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WHAT IS GOOD AMERICANISM?

A modest citizen, who has a stateide name for his public spirit, which takes the form of work and money contributions, sends to The Oregonian letter just received from the National Democratic committee, asking for a campaign subscription. The letter says:

An election has just been held in Maine, where the Republican Senator and the four Republican Representatives were elected. The four Republican candidates for Representatives are all, we believe, members of the present Congress and have a clear record in all test measures on the war.

The Democratic candidate in the Second District was McGillicuddy, a member of the Sixty-fourth Congress. He is given by the National Security League a standing of four times wrong out of six votes in major war or preparedness proposals. If that assess-ment is correct, he is about 33 per cent

Yet the Democratic organization got behind McGillicuddy and all the other Democrats in Maine, against other candidates who had stood at all times for preparedness, and had at no time voted against any essential war meas-

Is it 100 per cent Americanism for any organization or citizen to demand election to Congress of a 33 per cent American against an 100 per cent American, merely because he is Democrat'

THE COMMUNITY KITCHEN.

Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the Brit ish suffragette, has undertaken a new reform in which all her efforts will be futile unless she succeeds in con-certing the members of her own sex. whom the methods which she employed in her memorable suffrage campaigns in England may not be in the home kitchen. She says that the kitchen cookstove encourages wasteboth of materials and labor. It hambers the development of women, it absprayed by and approved by his political qualifications by the fact the President, and as sent by him to that he is neither, and doesn't know the difference, present or past.

If Ford is to be elected Senator bearing the paid for power plants on should be paid for power plants on the paid for power plants on She has set out to abolish pers the development of women, it aborbs their economic energy, it causes

nomically but otherwise, when a new m of co-operation has been estab-

We now have two substitutes for the home kitchen—the restaurant or boarding-house, and the delicatessen ably will be something like the latter. It is already possible to carry home a slice of roast beef in one bag and a helping of gravy in another, together with all the other concomitants of an excellent meal, which friend husband can drape about his person as he runs munity kitchen work. The cooks who Supreme Court.

terprise. prevent the building of communities plant at the full capacity of the avail-of homes, with common kitchens and able market. This plan would give laundries, whenever there seems to be the Government knowledge of the net a market for them. It has been tried in a few places, and the community garage is already an institution in others. The entry of women into industry may bring individual housework into discreption in certain guar-work into discreption. dustry may bring individual house-work into disrepute in certain quar-ters, but when it does so there will be determined at the end of fifty years, mr. Sinnott showed by comparison a private solution. It is not easy to that the Government might the law will hardly go so far as to tell them that they may not go on cooking ment. at home if they prefer to do so. latter

TREASON TO THE SYSTEM.

The other day The Oregonian ex-pressed some mournful observations on the breakdown of direct legislation in the sense that public officials have come to disregard certain expressions of the people rendered at the polls. Dr. Gilbert, whose letter condemning defiance of the public will in the matter of water meters inspired this dole fulness, assumes in another letter that The Oregonian acquiesces in this treason to the Oregon system because it terest and hydro-electric engineers," spoke in sadness rather than in anger. He appears unable to understand that

times almost without nounced this trend of officialdom, It has, indeed, taken the somewhat un-popular position that an initiated law ought to be subject to amendment by the law-making body if errors or un- he is trying to protect. workable qualities are discovered after its adoption. It was held, however, that a "no" or a "yes" expressed on the main principle involved ought usually to settle the issue so far as Legislature or officials are concerned.

But lawmakers and administration officers are practical politicians. They It is incumbent on every citizen to make officers are practical politicians. They have unhapply discovered that a great done only by electing to the Senate and House of Representatives those who are seen hundred per cent American, in accordance with the aims of the Administration that the people's will may be contact the property of that the people's will may be con-travened without causing riots or recalls or always subsequent defeat for re-election. A stubborn opinion that the people ought to have that which they do not want is often applied by forcing it upon them. In gentle hypocrisy the same persons are wont to turn about and refuse to provide ome needed amendment in a law because it is a people's law.

These circumstances can be recited without thereby giving them approval. The Oregonian would like to witpeople's expressed will by officials and also a reawakened respect by the people for their own decisions. both come we might as well quit the useless trouble of voting our opinions

AN UNDESERVED REBUKE.

President Wilson seems to have been misled into condemning the "net investment" clause of the Sims waterpower bill by misrepresentation on the part of its opponents and by failure to ent consider its merits for lack of time. He has thus put himself in the position of repudiating the action of three members of his Cabinet—Secretaries Lane, Baker and Houston-and has renewed a controversy which was in a fair way to be ended. By adopting the "het investment" clause over the President's objections the House shows its preference for the matured judgment of the three secretaries and its resentment of ill-considered executive interference.

As submitted to and approved by recapture by the Government, but the weariness and sometimes leads to de-spair. This is especially true of Representative Sinnott in his speech who abhor "housework," and to the House shows that there was cause he is a great ballplayer, or Jess no subterfuge about the substitution Williard because he is a great fighter: The substitute which Mrs. Pank-hurst offers is the community kitchen, which is not novel, but has never had behind it the energy and initiative which Mrs. Pankhurst is wont to put into her propaganda. "Is it fair," she ment originated with the House cominto her propaganda. "Is it fair," she asks, "to expect a woman to sew all day on uniforms and then go home and cook dinner for her six children and her man?" Well, most persons will agree that it is not fair, when it is put that way, but the chief obstacle to the community kitchen, or any other domestic referent in the past has definition of exactly the same intenother domestic reform, in the past has definition of exactly the same inten-been the opposition of women them-tion as had been expressed in the selves. Woman has nearly always ruled the home in essential particudo so; it will be abolished whenever do so; it will be abolished whenever more clearly how to proceed," and the wealth of the world.

The practice of assuming that it would add to the wealth of the world.

The practice of assuming that it would and to the wealth of the world. is one of "definiteness and clearness"; that under the "net investment" pointing out to her own sisters that that "net investment would furnish a they will be better off, not only ecoestablishing rates, which fair value the ability of the apprentice, is fadoes not. You would have to debate miliar. It may have been based upon

value' and haggle over it." Upholding the soundness opinion, Mr. Sinnott said:

"Fair value," unqualified or unrestricted in meaning or application, varies with the case in which it is employed. It is a "jack-in-the-box" springing up at new and ingenious angles and with a different as-pect each time. Its capers clude the most

In proof of its indefiniteness he cited the decision of the Supreme Court in the case of the City of Denver ent, this resource is employed chiefly vs. Denver Water Company, and said emergencies, and the few families that "the citysof Denver and the water company haggled for four years, and are likely to be heard from in the divorce court. The personal touch is lacking, and the element of daintiness. Also the spirit of emulation, of pride in excellence of cookery, of individuality of taste. The products of the shop taste monotonously alike. Perhaps the community kitchen will remedy this, a brief of Interstate Commerce Com-but it does not seem to be a simple missioner Aitchison he quoted several

munity kitchen work. The cooks who work for wages will be those who are willing to adopt cooking as a profession, not necessarily those who possess natural genius for it.

Supreme Court.

That the public interest would be better safeguarded by the "net investment" clause than the "fair value" clause was demonstrated by Mr. Sinwilling to adopt cooking as a profession, not necessarily those who possess natural genius for it.

Mrs. Pankhurst's secondary demand for community laundries seems to present fewer difficulties. All that it involves is a reconstruction of the building scheme, by which a central building may be made to serve the purpose for a group of dwellings. This would not seem to require so much the passage of laws as the conversion of individuals, and the creation of demand would be felt by builders. If, however, there is anyone who can devise a plan for avoiding friction, such as is manifested by the "clothesline fights" familiar to flat dwellers, he should make himself known at once. It is easier to preach mutual forhearance and good will than it is to enforce their application.

Mrs. Pankhurst a secondary demand for commandation of the home kitchen by hw, and she and her cowerkers, it is said, will demand pledges from candidates for legislative offices as a condition of women's support at the polls. Perhaps her method will be successful in England, which has learned to dread suffragette methods, but it is got so cortain that it will succeed in the required to keep a continual to operation of power, to maintain the works and success the successful in England, which has learned to dread suffragette methods, but it is got so cortain that it will gucceed in the required the commission of the project, cost of operation and the should make himself thought the said of the project, less unappropriate to the project, cost of operation and the abolition of the home kitchen by the abolition of the project, cost of operation and the abolition of the home kitchen by the abolition of the project, cost of operation and the project, cost of operation and the production, transmission, use and sale because the National interest demands to the project, cost

America. Here we are more likely to and to amortize the cost of the project to plod may go right on plodding, but PURPOSE OF LIFE DISREGARDED OFFICIALS SHOULD PAY PENALTY view the issue as one for private en-terprise. There is nothing now to turn, and to operate and maintain the

see what the law can do about it. If quired to pay a far higher price for the women themselves want com- a project under the "fair value" than munity kitchens they will have them; under the "net investment" plan, including a considerable speculative ele-ment. He clearly proved that the latter plan would eliminate uncertain-ties, reduce the speculative element. which "means a less cost of capital and, consequently, a less cost for the

service. This last point, which should be decisive to a man who professes to legis late in the interest of the public, is precisely the one to which the brain of Mr. Ferris seems to be impervious In his reply to Mr. Sinnott he en-larged upon "the water power interamong which he included "de velopers and promoters, bond-brokers who lend money at high rates of in-terest and hydro-electric engineers." The faithful and consistent reader whoever invests or procures the captuling recall that The Oregonian has tall must be paid, that the greater the number de- risk and uncertainty the higher the price, either in the form of interest or

FORD.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Sept. 8.—(To he Editor.)—Notwithstanding what The tregonian says about Henry Ford, he sizes up with me O. K. I do not see many atriots refusing their millions of war profits. As far as statesmen are concerns name one now in the Senate. I think Henr Ford would measure up with any of the when he got down to business. A. JOHNSON.

What business? The Nation's busi less, of course. Mr. Ford knows noth ing about it, confesses that he know nothing, and openly flouts those who know more than nothing. A candi-date at the Republican and Democratic primary for Senator, he showed the quality of his citizenship by fail ing to vote. An American, he pro claims that the flag means nothing and that after the war he will take i A late-day convert to the caus of his Nation, in war, he procures an executive order exempting his sor

Edsell from conscription. There are a thousand counts in the indictment against Ford for his dis qualifications and non-qualifications to be Senator. The Oregonian gives only the mildest of them. It is no reason to elect Ford to the Senate that there are few or no statesmen there. He is not one, whatever the others are Yet there are in the Senate many well informed, well-equipped, well-inten-tioned and highly resful Senators ord would be the least useful amon them

Let it be granted that Ford is an honest man. Certainly he is a philan-thropist. Let him have all possible credit for turning over his war profits o the Government. Let it be agreed that he makes a popular automobile and a good one. Yet he is a manufacturer before he is a statesman, Yet he is a manu humanitarian before he is an Amer can, a pacifist before he is a soldier through the offering of his son. It is not now material that he be a Repub-lican or a Democrat, though it is per-tinent to the discussion of him to judge

cause he is a great philanthropist why not elect Billy Sunday because he is a great evangelist, or Ty Cobb be

THE "VESTIBULE SCHOOL

The "vestibule school" is a creatur valuable time. It is impossible to esti-mate the vast amount which it would

took a certain number of years to "learn" a certain trade, regardless of miliar. It may have been based upon each time what was meant by 'fair the rule of averages, but it was not disassociated from a certain desire to restrict the number of craftsmen in certain lines. It often was accom-panied by deliberate limitation upon opportunity to learn. Apprentices were employed for long periods at simple tasks, long after they had learned all that there was to know about them. It took a good deal of the zest out of work. If the method were enforced in the common schools if a boy were told that he could learn only so much and must then stop learning, there would be an uprising

school was created. Time being the essence of war work, there was no foolishness about holding back. It became necessary to "improvise" skill and it was surprising how easy it was Nor do we know that the best authorities to the effect that the term to do this. France and England have like the same of the been through the mill. The United States, especially in its shippards and munitions plants, is applying the same system. England and France now by law compel every manufacturer

he is not a brake on the wheels

anything. The lesson will not be overlooked we believe, when industry is put upo a peace basis. Skill will always be at knowledge when they see the drift of events. It is desirable that the workman shall be thorough in the mastery craft, but is wrong to compel him to be unnecessarily long about it.

THE INFORMER, An informer, according to sound exicographical definition, is "one who makes a business of informing against others: a mischief maker." is an menviable role. When the informer bears false witness, it is a despicable role. The Evening Journal, in its tattle-tale part of informer against the entire press of Oregon belongs in the latter classification. Four times in the past five years it has printed the de linquent tax notices of Multnomah County, and been paid the full rate for them; and now it says that the scheme is graft and has got up a ball to prohibit it. Participation in "graft" four times out of five are the Journal's qualifications for its nasty role of inormer on the other "grafters."

The Journal project, through its paper notice to the public. lic will pay for the mail notices. delinquent now pays for the newspaper notices. The Journal would relieve him of the proper penalty of his re-missness, and make the other tax payers, who are not delinquent, pay

The present law provides:
(1) For notice to delinquents by

(2) For subsequent newspaper pub-

under which the Journal and the News not The Oregonian-printed this

mail notice has been given, and has yielded no results?

Will the Journal, after having solicited and obtained the delinquent tax publications four times out of five, dare say that the legal rate is not a fair rate?

RECOGNITION OF THE CZECHS. Recognition by the United States

Government of the Czecho-Slovaks as co-belligerents in the war not only admits a people numbering about 9,000,-600 to our councils in determining the up again the vitality of language as to remain in the merchant marine he a factor in National preservation. Of should claim deferred classification as the Czechs alone there are perhaps a mariner. If he will call on the United 6,000,000, of whom 2,650,000 live in trans. Bohemia, 1,550,000 in Moravia, 130, 000 in Austrian Silesia, 300,000 in other Austrian provinces, 30,000 in Russia, and more than 250,000 America. There were upwards

Russia, and more than 250,000 in America. There were upwards of 100,000 in Germany before the war. Their language belongs to the Slavic group, but presents a variety of well-defined dialects.

The Germans have long tried to suppress the spirit of Czech nationalism, and they have recognized the power of the lingual bond in their efforts to suppress Czech literature. Because these efforts have been futile, national consciousness has endured. It was on the part of Germany a manifestation of the same policy which sought to Germanize the schools of America. The ancient University of Prague is, perhaps, the chief reason why the Czechs of today are able to make a stand. It has long been the tallying point of Czech culture, which rallying point of Czech culture, which is peculiarly opposite to that of Prussia. Bohemia, although nominally sia. Bohemia, although nominally part of Austria, has been subject to German persecution exercised through

its influence at Vienna. Much can be hoped for from the Czechs. Already they have given account of themselves in battles with the Russian Bolsheviki, but they may play an even more important part by furnishing the seed for revolt in Austria. In the latter heterogeneous empire, no people are so closely knit, or If he is a shippard worker, however, so well able to raise the standard of and he can produce evidence that the pire, no people are so closely knit, As the central empire crumbles, the Bohemians and their ment will requisition the property. Atbrothers are quite likely to become a steadying influence against complete anarchy. Leadership will be needed, and the hostility of the Czech contingents to Bolshevikism and all that attends it augurs well for the future of many others than themselves.

Few games of chance will be operated at the fairs this season, judging prosecutions for offenses up to

The speeder has replaced the oldtime "drunk" in police circles, and is not so messy and much more profit

As Portland must have one special object of pride, here's to the Multmah Guard band! Why not find a way to deport a for-

eigner who would abrogate citizenship to escape the draft? Those fellows at Aberdeen are able to lay a keel quicker than a hen can

The man who has made himself essential will not be "dumped" by his

The Hun needs three speeds "vor warts" to get shead of Haig. It's in the line of war work to en-

Maine went the same old ways

Writer Sees Trend Toward Show and Luxury-Religion the Remedy.

PORTLAND, Sept. 10 .- (To the Edi-

tor.)-Not long ago a letter signed

"Malthusian" deplored the high prices

of food, predicted a fall in the birth

rate and increased agitation for birth control and family limitation. Likely enough what the writer says is true But it is further true—what is not so reassuring to contemplate—that much more of what is called birth control more of what is called birth control will wreck our country and our modern civilization. We are paying the penalty for artificial living which materialism has brought us. Men and women have gotten away from faith in the ultimate goodness of the universe. We value false standards and our hearts are set or some and unrealities. Yes. are set on shams and unrealities. Yes, it is certain that the birth rate will fall, but not on account of a lack of potential fruitfulness of the earth. The cause is much more serious than that.

Talk to the average young woman, find out what is in her mind. (The clder ones aid and abet her views.)

She is thinking of the last She is thinking of fine clothes, ornaments, automobiles, "dolling up," costly house to live in, plenty of money to spend, amusements, social prestige success in business or a profession, independence of income, much leisure, an artistic career, public recognition, "a good time" (whatever that is), power and responsibility in the market place, "realizing her ambition" anything, in short, but home and chil-dren. Domestic duties and the rearing initiative bill, is to give notice by mall of a family seem to have dropped out (letters) to individual taxpayers of tax delinquencies. It would stop all newsvalues. They are using there a text-book with the alluring title "The Am-bitious Woman in Business." Where is the book on "The Successful Mother in the Home?"

How long do the leaders of our so-ciety think this sort of thing can go ciety think this sort of thing can go on? With most of the women planning to be either sterile parasites—lovely, soft creatures with clinging dresses—or equally sterile self-supporting "free women," it must be a dull mind indeed which cannot see the decay and end of civilization not many years off. The mail.

(2) For subsequent newspaper publication of delinquencies which stand thirty days after mail notice.

The purpose of legal newspaper publication, at a fair rate, fixed by statute, is to advertise the delinquent property for sale—or, more accurately, to advertise the sale of certificates of delinquency. The effect is to compei, or induce, the delinquents to pay up. The interest of the public is obvious and proper. Furthermore, it is paramount. If taxes are not to be collected, and their payment is not to be made compulsory, why levy them?

The Journal, complaining that it is being subjected to abuse for its scheme, repeats daily the falsehood that The Oregonian is active in promoting opposition to its bills because it is a beneficiary of the present law. It is not. It has not had a dollar's worth of delinquent tax advertising under the present law, it has no expectation of having a dollar's worth at any time, yet it insists that the present law, under which the Journal and the News—not The Oregonian—printed this

dilence. Nothing but religion-a religion of given. year the delinquent tax lists of last mercy and forbearance and hope—can year, shall stand. The two lowest bidders will print the lists next year, under existing law. The Oregonian is old its brave show o' material possessions. If the day is saved spiritually der existing law. The Oregonian is never the lowest bidder, and never will be, in any competition for advertising with other Portland newspapers,

Will the Journal, or any one, give a fair reason why there should be no public notice by advertisement of all tax delinquencies, at a fair rate, after mail notice by hear size and all of life will be restored.

A CATHOLAC.

Youth in Merchant Marine. PORTLAND, Sept. 10 .- (To the Editor.) My boy was 21 years old on August 13. Two months ago he sailed from a local shipyard on a merchant ship as oiler bound for Honolulu, and therefore was mable to make the sailed. therefore was unable to register for the draft on August 24. He expects to be back in San Francisco soon.

Will he be required to register then or can he stay in the merchant marine service if he wishes? SUBSCRIBER.

He should register as soon as he reaches San Francisco. If he desires building, San Francisco, he aided in preparing his questionnaire.

PORTLAND, Sept. 9 .-

When Rent Is Raised.

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PORTLAND, Sept. 18.—(To the Editor)—Jones, the tenant, has been paying \$12 per month for rent for several months; has his Winter fuel in. Smith, the new landlord, intends to raise the rent to \$20 per month, without making any improvements on the property. Is there any help for the tenant? That is does he have to pay this raise in rent or move?

SUBSCRIBER.

Ordinarily the tenant has no recourse landlord is profiteering, the Governtorney H. B. Beckett, representing the Emergency Fleet Corporation, looks after such matters.

L. P. Jacks, in the Atlantic.
A British officer wounded at Le Cateau, after nameless sufferings both in transit and in hospital, and after seeing the deaths of many of his companions through neglect and torture, was at length sufficiently recovered to stand on his feet, and was under orders for removal to another locality. He and a number of others in a similar condition were drawn up in the station, waiting for their train. Presently a passenger express drew up at the platform, which was crowded to the edge by the wounded meh. When the train stopped a woman put her head out of the window of a first-class carriage, spat in the officer's face, and without saying a word drew back into the carriage and closed the window. It Is Done in Germany

Marriage After Divorce FALLBRIDGE, Wash.Sept. 9.—(To the Editor.)—How soon after a final decree of divorce has been entered in another state, may a person marry in (a) Oregon, '(b) Washington, (c) California?

The law in the state where the di vorce was granted governs.

Men Now Registered. PORTLAND, Sept. 10,—(To the Editor.)—Must men who registered in 1917 register this coming registration day, September 12?

R. YOUNG.

Men registered under previous draft laws need not register again,

Gilbert Would Punish Politically Those Who Contravene Public Will. PORTLAND, Sept. 10.—(To the Edi-or.)—I have read repeatedly The Oregonian's editorial of September 7 on "Made for its Friends," and I confess to considerable difficulty in being able properly to interpret the same. It seems to offer tacit acquiescence in or submission to the principles involved. If this interpretation is correct, it is to be deplored that such action on the part of public officials does not call out the unqualified disapproval of the press in an effort to support the will of the neonle.

an effort to support the will of the people.

It is difficult to comprehend by what line of reasoning anyone can reach the conclusion that the will of the people, as expressed in a "Thou shalt not," is any less cogent or binding than when expressed in a "Thou shalt." If all prohibitive enactments were eliminated from our laws, our statutes would be largely blank-books. Even the Oregon commandment cited in the editorial—"Thou shalt not touch the people's law finds its expression in the negative form. On the basis of the principles elucidated in the editorial, even this supreme command of the people would be subject to rejection by an arbitrary autocracy, bent upon its own will. will.

The Commissioner referred to, wh The Commissioner reteried to, who took it upon himself to disregard the people's opposition to water meters, paid the penalty of political estracism any any official who persists in the same line of conduct is worthy of the same reward. For a group of officials arbitrarily to establish the two-platoon existent in the fire department when the system in the fire department when the system in the fire department when the people have twice rejected the same would seem to be but little short of treason. It is of such material that revolutions are made; and, woe to the people that tacitly submits to such insults. The ballot is our recourse and it is to be hoped that such actions will find definite signs of disapproval at the earliest opportunity, J. ALLEN GILBERT.

Classification as Agriculturist. PORTLAND, Sept. 10.—(To the Edi-tor.)—(1) In securing an agricultural claim, can this claim be entered in the uestionnaire or must a separate file

(2) Who must file for agricultural claims, the employer or employes, in being engaged in a necessary enter-

(3) Would deferred classification be given to a son who has one-third interest in his father's farm, it being classed as a necessary enterprise, where he is the only son and the father is disabled physically? H. C. SOLBY.

1. Space is provided in the questionnaire.

2. Either may do so. 3. The registrant must be necessary to a necessary agricultural enterprise in order to obtain deferred classifica-tion on agricultural grounds. The draft board decides the "necessity" in both ganization over one year ago. In no instances and as it is a matter of judg- instance have its members refused to In ment based on numerous conditions, the ruling of the board cannot be here

Fees for Administering Estate.

PORTLAND, Sept. 16—(To the Editor.)—Please tell me what the inheritance tax would be on an estate of \$14,500 left to the widow and how it is estimated; also the executor's fee and the attorney's fee in the same and how they are estimated. SUBSCRIBER.

The state inheritance tax would be I per cent on the value of the estate after allowance of an exemption of \$5000. The executor's fee is graduated and in this case would aggregate \$410 provided the estate consisted wholly of personal property. Some County Courts allow executors' fees only on the income from real property, and there is controversy among lawyers as to the legal requirement. The fee may also be increased by the court for unusual services. Attorney's fees are fixed by Don't be a slacker! Show your pa-

First Call in New Draft.

PORTLAND, Sept. 10.—(To the Editor.)—In looking over the editorial page of The Oregonian, I notice an answer to Subscriber that it will take approximately 100 days to register and classify the new registrants. In a later Component it is said the October quota Oregonian it is said the October quota would be called mostly from the man that register September 12. How can it be done? Are not the men called by their number? ____ A READER,

Previous estimates have been changed by a plan just announced. The plan apparently contemplates delay in class-ification of registrants under 19 and over 36, with the result that the Immediate volume of work imposed on draft boards will be isduced and quicker results obtained. First calls apparently will not take men under

PORTLAND, Sept. 10.—(To the Editor.)—(1) Kindly state the difference between "yeoman" and "yeomanette" if there is any and tell what it is and where I could apply for the position.

(2) I also would like to know if one could send a diamond ring from France without taking any risk; this is to out taking any risk; this is to settle an argument.
A STEADY READER.

(1) Yeomen are clerical men in the Navy. "Yeomanette" is a name given to a woman who occupies a clerical position in a Navy-yard. Apply to mandant, 13th Naval District, Puget Sound Navy-yard, Washington.
(2) There is a minor degree of risk.

PORTLAND, Sept. 10.—(To the Editor.)—I was born in Ireland in 1876; came to America in 1895; got my first papers in 1826. Am I a declarant? Must I take out first papers again to become an American citizen?

T. J. McCARTHY.

For purposes of the selective draft ou are a declarant; for the purpose of taking out final citizenship papers you are not, inasmuch as seven years have expired since you obtained first papers. You will have to make a new declaration and wait two years before being admitted to citizenship.

St. Louis Exposition Year

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CANYON CITY, Or., Sept. 3.—(To the Editor.)—Can you oblige me by letting me know in what year the St. Louis Fair was held, and also on what date Easter Sunday fell that year?

I need this information before I can fill out the questionnaire that will be presented to me shortly. I have to state when I came to this country, and all I remember about it is that my first Sunday out was Easter Sunday, and that the boat was full of all sorts of people coming to the St. Louis Fair.

The St. Louis Exposition was held in

The St. Louis Exposition was held in 1904. Easter Sunday in that year fell on April 3.

Naturalization of German RAINIER, Sept. 2.—(To the Editor.)
—Can a German who had taken out his
first papers, then neglected getting his
second papers, get them now? To whom
must one write for information.

A READIER

Yes in certain cases. Apply to United States Naturalization Service, Custom House, Portland, for particulars,

In Other Days

Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Morning Oregonian of September 10, 1893. An enormous whale was seen off the of the Columbia River Friday morning.

The salary of the principal of the Roseburg School was formerly \$1500 a year. It is now \$1000 and assistant teachers get \$40 a month.

The first Chinamen to have their sentences of deportation under the Geary registration act executed arrived in San Francisco yestorday from Los Angeles and are now confined in the County Jall, where they will be detained until sent back to China.

Congratulatory messages and tele-grams continue to arrive at the White House expressing the felicity of the public from one end of the country to the other over the happiness which has been brought to President and Mrs. Cleveland by the birth of another daughter.

Fifty Years Ago.

From The Morning Oregonian of September 10, 1568. Sixty cents is being offered for wheat

The New Theater, formerly Oro Fine Hall, will open today with a farce given by Mrs. F. M. Bates, Miss Fanny Young, George W. Daniels and the accom-Beorge W. Daniels and the accom-olished tragedian and comedian, F. M.

The Pioneer blind troupe gave an en-tertainment last evening in Union Hall.

C. A. Reed, of Salem, is painting a canvas seven feet by three of the lower part of Canemah, Oregon City and Clackamas City.

PATRIOTIC SERVICE RENDERED Multnomah Guard Seeks Recruits for Semi-Military Work.

PORTLAND, Sept. 19 .- (To the Edir.)—The Multnomah Guard is in-nsely patriotic because its members e volunteer citizen-soldiers, serving their country and state without pay or emoluments of any kind whatever. Their training and drill is thorough, being practically the same as "our boys" receive in the United States

There are nine or ten companies which meet weekly and oftener for drill and instruction in military af-fairs. The information received is in-valuable. Not a few of its former members are now commissioned and non-commissioned officers in the regular And its band of trained Portland is proud of it! work is also gratuitous.

When called upon for guard or any other duty the Guard members respond promptly. The writer has seen active service on every occasion since its organization over one year age. In no longarous has perform an irksome, disagreeable or dangerous task. They are soldiers and obey their orders without question. This organisation is highly com-mended by Oregon's war Governor, Withycombe: Portland's war Mayor,

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THE WAYSIDE CHAPEL. There's a wide smooth pathway wind-ing through a woodland velvet-

Towards a gray stone chapel standing in the midst of a forest scene; There are pilgrims ever a-wending their way towards this place of prayer.
To peacefully kneel and softly feel the

balm in the sacred air.

ness, they steal from the lowly They come with their joys and sadness and pause in this holy spot; They come with their man-made errors and lay them before the throne, They come with their fears and their

terrors and tell them to God,

The chancel tapers a-burning glow steadily through all time, And they light the way for feet that stray to this comforting wayside

There is a peace and a healing that's wafted like breath of Spring
O'er the suffering soul that seeks this goal where faith is a living thing.

Oh, that broad smooth pathway winding towards that chapel so gray and

Starts many a stray along the way that ends in the master's fold;
And the tapers that burn by the chancel, forever our soul assures.
That God by his grace will our sin erase if only our faith endures. erase if only our falta enua-grace E, HALL.

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