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PORTLAND, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 1918

ELBERT WRITES ANOTHER LETTER. Editor Bede, at Cottage Grove, is a troublesome person. He is not only vidious, interest in the candidactes the year. the various Bede activities. For it is, subtle, but the most powerful and er ought to be, clear, that as Candidate Bede he is doubtless attending ganda yet existing in America. closely to his political welfare, and that as Editor Bede he is entitled to survey the whole field and put his finger, or a hammer, in the machinery whenever his journalistic perception suggests that it may either elicit valuable information or make trouble.

tary of State, Mr. Olcott—now a can-didate for Governor—asking him whether or not be would appoint his ownership of the street railways of sides. Oswald wouldn't want it from feated three to one him. The accommodating Oswald atti-

Pleased with his great success in This time he considerably broadens the inquiry. wald West and Walter Pierce toward platform. the Non-Partisan League, which is From the purely political standpoint about to explode a Jack Johnson in it is well to start municipal ownership if it doesn't turn out to be a ernor in the Republican primary, and tensions or curtailments.

Mr. West, it is presumed, will be a The definite effort to candidate for something, when he can sentiment in behalf of municipal own-make up his mind what for, and in ership in Portland, as already said.

Doubtless Mr. Olcott will be able to bring his rendy letter-writer into immediate play, as usual, write a nice te, and affix a three-cent stamp if it is state business, it will be state stationery and a state-furnished stamp; if it is not, it will not be-and inform the inquisitive Beds about his arrange ments, if any, with the Non-Partisan League, and his expectations, if any from ditte. We shall also look for full details of the Olcott conferences with the gentlemen who are responsible for the embryonic Non-Partisan League in Oregon.

We shall be greatly disappointed if Mr. Ofcott fails to rise to the occasion and denounce the unpatriotic activiand to protest against the league propaganda in Oregon. It is a fine oppor tunity for him to show his real stature as a citizen and candidate; and, of course, he will not miss if.

THE COST IN HORSES.

The Red Star Animal Relief Asso elation has compiled figures showing the war, the immense demand for horses in Every hitherto unheard-of degree, cause of lack of animals to withdraw the world ever saw-the destruction advance, and the British sacrificed world-wide democracy. fewer guns because of their superiority in horses. It is highly necessary tained.

that give evidence of approximate There are about 4,500,000 horses and mules in use by all the was close to \$50,000,000.

horse to each three men. For an nearly four years, with the horrors of There is every reason why the quesarmy of 2,000,000 there would be re-invasion added. Let us take France, the country which Prussia scorned as because "before America's entranced at least 750,000 animals, in ddition to the constant stream fol-owing to make up losses in battle. Do not despise the small sums, for cans of German blood were frankly lowing to make up losses in battle.

pation of the final day is the chief function of the Red Star. Incidentally, it is doing a work of mercy. Its high economic value is shown by the estimate that fully 80 per cent of all sick and wounded horses, which in former wars would have been given up as lost, wars would have been given up as lost, are being saved and sent back to their batteries. In this respect, the veterinarians are accomplishing a feat alminost Sunday, six months. 3.25 without Sunday, six months. 3.25 geons in saving men.

by, one year.

LET US HEAR FROM SANDY. From our patriotic contemporary. the Aurora Observer, The Oregonian

reprints the following: eprints the following:

In the town of Sandy, Clackamas County,
German Lutheran school has been holding
essions live days in the week, teaching Gerian in the forenoon and English in the
fternoon, and running in opposition to the
unite schools and greatly reducing its atendance. Sandy merchants and others in
andy who have protested against the opertion of this enemy school in their midet,
ave been notified in a round-about way
hat if they continue their opposition to the
shool they will be beyondted.

Let us have further perficulars. In-

Let us have further particulars. Ined, the purpose of The Oregonian in giving widespread publicity to the Observer's report is to elicit the facts. We should like to know:

Are all classes for half a day taught in German? If so, why? What is the Superintendent of chools for Clackamas County doing about the depleted public school attendance, if it exists, and the reasons

therefor?

Do the Sandy merchants think more of their business than of their patriotic duty? It is not conceivable German has been dropped from the a candidate for office himself.—State Seattle schools. German is provision-Senator for Lane and Linn—but he ally cut out of Portland schools, and takes a particular, not to say in- will be dropped outright at the end of The movement to elimiof others for other places. At first nate the German language throughout blush one might say that Candi- the country is general. It is not date Bede would do well to look out prejudice or ignorance that wars on a for himself; but a little reflection will language, but the sound instinct of show that there is sound warrant for the American people against the most

A MANUFACTURED ISSUE,

both distance and another difference between Tacoma and New York, bu there is likely a forecast in the recent example, not long ago Editor Tacoma election of the fate of city Bede addressed a letter to the Secre- ownership schemes in New York or

brother-in-law. Oswald West, or any New York as a means of escaping the other Democrat, to a Senatorship in 6-cent fare. Poor service, inability to case of vacancy. The reply of the make extensions and probable increase satute Ben was that he would not of rates caused enthusiasts to submit appoint Oswald, but a Republican; the same issue in Tacoma. It was de-

It may be that Portland is headed tude thus made it easier, of course. We toward a vote on municipal ownership were all considerably relieved to learn of street rallways. But it is a poor that Oswald and Ben understand each time to raise the issue. It is hard to other so well about the Senatorship, center the public's mind upon doubt-Allogether the Olcott reply was satisful experiments, and there is money to factory to all, including Oswald.

be raised for more important purposes. be raised for more important purposes. The main virtue in municipal own-

his first epistolary interrogation, Edi- ership, if it be a virtue, is its political tor not Candidate Bede tries again. platform possibilities. There is always e considerably broadens somebody, who has no convictions ex-He wants to know the cept the one that he wants office, ctive attitudes of Ben Olcott, Os- ready to run on a public ownership

the camp of the old parties in Oregon of street railways in a small way. "dud." Observe Seattle. Mr. Pierce is a candidate for Gover-nor in the Democratic primary. Mr. candidate's pre-election promises are Olcott is also a candidate for Gov-complete without something about ex-

The definite effort to arouse public what primary, or in no particular pri- may succeed in bringing the matter to a vote. The scheme must neces-Mr. Pierce, with that candor for sarily call for purchase of the present which he is famous, will, of course, system with horrowed money. Whether not hesitate, to say that he is for the Capital Issues Committee would Partisan League, so long as it is permit the bonds to be marketed if Was he not one of that little authorized is an open question. group of Democrats, half-Democrats would guess that it would not, with and occasional Republicans that met lack of necessity so apparent. And, behind locked doors in Portland, a as also said before, the issue prospers few months since, to arrange for the best when there are candidates to run approaching accouchement of the new on a public ownership platform. There party in Oregon? Ah, yes. Walter are no city officers to elect just now was there. He will tell Mr. Bede all It is a lot of fuss about something that

BACK UP YOUR SOLDIERS.

Any man who goes into a fight ment of the position of German-born fights better when he knows that he Americans toward the war before and diers and sailors have gone into the ranks of Germany's enemies. greatest fight in history. They will should set them thinking and should fight better through knowing that the lead them to support the United whole American Nation is backing States, not grudgingly as an irksome them now is to subscribe for liberty hearts, because we are fighting for bonds without regard to the limit the principle of democracy and to es. The facts relative the least amount that will satisfy its make it safe in other countries. present needs.

Give the soldiers your backing, for they are fighting for us, for our lib-

They offer their lives. You are only asked to lend your money, and to deny yourself some luxury. By this self-denial you will do double service to the country, for you will both lend your money to the Government and release material and labor for use in the war.

Every subscriber to the liberty loan, even to the amount of only \$50, is to They offer their lives. You are only

the war and the importance of con- even to the amount of only \$50, is to serving the supply as a possible means that extent a capitalist, for capital is of turning the scale of battle when simply money saved out of men's earnthe critical moment arrives. Although ings. Uncle Sam asks for the back-motor transport has been developed ing of 15,000,000 capitalists, big and the little, in his fight with the Kaiser. All horse is still indispensable. The Ger- should become capitalists by investing mans in 1917 lost many batteries be- their money in the greatest enterprise safety during the allied of autocracy and the establishment of pride has been hurt."

The dollar which could be invested in the liberty loan but is withheld is tions only, but the whole world," that this superiority shall be main- a slacker. The soldier hates a traitor, pities a coward, but despises a slacker, The figures compiled by the society whether it be man or dollar. Spare are the first given since the war began your money from earning the con-

from a fight, Congress voted nineteen billion dol-Losses of the French on a sum, and is about the total sum ex- ents are divided not altogether three-mile front at Verdim were 5000 horses. The allies have bought in America for their own use about 1,500,000 animals, their transport being accompanied by heavy casualties. Deaths on this side were about 32,000 and more than 6000 died on shipboard. The value of the horses shipped to Europe from the United States in 1917 was close to \$50,000.000. countries, and compare France's losses declare war. Then, says the author The primary need of an army, not-with our prosperity. America has just withstanding the relative unimpor-tance of the cavalry, is more than one has endured without quaking for of other origin?

of the 22,000,000 horses in the United they make the big totals. In 1871 pro-German." They tacitly or openly States, only a small proportion are Germany exacted an indemnity of a approved the sinking of the Lusisuited for war service, so that the billion dollars from France and occu- tania and other ships, and none of time may not be far distant when the pied certain Franch territory till it them condemned it. That was their supply of available animals will be should be paid, expecting that would position throughout the two and a cahausted.

But in 1872 France raised half years before America's entrance

mall capitalists, paid it to Germany other origin cannot be blamed if they and told the German army to get out. And it got out. Small savings eman-cipated France, and they can save mocracy.

Oregon should go over the top by completing its quota of the third lib-erty loan, then should advance across No Man's Land into the enemy's trenches by making a big oversub

one realizes that the end is approaching and that the reward is near

The poets sing oftener of the gorgeous Autumn than of the tearful sunshine of the early Spring; but there lurks behind the Autumn the thought of Winter not very far away. It is this which makes the Springtime the best season of the year. For the joys of anticipation, as even the confirmed optimists know, are keener than those of fulfillment, and there are at least six months of good weather in prosalready beginning to plan joyfully for the life outdoors.

Blossoming orchards and brush fires in the clearings and steam rising from the furrow behind the plow tell of preparation for the serious work of the year. All that has gone before has been preliminary; all that shall come afterward will be but the reaping of that which is being sown now April is an important month in this part of the world, and a great deal ds upon the use that is made of It must be admitted that there are it. Its lengthening days should not be asted-not a minute of them.

ENLISTING THE BOYS.

No important industry in America has suffered more by depletion of its man power in the past year than agriculture. The reason is two-fold. There have been large numbers of volunteers for the Army and Navy, and still larger numbers have been won by the promise of higher wages in cities. The farms in every agricultural county in the United States have lost men. sections almost the entire agricultural population of the age of greatest efficiency has gone. Massa-chusetts and New York, which have conducted painstaking surveys, show an alarming situation which probably could be duplicated in other states if

the data were available. Mayor Baker's proclamation calling upon boys between the ages of 16 and 21 to enroll for farm work, therefore, abould receive even more than ordi-narily serious consideration. It is probable that no American boy of average intelligence needs to be told now that the phrase, "Food will win the is not an idle one, or that food production is even more necessary than food conservation. It remains only for the boys to make up their

minds to help, and then to enroll.

The purpose of the Boys' Working Reserve is essentially patriotic. The task to which its members will devote themselves is as necessary as the shooting of Huns. There is, moreover, an element of adventure in it, as well as of hard work. It will do the city boys good to get out in the field. They will reap a harvest of health and to make the present drive in France, (2) There are no restrictions that strength, as well as of dollars, and at for American troops would not have reach the farmer who grinds his own the same time constitute an effective been able to reach Europe and the wheat, but if he grinds for others he supporting line for the soldiers at the

No book on the war could be more timely than the little volume entitled "Where Do You Stand? An Appeal to Americans of German Origin,' Herman Hagedorn. It is a calmly but sympathetically reasoned statehas good backing. The American sol- after the United States joined the The kind of backing to give duty or from policy, but with all their placed by the Government, which is tablish it in Germany as well as to

A few of those to whom his question is addressed, says the author, "have by their actions answered that for the honor of our wives and they stand first and last with daughters, for the free opportunity of many, and they have been put under lock and key." He continues:

He explains the position of this mafority by saying that they are "nat urally grieved at heart that the coun try of their adoption should be war ring with the country of their origin, and that, because they have been ex-cellent citizens and have fought to

build and preserve the Union, "their He states the other side by saying that the war "involves not two nathat men fight "the way the armies are fighting in France and Flanders only for religion or a principle." Ger-many fights for "the principle of from a fight. America and the allies for "the prin armies, and the losses on the western lars for war expenditures in the year ciple of government by popular confront alone have averaged 47,000 a ending June 50, 1918. This is a huge trol." In such a war "the belliger-

into the war the majority of Ameri Conservation of animals in antici- the money by borrowing from the into the war, hence Americans of and sit snug.

nak: In March you were for the Kalser made no bones about it. Today where

made no bo

He goes on to summarize the reawhy German-Americans pro-German, but says that "the march investment in a liberty loan bond, I nounced last Saturday the amazing of events has relegated them to the doubt if there would be many bonds limbo of dead issues." American left for the men to buy. These bonds sympathy instinctively rallied to Ser-bia and Belgium as the underdogs.

. . . leaving the leadership of Ger-man-Americans to editors and others a liberty bond. whose sympathies were undisguisedly and above all with Germany," who ac cepted as gospel all that was said in

and to reason together. He gives res sons why German-Americans should

tific, efficient but conscienceless, on gressive and sensitive to the opinions basis of six pounds for each person. of men." He says:

It was Germany which made us decide

skillfully dissected to show it to be autocratic and caste-ridden, and it is thus placed in contrast with the Amer

We stand between two masters. We can-

Then, with a fine eulogy of the men of 1848, German-Americans are called upon to fight for democracy against their kin as they did and as the English colonists did in 1776. They are shown that the Germany of today is not the lovable Germany of their pledge, to be delivered upon request to dreams, and that they are "prisoners" the United States Food Administration. of an illusion." They are urged to A copy of the piedge card if signed make their choice and to "stand firmly, shall be delivered to the customer: squarely, unmistakably now for Amer ica and her cause."

Germans are becoming expert at revising their views on the submarine. If it had been the success they expected, they would not have needed allies would have been starved or must compl beaten into submission. By taking regulations the chances they took when they provoked American intervention, proved themselves the most reckless gamblers in history.

It is the trony of fate that the German prisoners in Siberia are said to be armed, when if the Russian soldiers themselves had been able to obtain arms enough in the beginning of the war the whole world would have a different story to tell now.

The loafer's last excuse will be go this Summer. There will be work for everyone to do, and the idler will be slacker, whether or not he is the

One who reads of the seven-ounce bread ration for the adults of France ought to be willing to make further sacrifices in this land of comparative plenty and abundance of substitutes.

Talk about elastic currency will rouse more interest when a way is; found to stretch a dollar so that it will tover as many of our necessities as a few years ago.

If Lenine should declare war on Japan, he would become the open ally of Germany, whose secret ally he has been from the beginning of the Rusian revolution.

to be armed, and will be glad of the task. It is certain Russia cannot.

The beauty of Oregon Spring time. reather is that it enables us to use the daylight we are saving by our reent manipulation of the clocks.

The liberty loan map of Oregon is forest of blue thumb-tacks, repreenting the counties and towns which have gone over the top.

Secretary Redfield may yet produce so many valuable commodities from the seal that the fur will become a mere by-product. The bootlegger who pleads guilty, hoping for a fine, and gets six months,

cares to admit. There is nothing against a man's In fact, like ife buying a bond. hables, they are fine things to have

has a better opinion of law than he

Perhaps the Kalser left France for loumania because he was tired of the sight of armies he could not whip. What's the best nickname for men

ers of the War Emergency Squad, the

Russia declaring war on Japan fo avading Siberia is a family joke that tor.)

These are real fuel-conserving days,

Women as Bond Buyers. By Edward Bok.

If every woman in America correctly understood the safety to herself in an left for the men to buy. These bonds on Paris with a gun whose range was should have an unusual attraction to in excess of 76 miles, rival press assorescaches by making a big oversubscription. Then this state, small in
populistion as it is, will set the pace
for the United States, and the saying
shall be, "As goes Oregon, so goes the
Union."

THE MONTH OF HOPE.

Meteorologically considered, April is
probably as much overestimated as
March is maligned, but there is one
fact that will always make it one of
the most attractive months of the
whole year, and that is the hope that
it inspires. Notwithstanding the clouds
and showers and chill breezes that
make uncertain the glories of the
April day, there is the thought of
Summer just ahead to make them
bearable. One can put my with a
good dead issues." American sympathy instinctively ralled to Sershould have an unusual attraction to
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question everything said on behalf of
German-Americans believed without
question everything said on behalf of
Germany and defended Germany's
rulless acts, even to the taking of
American lives. The average American
the own where to put it. There are
not know where to put it. There are
not have the deal that my words might reach every
woman so placed so that she missing the look for herself into the unusual opportunity offered her for a safe haven
the red and pleded.

But the amaxing news was true, as
leaded in the state, whose facilities of the
Associated Press was
alone in tilling to the people of the it
would preve to
the Associated Press for telling the news
was true, as the though the country who are naturally timid
took for herself int tionably loyal majority of Americans the duty to the safety of her of German origin, have been silent, money and, second, the duty that

fied the opinion that German-Americans were pro-German, not pro-American, were "dangerous fellows and had better be watched."

Mr. Hagedorn calls upon Americans of both German and native stock to bury the "problems of those three bury the "problems" bury the "problems of those three bury the "problems" bury the "problems of those three bury the "problems" bury the "problems" bury the "problems of those three bury the "problems of those three bury the "problems" bury the "problems" bury the "problems of those three bury the "problems" bury the "problems of those three bury the "problems" bury the

(1) When a farmer brings wheat support their country, not only be-cause duty demands it but "whole-change for wheat flour, the amount of heartedly and with fervor." He shows the flour that can be exchanged shall that the small minority which at the beginning recognized that the issue already in the hands of the farmer, will was between democracy and autocracy reasonably meet the requirements of has grown to embrace the whole Nation because Germany told us the "real truth about the war by her own avowed and defended deeds." Those deeds told us that it was a "war between autogracy scient."

The requirements of his household or establishment during the German lines, 62 miles away.

Opposition Tacoma newspapers—not receiving the Associated Press service—were completely beaten on Saturday.

On Monday News rivals were compelled unwillingly to admit defeat. It "real truth about the war ... quantity of flour to be consumed mill-by her own avowed and defended deeds." Those deeds told us that it food Administration's statement of March 34, asking all persons to cut their consumption of wheat flour by 50 their consumption of wheat flour by 50 the one hand; and on the other, de-mocracy, blundering, inefficient and in per cent and limiting the amount of mocracy, blundering, inefficient and in detail corrupt, but in the main pro-

No wheat miller is allowed to deliver flour without an equivalent amount of Germany which made us decide substitutes in exchange for wheat un-ocracy was worth preserving, even substitutes in exchange for wheat un-til the customer gives him a written The German form of government is statement which the miller has reason able cause to believe to be true. The form of the statement follows:

In the statement follows:

I, hereby certify that the wheat this day delivered by me to the mill of at (address) was grown by me on my farm, that the amount of flour to be delivered to me, together with that already on hand, will not give me a supply more than sufficient to meet the requirements of my household or establishment during the next 30 days, and that I will not sell, lond or deliver such flour to any one, nor permit such flour to be used for any purpose except human consumption in my household or establishment. (Signed)

Signed) (Address) At the time such card is signed the niller shall also request the purchaser to aign the following voluntary pleage card, and shall keep a record of all per- Press." sons signing or refusing to sign the

Pledge Card—Desiring to co-operate with the Government in winning the war, I here-by pledge myself to cut down the use of flour in my household or establishment in every possible way, and to use a pound of wheat flour substitutes for every pound of

must comply with Government milling

they BOARD DENIES POLITICAL ANIMUS

How Disbarment Complaint Grew Out of Exemption Matter Explained.

WOODBURN, Or., April 8.—(To the Editor.)—In order to correct any mis-understanding which may have arisen on account of an interview with Mr. John McCourt, which was published in The Oregonian a short time ago and in justice to the loyal people of Silverton, this board deems it advisable to answer that interview At the outset this board desires to

state that it is in no way concerned respect with the political future of L J. Adams and merely desires the equitable administration of the selective service The facts relative to the institution of disbarment proceedings against L

J. Adams are these:
Complaint was lodged with this
board by reliable persons that Charles
A. Raynolds, of Silverton, had been improperly classed and this board investigated the matter. This investigation satisfied the board that L. J. Adams had assisted his son-in-law, Charles A.

Reynolds, in making out his questionnaire; that in this questionnaire a co-siderable amount of property had be-concealed. This board deemed it concealed. This board deemed it a matter for investigation by the De-partment of Justice and referred such evidence as it had to Mr. Clarence Reames, who was then United States District Attorney and who is now spe cial assistant to the Attorney-General

of the United States.

Mr. Reames investigated the matter and heard Mr. Adams' statement and Japan can take care of the 60,000 then made formal complaint before the German captives in Siberia, reported grievance committee of the Oregon Bar Association about February 9. The committee heard considerable evidence on the matter about February 15 and there the matter has rested since that

This board is content to await the

This board is content to await the decision of the proper authorities, to whom the evidence has been submitted, and has no opinion to express as to what that decision should be, either now or in the future; but this board does not propose that the citizens of Silverton shall be castigated by Mr. McCourt in this matter, nor shall they be accused of playing politics with the selective service law on account of the selective service law on account of the action of this board and the Department of Justice.

ment of Justice.

It would appear to this board that every loyal citizen, whether he was friendly to Mr. Adams or otherwise, would desire definite action and that no person should be more anxious for this than Mr. Adams himself. Allow this board to repeat, then, that

Allow this board to repeat, then, that such charges as were made to the Bar Association were made by United States District Attorney Clarence Reames, and if it is, as Mr. McCourt intimates, merely political play, then it is evident that Mr. Reames has been it is evident that Mr. Reames has been or is also playing petty political at Mr. Adams' expense.
G. J. MOISSAN,

Chairman. Secretary.

Local Board for Division No. 2, for the
County of Marion, State of Oregon,
Woodburn, Or.

Huns' Advance on Paris. PORTLAND, April 9.—(To the Edi-tor.)—How near has the German army been to Paris in the present war? OLD SUBSCRIBER.

In 1914 the German advance got to when it's proper to let the fire go out within 18 miles of the outer defenses of Paris before compelled to withdraw. COAST PAPERS ON BIG GUN SCOOP.

Accuracy and Thoroughness of Asso ciated Press Again Verified. Eugene Register. When the Associated Press an

nounced last Saturday the amazing

Roseburg News.
The News has carried each day, in others a liberty bond.

ilisedly his activities a complete telegraph service describing the moves of the contending armies in this greatest battle of the world's history. While the product to Farmers.

EXCHANGE OF FLOUR FOR WHEAT contending armies in this greatest battle of the world's history. While the first reports were ridiculed by other insufficient news services, yet in every stance. Associated Peace discatcher. instance Associated Press dispatched featured by The News were invariably confirmed. In fact, The Associated Press dispatches to this paper were the only authentic reports of the stupendous battle waging now in North-

> The entire people appear to depend wholly on the Associated Press dis-patches carried by the Evening News, or authentic information,

ern France.

Always First With Big News.

Tacoma News.

In the noon edition on Saturday the cws carried the first intelligence of One evening I stood on the pavement the bombardment of Paris from behind

Others Trailed Behind. Visalia, (Cal.,) Delta.

superior news service of the Associated Press has again been dem onstrated during the present Hun drive in the west. All vital movements have been reported first by the Associated Press and merely confirmed by other agencies. The Associated Press scores a clean beat relative to the mysterious firing on Paris. If you want the war news complete, authentic and first get it from the Associated Press.

Two Days Late.

Corvallis Gazette-Timez.
Saturday, the Associated Press had
be story of the big gun shelling Paris
miles away. As late as Sunday, the ewspapers served by other agencies were denying this and deny-ing it frantically. Two days later they published the same story but had no comment on their previous behavior. If you want the truth, see that your dipatches are marked "Associated Dates."

First to Carry Story.

Pendieton Tribune.

We were therefore the first to carry this (bombardment of Paris) important story. Indeed, we have been giving the people the news first in all particulars; The Associated Press certainly received the best service from versions correspondents. The Associated overseas correspondents. The Asso-ciated Press deserves great credit for the way it has given the people news in which all at this time are so deeply interested.

What Rival Was Doing.

Sacramento Union.
While Associated Press dispatches were giving details of the bombardment of Paris by the German long range gun, the wires of another press sange gun, the wires of another press
association are busy with dispatches
alming to discredit these reports.

The spectacle of a news gathering
rganization devoting all its to explain away a fact cannot be called

San Francisco Bulletin. The mystery back of the location of the big gun, which is bombarding Paris from a point said to be 76 miles distant, has been partly cleared away The latest cablegrams confirm in ever et the first news of the gun nished the Bulletin by the Associated Press on Saturday—the only news service to carry this—the greatest 'beat" of the war.

Reputation Is World-Wide.

Los Angeles Tribune. The Associated Press printed the tows of the big giant gun shelling earls when the other news associa-ions ridiculed the story as a hoax. All the world knows the Associated Press is the greatest and most reliable news gathering organization in exist-

Great News Beat Scored

Oakland, (Cal.,) Tribune. Word that Paris was being bom-arded was flashed exclusively to the Tribune over the Associated Press rday morning and was printed here hours ahead of any other news service. The Associated Press scored a great news beat with this story.

Field Scooped as Usual.

Medford Sun.

The Associated Press, as usual, scooped the field. The Journal, of course, hasn't the Associated Press service -much to its sorrow. So it promptly called the big gun story, officially reported from Paris,

What's a Watt? Earl E. Whitehouse, in the House Beau-tiful.

A current of electricity flowing through a wire is like a stream of water flowing through a pipe. And the pressure of the water, the speed with which it flows, we call the "volts," or the voltage of electricity. The size of the stream of water in the one or two-inch pipe is "amperes," when we meas-ure the size of an electric current. But the actual volume of water that is flowing through the pipe is so many gallons, while with electricity we meas-use in "watts"—so many watts for an hour or so many "watt-hours."

> Farmer's Boy a Help. Washington (D. C.) Star.

"Was your boy Josh much of a help to you around the farm?" "Yes," re-plied Farmer Corntossel. "I didn't realize how much of a help he was. He didn't do much work. But he could play the jewsharp an' tell riddles an' keep the farm hands entertained so that sometimes they'd stay for days at

This Tramp Knows How.

Birmingham Age-Herald.
"Will you give me a crust of brea-an' a cup of water, mum?" "Certainly I'll fix you up a nice lunch. But why didn't you ask for something substantial?" 'I'm a student of human n ture mum. It's mighty seldom I strik anybody what's mean enough to give me just a crust an' a cup of water." In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregonian of April 10, 1893 Washington.—The Senate has fin-ished its business and is but waiting word from the President as a signal to adjourn its extra session.

Chicago.—From 4000 to 5000 mem-bers of various unions are scheduled to strike tomorrow because of a misunderstanding as to the number of hours that shall constitute a day's work for the Columbian Exposition.

Edward Dekum left yesterday for San Francisco, whence he Honolulu for a needed rest.

Work on the laving of the Bull Run ipeline will start soon

A number of Councilmen, who had gathered in the Auditor's office yes-terday afternoon, spent some time dis-cussing the sanitary conditions of the city, the quantity of water in the milk supply and the amount of butterfat

Half a Century Age. 10, 1868. From The Oregonian, April 10, 1868. Captain Baughman, late of the Alert, has resigned from the wheel and will soon steer for the States to visit relatives. Captain take his place. Captain George A. Pease will

Messrs, Lovejoy, Dennison and Glisan, as well as J. F. McCoy, elected directors and clerk of the school district at the recent election, have filed the necessary oaths. Messrs. Lake & Archer will ship to-

night another consignment of hors to California by the steamer Stephen Our reports from Wallula indicate hat business at that place is getting better all the time.

On the hard, smooth sand by the sea And for the first time heard the billowy moan, And saw the waves rolling toward me The thoughts so compelling that crowded my brain,

Of majesty, grandeur and grace; Those wonderful breakers just in from the main, softly illumined the place, With rich phosphoresence in glory they

While black is the night all aroun white, mellow, radiant, beautiful As far as the vision is found,

stood in amazement and marvelled At God's mighty purpose and plan, hese waters His spirit once brooded

upon, Before He gave life unto man, The power overwhelmed me, I longed to be told The secret embosomed so deep; The song of the ocean being sung from of old,
Lulling ages on ages to sleep.

O, give me the key to your murmering dirge.
I cried, and the wave ran to meet: hurried it back to be lost in the surge.

From kissing the soles of my feet. I sat me in silence and humbleness long, Beside the broad waters so free; And listened again and again to this

song The ocean was singing to me. My marvelous body, though liquid in form. con peaceful and calm on the strand; Wh Or raging or frothing, all tossed by a

Is held in the grasp of God's hand. 'm an instrument used in blessing all life, My service is given most free;

ask for respect from all men, not their strife, For they must all know I'm the sea. 'My bosom is broad and my buoyancy

My laws are all easy to learn; one who would love the non-slumbering brine,

young.

The acons mean nothing to me; The millions of beings whose songs have been sung.

Have left me unfettered, you see. I may not be humbled my man's puny

I'm part of the system Divine;
My service and song shall not cease
on the strand, While the stars in their glory still shine. Jehovah has given me here to pro-

claim His infinite wonder and might; spirit of freedom no human can God's greatness I sing with delight. His laws I will honor, His will I shall

His finger shall guide me apace; lis work I'll accomplish till labor is through, Sufficient for all is His grace." got me in silence away from the

brink. Where washes the watery span; And there in the solitude led me Why should God be mindful of man

The waters that cover two-thirds of the sphere. Had given their lessons to me; I would that all others be privileged to hear The beautiful song of the sea And then in devotion and reverence I gave
A vow to the Father above,
Whose infinite presence is seen in the

wave, To follow His leading in love. -Henry S. Champie, McMinnville, Or. Mugnet Raises Sunken Loot

A means of making use of the elec-tric magnet under what has been de-vised in Japan and it promises to be of great assistance in locating sunken vessels, to recover which salvage op-erations on a big scale are expected af-ter the war. Tests on this magnet ter the war. resulted in bringing up thousands of Japanese shells, fired in practice at sea, and it is now under-stood that it will be used in extracting shell scraps from European battle-fields. The value of the iron at present is huge.

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