ald so materially in the construction of a new school. Again, what will fill Lincoln's

500 empty seats?
I am not acquainted with the exact the Orient Express was the first express in all Europe before the war, a train whose French. German and Australn sections were not surpassed by change their course. I am not acquainted with the exact form of the various battle fronts.

The Orient Express was the first express in all Europe before the war, a train whose French, German and Austrian sections were not surpassed by any other of the trains de luxe. It has now lost much of its international character; has changed its direction; and, in place of the wealthy and the renowned, it has taken to carrying soldiers and munitions.

Before the outbreak of the war, the Orient Express ran over a line cast and west; now it runs northwest and southwest. It was made up at Paris, and its route was Paris-Strassburg-dunich-Vienna-Budapest-Belgrade-So-duc Constanting law will one of its sections was paris-Strassburg-dunich-Vienna-Budapest-Belgrade-So-duc Constanting law will one of its sections.

I am not acquainted with the exact will shout should the proposed plan, but should the shoult shoult should the proposed plan, but should the shoult shoult shoult shoult shoult should the general principle of transference be carried out, many will go to for themselved still others will go to forever in disgust. Others will go to diverse still others will go to forever in disgust. Others will go to diverse will go to the sold the general principle of transference because will go to diverse will

make it worth while. Put yourself in our place, you who know how youth enjoys its school life, and ask your-

PORTLAND. Dec. 27.—(To the Ed-ltor.)—If Mr. C. E. Cline wishes to ined citizens of the United States. Con-stant calls for more troops to join the Canadian contingent in Europe have aroused among these hyphenated Ca-madians fear that they may be drafted into military service, and hundreds of them are returning to the United States. Con-states of the United States. Con-stant calls for more troops to join the canadian contingent in Europe have aroused among these hyphenated Ca-madians fear that they may be drafted into military service, and hundreds of them are returning to the United States (Con-states of the United States (Con-ten pears if necessary. What they was heard as often aboard this express as was any of the languages of Europe to species, I think the taxpayers of the Riviera way knew the idioms of succinning in the commission says that a remark-ten pears if necessary. What they was heard as often aboard this express as was any of the languages of Europe and soften aboard this express as was any of the languages of Europe and fortune, prove unkind. The rainbow base advanced space them are returning to the United States to avoid that contingency.

The Paris-Karlsbad Express has being the gate controlled by fa To the realm of the Happy Day then weekings the merits of the evolution-ten pears if necessary. What they was heard as often aboard this express as was any of the languages of Europe and fortune, prove unkind. The rainbow base advanced space their benefit. The working class re-tacked in initial efficiency they make up a form of the Happy Day their benefit. The working class re-tacked in initial efficiency they make up in dogged determination.

Before the war the Socialists of all mations were brothers who would nations and their employers faging their benefit. The war had a self-and a support of the evaluation of the evaluation of the extension of their benefit. The war had a self-and a support of the appear of the pears of the pe

in English, German, French and Italian, with adequate translations, to inform himself on a subject regarding which he admits that he seeks light.

If there is any volume by any biologist which the Library has not on hand and which the gentleman would like to read, so solicitous of the intellectual needs of himself and everyone else in this county is the Library management, that the book will be imme-

is no community in the world where fewer difficulties are put in the way of obtaining knowledge and more encouragement given to self-cultivation than here in Portland. Such being the case, it would be, to say the least, an injudicious application of one's time to call upon myself in particular to contribute wholly toward the enlightenment of Mr. Cline. He pays me too great a compliment by making such request of me, and one that I do ot deserve. WILLARD T. CARMACK.

Home Stone for Federal Bulldings. PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 24.—(To the Editor.)—I noticed in The Oregonian last Sunday that Thomas McCusker is authorities to use Oregon stone in the new postoffice building soon to be built in Portland. He is to be commended for his effort, but I predict that his offort will be in vain. Whoever heard

of think that stone came from here), but that would not do for a building here. They had to send of Indiana for stone. Why can't we get men in au-Not Compatible?

PORTLAND, Dec. 27.—(To the Editor.)—In The Oregonian are a number of articles about Brother Cline's of view on evolution and his change of view on evolution and his want of proof. Instead of aspersions, would it not be fair to inquire of our brother how he came to preach from the Methodist Episcopal Church pulpit for the number of years he occupied that exalted position and him a Dar-winite? F.C. WILSON.

Definition of "Neutral."

Puck. Willie Willis-What's a "neutral," op? Papa Willis-It is the punching-ag on which the belligerents practice

Twenty-five Years Ago.

From The Oregonian of December 28, 1890. W. L. McClellan, late of Ogden, Utah, has been appointed to the managership of the Pacific Messenger Company, of this city, and has already entered upon the duties of his office.

high Among the other public-spirited moves of the Oregon Alpine Club, it but has recently notified Hon. W. M. Col-

A great deal first and last has been said about the mildness of the Oregon Winter weather. Wild strawberry

The next attraction of the great star course will be Stella Brown-Pond, of Boston. Mrs. Brown-Pond is acknowledged by critics to be the first reader on the American platform and is a weman of fine physique and elegant

A NEW YEAR SOLILOQUY.

In days that were ere clouds of cars Had nestled on our brow. Each new-born year brought welcome cheer

And many a hearfelt vow.
That wisdom sage enhanced by age
Should blaze the devious ways
To golden strands in fairy lands.
In the realm of the Happy Days.

In youth it seems this land of dreams Lies veiled in azure haze; is dim outline, like rubies shine, Revealing pleasure's maze.

To the realm of the Happy Days. In vain we chase the rainbow base, And fortune, prove unkind. The rainbow base advanced space, Like ignis fatuus rays,

In the realm of the Happy Days. Years passed anon, life's evening sun Hangs low o'er Western waves, Those hillocks green that intervens Aha lonely grass-grown graves Their tenants deep in endless sleep, Unheeding fame or praise. Once joined the chase and ran the race

To the realm of the Happy Days. The perils passed, we've come at last To where the breakers roar; The Coast Guard says those happy days Are now the days of yore. There is a land with golden strand,

But Angels hold the keys; Those who cross o'er return no more From that realm of the Happy Days I'm Coast Guard here for fifty years Communing with the wind, But can't explain the moods of brain Or mystery of the mind. ase in this county is the Library mangement, that the book will be immelately procured.
It is not too much to say that there
In community in the world where
Those golden strands and fairylands
Are themes for poets' lays.
But here and now, our home I trow.
Is the realm of the Happy Days.

—FRANK HUGHES

Submarine Idea Not New. ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 26.—(To the Editor.)—I would be pleased to know who was first inventor of the submarine and if it was B. J. Holland. Any information you can give I shall be glad to know.

JAMES LEAHY.

When and by whom the first submarine was built is not known. It is even said that Alexander the Great was interested in submarine navigation. A French writer records that some English ships were destroyed by fire carried under water in 1372, By making an effort to induce the Federal 1727 no less than 14 types of submarine had been patented in England, In 1776 Sergeant Lee attacked, in a submerged boat built by David Bushnell, an English ship in New York harbor of our Government using material that was produced in the vicinity in which the building was erected? He would have a better chance of having Oregon ton developed the vertical and horizonstone used in a Government building tal rudders. A form of periscope extract was being built in the East.

They built a Federal building here isted as early as 1692. Before the days of steam, gas and electric power prothree years ago and they have a beau-tiful red sandstone near here like the stone used in the Oregonian building by Fulton in 1801 carried a sail when not submerged. When under water the torpedo, attached to a line, trailed au- after the submerged boat, floating thority that have a little common sense? In the 25 years since I cast my first vote I have not noticed any difference in this senseless policy, whether the Republicans or Democrats were in power.

C. C. KISSELL. built in the United States were of the Holland type

Christmas Business

Ask any merchant how "Christnas business has been" and he will point to signs of improvement.

In many cases increased sales have been quite large.

On all sides is a general feeling

Times are getting brighter, Unemployment is no longer a bugaboo. The Christmas trade has demonstrated what everyone felt was so.

It is a good time to consider push-ing harder for business—for doing more advertising.