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If Secretary McAdoo expects to get from Congress a workable war tax law which will equitably distribute the burden of war, he will have to induce the House ways and means committee to place the preparation of the bill in the hands of some other its chairman, Claude Kitchin. The reasons may be summed

KITCHIN THE OBSTACLE.

up in the remark of the Duluth News-Tribune that Mr. Kitchin's "chief characteristic is the number of kinds of an ass he can make of himself." He continued the cry of militarism against the necessity for preparedness right down to the declaration of war. He voted against war, and after it was declared he said: "You newspaper men forced the war, now you have got to pay for it." He proceeded to make good his threat by forcing through the House the worst mon-strosity of a revenue bill which Congress ever produced. It was so not only because it penalized publications of Nation-wide circulation, but be-

cause, while purporting to tax war profits heavily, it allowed a large proportion of them to escape and taxed out of all proportion the earnings of brains and energy as distinguished from the income of accumulated wealth.

He persuaded the House to insist on these absurdities in conference, so that they are included in the law as finally passed over the opposition of the level-headed men in the Senate, that she was unable to make both He wished to let this law stand not- ends meet on a miserly allowance of withstanding its defects and the ne- \$7500 a year, and asked that it be incessity of more revenue, his plea be- creased so that she could maintain a ing that the weather in Washington was hot and Congress wanted to go hearted judge greatly alarmed the home early. When Mr. McAdoo said guardians and sponsors of the young a new law was necessary at this ses-sion and when President Wilson made desire to cut down, and not increase a practical demand for it, Mr. Kitchin her allowance for the period of the accused the former of yielding to the war, whereat a budget of her neces influence of a publishers' lobby and sary expenses was submitted as folade new threats against the pub- lows: The falsity of his charge is exposed by Mr. McAdoo, and he is as well as North.

The war revenue law is the second important war measure which has fallen into the hands of a man who was not only incompetent to handle but was out of sympathy with its main purpose. The first was the secommittee, because he had jority of the committee voted him down and he handed over management of the bill to Representative Kahn, the ranking Republican member, who had been a staunch champion of preparedness. But Mr. Kitchin carried the majority of his committee with him, and thus was able to make a botch of the revenue law.

Mr. Kitchin is eminently unfit to be the chief framer of financial legislation at any time, much less at a time when financial genius is needed, for his intellectual horizon is no wider than the limits of Scotland Neck, N. C., his home. He is a living dem-onstration of the absurdity of the seniority rule, by which a member, once on a committee, steps up auto-matically as long as he can secure reelection until he becomes chairman. It was that rule which raised Representative Dent to the head of the military committee and the late Senator Stone to the head of the foreign relations committee, although he was opposed to the war. That rule is one of the causes of the decay in the inmen up and keeps big men down.

MENACE OF THE FOREST FIRE.

The present season in its menace to spent. the valuable forests of the country is distinguished from other seasons in respect that the danger looms earlier in the year. The very first campers, who usually are the most careless, are charged with a special responsibility. Fortunately the Forest Service has started its campaign in time, and ample warning has been It is to be expected also that state. offenders against the forest regula-tions will be dealt with rather severely. It may be found necessary to make impressive examples of some,

The two elements which always exist in unusual degree this year. them is now added a shortage of help for fighting fires in their inciplency. Service have been able to call in emergencies upon the neighbors, and which might have covered great areas have been checked after burn- Socialists and Prohibitionists. It has the relative values of the high-priced ing over small tracts. This source of labor has been greatly curtailed. Most of the able-bodied men are in the Army or are employed in other re-The Forest Service itself is

Most of the destruction caused by campers is due to their lack of knowledge of the manner in which fire will run along the ground. They often think they have exercised due precautions, when as a matter of fact they have overlooked smouldering embers which will burrow their way days afterward, be fanned into flame which will sweep the district. Campfires should be built only in spaces, and then should be completely encircled by a clean strip, from which every trace of vegetable material has been scraped away. This precaution

rains begin.

LATEST FORD JOKE.

Henry Ford ran for President in the Michigan Republican primary, two years ago, though he protested that t and became the choice of the state delegation in the National convention It was the greatest of Ford jokes. Now the President of the United States calls Henry Ford to the White House and gravely asks him, nominally a Republican, to submit himself to the Democratic primary in Michigan as a candidate for United States Senator It is the greatest Presidential joke whether it is on the Democratic party, or the Republican party, or the Senate, or the Nation, or Mr. Ford, or all together, we will not now seek to determine.

Mr. Ford is a mechanical genius, of highly benevolent instinct, who has no taste for nor knowledge of public affairs. He fathered a Quixotic scheme of world pacification in his peace ship, three years ago, or less, and thus demonstrated his peculiar ineptitude for practical statesmanship. That showed himself to be zealously desirous of doing good, and also his readiness to spend his fortune in that cause, is aside from the question. The project was little more han a burlesque, and the self-dele gated commissioners to the warring powers were not even able to keep peace among themselves.

The Michigan Democratic organiza tion, which has no hope of electing a Democrat for Senator, solemnly pro poses to the Republican organization to nominate Ford, and the Democrats will do the same. They will nomi. of which had been formerly destroyed nate him anyway, whatever the Republicans do. If Ford on his own motion becomes also a candidate before the Republican primary, he will likely be successful there, too. The pros pect of Ford for Senator is exceedingly good

Now Ford, who is a patriot, is en gaged in exceedingly important war service in the manufacture, at his great Detroit plants, of needed war machinery. When it comes to automobiles, tractors, airplanes and the like, Ford is no joke, but just now he s the most useful and indispensable

private American citizen. Yet, for political purposes, an Administration which has "adjourned politics" proposes to take him away from his gigantic work, where he is needed, and put him in a political job, where he is not needed, and where he will be useless, or worse.

WEALTH'S VICTIM.

A bereft orphan, 17 years old, the faughter of a millionaire, made her appearance before a court in Philadelphia, the other day, and complained suitable social appearance. The hard

Clothing, manicuring, shampooing and exposed by Mr. McAdoo, and he is condemned as severely by Democratic Education and church contributions.

As by Republican newspapers, South Entertainment, dinners, dances and 1,000

Let us not hastily say that the poor lective draft law, which was opposed orphan had extravagant ideas of liv-by Chairman Dent, of the House mili-ing, and that the money thus spent scruples against conscription. The ma- have been invested in Liberty bonds or devoted to charity or philanthropy. All that is obvious. Yet the girl had been reared in luxury, and the estate was legally hers, and the proposed established way of living of others with like wealth. Is it better to deprive her of the normal income from her principal, and let it accumulate, or to let her have it and distribute it among the clothiers, dressmakers, manicures, chauffeurs and the like? It is not easy to decide. There are many who will give an off-hand judgment, but such decisions do not settle

anything. The palpable fact is that the young woman is being badly educated and is the victim of her wealth. If the judge had required her guardians to put her giving her, say, two hours a day in the kitchen, and two hours at sewing, and two other hours daily at other useful occupations suitable to her capabilities, and had said that he would give her all she asked if she could show a record of faithful perfluence of Congress. It pushes little formance of her tasks, he would have done much to make her worthy of her responsibilities; and a fortune in her hands would in all likelihood be wisely administered and its income safely

SINGLE-THOUGHTERS. In the present state of "adjourned politics" the Oregon public, which hired help for the most of their work likes its politics with the regularity are paying—some of them, at least—of the morning cup of coffee, will be from \$85 to \$90 and board; and board refreshed to learn that the National party is attempting to organize in this used to be. Farm machinery costs

tisan League. Both are going after much the same things in much the same way. But the officers are difcontribute most to fire losses in the ferent, and one is a partisan political head, and is relieved only in the res- lng the clown in a circus. Everything party, and the other is a non-partisan political party. The reader will doubtless pardon the paradoxical figure of speech in his gratitude at having the Formerly the employes of the Forest distinction between the two movements made clear

originally an attempted coalition of acquired the discontented membership from both and also the single-thought political groups from the other par- more about these things than others ties. A single-thoughter is, as the do. A few follow the hit-or-miss plan name implies, one who will submit depleted as to personnel and its mem- to the inclusion of almost anything bers are working without watching in a political platform so long as his improve their methods, with varying favorite remedy for political woes is made sufficiently prominent. So it is there is to be found in the party's

statement of principles: Public ownership, prohibition, single tax, direct legislation, woman suf-

other things.

ing purpose. The people do not flock together to attain an abstract political victory. But it has a prospective virin the assemblage in one camp of all those who cannot get along with the parties with which they have been affiliating. Let us hope that they can he was not a candidate, and carried get along better among themselves.

GOOD OUT OF SEEMING EVIL.

It looks as though the first allied ounter-offensive will be made by Italy against the ragged, hungry, dispirited army of Austria. With ample

The brighter outlook for the allies nay be ascribed directly to the poolstrengthen every weak point promptly and to time each movement for the harvests for nothing. mingling of troops of the several nations has inspired comradeship and fened morale.

armies under a single commander by the danger arising from desertion by Russia. That event also enabled them ficial irrigation o concentrate on the western front all their munitions and material, much or treacherously surrendered to the enemy by Russia. The perfidy with Germany and Austria have treated Russia, the constant penetration of the anarchic country by their troops and the terrible consequences which would flow from their coninued control of it have removed the last trace of disunion among the west-ern allies and have hardened their determination to fight to a finish.

Thus Russia's desertion may prove to have been a blessing, rather than a nisfortune, to the allies, while it may be Germany's worst defeat, since it has undone the effect of years of the allies. Russia is a great objectlesson, which closes their ears to German peace-talk.

It is unfortunate for those who de sire to obtain a full understanding of the milk situation that this industry, tions of costs of production and distribution and so forth, and the one fact is that few producers have precise information on the subject. Commonly, they know only that if they do not have a balance in the bank at the end of a certain period they are not making money.

This, of course, is obvious enough; but it does not tend toward intelligent reform. How can a man mend his business ways unless he knows where the fault lies? And how can he put his case convincingly before the consuming public unless he is able to marshal the figures? For the buyer, however willing he may be to do the fair thing, is so accustomed by this time to being exploited in one way and another that he insists on being

The waste in milk delivery, by duplication of effort, is rather familiar to everyone. It is not difficult to sug-to everyone. It is not difficult to sug-stantly call for men of special skill. though the application of it calls for a high degree of co-operation, which means organization. But the problem of the dairyman, both large and small, which was left her by her dead father is not so easy as that. If it be true, for example, that 50 per cent of the expenditure was in harmony with the cost of his milk is in feed, 25 per cent in the labor and 25 per cent in "other fixed charges," which the professional accountant would call "overhead." it s not so easy to determine how, even by a high degree of co-operation, either the cost of feed, or the wages paid to hired hands, or the investment in lands, renewal of plant, etc., can be largely reduced.

The dairyman deserves a sympathetic hearing, but he ought to be prepared with statistics, not only as to present costs, but past expenditures, in their relation to the price of quart of milk. It is no secret that mill feed has advanced enormously in price; it has quadrupled as to certain items. It is not determined whether the question of substitutes has re ceived the scientific consideration it ought to have. has been unfortunate for the pastures. These are already drying up, a good deal earlier than usual. Oats planted for hay is beginning to head close to the ground. The aphis captured the vetch that some counted on for hav and also for early silage. The same pests threaten other succulents. takes labor to plant root crops, and

The dairles which depend upon considerably more costly than it more, and so on. Undoubtedly milk The National party should not be production is a more expensive enter-confused with the National Non-Parin which the labor is performed b the owner and his family, has the same difficulties as to feed and overpect that the problem of the "hired he says is funny.

man" is not so pressing. But the public is not in a mood to acquiesce in a price advance based upon inefficiency. know whether the dairyman is em-The National party was, we believe, ploying the most economical methods reasonably possible. Does he know mill feeds, and does he rely too greatly upon them? Some dairymen and know little or nothing of underlying principles.

It is a question embodying too many elements of fact and too many figures to be discussed in the heat of partisanship. It is clear that we must have milk, and that dairying will not frage, proportional representation, be long conducted at a loss. Raisers seats in Congress for Cabinet mem- will sell their stock to the butcher bers, short ballot, and a little of this Already they are disposing of calve through the forest mold, and perhaps and a little of that which may find and yearling heifers to an extent that a response in labor and farm circles, menaces the future. There seems to all seasoned with freedom of the seas, be a mutual duty in the premises on abolition of secret diplomacy and the part of producers to reduce costs abolishment of discriminatory tariffs if possible, and on the part of the by world agreement-these and a few public to pay what shall be determined to be a fair price based upon efficient It is reported that one of the earnest production in existing circumstances alone would prevent most fires at-workers in the party has remarked But if the people shall be called upon tributed to careless campers. But that it will be well satisfied if it to pay more, it will greatly lessen the getting out easier than getting in.

every other necessary measure should also be adopted. Utmost care is major parties with the importance of called for from now until the Fall its own proposals. It is not a promiscrease is wholly justified.

For moisture is absolutely necessary to the raising of a successful crop, and the first step in the conserwher of a garden to prevent the fordispirited army of Austria. With ample mation of a crust on the surface of troops providing they entered Russia food and munitions and with the aid the ground. The Department of Agri- via Vladivostok? How many American of British, French and American artil- culture is performing a timely service officers know the Russian language food and munitions and with the aid the ground. The Department of Agriof British, French and American artillery and airmen, the Italians should in reminding the people again of the be able to drive back the army of the value of the "dust mulch." A dust be able to drive back the army should mulch has nothing mysterious or would we have for the rear of our would we have for the rear of our would be continually har-Hapsburgs unless the Germans should reinforce them. Fallure of the latter on the Oise and before Rheims suggests that they have no troops to spare operates as a check to evaporation.

Would we have for the rear of our technical about it. Is is simply a forces, who would be continually harblanket of fine soil on top, which assed by the Austro-German prisoners operates as a check to evaporation. The Bolshevists and the disintegrated victims of German the disintegrated victims of German and any weakening of their forces in When the ground becomes hard. France might be the signal for Foch cracks appear, and these cracks invite o take the offensive in that country the evaporation that it is necessary to avoid. The dust mulch is produced with a hoe or a rake, but the implement employed is not so important ing of their forces and to the single as the energy which the gardener puts dier They have been able to into it. Nature demands compensation. She does not give us our garden attainment of a common end without for them. The fact that the ground waste of days in conference. The is clear of weeds is not an excuse for discontinuance of cultivation.

onfidence which have greatly stif- inform us that every-day sprinkling ailled interests, of the surface of the ground is not The allies were driven to unite their approved irrigation, where water is available. Thorough soaking at intervals of a few days is better. Superroot growth, and also spoils the dust

The home garden movement is con tributing in unexpected ways to our and women now talk with easy famillarity of the dust mulch who even a year ago did not know whether it was kind of silage or patent duster. But the test of this newly acquired knowledge will lie in the application there-More power to the elbow of the to

The children's year campaign inaugurated by the woman's committee of the Council of National Defense has laborious propaganda on the minds of aroused more widespread interest than its most enthusiastic supporters counted on, according to recent of-It was at first inficial reports. tended to limit the number of registration cards to 5,000,000, but the number called for already has exceeded this by nearly half a million. The Federal children's bureau is now calling attention to the necessity of "follike a good many other branches of low-up work" if the campaign is to be agriculture, lacks data of the commade a complete success. pleteness that could be desired. The and measuring tests are of little value, Portland City Milk Commission has it is pointed out, unless they lead to recently been making some investign- corrective measures where these are indicated. Too much stress may be placed upon the 99 per cent babies that seems to stand out most clearly whose parents have pardonable pride in them, but which need little or no help. It is the babies below par that the movement is designed to reach. One effective way for the parents of perfect children to show their gratitude for the bounty of nature would be to devote some of their time to helping those not so fortunate.

> The degree to which this is a war of specialists is indicated by the fac that down to June 7 240,000 men had een transferred from one unit to another in Army camps as a result of occupational qualification. These transfers have numbered 40,000 week recently, and 200 trained interviewers are employed in to ascertain men's qualifications, occupation, education and experience. Various branches of the service con-

Colonel R. R. Greene, who died at Hood River last week, was one of the who helped in the making of Companion and friend of John J. Ingalls, he was an implacable in the early days of the Republican party when men's souls were tried. in the fall of life, he brought wise counsels and practices that bore fruit. It was good to know him.

True to its habit of subservience to any person claiming to speak on behalf of labor, the House restored to the Army bill the prohibition of preworkmen, which the Senate had cut you think it only fair under the above out, and the men who are willing to circumstances that I be allowed to enout, and the men who are willing to do their best are to be paid no more than those who soldier on the are slow and incompetent. Yet the war cry is "Speed up."

Women station, agents will be an Instead around, smoking an old pipe, they and that there is something to drink in the water cooler.

Members of a Methodist Sunday the berry fields today and tomorrow. It The followers of John Wesley are leaders in much of everything. Pershing is picking his commanders

for merit, and he knows best. That's the way "Old Man Grant" had, and there never will be better. The "Y" drives for \$115,000,000, closely following the fourth loan of

their very smallness. Listening to Tom Marshall in a Democratic convention is like know-

French Canadians active in opposition to the draft will change their It will want to minds before the British spirit is done with them.

> The express monopoly will tilt rates 10 per cent, but the parcel post will continue the business of the common people. Just as people are getting accus-

tomed to saying "Mayor Bigelow" comes news of soon return of Mayor Baker. Twenty-five pounds of sugar will put up a lot of fruit; most of the

glassed stuff is too sweet, anyway.

vening annex hung on a long time, basis. but their suspension was certain Mustard is hot stuff for Summer consumption, and its advance in price

worries few people. Old Sol threw off a few calories when he hopped the line yesterday.

Some of those fellows at Salem find

by Enormous Obstacles. PORTLAND, June 21.—(To the Editor.)—C. F. Ganong writes to The Ore-It will be worth while for the amateur war gardeners in this season of drouth to make a careful study of the principles of moisture conserva-

It is very true that the average Russian is easily led and as easily misled and as a fighting man he knows no vation of food is the production of it.

It should be the ambition of every

It should be the ambition of every

What would be our means of communication to those propaganda? I do not think it would be advan-

tageous to the entente to attempt to place forces in the Ukraine, Great Russia or South Russia, either miltarily or politically, for every sol-dier and every officer that could be placed in the east would be in constant peril of their rearward communications. Anglo-French forces have been placed in the north of Finland to protect the Finnish ports from outawry, but their leaders know that it Is continuance of cultivation.

The Department is at pains also to inland for any further protection of

not directly against Germany. But what was the reason of these armies being placed there? General Allenby's army is the same army that defended Egypt, a part of the empire, against the Turko-German assaults early in the war and is now firmly established well up in Palestine to make permanent the protection of Egypt and the Suez Canal. The purpose of the army beyond Bagdad is analogous. Those troops, composed largely of Indians, are there to impede any Turko-German effort aimed at the Persian oil wells, as the immediate objective, and uation of the allied forces, warning us to India as the ultimate. Therefore it to be careful where we throw spikes man with the hoe as he labors to make one dust mulch grow where there was none before.

Is quite necessary for British forces to be operating in Palestine and Mesopotamia, regardless of what the military plans of Allenby and Marshall consist. plans of Allenby and Marshall consist.

If the United States and her allies Come, Mr. Churchill, there are milcould have placed an army in Russia
when there was in realty an eastern
battlefront and before the fall of Riga,

and I wisk and the complete more than that, we invite it, but in the Dvinsk and Lutsk and the complete collapse of the loyal Roumanian army, hen success might have resulted.

But that day has passed forever and the only front that will prove decisive is the western front, whatever may be the wishes of others.

EDWIN F. DREHER.

I LOVE THEM ALL.

Sometimes in the street 'tis I meet one, Again in a city bound car; Perhaps in long ranks they are march

ing by, But I claim them wherever they are. or I love every lad in the service, Grave or gay, dark or fair, short or

They don't all call me mother, But they are mine and I love them

sent my own boys-O, so proudly. And smiled as I watched them de part. Not a tear did I shed when I kissed them And I crushed every doubt in my heart. There are two soldier boys and one

sailor, And soldiers and sailors, whoever they

God bless them, I love them all. Tis the mother heart of the Nation Beating warm in one mother's breast. My own is out there among them, My dearest, my bravest, my best, It is my country, my flag, they're de-

MRS. NELLIE A. WARNICK.

No Invidious Distinction.

ast December and was rejected at postage to ancouver Barracks, my discharge in France. Vancouver Locating in the valley of the Columbia stating that I was disqualified for servstating that I was disqualified for service in the United States Army on account of right inguinal hernia.

I have been examined by the local board for this district and placed in class A-1 and have been informed that I will be taken and will have to sub-

mit to an operation.

I am willing and anxious to my country in any capacity that the miums and bonuses for efficiency of Government sees fit to use me, but don't ter the service as a volunteer instead of being conscripted? A SUBSCRIBER.

> Except for the fact that the voluner may choose the branch of service which he believes he will like best. of sitting there is no difference between voluntary

and selective service. Yet the drafted see that everything is tidied up man may state a preference and if his past experience indicates that he is peculiarly qualified for that branch, he s likely to be so placed whenever men are needed therein. The drafted man school up the Valley are going into has all the privileges of the volunteer His treatment, chance for advancement and opportunity to distinguish himself are just as great. As registrants are not permitted to volunteer, the Government has effectually forestalled any effort to elevate volunteers above others who are serving their country with willingness and with equal valor. No charge is made by The Oregonian

for answering questions. As you have \$6,000,000,000, will be easy picking for not given an adequate address, the money you enclosed has been turned over to the Red Cross.

Figuring the Monthly Payroll. PORTLAND, June 21 .- (To the Editor.) - Please publish in your paper the namer to the following

How is overtime figured in making up monthly payroll?

Is it figured on the basis of the actual working days in the month, or is it figured by taking the calendar days of month?

If an employe should leave before the month is out, would his monthly salary be divided by 30 or 31 days in the month to get the average per day; or would his salary be divided by the actual days he has worked AN OLD SUBSCRIBER. Each individual business has its own

system of figuring payrolls. The most widely used plan, however, where a monthly salary is paid, is to base it upon a 30-day month, and the wage per day is found by dividing the amount of the monthly salary in dollars by 30. The Illinois Staats Zeitung and its Overtime is then figured upon that

Information on Land Opening

ASTORIA, Or., June 20 .- (To the Edi tor.)-Kindly inform me where I can get information about the lands in bregon to be thrown open for home stead settlers. I am a soldier's widow and would like ver, much to make use of my rights. SOLDIER'S WIDOW. Write to United States Land Office, Portland.

In Other Days.

Twenty-Tive Years Ago.

as having shown that the tide has turned. There has been no gold ex-

ported in three weeks.

lapp, officiating.

From The Oregonian June 22, 1893. Washington.—The shipment of gold rom London to New York is looked on

For the second time the Northern Pa-

cific has slashed transcontinental rates and made a reduction which for sud-

ienness and extreme lowness is calcu-

lated to throw the Great Northern's cut into the shade.

Washington .- One of the sad sights

of Washington during the past ten days

and which was made more sad be-cause of the loud guffaws of John Markley and Dan Murphey was the

figure of Hon. Asahel Bush, sitting without the "presence" chamber argu-ing with Thurber as to whether he

ing with Thurber as to whether he should be admitted to see the Presi-

Hiram E. Mitchell and Maud Som-

First Congregational Church, Rev. T. E.

P. Chapell-Brown has changed his

bidence from the heart of the city University Park.

From The Oregonian June 22, 1868, Washington.—As the National cur-ency bill now stands it allows the

issue of \$20,000,000 of National cur-rency to the banks which have less

than \$5 in circulation to each inhabi-tant and provides for the withdrawal to the same amount from those states

New York .- The wife of Manton Marble, of the World, died yesterday.

Liverpool.-George Francis Train at-

impted to make a speech last night,

Advices from Grant County state

Among the recent marriages are

Albert H. Bullock and Martha A. Bell, of Oswego, and John T. Medcalf and

HONORING THE PASSING FLAG

Writers Think Portland People Fall to

Show Respect for Colors.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash.

June 20 .- (To the Editor.) -Friday

evening my wife and I had the pleasure

of watching the Flag day parade and

several places in order to see for our-

selves how many real patriots there

are in this city, and we were surprised

as much to leave behind as any man in this city, but I saw my duty, as every other man should see it, and the quick-

er that more of the city's young men see it the sooner the war will end. In this time of our country's great

In the school that I was brought up

fn, which was in New York, we were taught that our flag stood for every-

thing that was right and good and that

and whenever we saw it by some form

that some of you Portland people have anything but the right feeling toward

PORTLAND, June 20 .- (To the Editor.) - Why is it that at parades and

to regimental or organization colors passing in review? Can't it be put up

to every American that he is offering

aliant disrespect to the flag and insult to the men marching under it when he refuses to uncover while the flag

Classification of Pharmacists.

MILTON, Or., June 26 .- (To the Edi-

or.)—Will a registered druggist, now imployed in a drugstore, who is classi-

fied in 4-A, come under the head of

If your work includes filling pre-

scriptions it will probably be held that

you are engaged in a productive em-

ployment. The classification of clerks

as non-productive employes applies to

I would like to hear from

OLIVER HELFRICH.

A SUBSCRIBER.

JOHN L. YOUNG.

should acknowledge it

some of these so-called patriots

of salute. Therefore it

need one man is no better than another

Mrs. Annetta W. Woodward.

hat the mines are turning out well

and business of all kinds is successful,

having a surplus within one year.

Half a Century Ago.

erville were married last night at the

Brewers Is No Mere Trifle. GRANTS PASS, Or., June 19 .- (To the word to Mr. Editor.)-A closing Churchill, with your kind permission. Why this fervent and repeated defense of the brewer by a food administration official when prohibition is not an issue at all, but food conservation only? Cannot the American brewer defend himself without the help of men in

ederal positions? Why, Mr. Churchill, persist in raising an issue that no one cise has raised at any time, the matter of wheat used in brewing? Some good people are neither fools nor ignorant. Why ask the brewers to testify today

as to the sugar content of beer, when to establish its purity and food value they in 1911 testified that it did con-tain both cane and beet sugar? See Brewers' Yearbook for that year. Never until the use of sugar was condemned as a waste did they come out with their defense that none is used. Ask the manufacturers of candy what has happened to the price of glucose since it has been made a substitute for sugar by order of the Food Administration. But stick to the Issue before us, which never was sugar, until you thought you had caught the preacher asleep. It's food grains that are confessedly being wasted every day. You talk as if it were a mere trifle that in so wasted. Let me introduce you to the Brewers' Yearbook for 1217, published early in the present year and on page 174 let the brewer testify for himself is True enough, Great Britain has placed armies in Palestine and in Mesopotamia to strike against Turkey, not directly against Cornel. his own defense. He uses for brewing

"Corn, used in brewing, \$46,574,527 pounds, 58 per cent; barley, used in brewing, 1,961,254,980 pounds, 22.5 per cent; rice, used in brewing, 141,248,292 pounds, 12.5 per cent."

If the Food Administration can Justify this waste and is willing it should go on with their knowledge sanction and defense, the while scrap-ing the flour bins and denying all wheat products in just four states except there be others of recent date closing four mills in the wheat country and telling us of the terrible food sitto be careful where we throw spikes, tools, etc., if these are the facts in the case haven't some of us poor mortals a right to lift our voices in good-natured

name of that patriotism won't please be logical, and stick to the text If the Food Administration is going to admit this waste of food and defend it, say so and quit.

I leave the verdict as to the merits we made it our business to see it in in this controversy to the great number of readers who have patiently followed us during the past few weeks. Since I had the first word you are welcome to the last. My position is supported by and ashamed to see how many slackour Representatives and Senators from this state, as letters in my hands show.

Let us drop the non-easential things and both set down to the hystress of and both set down to the hystress of this state, as letters in my hands show.

Let us drop the non-easential things and both get down to the business of country's flag. Is this a good example of Portland's patriotism? I am a volume awary ounce of food, whether we of Portland's patriotism? I am a volume awary ounce of food, whether we have to take it out of the housewife's flour barrel or from the brewer's bins.

L. MYRON BOOZER.

German Tyranny Painful.

Atlantic.

German tyranny does not consist simply in an exorbitant application of Let every man come forth and do his the dogma of might. It has special duty. mortifications, peculiar to the race, which make it even more painful, if that is possible. It is not inspired Who went at their country's first solely by the systematic despotism and Immorality cynically adopted by Ger-many; it is not an unadulterated ap-plication of any doctrine; it springs from a genuine lack of morality, and from a wellispring of victous animal-ism, which psychologists have often detected i nthe German blood. Not that I am so foolish as to maintain that all Germans are low, malignant and brutal; but is can be said without hesifending:

For me they must stand or may fall.

Their psychical type, more or less emphasized; that such are their racial characteristics, as appears from inches of the phasized or phasized; the such are their racial characteristics, as appears from inches phasized; the phasized or organization colors to regimental or organization colors are their racial characteristics, as appears from inches phasized or phasized. numerable facts gathered from the lips of our repatriates of every locality.

Mail for A. E. F.

SEASIDE, Or., June 26.—(To the Ed-tor.)—I enlisted in the regular Army Editor.)—(1) Please tell me how much postage to put on letters to soldiers (3) May we send small packages,

(1) Domestic rate-2 cents for ordlnary letter. (2) No. (3) From 15 to 30 days, if the sol-

s not on detached duty.

dier is with his command-that is if he those holding positions where minor skill or training is required.

non-productive employe?

AMERICAN MACHINE GUNS EFFICIENT-TOLD IN

THE SUNDAY OREGONIAN

Frank G. Carpenter, special contributor to The Sunday Oregonian, goes poking about all over America wherever war activities are on. When his articles appear they have the facts, easy of assimilation, and accurate to the 'nth degree. Read in tomorrow's issue what he has to say of the muchly discussed Browning machine gun, both light and heavy, which is to spray death on the victorious road to Berlin.

THE AMERICAN RAINBOW-Exiled from their homes by the brutish advance of the field gray of Prussia, it was the refugees of France who learned how American mercy heals and comforts. Here is a Sunday yarn that brings hardship and deprivation-even worse-near to the ken of the reader, but brings as well the knowledge that men and women and children are not altogether forgotten by their kind.

WHEN THE WOUNDED ARE BROUGHT IN-To the uninitiate the hospitals of the war zone are vaguely located places, where nebulous nurses move through the wards of pain. Over all is the glamour of romance and mercy. In the Sunday issue an American woman who served with the ambulances of the French army lends light for the understanding of what actual hospital work is.

LAST OF THE CALIPOOIAS-Jake Fern, last of his ancient tribe, has joined the phantom hunters beyond the spirit lake. Curiously enough, Douglas County mourns his passing-not as one of the picturesque people who held the land in the long ago, but as an Indian whose soul was white. R. A. Booth writes of Jake Fern

in the Sunday paper. TROUBLES OF A TALL GIRL-She has a difficult time at the business of being "divinely tall," for her knees hunch up when she sits down, and the dressmaker gasps at her skirt length, and her progress is beset with difficulties and embarrasments. Ada Patterson's brief for the tall girl is worth reading. She says that joy

is not necessarily the portion of girls of the Gibson type. NINETY IN THE SHADE-The ardor with which the orb of day went about his Summer wooing passes not unremarked by W. E. Hill, foremost American illustrator, whose page of crayon in the Sunday issue is apropos. The woes of all who brave the superfluous geniality of the first warm day are intimately depicted.

LITTLE STAR FROM PORTLAND-This is a story from New York, where Mildred Keats, formerly of Portland, is winning plaudits and renown as an artistic dancer. But Mildred is the same jolly little girl that Portland knew, asserts the correspondent, and her charming disposition is unspoiled by adulation. With photographs.

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