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PORTLAND, TUESDAY, MAY 14, 1918.
AFRAID TO ATTACK HOLLAND. Having put the screws on Roumania without mercy because that country was pocketed, Germany would like to give the same treatment to Holland by holding up the fate of other countries as a warning against leading the Dutch to believe that they, too, are pocketed. That is the inference to be drawn from the demand that Holland permit the hauling of sand and gravel across the little neck of land which projects between Germany and Belgium, and from refusal to permit Holland to see that the material does not go into military defenses.

MR. WEST AND MR. McNARY. GALEN, OR., May 12.—(To the Editor.)—I am a resident of the town of Gale, Oregon, and I have been reading your issue of May 11, 1918, with interest. You have published an article in your issue of May 11, 1918, in which you have stated that Mr. West and Mr. McNary are candidates for the Senate. I am sure that you are right, and I am sure that you are right in your statement. I am sure that you are right in your statement. I am sure that you are right in your statement.

RETURNING TO THE LAND. It may be well not to expect too much in the way of a "back to the land" movement by soldiers returning from the front, either as men so incapacitated, or later as victors in a great war. Discussions and predictions in the past have been upon a purely academic basis. The prophets could only theorize, in the absence of the actual previous experience. The suggestion, for instance, that young men had become accustomed to the life in the open would never be content to return to the confinement of office or factory seemed reasonable. Neither is there any doubt that men who have been in the front would return in better physical condition than ever to undertake farming. But there are other considerations.

1917, and things did not begin to go well till he was superseded by General Fluor. It is significant of the strong grip in which the old military caste holds the British army that, although millions of new men have been added to it during the last four years, and although it is morally certain that there must be some men among them who have played military genius, not one of them has risen to high command. Unless the British government breaks this grip, it runs the risk of wasting the unknown genius who could win decisive victory.

NO TROUBLE AT THIS END. In trying to explain to the House military committee why they had failed to produce the great fleet of airplanes which they had promised, the aircraft officials said that shortage of spruce and the shipment of four-fifths of the spruce supply of this country to the allies within the past year was a partial reason for slow production. The truth is that each month the production of spruce in the Pacific Northwest has steadily increased until in March it was equal to the demand of the United States and the allies. In April it considerably exceeded the demand, and in May it bids fair to exceed that figure still further. The one bright spot in the aircraft programme in the production of spruce, which has now attained a volume threatening to swamp the manufacturers. The production of the Spruce Production Division consists not in glowing promises, but in delivery of the goods.

THE RIGHT TO LYNCH HELD SACRED. Senator Hardwick is very jealous of the right of his state of Georgia to practice or prevent lynching without Federal interference. He has concluded to be drawn from his remarks on the law which imposes penalties on membership in the I. W. W. and similar organizations. One section of the bill provides penalties for "any person who, while the United States is engaged in a war, advocates, incites, or attempts to induce, by force, violence or physical injury to person or property, or threats of such injury as a means of accomplishing any governmental, social, industrial or economic change, or otherwise."

DEMOCRATIZING TEACHERS' PENSIONS. Virtual collapse of the Carnegie plan of pensioning professors of institutions of higher learning, it now seems, will prove to be a not unimportant step in the carrying out of the scheme, except that provision has been made to take care of those who in good faith already have acquired an expectancy, has been followed by reorganization on a basis which comprehends the entire profession of teachers and the institutions employing them shall contribute the cost of insurance, the Carnegie Foundation supplying only the means of administration, otherwise known as the "overhead."

Poland, hogtied, bucked and gagged, is handed over to Germany. Freedom of movement is a shriek that when Kosciuszko fell. When 1500 slackers are taken in one night's raid in Duluth, Minn., there must be thousands of them elsewhere. Whenever one reads of the Kaiser telling of his confidence in the almighty, a thought of Belgium arises. Is the Forty-five Club too busy packing lunch boxes and baskets to hold one of its inspiring meetings? There need be little distress over the one cent more for the loaf. Eat a little less, but eat the crusts. The holes in the cheese in the sandwich are a natural kind of conservatism.

Hindenburg dead is misleading. Drunk, probably, over his "victory." That snow storm in Wyoming means more grass for the stock. All these would-be judges are welcoming to the title after Friday.

As Press Sees Campaign.
Upstate Newspapers Express Varied Views as to Candidates.
Only Self in Mind.
Lebanon Criticism.
There is now little if any doubt that the movement of ex-Governor West in launching his campaign for the Democratic nomination for United States Senator to succeed Senator McNary, and his subsequent offer of withdrawal provided that all candidates, both Democratic and Republican, withdraw from the contest, excepting Senator McNary, thus leaving a clear field to the present incumbent, was made a carried out as a well-laid plan to boost his own chances as well as to discredit one and all of his opponents, both Democratic and Republican.

Demagogue Press for Oloot.
St. Helens Mist.
Have you noticed that almost every Democratic paper in Oregon is supporting Oloot for Governor? Isn't it rather strange that the Democratic press should show such an interest in the selection of a Republican candidate, or in view of the accomplishments of the Chamberlain-West-Oloot combination. In my opinion it will be Withycombe first, Simpson second, Oloot third and Moser a poor fourth. Republicans, don't let the Democratic press fool you again.

Re-election Is Deserved.
Woodburn Independent.
Ralph E. Williams, Republican National Committee member, is circulating petitions throughout the state for the placing of a proposed constitutional amendment upon the November ballot giving absent soldiers the right to vote at primary and general elections. Without doubt there will be a large majority for such an amendment. An American cannot well vote in the legislature. Mr. Williams is a home champion of the soldier boys in service.

King Well Qualified.
Drewsey Pioneer Sun.
Hon. Will R. King, chief counsel of the Reclamation Service, will make the closing address at the meeting of the Oregon State Senator of Oregon before the Democratic primaries this 17th day of May. Few men within the state understand the rights and justice due the people here more than Will R. King and none are better qualified to represent this state than he.

Glutton for Publicity.
Beaverton Times.
The newspapers of the state are not wasting any time just now in efforts to figure out "how good is Ann," since Oswald and his new plunge into the Oregon political arena furnishes a live topic for discussion. Nothing pleases the public so much as to see a man in publicity, and he is getting "value received," no difference how the vote goes.

Efficiency Is Admired.
Scio Tribune.
Ben W. Oloot, who has demonstrated his worth and efficiency as Secretary of State, is without doubt the best calculated to give Oregon an ideal government of the five Republican aspirants. Moreover, he is the only one of five who can beat Walter Pierce next Fall.

ADVICE ON CITY MEASURES.
Ordinance regulating jitneys. Vote 101 No.
Mill tax to pay increased city expenses during the war. Vote 102 Yes.
Differential in favor of home industry. Vote 104 Yes.
Two-cent tax on the 107 No.
Water bond refund. Vote 108 Yes.
Free garbage collection system and authority for 1 mill tax. Vote 111 Yes.
Additional method of collecting delinquent assessments by bonding method. Vote 112 Yes.
Act authorizing transfer of city and village balances to general fund. Vote 113 Yes.
Jitney ordinance. Vote 117 No.
Relinquishment of city and charges assessed against streetcar company and authorizing tax instead. Vote 119 No.

HOW MORATORIUM AFFECTS TAXES.
Provisions of Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Bill on Subject.
PORTLAND, May 13.—(To the Editor.)—What are the provisions of the moratorium law recently enacted by Congress? Can property in which an enlisted man has an interest be sold for unpaid installments of bonded improvements or delinquent taxes? READER.

Debt of United States.
CORBETT, OR., May 12.—(To the Editor.)—Our American friends in this state know the latest report of the United States National debt. Also what was its debt before we declared war on Germany? MYRA M. ROSS.

Appeal for Return of Photo.
PORTLAND, May 13.—(To the Editor.)—On Tuesday, April 31, I was in the uniform of Fort Myer, Va. I left it on the Alberta car that left town about 1:30 P. M. and entered the entrance of the Sixth-street entrance of the Dental College, East Sixth and Oregon streets.

Stanfield In Bidder.
McMinnville Telephone Register.
This paper hopes that Mr. Stanfield will have an opportunity to beat Oswald West, and it believes he can do it if nominated at the primary. A good named Senator who has made a signal success of his business, as testified to by his home people, has been built up a home market for wool which has greatly encouraged sheep husbandry in the state of Oregon.

Let Republicans Do Own Picking.
Hillburo Independent.
Does West figure on help or ruin? If the former, how; if the latter, why? Is there a rigger in the woodpile, and if so when will he emerge? But when these things are being settled Republicans might as well go about their business and do their own picking.

In Other Days.
Twenty-five Years Ago.
From The Oregonian, May 14, 1893.
Chicago—Despite a chilly wind and a leaden sky, visitors were not frightened away from the fair grounds this morning. It was estimated that some 80,000 people paid admissions to the grounds.

Thoughts.
Who launches but one helpful thought has started vital power, That rather to it other thoughts and grow from hour to hour; For thought is power that rules the world—without it naught is done; And oh, the million thoughts we launch from rise to set of sun!

No Room Shortage Down Town.
PORTLAND, May 13.—(To the Editor.)—Friedrich as reporting a great scarcity of rooms downtown available for workmen.

Service With Allies by American.
CORBETT, OR., May 13.—(To the Editor.)—There has been discussion over a question which would you could answer it satisfactorily. A young fellow joined the Canadian forces in the summer of 1916. He is an American, but he is now in the ranks of the allied here for many generations as far as we know and his relatives all live in this country. Does he deserve a star in the service flag? READER.

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Telephone Operators in France.
PAIKPLACE, May 13.—(To the Editor.)—Please publish the qualifications necessary for a telephone operator in France? ELISE L. FRIEDELAND.