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Portland, Friday, May 3, 1918.

A POLICY OF AMERICANIZATION.

While the public uprising against German propaganda has gone so far that the German language has been banished from many schools and German books from the libraries of Butte...

The situation revealed by German propaganda calls for the adoption of a general policy of Americanizing the entire population of the United States.

But these are merely urgent war measures. There should be a permanent National policy to make thorough Americans out of foreign-born citizens.

The know-nothings sought a remedy for this condition in proposing twenty-one years' residence as a requisite for citizenship.

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Notwithstanding Mr. Taft's surprise that the British should waste a really good cruiser like the Brilliant on the Zebrugg raid, the bottling up of the sub was worth the sacrifice.

Who is the first local man to "match the President" and who will be the last? Who will fill the places of glory between.

kept perfect time, but the chronometer must come as close to the ideal as possible. Its variation must be ascertained and taken into account in making observations for longitude, for error has been responsible for many shipwrecks, and a second day is considered a wide variation for a good instrument.

ON MARQUAM HILL.

The medical school of the University of Oregon, on Marquam Hill, a noble site, is the development in its first stage of the idea of Dr. Kenneth Mackenzie.

It is a fine conception. It is more. It is the start of a well-matured plan for a great medical and surgical center in Portland.

THE ALTERNATIVE.

The McArthur campaign committee prints as an advertisement a two-column address to the voters of the Third Oregon District.

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SEED SELECTION AND MUTATION.

Although it undoubtedly is worth while for agricultural purposes to continue to select and evaluate strains by the practice of seed selection, scientists are beginning to impress upon the importance of close observation of mutations, through which valuable results may be accomplished.

TO BLOCK THE ROAD TO INDIA.

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When the parents of the new Senator from Missouri named him Xenophon it may be they had hopes and aspirations, and, if so, here's congratulations.

Self-defense may then force the Turks to suspend their scheme of conquest. Surprise may be expressed that Great Britain should expand part of her forces in such a remote field when Sir Douglas Haig's army is called upon to make so desperate a stand in defense of the channel ports.

The routes over which the British are traveling are historic ground. They have been used by the conquerors who have gone from east to west and from west to east for many thousands of years.

MOON PLANTING.

Those who take pains to adjust their plantings to the phases of the moon will be interested in a novel and not less fantastic notion advanced by a Kansas City astrologer.

There is nothing in the proffered amendment that permits expenditure of money for reduction plants, in addition to the incinerator.

DISCIPLINE.

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ROBBERS SHOULD TAKE WARNING.

The guilt of speeders is to be fixed by more or less elaborate machinery, but there always will be objection to the machine which just knows what car that fast and who just knows he's lying as well.

LETTERS IN CLASSIFICATION.

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SHIP SINKS TO BOTTOM.

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A SOLDIER'S WIFE.

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WHERE AMERICANS GOT SUPPLIES.

European Countries Combed for Total of 400 Shiploads. That thousands of tons of supplies are being purchased in France and Great Britain for the American troops already on the firing line is the subject of Herbert Corey, war correspondent in a communication to the National Geographic Society.

Understanding of the laws of heredity will greatly add to the power of man over nature. Undoubtedly we know little by comparison with all that there is to be known of this subject.

PRICE BARS USE OF VEGETABLES.

Restaurant Advice to Eat More is Declared Offset by High Charges. PORTLAND, May 2.—(To the Editor.)—I think the people of the state of Oregon are doing their best in private families to use potatoes and other vegetables.

CITIZENSHIP AND FATHER'S ALIENAGE.

PAISLEY, Or., April 30.—(To the Editor.)—(1) Is a young man more than 21 years old, who was born in the United States, and whose father has never been naturalized and is still a citizen of another country?

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ARGUMENT FOR GARBAGE BILL.

Statistics Offered to Show That Salvage of Waste Would Be Large. PORTLAND, May 2.—(To the Editor.)—Representatives from the following clubs, which represent the housewives of Portland, have asked that the measure for the municipal collection and salvage system of garbage collection be put before the people in the election May 17.

Statistics from the Bureau of Sanitation show that the city of Portland collects 65,405 tons of garbage each year.

MEANING OF K. V. A. ELABORATED.

Such Electrical Rating Includes Percentage of Wattless Current. PORTLAND, May 2.—(To the Editor.)—On the editorial page we find some interesting questions answered by The Oregonian's information bureau.

AND, IF AND BUT.

Old Mr. Flit said one day That he guessed he'd make some hay While the sun was shining brightly All around;

Must Go Elsewhere.

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In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregonian of May 3, 1893. London.—Lady Biddulph, leader of the British Women's Temperance Association, announces that she has no knowledge of the presence of Mrs. J. Ellen Foster in England or of her proposal to speak at the temperance association's meetings.

A mother-in-law in New Whatcom, Wash., is trying to rid her eyes of a quantity of red pepper which in some strange way came through the keyhole of her daughter-in-law's room.

Charles Milton Ogden, formerly receiver of public moneys at Seattle and a widely-known newspaper man, is dead in New York.

EVERYDAY HEROES.

This grim old world is full of dauntless heroes; Sometimes one comes to view, In deeds of breathless courage and That startle me and you.

Perhaps it is some weather-beaten sailor, Good luck to challenge death— To save a human life in ghastly peril— Against the storm-wind's breath.

He cringes not at furious, thundering blizzards, The chasm behind the wave; He only knows that he must save the stranger From yonder yawning grave.

A miner—daring fire and gas and vapor— Crusades through some passage dim To find a brother man, perchance to save him, Or give up life for him.

How many a humble laborer is a hero, With none to speak his praise; Live wires and smoke and flame—all dangers daring, Through common round of days.

And many a lonely, sacrificing woman, Or even a fragile child, Has borne the brunt of life with patience, O'er which the angels smiled.

Life's heroes! Oh, they're everywhere about us! Perhaps you know one—or I; In some appalling, grand and crucial moment For others we might die.

Another Name for Sauerkraut. "Sauerkraut" is Proposed as War Alias for cabbage product.

PENDELTON, Or., May 1.—(To the Editor.)—I noticed in The Oregonian a few days ago a news item from New York stating that the price of sauerkraut had dropped from \$45 per barrel to \$14 per barrel on account of the Government's encouragement of its production.

BE BEAUTIFUL. You have no right to force on others uncounted ways, Cruelties of manner or unsightly dress; For and in his mind left unimproved each day— How can you add these to the world's distress?

The great Creator errs not in his wondrous work; In every bit of landscape, sky or sea There is a subtle lesson, and in each greening flower, shrub, and in each green- ing tree.

How dare you, then, regardless of the Master's scheme, Deduct from what was meant for all men's good, And thus neglect and ignorance would send, Refuse to nurture beauty as you should?

Be beautiful! perhaps you have not known just how; You may not have alluring smiles nor eyes; But out of the world needs beautiful souls, just now, And that is beauty all men recognize!

MUST GO ELSEWHERE. PORTLAND, May 2.—(To the Editor.)—I note in the last number of the Sunset Magazine, which I assume regards fairly the conditions prevailing in the Northwest, that many people are "making their own."

Some confirmation of this is indicated now and then in the daily press, and the number seemed large and the practice seems to meet with no official objection.

The Sunset editors quite close to manufacturing methods, but full details are lacking. Might I ask you to publish the complete recipe for "making five gallons" of "Coke"? VOICE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS.

Yes, you might ask, but we shall not encourage law violations nor on our own part violate the spirit of the law by publishing the information.

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