PORTLAND, OREGON. -Invariably in

Sunday included, one year... \$8.00
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y, one year.

THE BRITISH CABINET CRISIS.

The fall of Premier Asquith is the ople for more vigorous prosecution been liked the better for it. They have evidently come to the con-clusion that, whatever be Mr. As-Mr. Lloyd George has an opporclusion that, whatever be Mr. Aswith him.

cution of the war, and that all considcounded by a bureaucratic, or plutoeratic, office-holding class which made other folderol which gathers which he overrides every obstacle. around an ancient governmental machine. This class could not get out of its rut, could not speed up and could not assimilate and act upon new ideas. When his own and his asso-When his own and his assohe defended instead of mending. He denied that munition makers slack. When the need of explosive shells became apparent, he again denied and tried to punish the newspa-

per which published the truth. When criticism rose to a storm, he tried to silence it by taking the critics into partnership in the government. He has not been a leader. The people have driven him to take every forward step in organizing the nation for war. They drove him to reluctant adoption of conscription, to employ scientists in devising new engines of war, to enlarge the contraband list, to make the blockade more efficient, establish the munitions ministry, to defend the country against Zeppelin raids, to investigate the costly flascos at Gallipoli and Kut, to intern enemy residents, to root out German interest from British business, to arrange con-certed trade measures among the al-Not one of these measures was initiated in the Cabinet; all were urged on the Cabinet from outside and idopted reluctantly after much urg-

Refusal of the Premiership by Mr. Bonar Law and acceptance of the ofcracy: the most remarkab war. He has been most frank in warn- moved across the Atlantic and, must be used in order to win and in about, he has come to stay. confessing that Britain has always one main purpose.

Along with Mr. Asquith will go Mr. negro and Roumania; Lord Lans- from it. Carson; Mr. McKenna, who has been knickknacks on Christmas has gone, denounced for reluctance to drive perhaps forever. It is not at all dif-German banks and manufacturers out ficult to spend \$25 or \$50 on a boy in interning enemy residents.

the "ginger group" of both the Liberal | be traced with any degree of certainty. and Unionist parties, which demands Still, we are boys only once in a lifemore ginger in the prosecution of the time, as we are so often reminded, war. He may have been deprived of the support of the Labor party by his plain talk about union restrictions on munition output and by union oppo- automobile for Christmas, Johnny tral empires and they will have at tally indiffe sition to conscription, of which he Jones must not be blamed if he inwas one of the first advocates, but sists that Sanfa Claus shall not dis-Nationalists have been driven into op- as ours, it is unthinkable that class preportionately increased. position by the severe measures distinctions should be permitted to adopted after the Sinn Fein rebellion sour the gladsome season of good-will, and by the failure of the home-rule cheer and extravagant giving compromise, but they may be won by the revival of that scheme

lownfall. The new Cabinet marks the formation of new parties advocating opposing policies in dealing with the war. It will have a strong opposition, possibly including the Nationalists and possibly including the Nationalists and Laborites, and in any case composed nearly \$119,000,000 in partly manu-held by the Russians. These lines affectured goods and \$45,000,000 in ford means for Russian reinforcements

party lines by pushing into the back-manufactured goods, namely, more ground old party issues. Until it is than \$1,500,000,000. hold on by success.

Most significant is the presence of Mr. Bonar Law in the new Cabinet. one month..... 75 had now a resident of England, How to Remit—Send postoffice money be taken to voice the opinions of the war local bank. Stamps, coin or currency at sender's risk. Give postoffice address the speur local bank. Stamps, coin or currency are at sender's risk, Give postoffice address in full, including county and state.

Postage Rates—12 to 16 pages, 1 cent; 18 to 32 pages, 2 cents; 51 to 45 pages, 2 cents; 51 to 45 pages, 3 cents; 62 to 76 pages, 5 cents; 62 to 76 pages, 6 cents; 62 to 76 pages, 6 cents; 62 to 76 pages, 6 cents, 62 to 76 pages, 7 cents; 62 to 76 pages, 8 cents, 62 to 76 pages, 6 cents, 62 to 76 pages, 7 cents; 62 to 76 pages, 8 cents, 62 to 76 pages, 8 cents, 62 to 76 pages, 8 cents, 62 to 76 pages, 9 cents, 62 to 76 pages, 62 to 76 page been marked by increasing influence writes as follows: Canada, and Massey, of New Zealand, have been unflinching in their approval of the Lloyd George policy of The fall of Premier Asquith is the war to a knockout. They have dared result of a demand from the British to tell unpleasant truths, and have The of the war, for an end to blundering dream of imperial federation has been up as an authority superior to the Atand to shielding of the blunderers. brought much nearer realization by torney-General or District Attorney in in view of the increased buying ca- laboratories are inaccessible consump-

quith's merits as a peace statesman, tunity unequaled in the history of the becoming humility and confidence.

| A peace statesman | tunity unequaled in the history of the becoming humility and confidence. | Nevertheless, for breeders have been that many of his associates have failed Carnot, of the first French revolution, the organizer of victory. The circum-Mr. Asquith's failure is due to his stances under which he assumes coninability or refusal to recognize that trol resemble in some respects those the emergencies of war demand that under which Carnot won fame. As making it a misdemeanor to sell more be heeded with advantage by others a ruler be ready to cast aside all hab- the raw levies of the French at first than twenty-four lottery tickets in than fox ranchers. The principles its, customs, traditions and opinions suffered defeat at the hands of the any consecutive twenty-eight days but of eugenics are to be ruthlessly apwhich interfere with successful prose- invaders, so have the allies been defeated in war and diplomacy in Easttary ends. From the outset he acted on the assumption that criticism of his acts called for defense, as though it were inspired by political rather.

Even Europe. As Carnot's genius aware, no parallel law has ever been passed upon by the courts, but our living continue to advance at frequent intervals the "marketing by of the line of the li than patriotic motives. He was sur- Carnot, but he has shown great genius as an organizer, as a leader in rallying the people to the cause, and in devoa god of precedent, red tape and all tion to a single purpose, to accomplish

MAKE LINEN IN OREGON.

The growing of flax in the Willamette Valley is already a proved suc Notwithstanding the difficultles encountered at the State Penitenplete success has been had at Eugene with the aid of the Chambers of Comnerce of that city and Portland.

But we should not be content to grow flax for sale to factories in other states and other countries: the linen ndustry should be established in Oregon to use Oregon flax. A good be-ginning has been made at manufacturng Oregon wool into cloth in Oregon; the same course should be followed

One of the large centers of the inen industry has been Belgium, a been scattered in exile. Skilled labor if the law does not interpose serious obstacles. Another great linen center is Ulster, in Ireland, and skilled workmen may be obtained thence, if the British government is not too rigid in preventing emigration. Capital will come more readily if assured of skilled labor as well as raw material.

MAKING TOUS IN AMERICA

fice by Mr. Lloyd George accord the fice by Mr. Lloyd the logic of the situation. Mr. Lloyd George has been the one strong, drivGeorge has been the one strong, drivconsequence of the European war. ready had the confidence of the Brit- Heretofore a chief center of the play- the north, as far eastward as a line ribute to his ability and character is whose people are this year devoting the extent to which the Conservatives, all their energy to the grim business who were formerly bitterly hostile to of fighting and making munitions. him, have rallied to his support. His American manufacturers say they influence with the labor unions in- have so firm a grip on the new busiduced them to suspend their restrict- ness that it never can slip away, ive rules, to accept conscription and to Santa Claus—the American Santa throw their whole energies into the Claus-may be said in truth to have ing the people that all their resources prophets know what they are talking

The new American industry been too late. He has been most un- been built up, oddly enough, by first compromising in his declarations that the war must be fought to a knockout. He permits no considerations of birth, rank or wealth to interfere with Noak's arks, the wooden soldiers and the sliced animals of former times Balfour, a Premier emeritus who is The new toy takes the form of a mewedded to old ways; Viscount Grey, chanical appliance, in many instances whose altruistic diplomacy drove Bul- and its popularity may be a good garia into open and Greece into covert augury for the industrial future of the young American. Something more ure to the crushing of Serbia, Monte- than mere amusement is extracted

the observing parent that by no means The new Premier is likely to take all of the money thus expended goes his colleagues from what is known as for purposes the utility of which can. may yet conciliate it. The Irish criminate. In a great democracy such

OUR ACCUMULATING WEALTH. After exceeding half a billion dol-Among Mr. Lloyd George's col- lars a month during August and Sepleagues are likely to be Mr. Bonar tember, the exports of the United Constanza and to an offensive in the Law, who has stood with him in his States again fell below that mark in Carpathians forming the western efforts to move the Cabinet to greater October. The total was \$490,613,280 foundary of Roumania and Bukowin energy; the Earl of Derby, whose re- against \$515,007,408 in September. cruiting campaign was a wonderful Imports increased from \$164,038,614 success. Attention will now be confeat in a last attempt to avoid con- in September to \$176,423,897 in Octo- fined probably to extrication of the scription; Sir Edward Carson, who ber. This decrease in exports and army from the trap which the Teu-left the Cabinet to show disapproval increase in imports brought about a tons have set for it and to the forma-

be a coalition of elements drawn from both of the main parties which existed before the war, it will not be a coalition in the same sense as was its coalition in the same sense as was its and the trade balance would be \$2,360,446,359 and the river makes the final bend to the Black elements with the scarcely veiled pur- 061,905,834, the latter figure compose of silencing criticism. It had no paring with \$1,778,596,795 in 1915. organized opposition, and that sup-losed source of strength promoted its 31 there was an increase in every to Galatz, and thence to Bender class of imports, but it was largest in crude materials, being over \$300,000. There was an increase of over \$6,000,000 in crude foodstuffs, \$47.

Balfour. The war has obliterated old bulk of the increase in exports was in passes, of the Busau line and of the

ended, at least, there will be a new alignment on questions of war policy. By ceaseless, intelligent criticism the United States is likely to add annew opposition may prove a source of other \$6,000,000,000 to its accumuthis move would relieve Transylvania strength to the new Cabinet through lated wealth. This vast sum would from danger. More important still, keeping it gingered up. It cannot hold more than offset all the remaining it would give them command of the on, as did the old coalition, by gather- American securities held abroad and entire Danube to its mouth, and would ing into the fold all leaders and leav-ing no opposition except scattering as a creditor of all the rest of the rines and destroyers down the river guerillas of the rank and file; it must world, with an immense balance in its into the Black Sea. It would also favor.

> LET DEMON DIE IN PEACE. With a confidence in the legal

the dry standpoint, it is better to ac-

The present prohibition legislation would be comparable to a statute or two tickets. So far as we are to early death. fuge to permit violation of the constitution makes interesting specula-

poses in limited quantities is uncontitutional, the penalties for exceed-

whether the Attorney-General is right solution. or wrong on this phase of the prohibition law. Inasmuch as the imdispute the right to import would betlarge part of whose population has til the Legislature meets. If the inter accept the situation gracefully un-

whole of Southern Roumania, constituting the old principality of Walnow held all of Western Roumania between the Danube River on the south and the Transylvania Alps on eawn from the mountains th which has been holding the western cross the Danube against the Gernorthward in order to escape envelopthe capital Both the Roumanian force hat which has abandoned the capital have one line of retreat northward-the railroad which runs from Fateshti, in the bend of the Danubeout in order to reach that line the Oregon Country was young Bucharest army must hold the road which runs eastward to the latte town.

The territory already occupied by the Teutons embraces a stretch 190 miles from east to west and 120 miles from north to south. They have to go 100 miles farther east in order to close the gap between their present downe, who prevented conciliation of Ireland by defeating the compromise share toward increasing the cost of of the Danube except the part extendwhich Mr. Lloyd George had arranged living. The day when Johnny was of the Danube except the part extendbetween Mr. Redmond and Sir Edward satisfied with half a dollar's worth of ing from Hirsova, some 25 miles below Chernavoda, to the mouths. The territory they hold includes more than half of the great grain and fruit of British business and for mildness nowadays, and it is needless to tell fields of Roumania and the valuable oil field around Ploeshti. They have captured a large part of the grain crop, though much has doubtless been destroyed or carried north into Molda This year's crop was 20,350,000 bushels of wheat, 27,500,000 bushels of barley and 27,500,000 bushels of This will form a welcome addition to the food supply of the centerritory so long as they occupy it. Their power of endurance has been

The Roumanians seem to have made unsuccessful stand after another in the expectation that Russian asistance would come in time to enable them to save Bucharest, but that assistance has been limited to a force which was insufficient to recover the Chernavoda bridge and the railroad to which has met with relatively slight of the Balkan blunders; possibly Lord Montague, who is the foremost champion of an air service given equal rank with the navy and army.

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The aim of the Teutons would seem bring them to the Russian frontier only 100 miles from Odessa, the principal Black Sea port. It is of great importance to the Russians to hold the Danube delta, lest Teuton vessels deprive them of control of the Black Sea and lest the great grain stores of Odessa fall into the enemy's hands.

Production of foxes for their skins has reached a high state of developon Prince Edward's Island, ment where it is estimated that \$30,000,000 is invested in fox ranches, and price for single skins; have reached \$1500 this season. But it is said that few that the bone-dry amendment, repealing as it does any laws in conflict with it, repeals past two years, notwithstanding the phold the same importance does not at tach to time. However, convenient, account in limited quantities. Is this not true, and limited quantities. Is this not true, and cannot The Oregonian suggest some way to enforce the constitutional amendment? as ranches have paid dividends in the The Oregonian would not set itself with the wild fox, and larger purinterpretation of law. Moreover, from pacity of Americans who have recently profited by the boom in the muni-Nevertheless, fox breeders have been There is an inhibition in the consti- compelled to adopt measures to safetution against sale of lottery tickets. guard the future of the industry and have adopted the catch-phrase, "Breed, weed and feed," which could saying nothing about the sale of one plied and inferior foxes are doomed

tion, in view of the fact that to de- the consumer the necessaries and the ly leave the constitutional provision fraction of their present cost. One But half a loaf is universally ac-knowledged to be better than none. Nobody is likely to offer himself as possible sacrifice to determine from the farmer is another matter for

As astronomical events go, this porters seem to be content, those who dispute the right to import would betthat only for a space of seventeen minutes. However, so far as rarity lachia, in their hands. The Teutons makes a thing valuable, the eclipse rates high, since the last occurrence of the kind was in June, 1794.

late Judge Brents, of Walla Walla Ploeshti and Bucharest to the Dan- who died Monday, was the only daugh-The Russo-Roumanian force ter of William McCown and wife, who crossed the plains in 1852, settling in approach to the Chernavoda bridge Clackamas County, and later moving to Waitsburg, Wash. She was marman-Bulgarian army in the Dobrudja ried to Thomas H. Brents in 1868, and will probably be forced to retreat she resided in Walla Walla continument between the latter force and the to a day that the wife passed onward ously since 1870. It was in six weeks nain Teuton army, which has taken to rejoin her husband. Mrs. Brents which has been holding the bridge and her social and charitable endeavors filled a place in the community by that were not lessened by the duties of wife and mother. She was a real helpmate of the kind and spirit bred in womenfolk in the days when the

Oregon Country was young.

The determination of the fair managers in session in this city to spend more money next year in newspaper advertising and less in "freak" ways is action along practical lines. This was shown in the success of the Oregon Country was young.

The determination of the fair managers in session in this city to spend more money next year in newspaper advertising and less in "freak" ways is action along practical lines. This other habits good, but still he counts of the greatest number.

The determination of the fair managers in session in this city to spend to excess.

"I. Is this harmful? His appearance is that of a robust man—appetite fine, other habits good to the greatest number.

The writer is not disposed to believe that the President had ulterior political ally the only it was the first and usually the only item. The writer is not disposed to believe that the President had ulterior political and the high cost of living. No doubt if this system would be mendable in every way. It shows that this great daily, when occasion arises, can eliminate partisan bias and discuss conomic and industrial questions from the viewpoint of the greatest good to the greatest number.

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The New York Herald expresses the iean suspicion that women are boycotting eggs for no other purpose than that is from his smoking." to save money with which to buy lewelry. and the large increase in importations tally indifferent to the good will of

may yet be met by placing a huge should at electric sign, "Portland," flat on the should do. roof of one or more of our tall buildthick with aircraft as it now is with

to afford a car.

How is it that fog, rain and snow How is it that fog, rain and snow prevent fighting everywhere in Europe except where Germany takes the offensive. Does the Kaiser stand in as well as fattening. Therefore, you are

One of the unexplainable things is

why a man hears all sorts of noise during the night while his wife is away. The young man who figures on

a Christmas gift is on the right track Dr. Steiner is one of the rare offi still adhere to Mr. Asquith and Mr. completed manufactures. The great to advance for the defense of the professional distinction,

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

Questions pertinent to hygiene, and prevention of disease, if matters of g eral interest, will be answered in this co onally answered, subject to proper limitations and where stamped addressed envelope is inclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. quests for such services cannot be answered.
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CONVENIENT LABORATORIES.

It is desirable that public health

ence between haphazard guesses and of

Then there is consumption. Where tives go carelessly on spitting everywhere and thinking they will be all right in the Spring.

It is not taught that if a diagnosis of syphilis can be made in the first days of the disease a month of proper treatment will end the contagiousness of the disease except a relapse be al lowed to occur.

Most states now have public health laboratories. All cities of size have Smaller places have had to do without because they felt they could not afford the expense, whatever might

Wisconsin has a plan for these smaller places. The state board of health guaranteed to eliminate the much- has provided for a series of state coabused middleman and procure for operative laboratories. To each of these inboratories the state pays \$500 clare such a law void would seeming- good things of life at a theoretical a year to be applied to maintenance. We will say that here is a town which without supporting enactments of any of the neglected phases of this depart- feels that it cannot afford a laboratory. ment of study, however, is the ques- It makes arrangements to do the lab If that portion of the legislative tion of credits and guarantees, and oratory work for a group of nearby enactment which by implication per- this must receive attention before the towns for so much a year. Then it mits importation for beverage pur- marketing-by-mail plan has any approaches the state for a grant for chance of success on a scale of mag-nitude, Middlemen as at present or-tive laboratory. The state makes its ket, the practicability of growing it limit probably fall with it. ganized make the study of credits grant when certain conditions have ket, the practicability of growing it in that event one might import a and collections an important part of been met. First, the quarters and the carload of liquors, acklowdege they their business, and even with their equipment must be proper for the were for beverage purposes, admit exceptional facilities do not escape work. Second, the place applying must says: that he was violating the constitution without some loss. This will need have a whole-time health officer. and impudently ask the authorities to be taken over by the farmer who Third, the men in charge of the labwhat they were going to do about it. hopes to do a mail-order business of oratory must be competent. Fourth, the laboratory must do public health work for the country round about the

Two Mild Strokes.

town in which the laboratory is lo-

cated. Under this law several co-op-

erating laboratories have been estab-

C. G. B. writes: "Last April I had til the Legislature meets. If the in-terpretation given the law by the various reasons, connected partly not raise my right hand to my head can be provided by promoting the authorities is not sound, then a ruling with the difficulty of obtaining transto that effect would probably bring portation, astronomers have not made the whole prohibition structure tum-THE CAPTURE OF BUCHAREST AND portion of the open ocean about half but the next day I was well as usual. What course is to be followed in order to avoid these attacks? I am 68 years Capture of Bucharest by the Aus-tro-German armies puts almost the one-tenth per cent of the total diame-old and saw wood and do other things

REPLY. You have had two strokes of apoplexy, both mild. You may not be so fortunate next time. To lessen your chances of another stroke live as follows: Eat fruits, Isabel McCown Brents, widow of the sparingly of meat, milk and eggs. I should not oftener than twice a week. Keep you owels regular with wheat bran eaten as bread and as a cereal. Have your urine examined for indican. Regulate your diet s that you do not have indicanurie. above methods of living should prevent in

Heart Murmur.

Mrs. J. M. C. writes: "My brother, 34 by a well-known old-line company be-cause of a heart murmur. The exam-ining physician told him he had a by the railroad officials themselves. good one.' Naturally it made him blue. He is married and has two children. and now he is brooding over it to quite evinces a breadth of view which is com

To be sure, a reasonable age under such a condi-Mr. Lea had a fair that ranked as per-fect, but it needed expert service to "2. Do they always die young? I try tell the people so, and he secured it. to cheer him up, but he 'won't cheer.

It is rather late in the day to mention He has lots of insurance in two or three ester J. Davis as the man who made other companies, which he has had for it was threatened last Fall. for his little family.

"3. What mode of living would you suggest for him.? I am so worried about him. His health is really very good, with the exception of spells' occasionally, but I feel certain

accidents are caused by pedestrians I tell him that butter and milk are who get in the way. There is no doubt much better for him. Since reading Those who escape realize the what you wrote about gallstones I am ruth in the statement as soon as able rather worried. Which of us is correct? REPLY

> right. The reason he has not been passing so

One can understand why a Tory should find it hard to serve under a Welshman, but Lloyd George and the times are different.

Popular Vote for President. PORTLAND, Dec. 7.—(To the Ed-ttor.)—Please, as nearly as you can, state the recent popular vote. To save any furthed bloodshed and betting. give, in figures, the majority of Mr. Wilson over Mr. Hughes. J. H. HINKLE.

Only an estimate can be given at this time. The estimated figures are: cials who possess business acumen and Hughes, 8,100,401; Wilson, 8,563,713, Wilson's majority over Hughes, 403,312. verb.

GUARDSMEN WANT TO RETURN Family and Business Affairs Suffer From Prolonged Absence.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 7.—(To the Editor.)—The cartoon on Thanksgiving day was one of the best and most appropriate that I have seen for some time. It has done more to stir up an ungrateful public than anything writ-ten about the subject of "Bring the Boys Home" that I know of, and I, being personally interested, have kept close tab on the subject. There are some persons who have

sons or relatives (not husbands) on the border who can afford to keep them there, thinking, I suppose, that they are doing a wonderful work, but I think I am safe in estimating that sentiment at 1 per cent of the total in-

It is desirable that public health laboratories be convenient and accessible. In the case of diphtheria time is the essence of the contract, as the lawyer would say. If the diagnosis be made early a small dose of antitoxin will cure. If it be delayed no amount of antitoxin will cure some of the cases and 20,000 units are required to cure others.

In the diagnosis of malaria and typhold the same importance does not atwho never intended making the Army their career, whose regular life is up-set, whose family and business are not adjusted to the long absence. In case of war or threatened war (such as June 18, 1916) all eustoms are overthrown and National habits are thrown into a more or less chaotic state. A man leaves his home with a heart to endure any fate, which, I imagine, is patriotism. I have felt it. It is a mental jag that wears off quickly in a peaceful pursuit of picking cactus out of your breeches under a blistering sun on the horder.

on the border. Many of the men originally earned large sums of money and their fami-lies were accustomed to comforts, and their problem is almost as great as those of poorer circumstances whose dependents have been ousted from their homes or sent to drudgery.

This is the issue, however, and many of the employers in the first rush of enthusiasm agreed to continue the wages, or make up the difference between the Government pay and the salary the soldier was getting before he went to the border.

Politicians gathered around the

went to the border.

Politicians gathered around the Clackamas camp and promised everything under the sun, but who knows how many, if any, have kept their promises? Some of the big employers did for a while, but the old adage, out of sight out of mind, helds good. The ublic and those that represent it not seem to realize or are apathetic as to the sacrifices made by the families of the men on the border. Not only our own small quota, but thousands from all over the country. I returned a short time ago from the border and have received my discharge from the Army. I talked to many men on the border and I know the sentiment. have two letters before me, one from Troop A and one from the battery. One says: "For God's sake, can't you peo-ple do something to get us back? There have been Il deserted from the battery, and three from the cavalry. Get us back before we all desert." Under the circumstances desertion is condoned by the boys. This is the sentiment. There is one desertion I have in mind where the employer of this soldier stopped his pay the first of October. His wife was here. The wife tried to get a job, but was unsuccessful. She went to Canada to her folks. He deserted. Can you blame him? I don't.

C. G. B. writes: "Last April I had a moderate attack of paralysis. I could not raise my right hand to my head once and for all under our present sysvarious reasons, connected partly with the difficulty of obtaining transportation, astronomers have not made preparations to view it. The eclipse preparations to view it. The eclipse will occur on Christmas eve and its visibility will be confined to a small portion of the open ocean about half way between the Cape of Good Hope and the South Pole. Only one and one-tenth per cent of the total diameter of the sun will be obscured, and that only for a space of seventeen received to make the control of the sun will be obscured, and that only for a space of seventeen received to my head for three weeks. The symptoms gradually abated, and in five weeks I was in five weeks I was like in five weeks I was on behalf of the boys on the border. They were sent down there to hold the border until the regular Army was recruited to full strength. It cost \$80 for each recruit and they have stopped for each recruiting long ago. For what inducements can a man in fail offer to a man outside? Some of the guardsmen took the oaths under duress and will not keep them and will not obey any summons in the future. The Guard is gone. The answer to the question is a higher The answer to the question is a higher wage for the standing Army and universal service at the proper age, the Government to take care of the dependents of those who are needy.
THOMAS A. SWEENEY.

PROPOSAL IS ABSOLUTE JUSTICE President's Railroad Policy and The Oregonian's Stand Commended.

DALLAS, Or., Dec. 7 .- (To the Editor.)-Your editorial, "The President's Railroad Policy," in my opinion, was a candid discussion of the real issues involved in the Adamson law. the public expects, and all that it should expect, is legitimate legal protection years old, was refused life insurance from the direful consequences of either The Oregonian in expressing earnest hope that Congress will a

that the President had ulterior political motives in view when he recommended to Congress the immediate passage of the so-called eight-hour law, but that he had in mind the irreparable financial loss a strike or lockout would have brought upon the country at the time brought upon the country at the time it was threatened last Fall.

The average consumer probably never gives a thought to 15-cent collines and advance of about 16 per cent over former prices. Why not wear a soft shirt and boycott the collar? Tais would also save laundry bills, as any able-bodied housewife can launder soft shirts.

President Wilson now earnestly appeals to Congress to enact into iaw the principle "that the operation of the railways of the country shall not be react to the disadvantage of the constopped or interrupted by the concerted action of organized bodies of men until public investigation shall have been inmovement would receive very few restituted which shall make the whole cruits when they see that any chances question at issue plain for the judg-ment of the opinion of the Nation," and

The following words appear in ient's Wilson's Thanksgiving President's roclamation: "I also urge and sugges our duty in this, our day of peace and abundance, to think in deep sympathy of the stricken peoples of the world upon whom the curse and terror of war 'has' so pitllessly fallen," etc. Is this a grammatical sentence?

would insist on saying. "The curse and terror of war 'have' so pitilessly fallen," but it is evident that the President desires to express the idea of the "curse and terror of war" as an entity, and there is a higher grammar which permits this. A parallel is found in manufacturers or vendors of wine, beer permits this. the lines of Kipling:

The tumuit and the shouting dies The captains and the kings depart. The captains and the kings depart.

Formal grammarians have criticised question stand for individual liberty kipling for this use of "dies," but other and temperance rather than for coercritics accept it as better literary form.

Kipling seems to have had in mind the "tumuit and the shouting" as a single idea, which would not have been conveyed with nice exactness by the plural verb.

They do not believe in prohibition, because they consider that prohibition accords neither with Americanism nor conveyed with nice exactness by the plural verb.

STUART MORROW.

In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregonian, December 8, 1891. Washington, Dec. 8 .- Crisp has been washington, Dec. s.—Crisp has been nominated for the Speakership on the 30th ballot, Mills was second, Springer third, McMillan, Hatch and Stevens in order in the contest. The voting began Saturday and ended Monday.

The Chicago Herald says that Secretary Morton has signed W. E. Parrott, better known as "Jiggs," of the Portland baseball club of the Pacific Northwest League.

It is announced in England that Sir Arthur Sullivan, the English composer, who has been seriously ill, has been reconciled with his old ally, W. S. Gilbert. With D'Oyle Carte they were in a box at the theater in London re-

Captain Harry Wells, of Company K, First Regiment, Oregon National Guard, who represented Adjutant-General Mitchell at the convention of Adjutant-Generals and Guard officers in Chicago, has made his report

A splendid audience greeted W. T. Carleton and his opera company in "The Gondollers" at the Marquam Grand last night in spite of the storm.

Half a Century Ago. From The Oregonian, December S. 1866.

New York, Dec. 6 .- The World's Brownsville correspondent has provided particulars of General Sedgwick's move-ments in Mexico and the occupation of Matamoras by United States troops.

New York-Flour is selling at \$10 to

The Walla Walla Statesman is urging the construction of a telegraph line between Portland and Walla Walla.

Colonel Gaston l'Artols, whom the late San Francisco dispatches mention as having been tried for piracy, in the seizure of the brig Basco, at Cape St. Lucas, was formerly a captain in one of the California regiments and sta tioned at Fort Stevens, Or

Mrs. C. Levy has now on exhibition fine collection of cloth and velvet

PROSPECTS PLEASE NAVY RECRUPT Portland Boy Finds Food Good and Opportunities Excellent.

PORTLAND, Dec. 7 .- (To the Editor.) As there appears to be some doubt as to the possibilities for a young man in the United States Navy, I would regard it as a favor if you would kindy publish this for the information of any men who may care to learn.

Last February I enlisted at the Navy recruiting station in this city and was sent to the Naval training station on Ferba Buena Island, in San Francisco Bay. After a short period I was de-tailed to the yeoman's school, and was taught accounting, auditing, typewrit-ing, shorthand and commercial practice. I attended this school seven months and upon graduation was appointed a yeoman, third class, with monthly pay of \$33. This does not seem large to the average civilian, but this pay is entirely clear at the end of the month and would compare favorably to a position in civil life where the compensation was \$70 or \$75 per

At this my advancement has just begun. If I stay an enlisted man my pay will eventually arrive at approximately \$115 per month. On the other hand, I have the best opportunity to become a warrant officer, with pay which eventually arrives at close to \$4000 a year. At present I am attend-ing the midshipman's preparatory class at the training station, where higher mathematics and regular college courses are given to boys who wish to take the competitive examina-tion for the Naval Academy at Annapo-lis, where they attend for four years

and become officers. other stroke live as follows: Eat fruits, ents of those who are needy.

THOMAS A. SWEENEY.

In regard to the food I can truthfully say that I consider it the best and the variety is much larger than say that you will be wise if you eat meat

PROPOSAL IS ABSOLUTE JUSTICE you get in almost any private home. From my personal experience I would earnestly urge any young man to en-deavor to enter the Navy, if not for a vocation, then for the splendid training which is afforded in the N service. EUGENE W. COBB Naval

447 Marguerite Avenue, City. WHY FARMERS' PRODUCTS ALONE?

Specific Bo, cott Will Only Bring Trouble in Long Run. REEDVILLE, Or., Dec. 6.—(To the Editor.)—In your editorial "Who's to Blame," as I understand it, you would advocate people practicing economy in everything they use as a means to re-duce the high cost of living.

No doubt if this system would be practicel by every one in a systematic way, it would reach the desired end.

action of organized bodies of men until public investigation shall make the whole stituted which shall make the whole question at issue plain for the judg. of obtaining fair returns for labor is

spells' occasionally, but I feel certain that is from his smoking."

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The need for signs to guide aviators may yet be met by placing a horse play golf during the Summer and do gymensor of one or more of our tall buildings. That will be when the alr is as those incognitions. That will be when the alr is as those in second of one or more of our tall buildings. That will be when the alr is as thick with aircraft as it now is with mosquitoes in Summer.

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PURPOSE OF NEW ORGANIZATION American Temperance Association Not Liquor Interest Scheme, Says Writer.

PORTLAND, Dec. 7.—(To the Editor.)

The Oregonian publishes a statement this a grammatical sentence?

H. L. M.

By Mrs. Ada Unruh, of the Women's Prohibition Club, that the American Temperance Association is "but a part of the meshes of the liquor interests"

net throughout the country."

As organizer of the American Temperance Association, will you permit me to state that it is not connected, or spirits. The American Temperance Association aims merely at uniting in one organization that great body of