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But the only way to this consummation lies through unrelenting pressure on the German people and the most numerous of Europe, and, if excluded from the society of nations, would be a constant source of danger to peace.

WHEREFORE? The evening and Sunday closing order, which the State Council of Defense announces its purpose to enforce, was surely not given careful consideration.

It was announced last Friday and published Saturday without known preliminary notice to these most concerned. It was given circulation without statement of any conditions arisen in connection with war activities that call for adoption of so drastic a resolution.

One situation illuminates the effect of this order. Coincident with its adoption the State Food Administration begins a campaign to encourage greater consumption of milk and milk products. It will now sell at a high price, but not because of immediate shortage of supply.

The Sunday and evening closing order would greatly curtail the consumption of ice cream in places not wholly dependent upon the commodity for existence, and would put numerous institutions mainly dependent thereon wholly out of business.

There are, in addition, countless small businesses to which the evening and Sunday trade represents the margin between failure and moderate success. It does not meet the case to say that there is a demand for labor in war industry.

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water waiting for engines could have been avoided. In cutting lumber for ships and aircraft, lumbermen have produced vast stocks which are suitable for nothing.

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They certainly make short work of punishing a policeman guilty of crime by sending him to jail, and of punishing a criminal by sending him to the gallows.

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A Line of Type or Two.

How to the Line, Let the Quips Fall Where They May. (By E. S. T. By arrangement with Chicago Tribune.)

THE IMPENDING DROUTH. There will be no beer and skittles. When the boys come home: Only water with their wittles. When the boys come home: Not the thickest sort of clare. Fed on bread in their garret. Will they kick or grin and bear it? When the boys come home?

From the Chicago (Ill.) Public. Rev. C. Brewer, pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church at Prairie Center and Birkebeck for the past several years, has resigned and will accept a position as brakeman on the Illinois Central system.

As Butler observed in a note: "It has been said that all sensible men are of the same religion and that no sensible man ever says what that religion is. So all sensible men are of the same opinion about women and no sensible man ever says what that opinion is."

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A New Move. Brodhead (Wis.) Independent-Register. Miss Mary Charlotte Waddle, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Waddle, expects to leave soon for Twist, Wash., where she has accepted a position as teacher at a handsome salary.

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When Very Small Percentages. VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 28.—(To the Editor.)—Will you kindly tell me when the clocks will be set back one hour, according to Federal law. INQUIRER.

HOUSE PROBLEM EASILY SOLVED

First Collect \$300,000 and Thereafter There Need Be No Trouble. PORTLAND, Sept. 28.—(To the Editor.)—The housing problem is the simplest thing we have to contend with. All that is needed is a little cheap money.

SEVEN REASONS. Somewhere in France a million men are fighting for sweet freedom's life. Somewhere in trench, in woods or no-man's-land, they carry on the bloody strife.

Hub, Indeed! Sir: She had been standing patiently with the rest of us in the crowd at the window, waiting for the boys to occupy the trenches, shifting her 200 pounds from one pedal to the other.

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At 2 o'clock Sunday morning, October 27, will make a noise in soup in Oregon.

In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago. From the Oregonian, Sept. 30, 1893. The board of School Directors have elected Mrs. Ames, of the Harrison street school, to the position of teacher of English in the high school.

Fifty Years Ago. From the Oregonian, Sept. 30, 1868. Yesterday morning the steam was being raised on the Alert and just after the first signal for start down it would be inferred that the Fall trade will be as active as the year of an earnest political contest will allow.

Justice Waterman of North Portland preaching in his office and his office block further up town, and to the east side of Front Street.

SEIZURE OF ENEMY PROPERTIES. Business Taken Over by Custodian Is Operated as 100 Per Cent American. PORTLAND, Sept. 28.—(To the Editor.)—A short time ago there appeared in a trade publication an advertisement setting forth the fact that certain products had been taken over by the Alien Property Custodian.

WHEN YOU BOUGHT YOUR BOND. You saved living bodies in place of the dead. You dried hot tears that might have been shed.

WHEN YOU BOUGHT YOUR LIBERTY BOND. You bought great bombs that exploded for right. You gave to your country all power and might.

WHEN YOU BOUGHT YOUR LIBERTY BOND. You saved happy homes from ruin and blight. From a hideous fate spotless souls were saved white.

WHEN YOU BOUGHT YOUR LIBERTY BOND. You answered a call nothing short of divine. You bought or you fought with a courage and a faith sublime.

WHEN YOU BOUGHT YOUR LIBERTY BOND. You held the flag high for YOUR country and MINE. You bought or you fought with a courage and a faith sublime.

S. A. T. C. and Tank Corps. ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 28.—(To the Editor.)—I am a high school graduate and am now in the process of applying for admission to Students' Army Training Corps.

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