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PORTLAND, MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 1918.

HELP FOR RUSSIA AT LAST. The plans announced by President

Wilson for American-Japanese help

so fully convinced of the right of the Czecho-Slovak army to make its way through Russia unmolested by Austrian and German prisoners that he proposes to protect it. He studiously from mention of the Bolsheviki, but implies that their government is not worthy of the name and is tool of the enemy, for he says his squerade as a military force under the name of Red Guards. The ailied ces are "to guard military stores" at Vladivostok Archangel and Kola which may subsequently be needed by Russian forces"—evidently the forces which the President expects to be orsheviki.

The expectation seems to be that the Russians will rise up so rapidly against their oppressors that either ey will invite further military help or that any further military help need only take the form of munitions. When that condition has arisen, the time will have come when economic help can given by the proposed civil commission in the shape of reconstruction and equipment of railroads, farm iments, industrial machinery, re-orrming local governments, without danger that these things will redound to the profit of the enemy, as was the with large quantities of the material supplied to the Czar's govern-Thus the President brings his scruples about meddling in the internal affairs of another nation and sia" into harmony with the purpose to help Russia and again to bring Russia into line with the allies against

believing that these expectations will be fulfilled. The only pro-German parties in Russia are the Bolsheviki and the monarchists; all other parties are so disenchanted with a German peace that they prefer open war. Wherever an armed force hostile to Germany has appeared, the people have overthrown the local Soviet and have declared for the allies. That has been the case at Vladivostok, Archangel and on the Murman coast. The peasants of the Ukraine are up in arms against the Germans who have restored the great estates to the landowners and have stolen their grain. The Social Revolutionary party meets terrorism with terrorism. the workmen are deserting the Bolsheviki and latter hold control of the Soviets only by ousting or killing their oppoby suppressing free speech and the free press—all this in the name of lib-The Finns would doubtless welcome allied aid in overturning the cratic White Guard government

itary force. It is most significant that the Pres we are now associated in the war." France, or both, are disposed to ren- tages. der far more substantial military aid the party which has brought famine to vate a small garden should aim to tion of an 18-year-old into channels that which brings bread. Far to the save every pound of every commodity useful in war by deferring draft on south the British army in Mesopota-mia may advance, when the hot sea-The bulletins of the Department of followed. It might spread the train-

tend a hand to the militant Russians of the south, would stop Turko-German penetration of Central Asia and would give the allies control of the

Baku oll field. The policy announced by the Preswinning on the western front" ied enterprises in Russia. The growing American army will constitute such an imminent danger to Germany that it will compel the Kaiser to send more of his forces to the west, thus making easier the work of the allies and of regenerated Russia in the east. petrayed them both under the Czar and under the Bolsheviki, the Russians will be in a far better position to fight a winning war than they may experience such a years. It is to be hopen also that they may experience such a years. It is to be hopen also that they resurgence of martial ardor as will apple will be permitted to go to waste because it is below grade.

A FATHER TO A DAUGHTER.

A mother who is anxious about conomical but tasteful dress for her children, and who has decided views on luxury and extravagance, in both war and peace times, has found a pointed homily on the subject from a great, though venerable, authority, and sends it on to The Oregonian with a request for re-publication. It is so interesting and sound and sensble that The Oregonian submits the little essay herewith, with the explanation that it is a letter from Benjamin Franklin, then (June 3, 1779) in France, to his daughter Sara in

Franklin was not merely a philopher; he was an economist and a father. Paternal love is as old as time and so is paternal advice. It is rare that counsel more than one hun-dred years old has such peculiar pertinence to times so far apart

The Legislature, and not the Governor, had the privilege and the power to provide for an annual road tax; but it did not.

If the Governor might have insisted on this, that or the other clause in condition, so might the Tribune, or other water traffic. The Oregonian or the public, or any-Yet the sole responsibility was with the Legislature.

The Tribune goes far out of its way to make a point against the Gover-nor. Undoubtedly he is quite willing ganization of industry and advice in to stand by the record in the road bond matter, since the policy of highway construction under the bond plan is being admirably vindicated. The Oregonian is interested chiefly because the incident illustrates strikingly a phase of the referendum which is its most conspicuous defect. affairs of another nation and It is that the people must take as into harmony with the nurses it is given to them any measure submitted through the initiative or referendum, or reject it. There is no opportunity for change or compromise elimination or correction, after discussion, and after it may be made clear that any such measure should be altered for its improvement. The bill submitted in response to outright and unmistakable public demand and designed to meet a public need is likely to have features demonstrably detrimental to the public interest: yet the people have no alternative but to accept them or to reject the good with the bad. Any star-chamber group of back-stairs politicians, any jaundiced and envious newspaper publisher may take advantage of the general receptivity toward any proposal-such, for example, as tax reform—and submit some hobbyhorsical freak bill as a substitute for needed legislation and the people must take

it, or go without the legislation. The initiative is legislation by first

DRVING AND CANNING. It will be a mistake for frultgrow which has been set up by German mil- ers to overlook this year the possibilities of dehydration in connection if any, have reached positions of im-with the preservation of their surplus. portance, from which they can ill be with the preservation of their surplus. ident says the Government will make no "effort to restrict the actions or interfere with the independent judgment of the governments with which than the dried article, there will be izens, and the Nation gains more by room for both, and the drying pro-The statement implies that Britain or cess possesses many economic advan- than by imparting them to middle-

The saving of sugar is not the least to Russia than the President proposes. of these. This is particularly true of committees of Congress, the War De-Being 2000 miles nearer the scene, home drying, where families have althey are in much better position to do ready exhausted their allowances of fer calling out the youngest men At the invitation of the people sugar for canning purposes. It is an perience in this war should dictate of Northern Russia, they might send carnest of the good intentions of that older men can do better service, a sufficient force to Kola and Archardists and owners of berry It is proposed to classify the new men angel to occupy and defend the rail-plantations everywhere that more according to age, within the general a sufficient force to Kola and Archangel to occupy and defend the railroads from Kola to Petrograd and fruit is being dried this year than classes already established, and if the Department should desire to call the from Archangel to Vologda. When ever before in the history of the countries the hungry people of the capital see try. The good work should continue men of 20 before those of 13, it would their neighbors on the north getting. There cannot be too much. Every feed from abroad, they may turn from farmer and every family who culti- the opportunity to direct the educa-

and a son ends, through Assyria and Armenians and Agriculture upon dehydration are ing of the younger classes over two or menia to the deliverance of Transcauting in the deliverance of Transcauting in the solution of the beginning of the younger classes over two or more years so that their service in the well for all to obtain them, but a great field would begin at 20 or 21.

The main effect of the bill should

Caucasians into the field, would ex- aggregate without their aid. Neces sity has been a powerful stimulant of ingenuity in the past few months.

Many have been surprised to learn how much could be done by recourse present Summer has been particularly ident of "bending all our energies to favorable to the drying of small fruits the resolute and confident purpose of in the sun, with, sometimes, slight assistance from the kitchen stove. And are needed. contribute to the success of these al- home drying outfits are neither mysterious nor complicated. They can be fashioned by anyone who is "handy with tools," at small expense.

The pear crop of the Pacific Northwest is a bumper one this year, and it should not be overlooked in this conand of regenerated Russia in the east. nection. The considerable quantities Freed from the insidious forces which of pears which ripen just after the fight a winning war than they have been done in a lesser way in other been, and they may experience such a years. It is to be hoped also that no

tion cannot be overestimated, and interest in the subject should not be per mitted to lag.

PORTLAND THE FLOUR CENTER.

Sales of the controlling interest in the Portland Flouring Mills Company and its allied corporations to Max H. Houser is an event of more than ordinary importance in the commercial affairs of Portland. It fixes in Portland control of an enterprise which had its inception in this port and which, by being linked with interio mills and elevators, recognized this port as the natural outlet for the grain and flour of the Pacific Northwest exported to foreign countries. The fact

Wilson for American-Japanese help to Russia are marked by that everscruppulous regard for the integrity of other nations which has characterized his foreign policy. They seem to
ignore the patient facts that the only
semblance of government existing in
residue Russia is in scarce concealed
alliance with Germany and enmity to
the allies; that the new governments
which have been set up in Ukrainia
and Finland are mere creatures of
Germany, and were established by
force; that the independent republic
founded in Transcaucasia was eager
for aid from the allies but has been
destroyed by Turkian and German invaders; that the similar government
founded in Siberia by General Horvath invites milliary aid; that every
party in Russia except the Bolshevici
makes a like appeal and that that
party retains its hold only by terrorism.

But the words "seem to ignore" are
used, because the Fresident's carefully
phrased announcement contains evidence that he has taken cognisance of
these facts, and has shaped his polley to produce from hem developments favorable to the ailles. He is
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Czecho-Sl that effect has been given by the operating department of the Fleet Corporation.

It remains for the people of Port land to do their part. They have given abundant proof of their ability and willingness to give liberally for patriotic purposes which are national object is "the rendering of such aid as shall be acceptable to the Russian people in their endeavors to regain control of their own affairs, their own territory and their own destiny." He evidently expects the "few thousand" American and Japanese troops to prove rallying points for those Russians who wish to take up arms against Bolshevik-German terrorism and to organize an orderly government which will exterminate the bands of murderers, brigands and traitors which masquerade as a military force under the people to elect whether they professed an annual tax for road purposes rather than bonds, but he didn't.—Scion adjustment of railroad tariffs to which masquerade as a military force under in scope; they have equal ability and should be equally willing to invest in enterprises which appeal to their

> manufactures. Mr. Houser's acts as a public-spirited citizen and as a successful business man mark him as a leader in this work, and the grain and flour traffic which he controls will

RATIONAL LIMITS FOR THE DRAFT.

Secretary of War Baker's final accentance of Senator Chamberlain's plan for extension of the draft agelimits is the strongest testimony in its favor, because he had previously demurred to it and had been granted time to prepare a plan of his own. In designating 18 to 45 as the limits he simply follows the general practice of every other nation which gives universal training. That is the result of ex-

Objection to lowering the draft age to 18 has come from those members of Congress who have not yet been able to reconcile themselves to the stern necessities of war. They talk tearfully about sending "our boys" to be killed, conveniently forgetting that yet learned that there is a war. the soldier takes only about one chance in 15 or 20 of being killed. Some men have to take that chance, and the question for the legislator is who will go most willingly, who can fight best with the best chance of coming out alive and who can best be

Men under 21 have fought nearly all wars, and they composed three-fourths of the Union army in the Civil War. That is proof of their willingness, for letting the women work, why not? a very large majority of the Union sol diers were volunteers. They have entributors to victory. They are in the formative stage, and can most quickly only by ousting or killing their oppo-ments, by Tammanyizing elections and by suppressing free speech and the to do about it?

The initiative is legislation by first intention. If it cures, ap much the better. If it kills, what are you going is valuable in war. They have endurance, which is a prime requisite, and they have power of quick recuper ation, which diminishes with age. Few have dependents to become a burden on the Nation or their familles. imparting these qualities to young men

aged men. Under the bill as submitted to th

be to place at the disposal of the President all the material likely to be available for soldiers and which might be needed, and to let him pick the best according to general rules. Then he may call into the Army any age-class and may defer calling other classes so long as they pursue certain training or occupations in which men That would carry out the work-or-fight idea to perfection

and young loafers would disappear. Acceptance of the wide age-lin proposed is gratifying evidence that the President's dictum about an army without limit is to be acted upon, if Congress consents. It permits registration and classification of the prune season ends suggests that many small prune dryers might be operated be done except as more young men reach 18. It provides a grand musterroll of the Nation, from which the Army can draw until the task which it has in hand is completed. It is no-tice to Germany that the American people intend to go through with that task, and as its effect is felt on the battle-line, the delusion of greatness will the sooner be knocked out of the German people's heads.

Extinction of the United States debt incurred in the Spanish war, which was accomplished by the payment of \$64,000,000, reminds us how of war has increased in only two flee This sum, regarded as huge in 1898, did not cause a ripple in the treasury when it was withdrawn,

Count Reventlow says that peace would be easy—"merely a matter of joining Grey and Wilson in the league of nations." But he seems to have overlooked the possibility that Germany's performances might cause her to be blackballed.

Mayor Thompson, of Chicago, has made a mistake in the body for which he is candidate. He should be ing appointment to the Bundesrat from some petty German prince. does not know that this country is the United States.

There are so many candidates for charming waitress at Everett's, Eagle state offices in the three parties of River, Wis., denies, reports G. F. L., the Idaho that none can bank on the sore- Blackburn appendage. heads of the other crowds, which is comforting to the plain people whose duty is to vote and not run for office

The Italians might revive the glor ies of ancient Rome by compelling that German general to march through the city, dressed in his pink pajamas as the barbarians marched, chained to the chariots of their conquerors.

The Pacific Coast still carries the banner of shipbuilding, Portland winning one first and two third prizes out of a total of six, though the Fleet Corporation still refuses to annex Johns to the city.

Perhaps boys who steal automobiles may be reformed by confinement on an "automobile farm," whatever that an may be, but there is little sense in coddling a plain thief of any brand. Portland has a reputation for hospi

shelter for the Grand Army veterans when they visit us. The appeal for rooms must not go unanswered. Having a cabinet crisis, the Filipi nos are introducing all the latest improvements in constitutional

tality to maintain. It must provide

Twenty years ago they did not know what a cabinet was. There will be nothing too good for

partner that the latter has become a war profiteer.

The Italians "made monkeys" of the flour traffic which he controls will German officers in pink pajamas prove an irresistible drawing card to taken in the recent advance in Albania. The Italian has a proper sense of humor.

Spain being the harbor of refuge for Germans, is an appropriate place for the ex-Czarina who caused her husband to lose his throne and his head.

In Kansas City Saturday the temperature rose to 108, but Kansas City is in "wet" territory and people with long memories know what that means. The Ford "eagle" or submarine

haser can do 35 knots and is being turned out at rate of one a day. Something will happen in a few months. These food-hoarding penalties

New York hotels are a terrible infliction on the guzzlers who have not

More than 300,000 Americans wen overseas in July and that was a movement the Huns expected to stop with their tin-can sinkers. Let the Government have all the

spared. On all those points reason big Oregon prunes. The small sizes and experience point to the young being expensive, naturally will be better than ever.

woman is candidate for sheriff in our whole social fabric." a Nevada County and in this era of

The ticket scalper is put out of bus-

ness by Government control, yet he had his uses at times, The woman power of the country 18 to 45-must not be overlooked. It is likewise unadvised.

is busy in the essentials. The man-power of the American Army will be in the 18 to 45 draft,

fighting and working.

Wilson owes a visit to the Coast and to himself, to see Oregon go first in the next loan drive.

An easy American way of pro-nouncing Soissons would be: So soon? Ach, himmel! Foch's pressing establishment on the Vesle is doing a good business.

There's nothing like a stiff breeze to put ginger in the step. Better Lewis than Thompson is

about the Chicago idea. Only a losing enemy destroys his ular course of studies. ammunition dump.

"Coast shipyards lead in output."

A Line o' Type or Two. Hew to the Line, Let the Quips Fall Where They May

(By B. L. T. Published by Arrangemen With Chicago Tribune.) CONNING THE CONTRIB. Slim pickings today for the Colyum, Contributors stuff on the wane; That still in our chair we may loll dumb 'Tis needful this peace to profane.

So here's for a twist in our grammar,
Or city not mentioned aright:
Then ho! for the horde with the hamme
My dear, they're just crazy to bite!
—Albuquerque

When the war began we were in Winnipeg, coastward bound; but we got the news of the world series daily, although the train traversed a wild and sold them at the railway station. This last week-end we were without news of the Franco-American advance, although on the edge of a popular Sum-mer place on the east shore of Imke Michigan. Monday forencen we lay in wait for the mail carrier, but the best he could dig out of his cart was a Grand Rapids paper dated Saturday. Grand Rapids paper dated Saturday.

How was the war going? He hadn't a notion. He was perfectly uninterested. Perhaps we should be as apathetic as opinion seemed to be that bad smells were not dangerous and were objectionable in that they were disagreeable.

A wild rumor, a hoax, travels faster than the newspapers. The report that the Crown Prince had been taken penetrated to the remotest farmhouse, and remained them for at least 48 hours. Bells were rung and whistles blown. Nobody doubted the glad tidings. News-papers are scoffed at as bearers of false witness; but a yarn that starts outside a newspaper office is accepted without question.

The Loves of Laura.

Sir! I thought you had done with aura B. and her wooers, but since Aries has come belatedly to bat permit me to suggest that if said wooers should read a story of T. B. Aldrich's, "Mademoiselle Olympe Zabriski," there would be a sudden and chagrined shy ing away from the bewitching Laura. CALCITROSUS.

Ferdinand of Bulgaria has left home because of ill health. It is understood that he is taking the hot water at

Our Budding Contrib Is Coming On. Sir: Over the hot sands at noon today without publicity or embarassment to came an Hadji to my easis bearing anybody—the results speak for themand sultry heat, I bade him enter the kaabah, spread a fresh mat, and he told his tale. As a representative citizen and prominent educator, my name was down for a paragraph in "Who's Who in the Buckeye State"—revised ed.—12,000 names—cloth or genuwine leather—er—special terms to priests and pundits—first payment due on receipt of book, and— He went away with our present to sent the part of our algorithms of a case that ought to be fixed up, due to bad plumbling, or broken sewers, or applumbing, or broken sewers, or any other cause except those defects that only the new housing code will rectify and will report same, giving full data duly signed by complainant, with address and telephone number, it is not going outside of our experience in many cases to say that each such case will be promptly cleaned up and set right.

A test case is invited. A hearty co-operation on the part of our algorithms administration of the prison, I believe the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted with a good deal of the conditions at the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted with a good deal of the conditions at the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted with a good deal of the conditions at the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted with a good deal of the conditions at the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted out the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted with a good deal of the conditions at the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted out the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted out the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted out the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted out the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted out the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted out the officials to parchments testamentary and the kiss of peace from a brother Gnostic dwellbook, and— He went away—after a wonders and give the Mayor what he while—leaving me to raise the Kantian wants—results rather than reports. question: "How is nature possible? And then, yielding to the a allurement of the siesta, I sank

Somewhat faint and fain To an immense complacent dreamery. When, lo, quickened by a synthetic imagination, my pla mater was straightway delivered of a little, chining, winged thing—an i-dear (N. E. l. c.) Why not a "W. W." for the line? As a Why not a "W. W." for the line? As a rationalizing intellectualist, it would be fruit, the parsnip; horticultural prefer-ence, Viola alba, or the columbine; fa-billiard hall, ridicules the service man vorite beverage, lac capricornae hirsu-tate; recreations, reading "Memoirs of My Dead Life," and simp. selling; pub-with a soldier in your fair city the

Opening for the first time Conrad's lieve me, Mr. Editor, it is "A Personal Record," we lighted on the that stage in the game right in "A Personal Record, we lighted on the following paragraph in the preface. It hand where a woman almost needs the made us think of certain, very, journals of opinion whose editors confuse their fountain pens with the fountain of the greater part of their time truth: "He who wants to persuade should soldier's wife.

sound has always been greater than boys from Vancouver. This type of the power of sense. I don't say talk by way of disparagement. It is better for mankind to be impressionable than chance for the men to get back at reflective. Nothing humanely great—
great, I mean, as affecting a whole old boy continues to boost prices every time he sees a soldier coming he will have a nice little ban placed on the fail to see the power of mere words; such words as glory, for instance, or pity. I won't mention any more. They are not far to seek. Shouted with perseverance, with ardor, with conviction, these two by their sound alone have set whole patient in metion and patenced. whole nations in motion and upheaved the dry, hard ground on which rests and was unable to have it pressed in

Beginning tomorrow, says Mr. Hyde, about 10,000 unskilled laborers will be called from the non-essential industries to manufacture materials for war use. Mr. Hyde does not know whether he will be summoned, and this department

Speed hint to the Crown Prince: Try the skip-stop plan. The Yanks will not, to coin a phrase

"Colonel Stanton said, Lafayette Nous Somme Is."—Columbia, S. C., The Colonel said something.

Germany is holding Belgium, says Von Hertling, as a pawn. "In hoc signo vinces"? A Very Different Joh No. Clarinda, you are confusing was with beverages. The occupation of Kola is not the manufacture of Koka.

College Training for Aviation PORTLAND, Aug. 4.—(To the Editor.)—Please give information concerning colleges in which aviation training can be obtained in addition to the reg-

University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill. Names of others, if there are any, can be obtained by writing to the Educational service department of such pub-Feels like a regular Fall fair lications as Review of Reviews, Mc-Clure's, Cosmopolitan, stc.

WAY TO MAKE CITY SANITARY Information Given Confidentially Will

Bring Results, Mr. Hughson Says PORTLAND, Aug. 4 .- (To the Editor.)-There is much being written just now on the subject of Portland's housing conditions, a large percentage of which it possibly were better if sub-jected to a rigid censoring, on the principle involved in the old saying that

It's an ill bird that fouls its own nest. I have before me a running comment on the report of the Housing As sociation's investigation which lays great stress on 'bad amelia," "putrid-ity," etc., using these and other synonymous expressions again and again, when as a matter of fact they do not occur in the report itself. . The intelligent investigators of the

association being fully aware of the fact that a bad smell is not of necess country; weekly newspapers in the sity unhealthy, that in an investiga-email places published daily editions and sold them at the railway station only valuable as they indicate a condition and that perfume is often used to hide disease and is to that extent as objectionable as a bad smell. Suspicior of the health officer is aroused by excessive perfume as quickly as by bac If there is a body of men that should

be authority on bad smells it is the Master Plumbers' Association, which I asked how bad a smell had to be in to nostrils unusual to them, but that they often indicated the presence of disease germs and to this extent were helpful in ascertaining the source of the real trouble. So it is not the ball odors the Housing Association is after. but the conditions that give rise to them and absolutely nothing is gained by such articles as the one before me. This article in question suggests that possibly it would be wise to employ only healthy, normal, as well as intelligent persons to handle matters of this kind—that the morbid and prude should keep away for the wrong deductions and the publicity they produce are a distinct hinderance and injury rather than a real help. When the Mayor appointed me on the

special housing committee to look into conditions I asked him if he wanted reports or results, and he said: "Hop

to it and if you find something that needs to be done, get it done." And pursuant thereto, there is not a family in the city living in insanitary quarters or unhealthy conditions due to any cause other than faulty, old-style construction, who may not obtain prompt relief by reporting confiden-tially the same, with all the facts, to me

in writing, signed by the complainant.

The record I have already in my possession indicates what can be done without publicity or embarassment to

wants-results rather than reports.
O. G. HUGHSON,

Manager Builders' Exchange. ON OVERCHARGES TO SOLDIERS

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 3 .- (To the Editor.)-In a recent issue of The policies Oregonian a short editorial took a rap rationalizing intellectualist, it would be easy for you, relying upon deduction at the slackers, or "yellowbacks" (as alone, to piece our ideographic pseudo-they are called by soldiers), that are

with Lamb and Dickens an ardent city more weight than he ought, or if he dweller; dislikes sports and music, but happens to be decidedly skinny, the enjoys listening to Brahms; favorite street-corner comedian, who has re-

lications, compiler new ed. "Causeries cigarette coupon clippers rise up on their toes and remark that the women it."

P. D. S. of the country are "going to hell fast" with all the soldiers running loose. Be

"He who wants to persuade submit the right argument, but in the right word. The power of deavors to get rich over night off the but in the right word. The power of deavors from Vancouver. This type of boys from Vancouver.

camp, the company tailor being busy A Prussian deputy imagined Fred-blouse, or coat, so he depended on brick the Great as saying to the faint of having his shirt pressed when he got A movie star is lost in the Aviation Corps in the man who fell 1500 feet at Scott Field and escaped death.

Scott Field and escaped death.

The first tailor wanted to Portland. The first tailor wanted be ashamed of yourselves!" But the 50 cents to run an iron over it; three old boy would more likely remark: others refused to do it at all, while the fifth did a lukewarm job and said a guarter. Strange to relate the first others refused to do it at all, while the fifth did a lukewarm job and said a quarter. Strange to relate the first four tailors were of a country that has been calling on the people of the United States for food and clothing and asking the soldiers of this country to do their fighting for them. We don't wonder now that they have troubles in their own country. ENLISTED MAN. their own country. ENLISTED MAN.

A SONG. Like the song of a bird In the matin hour, Waking the golden bee Waking the flower, Is the song of my heart In sweet lasting hope, Floating to you. Eagh soft, silver note.

Like the shadows that fall In the still of the night, When the world is asleep, My soul takes its flight. It soars o'er the sea 'Neath star-studded skies, Guided by love of you

Greater than L HELEN WAY-CRAWFORD. Eugene, Or.

SEX OF AUTHOR.

BAKER, Or., Aug. 3.—(To the Editor.)— (1) Is Zane Grey, author of "Desert Gold," "Riders of the Purple Sage," etc., a man or woman? (2) How much training does a girl have to have before she will be sent to France as a nurse'

(1) Zane Grey is a man. (2) It deture of the training she has received. | land.

In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago From The Oregonian, August 6, 1898.
Bloomington, Ill.—Vice-President and
Mrs. Stevenson and party return from their trip to the Pacific Coast

Washington, D. C .- Representative Bland, leader of the silver forces in the House, plans introducing a bill provid-ing for the free coinage of sliver when Congress reconvenes.

Portland business houses advertise they will accept county warrants at face value in exchange for dry goods and clothing.

Colonel Robert A. Miller receives his commission as Register of the Oregon City Land Office and assumes charge of the office.

Laying of brick has commenced on the Grand Union Station. Despite the prevailing financial stringency, the in-terested railroad companies will push the building to an early completion.

Half a Century Ago.

From The Oregonian, August 5, 1868. Eastern states experience a period of 23 days of unusually hot weather with thermometer registering from 97 to 107 degrees in the shade. from sunstroke reported daily.

satisfied with the nomination of Sey-mour and Blair propose forming a third party with Chase and General Ewing as candidates for President and Vice-President, respectively.

Washington, D. C .- Democrats dis-

Mass meeting of the citizens of Umatilia County is called to consider the proposed relocation of the county seat.

Washington County farmer makes first sale of year's wheat crop at 80 cents per bushel.

James A. Waters, of The Dalles. James A. Waters, of The Daties, brings detailed report of stage hold-up near Pelican Station in the Blus Mountains, when four masked high-waymen obtained about \$7000 in money was a few money was and valuables. Most of the n taken from Wells Fargo & Co.'s treas-

TIME FOR THE STUDY OF PRISONS Systematic Plan Desirable If Real Reform Is to Be Wrought.

PORTLAND, Aug. 2.—(To the Editor.)—I do not like to criticise the administration of the Penitentiary; neither do I feel it justice to find fault with the state officials because of late escapes from the state prison. I think one is justified in making criticism only upon personal investigation and in full accord with the facts. From what I have heard and read of the present administration of the prison. I believe the officials to be very capable men. However, I have become acquainted

da as to there being a prison at all. There is a deep problem involved, however, in the successful purposes of a prison. For a wideawake citizen to risit the prison, see the inside and outside workings, become interested in the causes of making or unmaking of manhood, the political policies in-volved and the study of human nature in its severest forms, it requires very broadminded people to avoid narrow convictions as to right or wrong

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Of Puritan descent, mingled with the blood of the Waltons of Staffordshire; bit bowlegged, carries a few pounds the proposition before th half of a new or improved institution. Oregon is not going backward to the old order of things, don't forget that, what we want is united offo EDWARD G. BARGER.

> CALL OF THE FIGHTING MAN. First call comes, and we all begin to move. Assembly blows, and we're out or

the line: Reveille sounds and the flag goes up, Then the day opens with a hop and ou can't beat us, 'cause we're feeling fine,

the Rhine. Soupy, soupy, soupy, without a single bean, That's mess call without a streak of

And we'll listen for taps from over

ome on and get your pills and fodine, The sick, lame and lazy fall into Doctor up the wounded to cross the Rhine, And we'll blow taps for Berlin's

That's fatigue and we police up the Drill call sounds, fall in with a snap; Recall comes and we stop with a cramp.
For that is the end of a big, long

tramp. We're dismissed for the present time, And we'll listen for taps on Hindenburg's line.

Stop and listen; retreat is being blown, can't you hear without being shown? The only time the flag comes down When to the colors the buglers sound. Stand at attention and salute the Nation, And wait for taps on the Kalser's

station. Call to quarters, and we stop for the night, No more talking until broad day-light;

The mystery of all is tatto call,
Then dreams of home and peace for When we've saved the world for de-And taps is blown on autocracy,

Hooverizing Fuel. PORTLAND, Aug. 4 .- (To the Ed!tor.)—In Hooverising fuel, Mr. Holmes has forgotten one important thing, which is this: On the coldest Winter days the most of the tenants will leave their windows open and call for heat. Now if he will make a rule that all windows must be closed during the day, and maybe opened from 10 P. M. to 8 A. M., this would not only save first but make us all happy, for which

SHERWOOD, Or., Aug. 3.—(To the Editor.)—Where can I find out how I could obtain a Belgian or French war orphan to adopt in my home

fuel but make us all happy, for which we will ever pray. LANDLORD.

Consult C. Henri Labbe, French and pends upon her capability and the na- Belgian Consul, Labbe building. Past-