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WISCONSIN'S GOOD NAME AT STAKE.

Wisconsin stands before the United States as a state which has at best just drawn back from an open declaration of disloyalty to the country when it is engaged in the greatest war of its history.

These humiliating facts, which show in darker colors because both of the candidates for the Democratic Senatorial nomination are straight-out Americans, are the fruits of La Follette's alliance with egoism, obsessed with fanaticism, this super-demagogue has perverted the Republican party of his state from its sound, honored principles to the cultivation of class hate.

The political doctrine which has masqueraded in Wisconsin as Republicanism can best be described as La Folletteism. Following in the wake of Berger made at the primaries at the expense of Thompson proves that this new ism is but a halfway house on the road to Socialism.

The men in the Republican party at large who have trafficked with La Follette for immediate political gain without regard to the serious permanent injury which they are not only inflicting but to their country, cannot evade their share of the responsibility for the fact that that state has become a hotbed of disloyalty.

It takes a hardy nerve, or a strangely guileless nature, for any man or woman in these times to join hands with any such organization, whether disloyal or under suspicion of disloyalty.

When we analyze the difference between work and play, said Mrs. Fred T. Dubois, of Idaho, recently, in an address on woman's adaptability to farming.

It is now the duty of every loyal citizen of Wisconsin to forget all else and so vote that his state will elect a loyal American to the Senate.

One of these days there may be a house-cleaning at Washington, which will clear out of the departments all the clerks who have suddenly bloomed into Army or Navy uniforms.

about a threshing machine, like having the endurance of men not inured to it. The woman who can undertake it safely is an exception to the rule.

There is no doubt that the hearts of the women of the country are in the task of winning the war, but it needs to be established that the best purpose will be served by assigning them to extensive manual labor.

The Legislature in 1915 passed a law which gives officials discretionary power to grant a 5 per cent differential in favor of Oregon materials and Oregon manufacturers in the letting of contracts for public works.

It seems to be opportune to call attention to this statute. Not only is the upbuilding of Oregon industries desirable in order to establish permanently the prosperity that has been brought about by additional payrolls, but there are at this time transportation difficulties and there is on that account an injunction from the Government to buy at points nearest to production.

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burg field from Germany, while an advance through Belgium would give the allies the coal mines of Liege and Limburg. A further advance of twenty miles from the Moselle River would deprive Germany of the Saar coal district, and an advance of eighty miles northeast from the Belgian frontier would carry the allies to Essen and would put them in possession of the great coal and iron field of Westphalia.

By Germany lost the territory described, her power of resistance would be so vastly diminished as to be practically gone. About half of Germany's iron, or half of her domestic supply, is drawn from German Lorraine. This, with 2,000,000 tons a year additional from Westphalia and the bulk of the coal supply, would be lost by a retreat behind the Rhine.

The Dock Commission is to let a contract today for a large amount of cement. The commission may properly bear the law in mind if there shall be a fourth winter of German occupation.

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Behind the big bluff of a tremendous offensive may be a sneak through Switzerland. The Kaiser is not above it.

Stars and Starmakers. By Leone Cass Baez. SOMETHING for aesthetic dancers to worry about; the economy board has ordered that in order to conserve wool no more than four yards and a half of woollen material shall be used in any garment.

Speaking further of aesthetic dancers, didja ever notice how they seem to think that no one in the audience is from Missouri.

Here's a pretty little thing from Maywood, N. Y., which may be of interest to members of local dramatic endeavor societies.

Following a series of written complaints from patrons of his chain of Orpheum theaters, Martin Beck issued circular orders to his managers this week instructing them to censor all song repertoires offered by acts playing the circuit.

Two songs were specifically mentioned in the order and were banned as un-patriotic, "Don't Want to Get Well" and "There'll Be a Hot Time for the Old Man When the Young Men Go to War."

Major passes a private sealed on his haunches whittling; asks for a match. Without looking up the private replies: "Naw! Major passes on, giving no heed. Private looks up as Major is disappearing in the distance, rushes after his superior officer, salutes and apologizes. Major listens and says: "Forget it, my boy, but take my advice—never do that to a Second Lieutenant."

Wilson Minsler was called in the gambling investigation Assistant District Attorney Smith is conducting in New York. When asked if he had played chemin de fer at any of the gaming clubs, playwright Minsler replied he had, often, because it is a simple game and he wasn't called upon to think while playing it.

Lillian Russell, who has not appeared in musical comedy since the first Weber-Fields revival six years ago, is playing as featured assistant to Raymond Hitchcock in "Hitchy Coo" at the Colonial in Chicago.

Blanche Bates and Holbrook Blinn are to head a company to give entertainments to speed up American and Canadian recruiting.

Wonder which one of the Kaiser's sons he has selected for King of Ireland?

Francis Carson, who played Judy in "Daddy Long Legs" the last time it was here, has gone into pictures.

MOSES AND HIS LIEUTENANTS. Co-operation Co-ordination Not a New Thing. Exodus xliii:16-26. And it came to pass on the morrow that Moses sat to judge the people; and the people stood by Moses from the morning unto the evening.

And when Moses' father-in-law saw all that he did to the people he said: "What is this thing that thou doest to the people? Why sittest thou thyself alone, and all the people stand by thee from morning until even?"

And Moses said unto his father-in-law: "Because the people come unto me to inquire of God."

"When they have a matter they come unto me; and I judge between one and another; and I do make them know the statutes of God and his laws."

"Thou wilt surely wear away, both thou and this people that is with thee; for this thing is too heavy for thee; thou art not able to perform it thyself alone."

"Hearken now unto my voice, I will give thee counsel, and God shall be with thee. Be thou for the people to Godward, that thou mayest bring the causes unto God."

"And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws, and shalt show them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do."

"Moreover, thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties and rulers of tens."

"And thou shalt cause the people to know all the statutes which the Lord thy God hath commanded thee, then thou shalt be able to endure, and all this people shall also go to their place in peace."

So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father-in-law, and did all that he had said.

And Moses chose able men out of all Israel, and made them heads over the people, rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties and rulers of tens.

THAT "SMILEAGE" LOOK. If it drips up a tear and induces a sob, "Be it ever so humble," the thing is worth while.

It is not to be scoffed at, although it is "chaff."

Oh, any old thing that's a foe to the "old" thing.

Is the lane that in haste we should seek for and choose?

We need it each day to annihilate gloom.

Before he has tried with the others his place.

And he who by worry is fretted and stressed.

Has a handicap start and his chance is half lost.

If you yearn to be loved and to live to old age.

There's a hint you should heed, be you statesman or sage.

Those things that, perchance, have denied you a smile;

In Other Days. Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregonian, March 21, 1903. San Francisco, 25-Representative C. H. Blount sailed from this city at noon today on the revenue cutter Bush, bound for Honolulu on a secret mission for President Cleveland.

The concrete foundation of the Union passenger station will be completed this week.

The Council has instructed City Surveyor Hurlbut to lay out the city's new boundaries.

Property owners who hoped to have improvements made on the installment plan are in for disappointment.

Half a Century Ago. From The Oregonian, March 21, 1868. The merchandise market presents very encouraging features in view of department and trade is far in excess of the past year.

The river has been rising the past few days and experienced steamboat men say it is from the head.

Printers on The Oregonian sent heartfelt thanks to Messrs. Ludwig & Weiser, proprietors of the East Portland Brewery, for excellent lager thoughtfully supplied them, and predicted a big growth for the firm if the quality kept up.

The Democratic convention has passed a resolution calling upon the Government to appropriate funds to assist railroad building in this state.

FINANCING OF HOSTESS HOUSES. Money Raised by Popular Subscription for 61 Buildings.

PORTLAND, March 20.—(To The Editor.)—Replying to the question asked by one of our regular subscribers regarding the financing of Hostess House, I am glad to send the following information:

The war work council of the National board of the Young Women's Christian Association is directly responsible for the erection and maintaining of the Hostess House at Camp Lewis.

HEPPELBERG, Or., March 18.—(To The Editor.)—(1) Please state whether an enlisted soldier now in the service in Texas, whose home is in Oregon, can hold on a homestead in Oregon or elsewhere?

(2) Also kindly tell me where to write to get information in regard to whether an alien has taken out naturalization papers in New York state and also where one would write to find out if papers had been taken out in Oregon.

(1) An enlisted man may make before his commanding officers a declaratory statement which will enable his wife to obtain a homestead anywhere she chooses.

(2) In New York state the various Superior Courts and in Oregon the Circuit Courts all have jurisdiction in naturalization papers.

(3) Can a license bought in one county be legally used in a different county?

(4) What is the difference between the marriage laws of Washington and those of Oregon?

(1) Only one witness is required, but he must know both the man and the woman.

(2) The man must present a health certificate executed by a physician licensed to practice medicine in this state.

(3) The license must be obtained in the county in which the bride-to-be resides. It can be used in any other county.

(4) Detailed information concerning the marriage laws of the State of Washington can be obtained by writing to the County Auditor of any county in that state.

Paper Box Magazines. PORTLAND, March 20.—(To The Editor.)—Please let me know what paper is published and where in the interests of the paper box industry.

Better direct as usual to Fort Stevens until you know definitely that the company is overseas. Your letter will be forwarded.