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cial reports and hearsay, he would not have detected the bill permitting cities to use parts of them for parks, cemeteries and sewage. There are places where no other land is readily available for those purposes and they would not have been able to use the surplus of timber culture...

MAN'S-SIZE JOB. The Oregonian is indebted to its contemporary, the Aurora Observer, for the following report of a speech by the late Senator John W. Hill...

Do we need to add that the name of this great reformer is the Honorable George C. Brownell, of Oregon City? He has been a member of several Oregon Legislatures, and the record he made there justifies any audience of his in believing anything.

DOING RIGHT UNDER COMPELSION. Having on the eve of an election passed laws for the increase of the Army and Navy to a point approaching what is necessary for adequate defense...

When the flop to preparedness was made, the shaping of measures to put in effect was left in the House to the men who did the most creditable work...

Throughout the consideration of the two bills, Representative Kitchin, the leader of the House Democrats, continued to work against any advance toward preparedness. He was not willing to eat in the fourth year all the words he had uttered in the first...

ELIMINATING RAILWAY ACCIDENTS. As a result of forty years' research by a scientist who virtually made his home for thirty-three years of that time on a specially fitted railway car...

Portland and Oregon today and for several days to come will be in the celebration of Coo's Bay. The presence of many citizens in the parts of Oregon is designed to show the hearty and genuine interest of all in the triumphant result of Coo's Bay's long struggle for rail connection with the outer world.

first three years and which they abandoned during the fourth year only under the compulsion of political expediency. If they were to retain power, the country would again be permitted to lapse into the same condition of defenselessness in which they kept it for three years.

MR. HUGHES' POLICES. Mr. Hughes has made known what he would do as President. His speeches have not been limited to criticism of President Wilson. He has no "abuses" of Mr. Wilson's administration to be criticized...

He would restore the protective tariff without monopoly or abuse. By means of a scientific tariff commission he would place import duties at such rates as would enable American industries to meet after-the-war competition.

He would carry out the wishes of the Republican masses which nominated him and would be independent of the control of the Old Guard in the street, as he was when Governor.

He will exact from other nations respect for the rights of the United States and of American citizens in foreign countries and on the high seas and will respect the rights of other nations, attempting no aggression or territorial aggrandizement.

JERRY'S GRAND FLOP. Jerry Rusk—not the original and only Jerry Rusk of agricultural fame, but a modern Jerry Rusk flower which blooms in the Oregonian—finds the Republican atmosphere too much contaminated by the presence of Penrose, Cannon, Barnes et al., and he has joined Bill Hanley and one other in the grand progressive league...

The spirit of the Northwest Mounted Police is to get the criminal, without regard to the number of his crimes. They have just landed two Eskimos who committed murder three years ago.

The old-timer misses the smoke from the forest fires at this time. The heat wave checked its grip in Chicago and came West. The Chicago "board" knows what it means to be stung.

Montana Mutterings by Leona Cass Beer. SEVERAL new plays have already been produced in New York and more are in process of production. So you see the theatrical season is beginning...

A perfect husband has been brought to publicity in Brooklyn. He would have remained unheralded and unsung, but his wife is suing him for divorce. He gets to hear of his splendid qualities...

Leader of a little German band in Billings is suing a woman because she threw a plaster of paris bust of Wilson at him. It does seem a rather harsh rebuke, but maybe it was the handiest thing she could grab.

Massachusetts makes a plea that the hatred the human race now feels for snakes be turned against rats, and its ornithologist declares that the rat is more destructive, directly and indirectly, of human life than any wild beast or venomous serpent.

Oregon looks good to Eastern newspapermen. They have a way of dropping into a country office and asking the owner to name his price. On sight of the bookkeeping and the man to whom it would better hold on...

Life for Archie Bell, dramatic critic of the Cleveland Leader, is just one travelogue after another. He has recently returned from the Orient after three months spent in Japan and China and during that time he ground out a series of stories about the two countries that aggregate 32,000 words.

Advance notices say that "His Bridal Night" permits the two Dolly sisters an opportunity to display their skill as dancers. (Trotting and galloping, I reckon.) Still it is a good thing that the provision and opportunity for, as actresses the two Dollys are certainly good dancers.

Art Exhibits in Portland. GRESHAM, OR., AUG. 22.—(To the Editor.)—Has there ever been a pictorial art exhibit in Portland? We would like to know what the artist is entering a painting there? Where could information be obtained on this subject?

Attention Called to Situation if Interest on Improvements is Not Paid.

PORTLAND, Aug. 21.—(To the Editor.)—I believe that most of the property owners of this city who have had street improvements charged to their holdings since July, 1915, do not realize the condition they will be in if they do not make their semi-annual payments of principal and interest promptly.

There is no occasion for such a drastic ordinance. The city has been embarrassed only because interest was not paid as it became due. It has met with no embarrassment because of the non-payment of principal. During these strenuous times it should be satisfied with the interest and permit the principal to become delinquent without penalty.

COMING FAIRS AND OTHER EVENTS. Oregon, Salem, September 25-30. Washington, N. Y., October 2-8. Montana, Helena, September 25-30. Southwest Washington, Chehalis, August 28-September 14.

In Other Days.

Half a Century Ago. From The Oregonian August 21, 1866. G. H. Atkinson and party of mountain men reached the summit of Mount Hood on August 20 at 2:15 P. M. In the party besides Mr. Atkinson were Professor A. Wood, Rev. J. Boardman, D. Dexter Clark, John E. Higgins and G. H. Atkinson, Jr. The second party to reach the summit a few hours later comprised Messrs. Hoy, Campbell, Wintler, Carey and Elliot.

Twenty-Five Years Ago. From The Oregonian August 21, 1891. W. W. Lockhead, an attorney from The Dalles, is in the city on business. Miss Stella Reek, the new leading lady of Cordray's stock company, arrived at Hotel Portland yesterday from New York.

Several horsemen have returned from the Kenton inspection in Portland. A. L. Smith, Sam Bennett, Charley Tupper and T. H. Bulton. They all report a revolution in trail trotting is at hand. PRACTICAL LESSONS ON TARIFF. OREGON LUMBERMEN AND CHERRY-GROWERS KNOW FROM EXPERIENCE.

PORTLAND, Aug. 22.—(To the Editor.)—I see in The Oregonian that a new tariff and timber expert has come to town. Good as the expert is, I have a speech at the Jackson Club and told the Democrats there, just before they became nonpartisan and nominated that life-long nonpartisan, Judge Estens, for Judge, that it wouldn't help the lumbermen of Oregon any if there was a tariff on lumber.

Other Events. Railroad Jubilee, Marshfield, August 24-26. Racing Meet, La Grande, September 9-9. "Rickerell" word of early days. PORTLAND, Aug. 22.—(To the Editor.)—The writer cannot settle the Rickerell-LaCroce dispute, but it seems easy to disprove the statement that there was a "Rickerell" word in early days.

Requirement for Marriage in Oregon. PORTLAND, Aug. 22.—(To the Editor.)—The writer has a question regarding the requirement for marriage in Oregon. It is necessary to pass a medical examination in the state of Oregon in order to be married. If so, does not this apply alike to both man and woman? SUBSCRIBER.

War Not Formally Declared. PORT KLAMATH, OR., AUG. 21.—(To the Editor.)—Has Germany ever formally declared war on Italy, and Italy on Germany? DAN SAVAGE.

Arrested With Delinquency. LONDON TIT BITS. "What is this man charged with?" asked the British policeman. "Delinquency" was the unanimous reply of the six policemen who had made the arrest. Rocking the Boat. "Do man dat rocks de boat," said Uncle Eben, "generally can't swim an' needs de most rescuin'." Matrimonial Fiasco. Life. Cynicus—Oh, why women are alike. Sillius—Then why should any man commit bigamy?