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Portland, Monday, May 5, 1918.

GIVE WELCOME TO THE GRAND ARMY.

As the volunteer state in the present war, Oregon should open its arms to welcome the Grand Army of the Republic, which is composed of the venerable survivors of the men who fought and won the war for the Union.

No slight honor was done to Portland when the Grand Army chose as the scene of its annual encampment this year a city so distant from the homes of the great majority of its members. It is an honor that has been justified by the city's taking the foremost place in the world struggle for democracy.

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quity into our war activities and denouncing Senator Chamberlain for his New York speech should have been written by inquiry by representative bodies into such affairs as aircraft production should not be obstructed, and greater use should be made of able men in the opposition party.

The thought which should govern all our acts and words, from the President to the most obscure citizen, is whether they will help or hinder success in the great struggle. Without that success there would be small satisfaction in defeat of a political foe or in exposure of an official incompetent, for only the Kaiser would profit in the end.

EXCLUDE ONLY ACTUAL ENEMIES. One of the necessities of the time is to sort out among alien residents of the United States those who are actually enemies from those who are only foreign born.

In order to make the law square with the facts, the Senate has amended the bill passed by the House which excludes alien enemies from citizenship. The Senate would admit to naturalization all Filipinos who serve in the Navy or Marine Corps; all aliens who have served or are serving in the Army or Navy; all alien residents who have had military training in the National Guard or Naval Militia.

The necessity of such a law is demonstrated by the fact that on April 6 and December 6, 1917, when war was declared on Austria-Hungary, more than 80,000 subjects of that country and Turkey declared their intention and are now debarred from citizenship.

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could not be raised without much additional expense. It is an old adage that "farm waste makes fat ribs." There are who are growing the average does not exceed one pig to the farm, and there are millions of farms which raise no pigs at all. These farmers do not seem to realize that it does not require expensive grain on the average farm to carry the porker through to fall feeding time, and that they are permitting waste which could be disposed of in no other way.

If every farmer in the United States would raise only one more pig in 1918 than he did in 1917, the porker contribution to the Nation's food supply. There is, perhaps, a limit to the ability of the "professional" hog-raiser to keep pace with the increasing prices of feed, but the small farmer has not reached his limit yet. He will not have reached it until there is no waste about his place. Next to wheat production, hog-raising is one of the first necessities of the food business.

THE KAISER CONDEMNED BY A GERMAN. Revelations of Prince Lichnowsky about the deliberate conspiracy of the German militarists to plunge the world into the war are strongly corroborated not only by Dr. Muehlon, a former director of the Krupp Company, but by Herr Krupp von Bohlen, husband of Bertha Krupp and director of the Krupp works in Essen.

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Following its pre-election custom, The Oregonian herewith publishes its conclusions as to the merits of the measures submitted for vote of the people in the special city election, May 11.

Only a portion of the official title sufficient to enable the voter to identify each measure is given, but the measures are listed in the order they will appear on the ballot.

Ordinance requiring any person operating a motor bus over a definite route to take out license, obtain bond, define route, etc. 101 No.

This is a measure which would require jitneys to operate on a competitive basis fair to established transportation lines. It provides for a proper regulation, but it is common knowledge that jitneys cannot and will not operate in fair competition.

An act to amend the charter by adding a new section authorizing additional issue of 1 mill to cover increased expenses of the city caused by the war. 102 Yes; 103 No.

The need for this measure exists in the advancing cost of living and the impossibility of the city to retain present salaries for employees at the salaries it can provide under present tax limitations. Its purpose is to increase the pay of the rank and file of city employees, including police and firemen, but not higher paid officials.

An act to amend the charter so as to give the Council discretion in awarding contracts, to accept bids of Oregon persons for the construction of public works submitted by more than 5 per cent. 104 Yes; 105 No.

This amendment would extend to city contracts a law now applying to state contracts. It is intended to give home industry a preferential of 5 per cent in awards of contracts for supplying products for use in construction work.

An act to amend the charter by adding a new section permitting the reorganization of the Fire Bureau into two platoons and the reorganization of the Police Bureau into four platoons. 106 No.

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Measures Are Analyzed.

The Oregonian Prints Conclusions as to City Acts Submitted to Vote of People.

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A Line of Type or Two.

How to the Line, Let the Quips Fall Where They May.

(B. L. T. is probably the most popular newspaper humorist of the day. By arrangement with the Chicago Tribune his column will be published three times weekly in The Oregonian.)

"GOTT mit Huns" was the watchword some ago. It was believed that where Atilla rode the grass would never grow again; but the grass returned, and it will grow again in Flanders. The Kaiser was stopped at the Marne—another of history's little repetitions; for it was in France, near the Marne, that Atilla was smashed.

"I don't know," Senator Brandegee retorted. The President selected him, therefore, I think he didn't have any such qualifications.

Sir: It was the Irish question. An Irish regiment that was going to the charge was being harangued by an officer. "Min," he said, "yez are on the line, and ye'll be shot if ye don't yez bring glory on the old regiment, or will yez bring shame to it and run?" "We will!" came the deafening chorus.

Love sang a little song for me One day, as I sat by his side; One happy day, in playful glee, Love sang a little song for me Of buds and blossoms gay to see, Of shiny leaves and grasses tied, And it was I who taught a dear Ispied, Love sang a little song for me One day, as I sat by his side.

To give the old boy his due, not all pacifists are as black as they're painted. HENCE THE SLIGHT MISUNDERSTANDING. From the Hamburg (Ark.) Budget.

Tom Hollis, who lives on the Pugh farm, has a negro, known as Allen Jones. A coroner's inquest was held and Mr. Hollis was exonerated. It was alleged that he had hit him about the face, but he got him about it for to do them.

Will Percevech the Blessings of Peace. From "The Bank of Armenia." 17. Now Wudro, the son of Wyl, after that he had made him war, he cried not out from the housepots what things he had done, but he got him about it for to do them.

And he opened wide the strings of his purse so that the shekels, they gushed forth as the waters of a brook after rain. 18. And he sent much munition of war unto them that were with him, and he commanded his physicians that they should go out for to succor the wounded.

And he did send his vessels of war, which were useful things, and ready for the fray. And of men that did fly in the air he sent also of these, an eager band and valiant.

In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregonian, May 6, 1893. Vienna, May 5.—The town of Kowal, Poland, 50 miles south of Warsaw, population 2500, was swept by a conflagration. One hundred and sixteen houses, including the hospital and asylum, were destroyed. Three hundred families are homeless and destitute. Eighty people perished in the flames.

The force of Colonel Wiedler's registration bureau was kept quite busy yesterday, about 50 Chinese having presented their applications for registration. The office was closed about 4 P. M. and the 14,000 Chinese in this district will have to stand their chances of being deported.

Astoria, Or., May 5.—The salmon run is beginning to increase. Today the canneries took in 2500 fish, averaging 2 1/2 pounds, and with exception all were of good quality.

A company has been formed and secured a beach of 1000 ft. extending around one block from terminus of St. Johns motor line and one block from end of boulevard for the purpose of building a Summer hotel. Arrangements suggested for the construction of the doctor's family, 10 in number, which had just risen from the breakfast table.

The East Portland Union Club will meet tonight at 8 o'clock. S. J. McCormack will speak.

H. A. Hogue has been appointed superintendent and D. N. French, disbursing agent for the branch mill at The Dalles.

The New York World has printed for distribution 1,000,000 copies of Seymour's late speech on finances.

William Wadhams has received information that Rev. Lindsey, called for the pastor of the Presbyterian church, has started overland for Portland.

"Sail On" Most Expressive Slogan. PORTLAND, April 5.—(To the Editor.)—Just having read Joaquin Miller's beautiful poem entitled "Sail On," in The Oregonian and Mrs. X. E. Farrell's worthy suggestion for "Sail On" to be selected as our National slogan in the present world crisis, it occurs to me that at last we have found just the one slogan we need.

The discovery of local significance, but we are not alone in this. The world will fit all conditions in general, and in this we have in the grim reply of the Admiral to every appeal of the discouraged, but he got him about it for to do them.

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