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Caucasians in the field, would extend a hand to the militant Russians of the south, would stop Turk-German penetration of Central Asia and would give the allies control of the Baku oil field.

The policy announced by the President of "bending all our energies to winning on the western front" will contribute to the success of these allied 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.

A FATHER TO A DAUGHTER. A mother who is anxious about economical 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 her father, though venerable, authority, and sends it on to The Oregonian with a request for re-publication. It is so interesting and sound and sensible that The Oregonian submits the little essay herewith.

When I began to read your account of the high price of goods, a pair of gloves for a yard seems to be a fair price, but it now required a fortune to maintain a family in a very plain way.

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The pear crop of the Pacific Northwest is a bumper one this year, and it should not be overlooked in this connection of portland flour in cities of pears which ripen just after the prune season ends suggests that many small prune dryers might be operated to advantage on other fruits.

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RATIONAL LIMITS FOR THE DRAFT. Secretary of War Baker's final acceptance of Senator Chamberlain's plan for extension of the draft age limits is the strongest testimony in its favor.

The Ford "single" or submarine chase car "45 knots" and is being turned out at rate of one a day. Something will happen in a few months.

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

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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 out the best according to general rules.

Acceptance of the wide age-limits proposed is gratifying evidence that the President's dictum about an army without limit is to be acted upon, if Congress consents.

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A Line o' Type or Two.

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WAY TO MAKE CITY SANITARY

Information Given Confidentially Will Bring Results, Mr. Hugson 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 is thought would be better if subjected to a rigid censoring.

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In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregonian, August 6, 1893. Bloomington, Ill.—Vice-President and Mrs. Stevenson and party return from their trip to the Pacific Coast.

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ON OVERCHARGES TO SOLDIERS

Enlisted Men Relates Experience Trying to Have their Pressed. YANCOOVER, Wash., Aug. 4.—(To the Editor.)—In a recent issue of The Oregonian a short editorial took a rap at the slackers, or "yellowbacks" as they are called by soldiers, that are allowed to roam the streets of Portland while hiding from the draft.

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