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PORTLAND, THURSDAY, JULY 25, 1918

UNDER 21 AND ABOVE SI.

Hire automobile on a prominent busi-Apparently they had tend to pay. nothing to do but wait for some one to come along with money enough to take a trip to the Columbia Highway, and one of them would then have a job. What the four others were then to do is a question not here to be answered. Perhaps they were drivers of other cars, similarly unemployed at the time. Or perhaps they were friends of the car-owner, only temporarily engaged with him in passing the time of day, and later to disperse in their respective employments, if they had any. Or perhaps all had nothing useful to do, and found a vacant motor car a convenient place.

The Voice of Anarchy.

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When the people of Oregon take possession of their state government, as they will smill never (vir. to resulting the great public utility rates) may be used for the general welfare, its use thus far has been to inflate the aiready sufficiently inflated wealth of a clique of millionaires. But that can be chapsed when the people want to chapse it.

The average Oregon citizen will not quarrel with the committee's condemnation of Townleyism, which only wait for the development, as they will not principle the stigma of Townleyism.

The state has a good many "Inherent powers" which only wait for the development of the people's brains to become of immense utility to the common man and his family. As long as the contents of our skulls read to the intricacies of legal logic.

But, worse yet, it seeks to fasten on the principle the stigma of Townleyism.

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The thought impressed on the way-Navy, and that they were under the and it is the Portland Evening Journal their majority, they will have to go. unless they can give good reasons for casual. staying behind. How many young men, physically fit, have now any fair grounds for exemption? Not

special ties or duties or obligations at and Johns-and all but one fessional responsibilities. The other day the police busied judgeship at the primary.

nd who would not serve his country. footsteps on the Primrose Path. That the product of popular government. he would make a good soldier is inbe coerced at the point of the bayonet Nor are the Supreme Judges nor Cirinto doing some useful work is quite cuit Judges the pawns and servitors clear. There are others in his class of buccaneers. who may be reached by extension of the draft, and no time should be lost

But the policy of raising and lowering the conscription period does not rest upon the argument that the idlers of all kinds should be made to go to An army of loafers at home cannot be transformed into an efficient force in the trenches. But some of them can be. There are many men above 31 and below 21 who belong in class 1, except for their age disqualification. The National Army has been so rapidly mobilized that it is obvious

The Secretary of War now favors a new conscription limit running from 19 to some unnamed figure over 31 years. But there may be training for boys even younger. Government has in mind the fact that and shovels into implements of it may not be wise to send all young men to the front immediately, has formulated a plan for a Students' Army Training Corps where college above 18 may be enlisted in the British line, and they plugged it military forces of the United States. It is realized that many students in The Spiker learns that the Dixie college are now fitting themselves for service by joining classes in engineering, medicine and surgery, chemistry and the like. It is not desirable, nor is it designed, to interfere with them, up to the time they reach 21, but, on the contrary, such minors are encouraged to stay in college and qualify themselves for work when they are called. But just now, where one is in training at college, ten others one is in training at college, ten others for backbone. are not students, nor are they otherwise engaged in any essential occupa-

It is to be expected that soon the dragnet will be applied to all who are that to wait for the draft savored of ing the work of the airman at the physically vigorous enough to stand disgrace. Now it appears other misthe strenuous life at the front. It is guided critics are attempting to pin a only war," and he continues; sound policy to extend the draft age. similar disgrace on those who volun-It may be true that young men are teered. Under such circumstances one for war and old men for counsel; but can not all the vigor and power of the Spiker's remark that "the editor who Nation lie between 21 and 31.

only about a dozen German subma- Junkerdom." rines are now at sea, though formerly of concentration of effort." Allied qualified should await the draft. They that "we are going to lose in the end," bave done so with equal honesty.

There are no soft berths in Army rialistic God" and "the materialistic

is American, but the completion of the new destroyer fleet will give this country the largest number of the most deadly foes of the U-boat.

GERMANIZED. An American professor of German in the University of Maine, concerned about the attitude of his professional .. \$3.00 kindred in the war, wrote a year ago phases of a subject suggested by the times. Now he makes public the results in the New York Sun. He re-

ports: Twenty-nine still believed that the war was forced on Germany.

Twenty-one insisted that the stories of Teuton brutality were greatly exasgerated (citing in protest the Germany they knew

elting in protest the Germany they and sears ago).

Fourteen preferred to see Germany win ather than England.

Forty bewalled the irreparable loss to american scholarship entailed by the war.

Eight defended the German system "even rith its apparent rigors" as against the coseness and inefficiency of democratic gov-

The great majority "deemed it inexpedient" o make a public statement.

Perhaps the showing disclosed by Five robust youths, all around the the Maine patriot accounts for the gen- independence of the judiciary and that polis, Wash." ages of 18 to 21 years, were noticed eral distrust of Germanic instruction ages of 18 to 21 years, were noticed yesterday idling their time in a Forcountry which has harbored them and This year, as heretofore, the comwhich they owe much, but do not in-

gone to war for their country-

THE VOICE OF ANARCHY.

This is not a frothy emanation of the Appeal to Reason, nor the mouthy faring man was that all were probably fit for service in the Army or There is only one other possibility, Navy, and that they were under the and it is the draft age, and that there are many whose lapses into the jargon of the purpose of ridding the bench promptly class-haters and apostles of black of those who are unfaithful to its

The incentive of this incendiary outburst is the decision of the Su preme Court in the six-cent fare case. If the Supreme Court is not a legiti-The draft age is from 21 to 31, and mate and constitutional arm of poputhere are thousands and even millions lar government, what is it? It conof American citizens outside the limits sists of seven justices-Moore, Mc--both over and under-who have no Bride, Bean, Burnett, Benson, Harris nome sufficient to exclude them from elected by popular vote, some of them classification among those who should by practically unanimous vote, and serve their country in Army or Navy. the one exception, after due nomina-There is nothing magical about the tion at a popular primary, was apten years in the eligible group—only their youth, and assumed physical superiority, moral enthusiasm and affirmed a decision made by a united probable freedom from family or pro- Circuit Bench of Multnomah County-But the Kavanaugh, Morrow, Gatens, Ganten Government accepts volunteers at bein, Stapleton, Tucker—all of them 18 and above 31. Why does it not but one again the people's choice; and make them eligible for conscription? he, too, has now been nominated to the

have subscribed; and not one among He had been spoiled by wealth, and them has dissented in any particular he had never had a serious thought from the common judgment that the or a definite duty, and he concerned finding of the Public Service Commishimself only with keeping his unsteady sion was correct. That body, too, is

HEROES, ALL,

If anyone supposes that unguarded statements which reflect upon the courage of American troops will not first anniversary number of the Spiker. U. S. Army in France, is enough to

We had not heard it here, yet the

first, stirring news of engagement of Americans at the front concerned engineers. It was at Cambrai, last November, in a German counter attack, that American engineers turned picks and gained a lasting glory. Again in and March, when the Germans were driving on Amiens, American engineers

But the Borree statement is not all. college are now fitting themselves for (Cal.) Tribune printed the following:

The quotation is not a true state-

who had a small conception of the ing, working like men who have a selective service principle to believe great cause back of them." Describreadily sympathize draws invidious distinctions between different branches of the service is a French official estimates that sower of discord and a friend of

There is, in truth, no real distincthe usual number was twenty. As all tion. The great inspiration of Ameriauthorities except those of Germany can youth is to do its duty, to aid its agree that they are being sunk faster country to the best of its ability. The than they are built, they are a vanishing quantity. The raid on the frequent times the enlistment of men American Atlantic coast is branded by of certain qualifications in certain Admiral Sims as a confession of branches of the service. The response "because it is a violation has been an honest one. It has been of the fundamental military principle indicated, too, that others not specially that letter the opinion was expressed

and Gibraltar is a vindication of that or Navy. No man knows when he God has frowned upon us." The letter principle, for it has succeeded, and is may be called into actual combat. As continued: winning. Between 4000 and 5000 already related, engineers have turned Take the vessels are employed against U-boats, tools into weapons. The death on the and only a small percentage of these field of an officer in the medical

judges are not overthrown at the whim

mittee in its report links the recall of judges with the recall of judicial decisions, finding between the two a similarity not apparent to the mind unused to the intricacles of legal logic.

The sanctity with which the committee clothes the judiciary has not prevented election to judicial office of dishonest and incompetent men. anarchy are more than occasional or traditions, and not as a means to compel decisions contrary to law.

will not be suspected that the common folk cannot know when it is therefore, it is doomed to fail. dishonestly interpreted and are, therefore, likely to accuse an honest judge wrongfully. If so, it is time the law-yers lent their efforts to simplify the A class of intellectuals who alone are competent to say when one of their number transgresses are out of place in a democracy.

THE SPIRIT WHICH CUTS SPRUCE. Concrete evidence of the new spirit which rules the lumber industry of the Pacific Northwest is to be found in the Monthly Bulletin of the Loyal egion of Loggers and Lumbermen. themselves with the case of a rich Here, now, is a court ruling to It is no mere, dry record of official young vagrant who would not work, which thirteen judges on their oaths orders, but has all the characteristics of a live newspaper, yet one with a mission, and shows the work of firstclass newspaper men. Its mission to carry to the minds of the 100,000 members of the Loyal Legion the important part which spruce plays in good soldier is in-but that he should that paper has the insolence to say so. sion to the patriotism which fills the

The first article is a graphic description by Colonel Brice P. Disque, father of the Loyal Legion, of a flight which he made in a De Haviland machine propelled by a Liberty motor at Dayton, Ohio, and of the plane and motor. His description of the complete equipment and wonderful perreach the men overseas it is time he formance of the machine will form in here for trial and punishment, the was relieved of that impression. The the mind of the reader pictures of the traffic soon will cease, and it looks deadly execution which it a newspaper published by the men of among the Germans, but his confithe Eighteenth Engineers, Railway, dence does not blind him to the hard work ahead, as will be seen from the disabuse any person's mind on that score.

Work alread, as will be concluding return trip, but the loss in tonnage is score.

we had not heard it here, yet the Spiker hears in France that Adjutant-General Borree, of California, has the alternative of resorting to deferred classes, or reaching out for new eligibles. The great and vital work of creating a sufficient Army should not be slowed up by failure to move promptly in either direction; but, first, it is obviously fair and just that class 1 be heavily recruited from older and younger men. The number of exempts of ages above 31 will normally be greater than at present; but there are many others who may not reasonably ask to be excused.

The Secretary of War now favors

We had not heard it here, yet the Spiker hears in France that Adjutant-General Borree, of California, has the first class as the front of California, has stated that "out, of 250 men who enlisted from who enlisted from San Francisco, it is an actual fact that less than fifty of them volunteered for active service on the firing line."

There are, in fact, 250 volunteers from San Francisco in the Eighteenth Engineers, Railway, most of them over draft age. As the Spiker remarks, "every man enlisted to build sasure a prompt termination of the war, is an enfident that we are on the road to accurately assure a prompt termination of the war, is an enfident that we have solved, beyond doubt, the problem of producing such machines in vast quantities in order to secure such supremacy over our enemies as will assure a prompt termination of the war, is an enfident that we have solved, beyond doubt, the problem of producing such machines in vast quantities in order to secure such supremacy over our enemies as will assure a prompt termination of the war. I am confident that we are on the road to such supremacy over our enemies as will assure a prompt termination of the war. I am confident that we are on the road to accurate the machine in vast quantities in order to secure such supremacy over our enemies as will assure a prompt termination of the war. I am confident that we have solved, the problem of the machine in vast quantitie The ease with which the motor handled

There follows an article which should remove from the mind of every spruce worker any last doubt that h is fighting Germany as effectually as are the airmen who fly over the battle line. An air fighter tells of having crippled a German machine by breaking a wing and of following it to the were called on to plug a gap in the ground behind the German line at the risk of death or capture, in order learn what caused the wing to break. He says:

I wanted to see what made his machine go down. That wing broke short off—snap! Just like that. It shouldn't do it, you know. I've been seeing them go that way before. Our ewn do not, but they might some time.

Part of the reason why he wanted to know was contained in a letter he had received "from the forests of firs, masts and spars for the greatest ships that ever sailed the seas; tall, stately spruce, clear of grain and almost without a knot for 200 feet; solment, but it is a fact that frequently diers in mackinaws and spiked boots, young men were led by those with axes, pikes, saws, tugging, sweatfront, he says that "may seem like the

> But I want to tell you that the real wa begins back there in those forests—and I' almost be willing to trade my part here fo the chance to serve in those woods. He tells what he found in these

words: One burst of my shots had struck his wing beam—three builets close together. The wood looked sound, but it was brash, lifeless and without strength. It was heavy enough, but it was brittle; it had little more grain than a piece of coal. That's why three Lewis gun builets broke it—it was brittle, like glass, and the shock of even those little builets ended it. Fou've seen it happen before—you know what it means.

He took the dead German airman's papers and among them found a letter addressed to a brother in Berlin. In

may be called into actual combat. As already related, engineers have turned tools into weapons. The death on the field of an officer in the medical branch, a dental surgeon, has already been recorded; a physician is numbered among the prisoners captured by the Germans; the chaplain gets into the thick of the combat; the man in the quartermaster's, or ordnance, or forester's department has no special immunity. He who wears the uniform does what he is told to do. Not one is there who has not sacrificed more than have we who remain at home. No one who has not gone when he could go is worthy to impugn the motives of any man who has entered the service by one avenue or the other. And we doubt that there are any among the over-aged or decrepit who have acquired a special right to criticise.

STILL ALARMED.

If it were not for the annual reminder issued by the Committee to Oppose the Judicial Recall one would existed in Oregon. The committee, a National organization which reports

make a public statement.

A year has passed and a great si
Bar Association, this year continues which is drawing into their ranks men the ship riveters. lence has fallen over the German pro-to view with alarm the suggestion who are moved by devotion to freedom fessors in our American schools of that judges be put on the removable more than by the thought of wages, higher instruction. Though there are basis that seems to be satisfactory men of high education and imagina-exceptions, a few have spoken out in enough for other public officials. Yet tion. From these men they call forth no uncertain words, and others have the judicial recall has stood in Oregon a response such as the following poem for ten years, and throughout that the author of which modestly conceals time its history has given practical his identity under the style: "Member proof that it does not endanger the 62,333, District 5, Local 73, Cosmo

Because they could build of it wing-beam And teach it to float through the air, They hewed it that Liberty's sunbeams Might dawn on the night "over there."

Then, mid the groaning and dying
For the Vulture of kultur and gold.
A flash showed that legions were flying
And Liberty's message was told.

"It was I that captured the lightning And taught it to work and to play, Taught elves of the bubble and kite-stri To drive a world's commerce today.

"And I built the gin and the reaper.
I floated the turnets of fire:
A highway I laid through the ether,
And girdled the earth with a wire. 'O'er yesterday's forest, primeval, For miles upon miles o'er the plai O'er Rockies, on wings of the Eagle, From ocean to ocean I reign.

"Now I pledge my sons and my daughter, And all of the wealth I have won. That rights which a monarchy slaughters Shall live for the peoples to come."

The Bulletin is the kind of propaganda which wins, because it gains one's attention, grips the heart and prompts to acts of unselfish devotion committee opposes removal by some By comparison with it, the work of process of dishonest judges. One can the German propagandists is clumsy, but conclude that it holds the law to it is ineffective because it is false and be so complex and mysterious that appeals to the baser instincts, and,

> Incidentally, the submarine raid on the Atlantic Coast has boomed the scheme for a series of canals to connect inland waterways from New England far into the South. It is a good talking point for river and harbor appropriations which will not be over looked.

> There will be no fat men in Amer ica at the end of the war. Those dis posed that way will be spare from sane feeding. The smaller portions will do the business.

When the manifold uses of cottage cheese shall have been shown to all and the campaign has closed, somebody must begin on hulled corn, a dish that aided in building this Nation a few centuries ago. "Father" Bickerton was too eager

in his search for a new wife to think of his boy's future. The proverbial weakness of widows seems to extend to widowers-they can't have enough of matrimony. Francisco and grasp the man who

will do that way. There is some gain to the Hun when he torpedoes a transport boat on her

sells liquor into Oregon and bring him

mersible cannot get one loaded with Arline turn originally called "A New troops. The accident that happened to a

student motorwoman might happen to a male student as easily. score against the sex on the platform. Oregon names given to many ships

building in this district will give a touch of home to the Oregon boy abroad and afloat when he sees one. The junk given to the Red Cros

"We are all right," say the American wounded. None can beat that spirit, and only the others of the on honeymoons, but will be back in

allies equal it. It is all very well to make public holidays special splash days for the shipbuilders, but every day is splash

America greatly enjoys the punishment it receives from the Kaiser for Oregon," and in pictures of "giant daring to ship munitions to the allies. The allies will dictate the terms of

peace and Germany will accept them Any other proposal is persiflage. In all wars of civilized peoples there are grafters and profiteers, and there are courts and jails as well.

The stove that was not taken down in the Spring is as useful as orna mental these days.

the vanquished is welcome if the loser is the Hun.

Stop and salute and cheer that draft contingent as it passes today. Only in war time is there an allday rain in July in Oregon.

As between umbrella and overcont,

Don't forget that today is Forget-Me-Not day.

"Forget me not!"

Stars and Starmakers. By Leone Cass Bacr.

Lora Rogers writes postcardishly from Tacoma to observe that elevator girls seem to be much in the limelight and remarks Miss Rogers, who is a bit of a cynic sometimes, "they are not the first women to give a man a lift."

. . . Lora, by the way, is playing characters at the Liberty Theater, Camp Lewis, and last week she and Walter Gilbert, who is directing the company. appeared as the two ancient caretakers of the hotel in "Seven Keys to Bald-Eleanor Parker is leading pate." woman, and Claire Sinclair, who played seconds with Catherine Countess in her Heilig stock season a few Summers ago, is also in the company. So are Henry Hall and Walter Seigfried.

Edward Everett Horton, who is to e leading man at the Alcazar next season, paused in his patriotic work tother day to observe that somehow existed in Oregon. The committee, a Such stories as that are typical of the baseball statistics, what there is National organization which reports the strong spiritual appeal which is of them, make pretty dry reading nowthe baseball statistics, what there is adays alongside the batting average of

Joe Howard has bobbed up serenely again, not matrimonially but professionally, which is not so frequent nor as interesting. Joseph has about completed the cast for a production he is making called "In and Out." He isn't them in training until their draft age going to appear in it himself but has is reached. written the words and music of the 15 umbers in the piece.

In the company are Lew Hearn, Zoe Barnett, Peggy Coudray, Patrice lines. Donne, Charlie Warren (formerly hean and Warren), Arthur Deagon (Portlander), Billy Hart (formerly Billy and Marie Hart), James Adler son of Felix Adler), South American Dancers (Dika and Sadler), with Mrs. Nat M. Wills (May Day) a possible addition to the cast. It will mark Mrs. Willa' return to the stage. She last appeared with "The Follies," just before her marriage to the late comedian.

An interesting and pertinent letter from a patriotic girl, Henrietta Harrison, in vaudeville, appears in Variety, written from Indianapols. She says Do, you think it is fair for our finest oung men to be fighting in France in order to make America "Safe for Gernan acrobats"?

I have been on several bills with an crobatic trio, lately; one claims to be an Austrian, American-born; one proudly admits being a German-German born and reared, while the third says he is Russian. I never before ing until they reach the age when they heard a Russian say: "Ve von't vait can legally enlist.

The boy who enlists in the Students'

of \$5 a day and found, to work in the Kansas harvest. The offer was made by the owner of the theater (where we were playing), who also owned a farm. The offer was refused, the work being "too hard" for these husky young giants, who no doubt can lift 300 pounds or more with small effort. Perfect specimens physically, while our young men are being maimed "over

York. Pacific Coast, is to open in a play a section of the training and instruction which he wrote in conjunction with branch of the war plans division of the Winchell Smith. It is called "Light- general staff. Competent officers and The voters of nin." Its title ought to be good for I a few jokes.

One of the best known of the standard vaudeville blackface turns, Fay, two Coleys and Fay, has dissolved. The separation conclusion was arrived at If Government can reach to San in a friendly manner.

Transisco and grasp the man who a blackface double turn. Frank Fay

has already started as a single turn. Mrs. Fay will look after their farm. Harry Adler and Anna Arline were remarried June 17, following a recon-

ciliation, and Miss Arline will retire from professional life.

- Adler has joined professionally with Dave Lerner, for the former Adler

Adler and Lerner are in the same unit and expect to go across under the auspices of the Over Theater League. Joe Welch, comedian, who is suffer-

ing from paresis in a Connecticut sani-tarium, was adjudged incompetent last

week, this proceeding being gone through to protect his wife and daughter, who through a protective insur ance policy will receive \$514 monthly during his illness. . . . will save many a life in Europe, and will teach many an American the of vaudeville, Montgomery and Perry value of seemingly worthless things.

Riverside, New York, with Montgom-ery and Perry revising their billing of "Bachelors of Art" for that engage-

was Lee White. Minnie Allen was a widow, a Mrs. Wilstach, and her sister, "Jimmie," is launching into matrimony for the first

Emily Ann Wellman will not appear professionally next season, she devoting her efforts to vaudeville production. In association with Jack Morris Miss Wellman will put on at least five playlets. One, "Where Things Happen," is now playing and "White Coupons" is in

ble" comedy, with five people. "Wishses," a fantasy, with a cast of two, and
"Woman," dramatic, with three persons. All of the turns will carry prosons. All of the turns will carry prosons all of the turns will carry productions.
Miss Wellman has also written a

"song cycle" for Nan Halperin, music by William B. Friendlander. It is due around the first of the year.
Through differences with Edward
Elsner, Miss Wellman has refused to
appear in "The Young Mrs. Stanford" and the act will probably not be seen

Minnette Barrett, Portland girl, is appearing in "Pack Up Your Troubles," a group of amusing anecdotes of our soldiers in our camps and over there. Arthur Guy Empey is featured and in the supporting cast is Rose Stahl.

CALL FOR MEN 18 TO 21 YEARS How They May Serve Their Country

in Students' Training Corps. WASHINGTON, D. C., July 10 .- The War Department authorizes the follow

ing announcement The details of the plan prepared by the War Department to offer to ablebodied college students over the age of 18 the opportupity to enlist in the military forces of the United States and to obtain training in the colleges which will prepare them for the more exacting forms of military service have low been completed. The plan was first announced in the letter of May 8 to the presidents of all educational institutions of collegiate grade, and the details are explained in a circular sent to the colleges under the date of

The purpose of the plan is to pro vide for the very important needs of the Army for highly-trained men as officers, engineers, doctors, chemists and administrators of every kind. The importance of this need cannot be too strongly emphasized. The plan is an attempt to mobilize and develop the brain power of the young men of the country for those services which demand special training. Its object is to prevent the premature enlistment for active service of those men who could by extending the period of their college training multiply manifold their lege training multiply manifold their value to the country. If, however, the need arises for the services of these men in the fighting line, the terms of their enlistment are such that they can be called by the President on a day't notice. But for the present it will be the policy of the Government to

This is a war in which soldiers are t only marksmen, but also engineers chemists, physicists, geologists, doctors and specialists in many other lines. Scientific training is indisper-Engineering skill is needed by the officers who direct every important military operation and who control our lines of transport and communication. n the same way chemical and physical knowledge are in constant demand at the front as well as behind the lines, while the task of saving the lives and restoring the health of hundreds of thousands of wounded calls for the service of regiments of military physiclans. The scientific training class. The scientific training which prepares a man to fulfill one of these highly specialized duties and the more liberal training which helps to develop the qualities of leadership needed by the officer or administrator are essential. tial elements of military efficiency.

For the purpose of developing men the shall have this combination of military and intellectual training a new corps has been created in the Army to be called the Students' Army Training Corps. Voluntary enlistment in this corps is open to all able-bodied students in the institutions of collegiate grade who are not under 18 years of age. Students under 18 can-not be legally enlisted, but they may enroll and thus receive military train-

None of the trio speaks even fair of the Army of the United States. He English and all three refused an offer will be provided by the War Department with uniform and equipment, but military training as a part of his course during the college year, will attend a six weeks' camp for rigid and intensive military instruction with private's pay and will be subject to the call of the President for active service at any time should the exigencies of the military situation demand it. The policy of the Government, however, will be to Charles Withers, the comedian who put on "For Pity's Sake" at the Orheum last season, appearing as a superson of this corps in college even after their draft age is reached, and the war Department will have the power to order such men to continue in college even after their draft age is reached. whenever their work is such that the needs of the service, e. g., for doctors, who ran a theater and got all tangled engineers, chemists and the like, are in the ladder and the props, is now a such as to make that course advisable.

will be administered by the committee Frank Bacon, veteran actor of the War Department, which will function as non-commissioned officers will be as-signed to the various institutions to carry on the work of military instruc-tion. To supplement the officers as-signed by the War Department three special Summer training camps are be-those views. WM. H. WHILEY ED. special Summer training camps are being held to train a limited number of picked students and members of the faculties of the various institutions so that they will be able to assist in the work of military instruction. These camps will be held at Plattsburg, New York; Fort Sheridan, Illinois, and Pre-

NEWTON D. BAKER, (Signed) Secretary of War.

UNION, Or., July 23 .- (To the Editor,) -(1) Does the wife receive the allot-ment by the Government if she and the husband have been separated seven months but not divorced? If so, when does she receive it and how much does

she receive? value of seemingly worthless things.

The Council of National Defense opposes Christmas giving, meaning to grown-ups. No civilized peoples will omit the children's Christmas.

The Council of National Defense over the vaudeville circuits, if their over the vaudeville circuits, if their one or is he compelled to make them in the wife's favor?

(2) Is the husband allowed to make his insurance papers in favor of any one or is he compelled to make them in the wife's favor?

(3) Can the wife get a divorce from the soldier or can he get one from her

(1) Make application to the Bureau time to each appear with their respec-tive acts the week of August 5, at the military assignment and stating wheth-current draft quota-D. C., giving soldier's full name and tification that he is not within the and if so the amount.

Billy Montgomery's former wife was Florence Moore, and George Perry's mitted class as beneficiary to the exclusion of the wife. (a) No court would grant the divorce without giving the husband an oppor tunity to appear and that would probably delay the case until after the

> WAT. Rural Carrier Subject to Draft. GURDANE, Or., July 28.—(To the Editor.)—At the time I filed my questionnaire I had been driving the mail stage for over six months and had my bid in for the contract for the next four years. I received my classifica-tien as class four. Since then I have received the mail contract and have also received word that I am changed to class two. In case I am called what

SUBSCRIBER If you are called you will have to emption on the ground of employment such an association write to Federal

Rallway Mail Clerks Not Exempt. PORTLAND, July 24 .- (To the Ed) empt from military duty?

2. Would a newly-appointed mail clerk of class I be given a deferred classification?

READER.

1. No.

In Other Days.

Half a Century Ago. (From The Oregonian, July 25, 1868.) Washington.—Adolph Sutro has apolled to Congress for a loan of \$5,000,-190 to build Sutro tunnel in the Com-stock lode, Nevada.

Jacob Stetzel and J. B. Upton have pened a land office in Carter's build-

Work on the Vancouver water-works is being pushed to completion. A "Never Swear" Society has been

There is to be a pacing race today over the track at the White House. The stakes are \$100 for each race.

Twenty-five Years Ago. (From The Oregonian, July 25, 1893.) Rome.-Italy has asked England to rotect Italian subjects in Siam.

France and Great Britain. Chicago.-Senator Manderson said hat Congress intends to keep every silver dollar and every paper dollar

Berlin -- Germans expect acute rivalry

develop in Eastern Asia between

on a parity with gold. Washington.—Naval officers report hat Naples, Italy, is infested with

Brooklyn. Arbuckle's coffee mills have closed, due to trade depression.

TOBACCO HELD NOT NECESSITY Slight Sacriffce Would Release Some

Ground for Production of Food. EUGENE, Or., July 22.—(To the Edi-or.)—I have read Mr. De Vell's letter in The Oregonian, and while I admire his patriotism, including that manifested by his forwarding tobacco for the use of such soldiers as are so far subject to the habit of using it that deprivation of it would be a hardship to them, I think mankind would be appier if the brakes were applied to he tobacco habit more forcibly than hey are or than is suggested by any-

hing in his letter. Very few use tobacco for a period of years without using more of it than a good for either their health or their purse. It is not a necessity. There are many efficient men in high places in the world who do not use it, as well as many more who do. There are boys in the trenches who were forbidden the use of cigarettes at home by our laws, for reasons which our lawmakers evidently considered good, and who, if they do not acquire the tobacco habit "over there" or anywhere else, will be sweeter to their sweethearts when they come back, and cleaner, mere desirable companions for many other people than if they come back squirting tobacco juice and emitting tobacco odors.

Mr. De Vell is sarcastic about "planting tobacco land to wheat," but could be done to advantage if some of our tobacco users would retrench a little on that weed as we are all doing on wheat flour, pork products, meats and other good things. Some very good wheat land is devoted to the production of Connecticut seed leaf topacco, and potatoes, which just now are held at almost prohibitive prices, could probably be raised on any good tobacco land, for both plants belong to the same family-

But I suspect that the gentleman is more stirred up over the communica-tion which he criticises because it smacks of prehibition than because it points at tobacco. He sings the old free-liquor song against "invasion of human liberties." Every criminal law invades a liberty which somebody possessed before its passage. Laws prohibiting the settling of personal quarrels with fists and clubs, or the marketing of opium or poison without

restriction, when first proposed were denounced as tyrannical.

In the world democracy of nations which may result from the present war there may be a prohibition of the making of such wars, and the nation seeking a "place in the sun" by the Prussian spute will probably consider

The voters of Oregon have indicated fruman liberty in dealing with the those views. WM. H. WHEELER.

Our Little Patriots.

in the
It brings to me a wealth of glee, as
These
I go 'long my way, to have some little
g, New lad or lass look up at me and say, York; Fort Sheridan, Illinois, and Presido, California, for 60 days, beginning July 18.

The importance of this plan for combined military and collegiate training, if we are to meet in the future the urgent and they are doing their small bit in freedom's holy fight. Yes, truly as trained men, is so great that the War Department carnestly requests the colleges, councils of, defense and other patriotic societies to co-operate in bringing it to the attention of the lads with eyes of blue, bring thrills of young men of the country and in urgent patriotic seal each day to me and you, and they are doing their small bit in freedom's holy fight. Yes, truly as the khaki boys, these lads and lassies brave, all add their mits to freedom's little girls with golden curls, these young men of the country and in urgent to make it. Hall to the kiddle patriots who sell the young men of the country and in urging them to do their part to make it
a success.

Approved:

patriotic seal each day to me and you.
Hall to the kiddle patriots who sell the
war thrift stamp, who seek to keep
Approved: lamp. When once again o'er peaceful scenes Old Glory's folds are flung, by cheering crowd in voices loud their praises will be sung.

—E. L. SHARPE.

Enlistment to Navy. ALMOTA, Wash., July 23.—(To the Editor.)—(1) Is it permitted that a man who is registered, but is at present in class 2, enlist in the Navy if he or-sires, or will he have to wait for the draft and go into the Army? (2) Where would he apply for a permit, if that is necessary?

in the Navy the same as in the Army,

Can a man take out insurance

and what is the rate per thousand (1) He can enlist in the Navy if he an obtain from his local board a cer-

(2) Apply to local board. (3) Yes. The rates run from 64 cents a month for each \$1000 at the age of 18 to 81 cents at the age of 40, War Service Suggestions.

LINNTON, Or., July 28.—(To the Editor.)—I have a few war suggestions, which I hope you will publish.

1. That the Boy Scouts and other children under working age be paid a bounty on the bloom-heads of the Canadian thistle. They will soon be in full bloom and are certainly no friend. full bloom and are certainly no friend of the U. S. A.

2. That the Red Cross print stamps that could be appropriately used any time of the year.

time of the year.

3. That a smilage book coupon admit our soldiers and sailors to any
L. L. L. L. theater.

whom to apply. Apply to the Farm Loan Association Rural mailcarriers cannot get ex- nearest the land. If you cannot identify

Land Bank, Spokane, Wash. Address of War Worker.

Her home is at 1015 Quimby street.

Portland.