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THE WEATHER.

The little effort of old Boreas to inflict on western Oregon a visitation of snow has been abandoned.

Wednesday night, and continued intermittently for several hours; but by morning the deed was done.

Portland car patron need not worry over a return to a discarded hardship.

Water power does bring his blessings in war times.

Portland citizens to get an extra 250 feet of catch his morning car?

LAWS ARE TOO LAX.

The maximum penalty was imposed by Federal Judge Howe on Franz von Rintelen and his fellow-conspirators for placing explosives on board the steamer Kirk Oswald.

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every-day modes. Mr. Shonts' plan possesses greater interest than the ordinary fashion note because of the influence it is likely to have upon the work of working women in every other field where they may be employed.

WILL SKIP-STOP COME BACK?

That interesting experiment of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, known as the "skip-stop" system of operating cars, has all but been forgotten by the Portland public.

It was hailed as a means of giving better service. It was announced as a way to faster transit and better adherence to time schedules and as a move toward economy of operation.

But it appears to have failed in Portland. At least it has long been abandoned.

Whether it served its theoretical purpose or not is a matter of opinion. But it elicited a complaint from car patrons who objected to walking an extra block.

The experiment is recalled at this time because the Fuel Administration has under consideration the question of requiring urban and interurban electric roads to put the "skip-stop" schedule into effect.

There are approximately 50,000,000 cars in the United States each day.

Trust is put in specialists in every other calling, but not until war is actually upon us do we see a specialist in the art of war.

The American people should rejoice that Congress has had the small modicum of sense to retain the skeleton of an army with which they began.

Because these are the facts the I. W. W. is losing its grip. It has been exposed as a lawless, disloyal organization.

It is twenty years ago that the explosion of the Maine made the American people resolve to fight Spain.

Some editors are born lucky and others have it spilled on them.

They do things better in France. Bolo Pasha got a death sentence for plotting peace.

Von Hertling is soon to make an oner speech, but the season for verbal artifice will soon pass.

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thought that they are working to help their country in overpowering the most deadly and most powerful enemy who ever attacked it.

We hear much of morale in the armies as a great influence in deciding battles; there is as much need to cultivate morale in the shipyards and in every other industry.

Lumbermen are not opposed to the eight-hour day itself. They oppose its enforcement in this section where it is not enforced in other sections.

With them the limit is the amount of work they can do in a day without impairing their health.

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is such a surplus of labor that the production can be kept up regardless of the hours.

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A Rancher's Soldier Boy.

By James Barton Adams.

I've been to the soldier camp, mother, and spent a whole day with our boys.

An' his manly an' soldierly bearin' filled my heart with full measure of joy.

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ALL DAYS SHOULD BE SMOKELESS.

Nothing in Favor of Tobacco Habit, Says This Observer.

Portland, Feb. 15.—(To the Editor.)—Every wife knows she could do the more readily smoke if only her husband would quit tobacco.

Thanks for the text. The housewife is right. Tobacco, viewed from the standpoint of an economic waste, is a menace to the country.

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In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago.

From The Oregonian of February 16, 1893. Three persons were instantly killed and 16 were seriously injured in the recent street car accident in Portland.

Portland, Feb. 15.—(To the Editor.)—I have been following the proceedings of the controversy at Jefferson High School and in the S. C. May and Himpel case and am in perfect accord with the decision.

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both employers and workmen, must be filled with the idea that they are engaged in military service.

Not a matter what decision we come to regarding recognition of the basic eight-hour day principle.

It is Seattle's turn for the fiendish plot. There is a ban on a hundred miscellaneous shops of Tacoma.

Death is easy fate for Bolo Pasha. He was better on Devil's Island, to suffer long punishment.

There's examples for California Republicans in Indiana.

Efficiency must reach right down to the garbage man.