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Active, positive, aggressive work for the uplifting of Portland commerce and industry by the people of the city, and by all corporations having interests here and deriving support from it, is the chief need of the port. That is the conclusion to be drawn from the speeches delivered at the dinner of the Traffic and Transportation Association.

WHERE ARE THEY?

"Some of our lawyers," says a distinguished local rabbi, "are discussing the question of war, with considerable heat, and all persons not agreeing with the proposition that this country should be at once in a state of war are denounced as traitors."

THE ZEPPELIN.

A curious newspaper paragraph contains the interesting information that the total losses of human life by the Zeppelin raids of England were something over 100, while in the same period there were nearly 1000 deaths from motor-bus and automobile accidents.

THE SENATE COMES UP TO DATE.

At last the United States Senate has become a genuinely legislative body as distinguished from a deliberative body. Hitherto it has devoted its time to deliberation with small regard to the necessity of dispatching a certain amount of legislative business in a given time.

SPELLING.

An old-fashioned spelling bee, developed to state-wide proportions, has recently come to a triumphant conclusion at Olympia. The conception belongs to State Representative Summers, who gave the prizes, and the winners were furnished by School Superintendent Freeman. This was the first of its kind.

WHY MR. MARTIN DID NOT SING.

Abscess Over Right Eye Under Treatment Here and in San Francisco. PORTLAND, March 9.—(To the Editor.)—May I be given space to correct an erroneous impression regarding the case of Ricardo Martin's non-appearance in "Faut" Tuesday night?

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Pastoriza Plan Discarded, Though Author is Elected Mayor. HOUSTON, Tex., March 4.—(To the Editor.)—I understand that the election of J. J. Pastoriza as Mayor of Houston is being heralded as a single tax victory. Now, the single tax was not even an element in the mayoralty campaign. There is no single tax law in force in Houston, and here we have been. That Pastoriza is a single tax advocate is well known, but all of his single tax "doings" here at Houston were contrary to the constitution and general laws of Texas.

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Fire-Eating Pacifist Would Defend Filibuster on Field of Honor. WARRENTON, Or., March 8.—(To the Editor.)—In The Oregonian March 6 you refer to pacifists as cowards. Now, I want to say right here that I think Senator Lane is a very brave man to stand by himself all the day long. As for myself, I am ready to meet you on any war booster on a field of honor, or they choosing the weapons—anything from fists to cannon. But I absolutely refuse to go to some foreign country to protect Rockefeller.

SOUBRE GRAPES.

In discussing the probability of which is nearly accurate, the United States Weather Bureau, The Oregonian assumes a somewhat extreme position. It doesn't know why Mr. Hicks is not on the Governor's weather bureau, but it is probable that those who believe in ground heaves, goose bones and rheumatism signs start a little later than Mr. Hicks on the general prognostication. The Oregonian would not doubt that the Rev. Ike is dead and has been for some time. Even the average saint cannot bring him back by use of the sacred recall—Corvallis Gazette-Times.

LOOKING FOR OFFICERS.

Six thousand enlisted men of the Army may be converted into officers for a great volunteer force in the event a general call becomes necessary. This is according to announcement at Washington. Each regiment is to name sixty, and while this will not give the desired total of 6000, no doubt the rest can be secured by special allotment among the various branches of the Army.

EDUCATION IN ALASKA.

Wrangle has a population of about 1000 and two schools. The Common Council in each incorporated town of Alaska is required to appropriate not less than 25 per cent nor more than 50 per cent of the moneys derived from issuance of various licenses in use to this percentage to be used in providing public school facilities for white children and children of mixed blood who lead a civilized life. The School Board is elected by the qualified voters of the town.

Information on Honolulu.

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