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THE KAISER'S DELUSION.

The article of Dr. Davis relating his conversation with the Kaiser in the Fall of 1916 is a valuable guide to on his dentist's scrupulous code of ethics in respecting the confidence of patients, especially a patient who could help or injure him so much as could the ruler of Germany, the Kaiser opened his mind more freely than he would to a foreigner who was free from such restraint. His self-revelation is most illuminating.

The Kaiser brushed aside the justithe allies, sustained as it was by same rule of international law which justified German sales to Russians against Japan, and defended German action on the ground that it helped a white against a yellow race, while he condemned American sales to the allies as helping one group of white nations against another. Therefore American action must be founded on mercenary mo tives, not on a law which permitted commerce with all nations in a position to receive the goods. To his mind the same rule should not be applied to all nations, but the white must be preferred to the yellow, black the Governor and the road bonds. The or brown. By the same process of reasoning Germany, as the nation Tribune blames the Governor for letchosen by Gott to rule the world, should be preferred to all other white we to understand that the people don't Germany's enemies. Presumably, those of the allies, so that German the Germans are Gott's chosen people

Kaiser that his position was in direct Tribune think such a Governor enconflict with German practice. Arms tirely safe? were sold to the white Spaniards for against the white Americans, to the white Boers wherewith to fight the white British, to both the white

firm conviction that they are a su- sixteen several times, and bring tinue to rule, the purpose to punish Distinguished Service medal. until it had been executed or until it session of one modest soldier had been beaten out of the German Canada. head. The delusion that the Germans man people, and might arouse them to depose the dynasty which has imparted the delusion to them. Whether safety of America from attempts to

cure, an end be made of Kaiserism. It is imperative that the American come before the war has been carried into Germany when the Kaiser, see- humble man's spirit to serve and do. ing that defeat is certain, will offer to give up all the spoils of war and to join a league of nations on terms of equality—in short, may pretend to have been cured of his delusion. That will be the time to remember that the Kaiser is incurable and that his people cannot be cured until the actual presence of the allied armies in Germany has carried to their minds undeniable proof that they have been defeated and that therefore they have been victims of a monstrous deceit.

great strides in the practical adoption participation in the work by their own whose training much time will be The St. Louis convention put the spent. Socialist party in the position of supand the aims of Germany, protest against this pro-German move.

The latest seceder from the party is pro-Germanism is non-Americanism;" pro-Germanism is non-Americanism:" across the ocean for conference, and for the destruction of our Pacific com-that "by reason of their foreign birth could be used in a permanent mail merce and for an invasion of our their front,

Such men as Victor Berger and Morris Hillquit know well that their great Socialists can do no better than reaf- forts. firm their "belief in international So-

of this chaos," under condemnation of the Govern-Germans. bers who have been loyal from the first, its repentance will be welcome. If it should remain under the guidance of its pro-German leaders, doubt American people will not be willing to give those who refused to aid in makwar a voice in making peace,

If the Socialists wish to be ac cepted as an American party, they would do well to adopt an American American policy in the war. Relying platform and to choose American leaders whose loyalty has never been

PASSING THE ROAD BOND BLAME.

The Scio Tribune professes to find tself much alarmed at the load of debt which the state is rolling up and the "monstrous taxation" which now is imposed on the people, and reaches fication of American sale of arms to the sapient conclusion that Governor Withycombe is greatly to blame. "The people." says the Tribune "will not forget that they are burdened with \$6,000,000 of road bonds which he, Governor Withycombe, could have pre-

vented if he would." "Why, oh, why," says the Kaiser, the crocodile tears running down his cheeks, "did the people of Belgium resist my might? If they had let me have my way, they would have lived happily all through the war. But they made the great error of opposing me, and see what happened. They are to

blame for it all." The Tribune uses Kalser logic about people voted the bonds, and now ting the people have their way. Are responsible for their acts? Or is the

The Governor, cries the Tribune, is that Americans should sell to Ger- candidate for Governor, who goes into large sums for upkeep. many, but not to her enemies, because a star chamber proceeding to bring

O'ROURKE.

"The Lacedaemonians," says Plu-Balkan nations and the Asiatic Turks tarch, "do not ask 'How many are the to fight each other. But a new law is enemy?' but 'Where are they'?" We made in Berlin to suit the necessities are reminded of the old historian's pleasures and diversions so that each of the chosen German people, and be- tribute to the ancient Greeks when cause the American people defied that we hear something new about Serlaw and observed the law under which geant O'Rourke. It was a troublethen Germans had formerly carried on some day, or a fateful night for the this mercenary business, they are to Germans when O'Rourke went over go, and along with it automobiles, nished as offenders against "Ich | the top, sometimes with other valiant | tobacco, theaters, baseball, dancing soldiers, and often alone.

The mind of the Kalser is the mind Did O'Rourke not crawl out into of the German people, for he has as- No Man's Land, in the midst of a siduously educated his people in the continuous torrent of artillery fire, perior race, divinely selected to rule to the comparative safety of the suspects. the world, and that they are therefore trenches sixteen wounded, or dying municipal links, and nearly every exempt from all laws which obstruct men? For this extraordinary deed other city of size has made similar their efforts to fulfill their mission. he got the Victoria Cross; and for If Germany should not be defeated other astounding feats he was honand if the Hohenzollerns should con- ored with the military medal and the America for helping Germany's ene- these mementoes of the gratitude and fraction of the expense of maintaining mies would live in the German mind appreciation of his country are in pos- an automobile. Interest in it has been

O'Rourke is back in Oregon, to talk are a super-race is probably as in-curable in the case of the Kaiser and to others about life in the trenches. Gol his family as the delusion of divine We don't know what kind of an cases produce good crops. But dearth right which possesses them and the orator O'Rourke is, though he comes of land is not our agricultural trouble. Bourbons. Military defeat would not of a somewhat fluent race, and the It is dearth of labor. Our land situacure them; though it probably would presumptions are for him; but it is tion is wholly different from that of cure the German people. The unde-niable fact of military defeat should at him. After all, hero-worship is a lide would give us abundant food for work an effective cure with the Ger- quality of the human mind that we ourselves and our allies. would not change if we could.

There is a cult of anemic schoolbook-makers who think it is harmful that means or not, the future to have the golden deeds of our amusement. There are men who sty of America from attempts to heroes included in our histories. But haunt the billiard halls to the neglect administer the threatened punishment history would be a dull and unprofitdemands that Germany be cured and able study without them. Such whining that, as a means and an evidence of killjoys should be interned. We should like to see O'Rourke himself introduced into every schoolroom in Orepeople keep this before their minds gon, that young patriots may learn throughout the war. A time may that duty, valor, sacrifice and compassion are manifestations of a very

SENDING ARICRAFT TO FRANCE

The problem of American leadership in aerial war is no longer one of providing machines, for quantity production is already under way and will increase from month to month. The problem is to get the machines to Europe. They occupy so much space on board ship that an immense thousands proposed, and the Government is forced to economize tonnage SOCIALIST LEADERS ARE PRO-GERMAN. clothing in bales with steel bands. While the United States has made That fact caused a British officer to Australia and New Zealand, and seof the Socialist theory, under pressure cross the Atlantic by its own power, and Canada, too, against the re-estabof war, the organized advocates of that That plan might involve heavy loss, theory have deprived themselves of both of machines and of men, on

anti-American attitude has been lish a line of floats across the ocean Mr. Roosevelt, the members of th forty landing stations, which he would policy for the Pacific received from build of concrete and protect with them." Allan L. Benson, who was its candidate nets against torpedoes and with guns. War has demonstrated to us that for President in 1916. He says, with to fight submarines. He would place possession of outposts in the Pacific probable truth, that the rank and file mechanics on them to make repairs to by a power such as Germany consti-of the Socialist party is "essentially planes and gun crews to do the fight-American" and desires the defeat of ing. He predicts that, if 40,000 air- Holding the Caroline Islands, Samoa Germany, and he explains its un-planes should be sent by this route the Bismarck archipelago and a large American position by saying that "it in the next six or eight months, or part of New Guinea, Germany was in has among its leaders an undue per-centage of the foreign-born." But he months, they would finish the war by Hawaii and Tutuila. If she had a is too charitable when he says of these the end of 1919. These stations could superior fleet, Germany could occupy leaders that "what is mistaken for be used by Cabinet ministers in flying these Islands and use them as bases

war. There are a few obstacles to overcome before such a plan could be apostle, Karl Marx, held devotion to executed. The concrete floats must the interests of labor to be quite con-sistent with loyalty to one's country, guns, supplied with gasoline and but they use a spurious international-manned with gunners and mechanics. manded for their security that the but they use a spurious international-ism which he did not teach as a cloak The entire shipbullding and engine-for the pro-Germanism which they building capacity is already so fully dare not openly profess. They are of occupied and the needed men are so United States makes the same deattempt to draw the workingmen of of shipping the finished parts of airence. If they had been sincere in establishing shops to assemble them their error, they would have learned in that country. That would effect that it is an error, but the Wisconsin and would not pen men in mid-ocean

The American output of aircraft been simplified. It may be practicable Islands and ment, has weakened its influence and to send fleets of aircraft across the more effective service as transports part of the time.

FORGET ME NOT.

A pretty sentiment and a noble purpose are combined in "Forget-Me-Not The forget-me-not is the favorite flower of the Queen of Belgium. Next Thursday will be her birthday. On that day maids and women of Portland keenly interested in the needs of devastated Belgium and Northern France will offer bouquets of the little flower on the streets of Portland. The proceeds will be expended in deeds of mercy and benevolence in those

stricken countries. We think the people have in truth not forgotten the brave stand of Belgium and the completeness of its sacrifice in behalf of the world's cause occupied with our own activities we are prone to slack in those deeds of assistance to that country that we had been in the habit, almost devoutly, of performing. The opportunity now comes to remember with substance as well as thought. No nation, modern or ancient, ever had better cause to say "forget me Let us ring in and ring out not." the birthday of Belgium's Queen with the chimes of silver quarters.

ANOTHER ANTI.

The subject of the other fellow's extravagance in this period when all are urged to save and sacrifice comes nations, and no arms should be sold know what they want, and are not to us again today from a Bandon correspondent. This correspondent would if the naval forces of the central pow-ers had been equally matched with what they do?

Governor to be held accountable for plow up the golf links and raise food thereon. Golf, he suggests, is a rich man's game, and an extravagant pas ships could have carried munitions to an "unsafe man." The Tribune's idea time, inasmuch as it requires use of German ports, he would have held of a safe man is of a Governor, or a much good land which in turn costs

It may be confidently assumed that the Non-Partisan League and all its the correspondent does not play golf. It was of no consequence to the works to Oregon. Or does not the It will also have been noticed that those who would convert all the tobacco lands into grain fields do not smoke, and that those who shudder over the expenditure of time and money in enjoyment of automobiles

own no cars. If the time ever comes when it is expedient to abandon all rational may employ all his waking hours ice cream, planos and all their kith and kin.

But just now the need for sacrificing golf is not clear. It is a more demo cratic sport than our correspondent Our own Portland has its provision. The primary investment in the game has been made and that has been divided among many. The cost of golf to the individual need be but a growing. It is even likely that our shipworkers, who are said to be buying most of the automobiles, will take

Golf links, it is true, would in mos

There is, of course, such a thing as extravagant indulgence in sports. It is found in golf and in every other of business, and there are women who tion if another made it. haunt the movies to the neglect of housework. But overindulgence by the few need not condemn the whole has recognized the usefulness of sports Revere. in keeping up the morale of its diers; less directly it has recognized their usefulness in keeping up the morale of the folks at home. We them, probably so sad that we should be easy prey to the Germans-if despondency did not kill us off before they could get here

MONROE DOCTRINE FOR THE PACIFIC. The growing importance of the tonnage would be used in carrying the Pacific Ocean in the relations of nations has caused Premier Hughes, of Australia, to put forward what he to such a degree that it compresses calls "a Monroe doctrine of the Pacific" which will provide "security for propose that the American air fleet curity ultimately for the United States on Germany." That this new Monroe doctrine has already found approva in the United States is shown by Mr. These difficulties have moved Alfred Hughes' statement on his arrival in porting Germany against the United W. Lawson, of Green Bay, Wis., to England from this country that he States by denouncing the war, and this propose that the Government estab- had interviews with President Wilson, brought into stronger relief by the from America to France at intervals committee on foreign relations of the withdrawal of many leading members of fifty miles as refuge, repair and Senate and with a number of other who, being Americans first and seeing fuel stations for aircraft and as a representative men, and by his remark a flat contradiction between Socialism guide to enable them to keep the to the London Times that he is "fully This plan would require about satisfied with the support which his

War has demonstrated to us that

they cannot get the American point and passenger air service after the Pacific Coast. Through the superior EXTRAVAGANCE OF GOLF ALARMS HOBO'S PASSING IS EXPLAINED naval power of Great Britain, Ger-many has lost the naval bases which she held in the Pacific, and the island possessions of the United States have

one mind with the majority Socialists fully employed that there are none mand. It follows that the free naof Germany, who permitted the mili-to spare for this gigantic experiment. tions bordering on the Pacific should tarists to use them as balt in a vain. A plan could more easily be followed combine to put a veto on further acquisition of islands in that ocean by the allied nations into a peace confer- craft knocked down to France, and of any other nation. That principle implies an agreement among the United States, Japan, Canada, Australia and from Germany's treatment of Russia the desired economy in cargo space, New Zealand, the last three as members of the British Commonwealth of Nations

Such an agreement would be an cialism and in the principles of human has not yet reached such proportions application to the Pacific of the policy brotherhood as the only great force that it need cause alarm about ships which the United States has pursued in the world that can bring order out to carry it. A long time will elapse in the Caribbean Sea with the moral before the American Army has 40,000 support of Great Britain. Construc-A movement is now under way to aircraft, and a far longer time before tion of the Panama Canal, the pro-ceorganize the party and to repudiate it has 100,000. Before it has elapsed tectorate over Panama and Nicaragua, the St. Louis platform by those who the tonnage supply will have grown the occupation of Haiti and Santo Dorealize that it has brought the party enormously and the problem will have mingo, the purchase of the Virgin President Roosevelt's warning to the Kaiser to keep out of has linked it with anarchists and pro-Germans. If the party should be regular steamship routes, in which brought under control of those mem-event they would always be within in combining with our allies to preevent they would always be within in combining with our allies to pre reach of ships able to render aid or vent any predatory power from gainsupply fuel to an airplane in distress. ing a foothold in the Pacific. True, The proposed forty floats would do far we look forward to a league of peace which would take the place of such will remain of its sincerity, and the carrying cargoes than as floats an alliance, but provision for our se anchored in mid-ocean, idle a large curity is needed until the authority of such a league is firmly established and until the German people have been cured of their mania for world

> The United States cannot do its part n maintaining this new Monroe doctrine of the Pacific unless it maintains force in the Pacific Ocean comparable with that which it maintains in the Atlantic. We owe the integrity of the original Monroe doc-trine more to the naval power of Great Britain than to our own. Our National security and pride demand that we shall depend for the integrity of our territory and commerce in the Pacific upon our own naval strength chiefly, not upon that of any other nation, no matter how close may be the bonds of friendship and mutual interest. Congress should look far nough into the future to provide for naval defense of this coast, and actual execution of the Helm plans should begin as soon as the high pressure of war preparation has been somewhat

Steady progress is being made by Alaska in producing coal for home onsumption. The Government's Eska Creek mine now ships about 1200 tons week from the Matanuska field, and the Little Susitna lignite mine contracted to ship 150 tons to Juneau. A hog-grower has applied for a free use permit from the Government to mine coal near his farm for the purpose of cooking food for his hogs Matanuska potatoes are finding a market throughout the coast towns of Alaska. Altogether the northern territory is making progress toward supplying itself with all the necessaries of life, and we may yet live to see Alaska coal on the Portland market.

chapter on married life than is recorded in the death of Newton Clark, followed by the passing of his widow just one month later. Married in 1860, journeyed down the stream of not this cry shame to those who make

the German general staff has n France, German soldiers would have been less disposed to multiply the million men by ten. The staff will now have the greater difficulty in gaining belief for its contradiction of the exaggeration, because it has into its own until there had been already been convicted of falsehood few elaborate funerals, and, judging already been convicted of falsehood and because the coyote yell of the million will sound to the terrified haven't taken place as yet." boches as if it came from ten million throats.

If cottage cheese were put up in a fancy package and advertised extensively, people would buy it with a rush. As it is about the cheapest produced of the best war foods, its merits must be hammered in.

The uniform should be the equivalent of a ticket on the Interstate bridge. Enough civilians cross to pro quite enough for an audience to look England. Full use of all that stands vide necessary revenue, beyond which a utility is not expected to be a producer of money.

You've got to admire the modesty of the man who insists his car can-There are men who not go fast enough to break a law, though he might resent the imputa-

That American Lieutenant who rode sixteen times between his battery and amusement, nor deprive others of a the infantry positions under heavy rational enjoyment. The Government shell fire is sixteen times a Paul When American troops appear in

Siberia as allies of the Japanese, the loyalty of W. R. Hearst will be subshould be a sad, sad people without jected to an almost unendurable

Austria is having trouble in its Cabinet again, showing it has little need of such an ornament. A washstand is about Austria's size.

by the President for desertion in the face of the enemy, disgraces a great barkation and entraining of troops; it name. Those Apaches with Pershing have

not had a chance at killing for a long time, and this is their opportunity. One Independence paper has suc-cumbed to the inevitable. The town

has been newspaper mad of late.

Only the United States and Japan

Little wonder the Hun privates think there are ten million Yanks in Europe.

The Hun would better run from what he calls the "black Americans." has a surprise in store.

Those few drops were real rainnot optical illusions.

Correspondent Would Have Links Con-

verted to Food Production BANDON, Or., July 21.—(To the Edior.)—Will G. McRae's article was very interesting, especially the part showing the hobo? He has gone to work.

ct with affected him. Having spent the last five months in is enormous, but if their prodigality could be limited to this it would be of

McRae notes the fact that candy and Its accompaniments are in evidence as the bum and tramp, is so small that it much as usual. It is true, but it is a does not attract popular or editorial small item compared to bomething he notice. evidently missed. Golf is the great ex-travagance of our times, and it can be afforded only by people who have money to burn, for the expense of keep-ing any golf course in trim for play involves two things, the entire waste of the grass cut by lawn mowers, and the expense of cutting it. I have in mind a 40-acre or 9-hole course that I know costs \$1300 to \$1500 annually to keep in trlm for play, and the great item is cutting the blue grass.

Every considerable town has its golf lub and course, and the notices at the entrances prove it is not a public pastime that all may indulge in; but that it is a sport for those who have money to burn, for these notices exclude all but club members, and these members are a capitalist class, great and small, shopkeepers and professional men. I falled to find a farmer or working man who had the time to indulge. These members, generally speaking, are a non-producing class, and any reasoning that may be employed to shield this element, if carried to its legitimate conclusion, would warrant incorporat-ing any amount of acreage in golf courses this class might wish. No doubt President Wilson and Con-

gress would be greatly surprised if cor-rectly informed as to the immense acreage of good lands incorporated in golf courses east of Mississippi and Missouri Rivers, and the best lands

must be employed, for it takes a fine turf for golf playing.

We are called on to give and buy until it hurts, but there is a large element east of these great rivers who only give and buy until it hurts their sporting proclivities. sporting proclivities.

No man is more fond of sport than myself, yet I have no moral right to indulge when it will increase my neighor's difficulties. The lands incorporated in golf courses would plug a large part of the hole in our shortage of food. FRED N. PERKINS.

SIDE LIGHT ON HOUSING ISSUE Writer Uses Run-Down Premises as

Text for Short Sermon. PORTLAND, July 21 .- (To the Editor.)—Coming back from lunch a few minutes past, I saw an elderly working man looking at a two-story house on the corner of Thirteenth and Everett, which has a "To Let" sign on the front and a "For Sale" sign on the side back. This house has been vacant ever since have been acquainted with this section of the city and its condition is such that an alley cat or a mongrel dog might find it a satisfactory refuge, but a human, never! Of course, this section has ceased to be a residence district, but houses are in too much demand just now for anything to be let remain idle.

Portland needs men of vision right
now and needs them badly. A lawyer friend of mine who is "somebody" in his native wilds spent the Summer months in the Northwest pretty regulife for almost three score years and months in the Northwest pretty reguin death could not be separated. Does larly before he took unto himself a wife and acquired some very interesting litmockery of the marriage relation by the tow heads. Made the rounds up appearing in court for separation? into Alaska, but preferred Portland and the World is the better that Newton Clark and his wife have lived and died.

The world is the better that Newton journing point. When I started on my trip he told me a lot about his experiences and I wrote him my first told the truth about American troops ceived a letter while in Spokane, say

"Your impressions seem to tally with mine, although so many years have elapsed since my visits to the North-west. When I was in Portland I was told that the city would never come by your impressions, the funerals

GERTRUDE RUTHERFORD.

Pay and Commands of Officers. TILLAMOOK, Or., July 20.—(To the Editor.)—(1) Please inform me as to the various units of the Army, their respective commanding officers and their espective salaries.
(2) Also what is the duty of a "de

barkation and entraining" officer and salary of same, if known? AN INTERESTED ONE.

(1) As at present constituted the

ommissioned officers in a company are Captain, First Lieutenant and one or two Second Lieutenants; the battal ion commander is a Major; the regi mental commander is a Colonel, who has a Lieutenant-Colonel under him; the brigade commander is a Brigadier-General; the division commander is a Major-General; the corps commander is Major-General or Lieutenant-General Over all is the General. When we enered the war a company consisted of 100 to 150 men; a battalion of four companies; a regiment of three battalions; a brigade of three regiments; a division answer is no. As to occasional opporof three brigades; a corps of two or a division consists of 27,000 combatant by inquiry at the institution. troops and of 45,000 including service and supply troops, have since been nade. The base pay of commissioned officers follows: General, \$13,500; Lieutenant-General, \$11,000; Major-General, \$8000; Brigadier-General, \$6000; Colonel, \$4000; Lieutenant-Colonel, \$3500; Major, \$3000; Captain, \$2400; First Lieu-Private Beauregard, spared death tenant, \$2000; Second Lieutenant, \$1700 (2) He is the officer in charge of deis a special assigment which does no govern rank or pay.

BUILDING SHIPS. Miss Portland is the burg that moves

er watchword "Forward Travel. matters of progression she is always scratching gravel. Located in a fertile land, where old Willamette flows, filled up with people wide awake, no wonder that she grows. Here hum of mill and factory brings music to the ear, while Only the United States and Japan can put Siberia on its feet, and they are about to do it.

Lay in supplies today, for the grocers cut out even one delivery tomorrow.

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Tittle worder the Hun privates day adown the way, we see a vessel about himself undt Gott. Here every day, a-down the way, we see a vessel dash, into Willamette's classic stream, with loud and cheery splash. Each nobie boat we set afloat, for Willie means defeat, for forward is our watchward and we never sound retreat. The spars that rise toward the skies, the flags that o'er them wave, bespeak Possibly the British end of the front the word that's loudly head, "Democracy we'll save." We're in this fray, yet, in to stay, 'til freedom's shining yet, in to stay, 'til freedom's shining star in sparkling beams sends forth her ot optical illusions.

Meanwhile, the Italians are busy on heir front,

Those few drops were real rain—
gleams across the world afar. So raise the spars, and hoist the stars, and drive the rivets in and soon we'll sing "America" way up in old Berlin,
E. L. SHARFE.

Conditions Invite Him to Work and He

Has Taken Job.

But the "hobo" whose passing you note, the fellow whose "wants were West, and seven weeks of few, constant change of scene being this time in Chicago, I wish to add my bit of testimony to McRae's.

The use of gasoline by a certain class is enormous, but if their prodigality self-respective hole. self-respecting hobo would not asso small account. This gasoline is the clate. You say he was "always lazy, force that conveys them to the most always roving." He was, and he is; extravagant pastime man ever conceived of if we take into consideration the needs of this world at this time, but I found my popularity declined at once when I pointed out to them that but his numbers have always been so for the house bill reducing the Army they could not afford to indulge their anchored to a job by decent pay and sporting propensities at a time it was conditions that offer something better sure to work a hardship on their neighwas conditions that offer something better than the meager attractions of the and Boise is now proposed 'rattler" and the "jungles," the residue,

> The hobo has a number of reasons back of him. The primary one has been insufficiency of jobs to go around; he was kept almost continuously on the move in search of a location where there was temporary demand for labor. This condition has now been changed so radically that the job hunts the hobo. In the past, long hours have doubly served to make hobes. By working forces 10 tnd 12-hour shifts the number of men required for a given task was kept down; and the hobo was made to shun work because of its inhuman demands. Wages so low that he could see little hope of bettering his condi-tion by settling down helped to in mands. rease his aversion to stabilization. He easoned that if he must remain bo in any event, so far as material consessions were concerned, he well be one in fact and see America first, last and all the time. The system of uncontrolled employ-ment agencies was another major fac-

tor. Most construction contracts had three crews at all times—one being hired by the agents, one on the job and one leaving it, fired, to hike for the employment offices to start another cycle, because the foreman and em-ployment agents worked in conspiracy to split the fees paid by hoboes for new jobs. The more times they were fired, the more times they were susceptible of exploitation for fees.

These causes were artificial, and there never has been a time when remedies were not at hand for their cure. There some system must be applied for ac-commedation; that is the shifting of locality of peak demand, due to sea-sonal periodicity, particularly in the agricultural and lumbering industries. Until forced by the necessities of war, there had not been made an intelligent effort of pooling of interests by the Government (the public), the employer and the migratory worker. Instead of directing the flow of this stream in such manner as to insure to the worker means wherewith to pay for artificial shelter from climatic rigors, he has been booted about willy-nilly. As surely as ocean streams obey natural laws in following their courses, the hobo stream sought the equable West wheren to spend his Winter of Idleness. Many others who are not hoboes do the same

thing for the same reason.
You say the hobe "no longer knocks at back doors." At one time having been an editor probably had something to do with my later being a hobo. And my experience at both probably had something to do with my knowledge that the hobo would meet with nothing but heartfelt sympathy if the back door chanced to be that of an editor

I am no longer working at either; but am glad to see the hobo at work and the editor asking questions. It is good for both.

ALVARO C. SHOEMAKER,

PAY DAY.

From each hard, flattened pillow there rose a sleepy head,
A hundred forms stirred slightly, but still they stayed in bed. 'We'll answer reveille next week," they Till 6 o'clock we'll lie in bed and rest table, but enjoy the candy our weary bones." Food Administration author

But hark! Across the morning air a bugle's sounding sweet.

An instant more and every man has landed on his feet. "The call to arms," you think at once, and whiten with afright.

When pants and guns and belts are grabbed you surely think you're right.

Each man with gestures wild and fierce grabs his neighbor's shirt, His neighbor, with a mighty swing, propels him to the dirt.
And then ensues a frightful scene which baffles all description, The men make more commot slacker at conscription. otion than i

But all at once a booming cheer re places all this hey-dey; You wonder what, and then you know the bugle sounded "pay day. W. GEOFFREY TAVERNER.

Schools for Boys.

PORTLAND, July 22.—(To the Editor.)—Kindly inform me if there is an institution or training school of any kind in this state where a boy 15 years old could be placed and where he could work for his board.

If you wish to know whether there is any institution which makes a gen eral practice of exchanging board and Shall back upon itself be hurled. instruction for the labor of boys, the tunities for a boy to work for more divisions. Enlargements so that board at school, one can find them only

I made a happy song one day About the poppy flowers; I same it all along my way And children pausing in their play Would follow me for hours Laughing from very joyousness. (They liked my little song, I guess.)

heard today that he had gone The way that martyrs go, Before the fight had scarce begun! All hero-like, when day was done, They found him lying—so— Upon the crimson poppy plain (I'll never sing m sing my song again.)
—GERTRUDE ROBINSON.

CHOOSE: Though the years with their tears may

As we follow life's troubled road. And the brambles of worry may scar us, And gloom have its sure abode; There is much that is bright and sunny if we look for it 'long the way: And there's much that is quaint and funny.

In the darkest, most hum-drum day, and it's yours for the taking, mostly-The rose or the thorn, as you will;
The shadows of doubt, ch. so ghostly,
Or the hope-light a-top of the hill:
—GRACE E. HALL.

Veterinarians in War. LYLE, Wash, July 21.—(To the Editor.)—I am 43 years old, sound and well in every way. If I enlist with United States Army for the war as a veterinary and make good, will my papers be good to practice on after the war? I am a practical veterinarian, but have no license. READER.

It will depend upon the law in effect take up your residence.

In Other Days.

Half a Century Ago. The Oregonian, July 23, 1868 Marseilles.—Prince Napoleon has ar-rived at Malta en route home. At Syria, Cretan exiles implored him not to forget their cause

Berlin.-The Grand Duchy of Hesse has signified its desire to join the other German states in the naturalization treaty with the United States.

Washington-Senate sat until after midnight discussing Wilson's substitute to the ordinary peace establishment. It was moved that arms should not be distributed to Southern states January 1

A telegraph line between Portland

Prospects for a railroad from Salt Lake to Portland are brightening, ac-cording to Union Pacific officials.

Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregenian, July 28, 1898. Berlin.—The Emperor and Empress re enjoying another yachting trip. vo naval squadrons will escort then Stockholi

Tacoma.-The Traders' Bank failed esterday, causing great excitement among depositors. The feeling on the Street is, however, one of confidence in the other banks. Pullman.-Enech A. Bryan, of Vin-

cennes University, has been offered the presidency of the State College of Washington, Professor Fulmer, the new chemist, has arrived from Nebraska University. The East Side Railway has just made

rrangements for special cars on Hawthorne avenue during the repairs of Madison Street bridge New Orleans.-Lightning caused fires

ere today. The total loss is over \$250,000.

BOYCOTT OF CANDY IS MISTAKE Products Authorized by Food Adminiatrator May Be Enjoyed.

PORTLAND, July 22 .- (To the Edtor.)-The Seattle Post-Intelligencer recently published an editorial on andy, cigarettes and gum, from which we quote as follows:

War is a great destroyer of theories, and no less than three of our firmly held notions regarding candy, cigarettee and gum have gone by the boards in actual um have gone by the boards in actual xperiment.

The present war may be said to be fought a candy, cigarettes and gum, much to the isguest, we imagine, of the sturdy veterans four Civil War who fought that war on accon and chewing tobacco.

It isn't so long ago that candy was condered to be a health-ruining dissipation or children, to which parental consent was eluctantly given. Children's touth were also account to be at the mercy of candy, and all auity denittion was attributed to a taste for weets. Experience has however, proved

faulty dentition was attributed to a taste for sweets. Experience has however, proved that it was the absence of the tooth brush, rather than the presence of the gum drop, that was responsible for the deterioration of the children's teeth.

Aside from our past belief, we are today confronted with the government calling for three quarters of a million pounds of camby to feed to its blood-thirsty soldiers. The chocolate soldier is no longer an ironical creature of the imagination, but a two-fisted fighting fact.

Candy which went into the war, conidered by most people to be a purely on-essential luxury, has established self today as a food product of won-

ierful value. While the conservation of sugar is eccessary and therefore the Food Adinistration has asked for general curtailment, to which the condy makers have patriotically responded by sacrificing one-half of their requirements. the general public is now realizing that the boycott on candy, which a short time ago became a popular indoor sport for many well-meaning though misinformed people, is not at all in accord with the real interests of the country. Conserve on candy, but do not try to destroy a great industry, seems to be the proper attitude in these times. Conserve on sugar in candy,

Food Administration authorized candy manufacturers to make. A. G. CLARK.

THEY SHALL NOT PASS. They shall not pass! The cry goes up Around the world today; Tis echoed in a million hearts

Whose souls are in the fray. They shall not pass! That living wall With mighty strength shall hold; We've backed it with our own hearts'

Our boys, our ships, our gold

They shall not pass! Though hunger stalk 'Round firesides sad and lone; They shall not pass, tho' hearts may For dear ones passed and gone.

They shall not pass! The lips that Shall never more know mirth; They shall not pass till kultur mad Has vanished from the earth.

The hosts of all the world Are gathered on the gory field, With battle flags unfurled. And German hordes of Bosche and Hun, A victous, loatheson

They shall not pass! They shall not

They shall not, shall not pass.

MRS. NELLIE A. WARNICK,

Wedderburn, Or. THE WORKMAN TO THE SOLDIER. Said the workman to the soldier, as his ship put out to sea; "While you're over there for freedom, you can safely bank on me! I'll be just as brave as you are, in a

safer sort of way.

And I'll keep production going every minute of the day. Said the soldier to the workman, as the ship put out to sex: "I'll be true to you, my brother, if you'll just be true to me! Now we've got to work together; it's my job to bear a gun,
But it's yours to keep on toiling if
we're going to lick the Hun.

Said the workman to the soldier: "I will back you to the last.

No more strikes for higher wages till the danger time is passed!"

Said the soldier to the workman: "Tm for you and you're for me. we understand each other, let the sh' put out to sea.

-Edgar A. Guest. Bishops in Oregon.

PORTLAND, July 22.—(To the Edi-or.)—(1) What is the required age of nen and women to procure marriage icenses in Oregon without consent of arents? (2) Is there a Catholic bishop in CONSTANT READER.

(2) Strictly speaking, no. The diocese

(1) Males 21; females 18.

Oregon?

of Western Oregon is in charge of Archbishop Christie, Portland. Rev. T. Brady, of Dubuque, Ia., has been appointed to the Eastern Oregon locese to succeed Blahop O'Reilly (transferred), but is yet to be consecrated. The administrator at Baker for at that time in the state in which you Eastern Oregon is at present Monsignor Bronsgeest.