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men to fight for the country, though the wages offered and the conditions of employment make the soldier's job the least attractive. The Secretary again relegates the Army to the position of the last refuge of a man out of a job.

AT ASTORIA. The other day there was an election at Astoria, wherein Mr. F. C. Harley was elected Mayor by a surprising vote—three to one over his opponent, or 1800 to 600, in round numbers.

Dr. Alfred Kinsey, speaking briefly to the Democrats in the audience, pointed out the fact that Mr. Harley was not, never had been elected Mayor by a surprising vote, and was in no way entitled to the support of Democrats.

Probably it will be recalled by the public that Mr. Harley led the naval-base campaign, on behalf of Astoria, and that he had several acrimonious exchanges with the Senators on the subject.

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DAVID WATSON CRAIG. The death of David W. Craig at Salem removes the last but one of the early journalistic figures of Oregon. Mr. Craig was a man of many talents.

Thirty officers of the Fifth New Jersey Regiment will resign as soon as they are released from border service, and they will take the oath, combined with the revelation of what burdens it imposes, will disintegrate the Guard.

Not 10 per cent of the employers who promised to continue the salaries and keep open the jobs of employees who were called out have kept their promises. One reason for this is that their officers' letters stating that their families have been evicted from their homes for non-payment of rent, and some families are in absolute want.

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Telephones, better roads, automobiles, bicycles and rural free delivery are solving this problem. The farmer can do without a horse, and he can get rid of his house against flies and mosquitoes. His lighting system has vastly improved.

WALKING. The health department of New York City the other day announced a "walk-to-work" day, for the immediate benefit of the participants and for the instruction of a public which has been afflicted with colds and other ills.

Who is there would venture a guess as to the number of individuals attending school in the United States? The annual report of the United States Commissioner of Education shows that in the whole country there are 23,500,000 persons attending school.

Representative Adamson's desire to spank both parties to the railroad controversy is easily explained as due to the fact that the railroad men and the boggy eight-hour law. Neither the railroad managers nor the brotherhoods wish to have their relations regulated by act of Congress.

Sarah Bernhardt still refuses to be anything but young. Only a few days ago in New York she appeared in a play written especially for her, and she spoke the lines in English, too.

Truly, love is optimism, and the optimist has all the best of the battle of life. Mme. Bernhardt contains within herself the attributes of a life that runs on and on, and is youthful to the very end.

One reason why the back-to-the-land movement has not been so conspicuous, success has been that it was too indiscriminate. The enthusiasm of the authors of such books as "Ten Acres Enough" often carried them beyond bounds. One who would have thought, to read what they said about it, that all a man needed was a homestead and a hoe to make a quick fortune.

What Lloyd George will have to say tomorrow may repeat the result of the Dumra's action in the wheat market. The Wilsons, like millions of other citizens, have a home Christmas, where Santa Claus will find them.

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Gleams Through the Mist. By Dean Collins. GARDEN OF VERSES ON THE CHILD. FREE VERSE INVOCATION. Tenth Muse. Whom Don Marquis calls, Imagiste, Doggerel, and other names.

Among other things I learned That THE CHILD'S character depends Largely upon its environment And the previous condition of its adenoids, tonsils, teeth and other anatomical factors.

Let folks who can afford it spend, But Not Overcheer Themselves. CANBY, Or., Dec. 15.—(To the Editor.)—I have read in The Oregonian an article, "Why Economize on Luxuries" in reply to the "City Lady" of Canby.

THE GARDEN OF VERSES. POSY NUMBER ONE. The man stood in a tattered cord, And danced upon a void. Because they say, in childhood's day, He had an adenoid.

POSY NUMBER TWO. The villain hurled the heroine Into the flood beneath! He was not bad, but when a lad They did not flinch teeth.

POSY NUMBER THREE. My name is Captain Kidd, (As I called, as I called), My name is Captain Kidd, (As I called), My name is Captain Kidd, (As I called).

AN ITALIAN GARDEN. When Borgias were dallying With strychnine and the knife, And in the evening sallying To take a neighbor's life; To bad historians, I ween, Who painted them so black, Should really have gone back and seen What made 'em fly the track.

STILL ANOTHER POSY. Attila, Attila and poor Pancho Villa, They might have had tempers as sweet as vanilla, But were there was the guy who could fix up their eye.

AND ANOTHER. Beat the drum slowly and blow the fife lowly, And play the Dead March as you bear me along. Take me to the green valley and throw the sod o'er me.

Three Kinds of Guns. In spite of the European success, and owing to the opposition of General Crozier, the Lewis gun is not officially adopted by the United States. General Wood last Summer held a competitive field trial at Plattsburg between the Lewis, the Benet-Mercier and the Vickers guns.

TOO NEGLECTED MAKING MONEY. Fathers Neglect Moral Instruction of Their Boys, Says Writer. PORTLAND, Dec. 16.—(To the Editor.)—I have been reading the article "Why Do Men Go Wrong?"

Foreign War Primer. By National Geographic Society. It's a dull week in the chronicles of diplomatic maneuvers when the birth of a new kingdom or the rebirth of an old one is announced in the family of nations.

Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregonian of December 19, 1891. Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 15.—The convention of the American Federation of Labor adopted a resolution at its morning session favoring a woman's suffrage amendment to the Constitution.

Half a Century Ago. From The Oregonian of December 19, 1866. We learn that there are now two companies of soldiers at Fort Vancouver, and that, owing to the impracticable nature of the roads, Captain Smith's company will remain at that post till Spring.

Hans Richter Gave Prestige to Music in Manchester. PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—(To the Editor.)—Would you permit me to supplement the news of the death of Hans Richter, as stated in your issue of Dec. 15, with a few more facts?

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The Columbia Press urges the removal of Indians from the Indian reservation at Siletz. A fine sidewalk has been completed on three sides of the Courthouse block and the fourth, or West side, will soon be finished.

Down in California the farmers are calling for more rain. Wish they had a part of ours. Enlistments Not Encouraged. PORTLAND, Dec. 18.—(To the Editor.)—I find in The Oregonian an article headed "Soldier's Family Wants" and another headed "Why Economize on Luxuries" in reply to the "City Lady" of Canby.

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