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PORTLAND, MONDAY, OCT. 28, 1918. AT VARIANCE WITH FACTS.

On calm analysis the arguments advanced by President Wilson for election of a Democratic majority in Senate and House do not square with the facts.

Admitting that no party is "paramount in matters of patriotism yet holds it imperative "that the Na-tion should give its undivided support to the Government under a unified leadership, and that a Republican Congress would divide the leadership." The Nation, about half of which is Republican, has given and is giving "its undivided support to the Govern-ment" under the "unified leadership" of the President. There never has been a time since the Civil War when the minority in Congress has given such undivided support to a war Administration. It was not given by the Democrats to the Republicans, either Republicans that, when a Democrat balked at conscription proposed by the Administration, a Republican led in its adoption and it was carried with the aid of Republican votes over the epposition of Speaker Clark and Chairman Kitchin, the two responsible leaders, Billions have been voted without an opposing Republican vote. Unprecedented power has been given to the President with Republican approval.

The Republicans have not sought to divide leadership between the President and any other agency, or be-tween him and themselves. They have criticised some of the existing war-making machinery, or, rather, have indersed criticisms made by members of the President's own party, and they have supported efforts to provide him with more efficient machinery, rection and would have been removable by him. That was the substance of the plan for a war cabinet, which was of Democratic, not Republican, origin. Neither the intent, nor the also less adequately protected than also less adequately protected than of freight by truck at the consignee's Hungary of freight

unquestionably been pro-war, but they through the negligence of Congress. have been anti-Administration," be-cause they "have sought to take the choice of policy and the conduct of the war out of my hands." The truth is that, because the Republicans are pro-war, they have been pro-Administration in matters relating to success of the war, but have reserved their freedom to be anti-Administration on domestic policy not relating to the war. They have expressed their opinion freely on our war aims, the terms of settlement and the peace discussion with Germany, for they hold that this is not Mr. Wilson's or the Democratic party's war, but the war of the whole of the American people, since all, without regard to party, are giving their sons, their money and their labor. It is for the President, as com-mander in chief, to conduct the war under his unified leadership, but the principles which he has proclaimed give the whole Nation the right to decide for what they will be read to the right to decide for what they will be read to the right to decide for what they will be regarded to the right to decide for what they will be regarded to the right to be recent of the true value of his half. cide for what they will fight and on

what terms they will cease fighting. If the President would find the men who have been anti-Administration on war measures, he will find many more of them in his own than in the blican party. Such men are Clark, Kitchin, Dent, Slayden and McLemore in the House, who opposed conscrip tion, while Kitchin has wrangled with McAdoo about the war profits tax; Reed, Gore, Hardwick and Smith in the Senate, who fought food

In saying that "unity of command is as necessary now in civil action as it is upon the field of battle," the President implies that Republicans seek divided command, when they do not. He also implies that unity of command demands unity of control over legislation, though the experience of the last two years has demon-strated that it does not. He assumes that the principal work of the new Congress will be to enact war legislation, though the prospect is that it will have little to do with the actual prosecution of the war, and will be chiefly occupied with internal ar commercial problems growing out of the war. Those problems demand free, open discussion and the clash of in-Draft Board. tellect which grows out of party con troversy, not unified command by an imperious leader over a disciplined

The Senate which will assume office next March will probably be upon to ratify the treaties which will sunk to third place in the list of com- merce Commission, and state regula the war treaties mere important modities procured in Alaska when than any which this Nation has yet the spike was driven. Copper of the made, since they will involve a revo-value of more than \$23,000,000 and interest policy. Ratification of treaties is of equal importance ceeded gold in the fiscal year 1917, the commission. with their negotiation, and is entrusted last named contributing only \$15,000,to the Senate as representative of the 000 to the wealth of the territory. individual states. When the world is The total commerce between the operation of railroads is inequaling for open diplomacy and for United States and Alaska in that year companied by interference popular control over foreign as well was about \$100,000,000, which was a ticians with efficient and economic as domestic affairs, is this function, third greater than that of the preced-operation. Political motives overrule

whereby the people's representatives ing year and about double the trade business motives. ct, to be performed by Senators exelected because they are pro-war, not because they are pro-Administration.

The President's allusion to the im-ression which election of a Republican Congress would make on the ablest men of all war parties and excluded only those who opposed the
war or favored compromise. They
would find stronger assurance that the
were in the entire navy when the war
bound with red tape, impervious to new
ideas and hostile to new inventions.
Its disposition is to do things as they
always have been done. would find stronger assurance that the years ago.

American people would stand by them Expendi tive.

## DOWN WITH SHEETFES! The Jackson tax notice measure might well be entitled "A Law to

Ruin Financially Every Sheriff in In section 5 it makes the tax collector (Sheriff) personally liable for

and any clerk put on the work of getting out the notices overlooks—as harman and any clerk put on the work of land to Norway, which pens the sub-traffic and takes priority with the marines in the North Sea. he undoubtedly will at times-a name. the Sheriff will be liable for the interest, penalty and possibly total loss d by the property owner.

this bill. So why the ferocity?

WHERE THE BLAME LIES.

The disaster by which the steamer of Congress to provide sids to navigation off the Alaska coast. As E. Lesstriving for many years. ter Jones, superintendent of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, has shown in his report entitled "Safeguard the Gate- freight offices and the consulton ways of Alaska," no part of our coast much advertising, by which \$23,566,is so beset with dangers or is worse
provided with lighthouses and buoys

Unnecessary passenger trains, which than that of Alaska.

shipping is more imperative in Alaska than on any other part of the American coast. Alaska's coast is rocky and mountainous. If a ship runs ashore it is likely to be dashed to pieces or to slide into water so deep that no diver can reach it. The country is thinly inhabited and rescuers are few. Many mountains and engines without investment of adversariance in the number of cars in this country is due to our position of a card. Bread and meat also are rationed, only the soldiers being permitted to receive comparatively sufficient amounts. The apparent hardship of sugar restrictions in this country is due to our position of a card. Bread and meat also are rationed, only the soldiers being permitted to receive comparatively sufficient amounts. The apparent hardship of sugar restrictions in this country is due to our position of a card. Bread and meat also are rationed, only the soldiers being permitted to receive comparatively sufficient amounts. The apparent hardship of sugar consuming peoples without investment of adversariance.

The claims of Alaska are stronger ing charges.

In those of any other part of our lide time of freight cars has been rection and would have been remov- than those of any other part of our erigin. Neither the intent, nor the effect, would have been "to divide the leadership"; it was designed to strengthen the President's "unified leadership" and it would have had that effect. Specific legal sanction would have been given to substantially the same plan as the President has adopted in calling frequent conferences of war-making departments and bureaus—a procedure taken under the sweeping general powers which has been and was given by the Overman law.

Yet the President goes on to say

The leaders of the minority have

Also less adequately protected than of freight by truck at the consignee's door immediately on arrival of trains. Cars and locomotives have been lungary was a more willing confederate has also less adequated to substantially that of any other part of the United States proper and it also is rocky, but perfectly will be leadership"; it was designed to strengthen the President's "unified that of any other part of the United door immediately on arrival of trains. Cars and locomotives have been lungary was a more willing confederate has also less adequated by reach that of any other part of the United States proper and it also is rocky, but people have the option of traveling standardized, and as the old ones of the mandardized, and as the old ones of the fundance of a leadership. Cars and locomotives have been procedure the fundary was a more willing confederate than Austria. The evidence is strong that the consignee's Austria. The evidence is strong that the consignee's Austria. The evidence is strong that the austria. The undart the consignee's Austria. The evidence is strong that the undart the consignee's Austria. The evidence is strong that the austria the old ones of a have deserved better of the Nation

## AT \$1,25 AN HOUR.

"Not till every bushel of wheat was harvested for soldiers did Walter M. Pierce leave his ranch in Eastern Oregon to ask you to vote for him Democratic candidate for Governor of Oregon.

So reads one of the political advertisements of Candidate Pierce. Mr. Pierce, according to estimates-probably he alone knows the true figures—harvested this year 44,000 bushels of wheat. Mr. Pierce received

for it approximately \$88,000. Pierce, according to the tax records of Union County, owns more than 12,000 acres of land. His total possessions, including improvements

Yet, with all his wealth, Mr. Pierce. February, when farm work was slack, collected \$352.50 for serving as a He has drawn all told \$467.50.

The draft regulations prescribed by President Wilson state that "a great majority" of Draft Board members their services gratuitously." But the Government has need also of citizens in such work "who cannot without disproportionate loss and hardship longer absent themselves from their private business without compensation . . is prescribed to relieve

The pay prescribed to relieve poor men on the draft boards was accepted by the wealthy Pierce. He has himself raised the issue that his patriotic activities should be rewarded with the tinue. Opponents of public ownership office of Governor. He says in anadvertisement:

"Working for other fathers and mothers of boys and girls in France vate ownership excels and without sufis Walter M. Pierce." Indeed, yes. Working for the fathers and mothers at \$1.25 per hour on the

Driving of the last spike on the Government railroad from Seward to board of directors. At the least they Fairbanks probably marks a new would propose a closer degree of Fedepoch in the industrial development called of that region, but gold already had sub-commissions of the Interstate Com-

GROWTH OF THE NAVY.

The eyes of the American people

American people would stand by them Expenditure for ordnance has in-to the end in a Republican Congress creased twentyfold, and the 16-inch railroads by private enterprise which The place of the end in a Republican Congress creased twentyfold, and the 16-inch pledged to unconditional surrender by gun has been successfully completed can be obtained in no other way. Price of the place of th

GOVERNMENT RAILROAD OPERATION. In the report on Government opera-We had not heard that any Sheriff tion of railroads which was made to ever injured or insulted the author of the President by Director-General Mo-Adoo after seven months' experience, a most impressive showing of in-

creased efficiency was made. Substitution of unified for separate Princess Sophia was lost with the aggregate salary of higher officers and control has reduced the number and in the Civil or Spanish war. It has lives of all the 343 persons on board attorneys. It has opened the way for been given so whole-heartedly by the can justly be ascribed to the neglect uniform classification of freight, a goal

cuers are few. Many mountains and and engines without investment of ad- as the leading sugar-consuming peo- as the leading sugar-consuming peo- as the leading sugar-consuming peo- cocks are submerged with their sum-

that "the leaders of the minority have than to be drowned by hundreds the time of cars and engines, but in Thus economy is effected not only in the time of loading ships.

The Government carries its own fire risk, having found that the aggregate premiums paid during the past three years exceed the aggregate losses by more than \$3,500,000, though

Much free service has been eliminated, special trains and private carr have been reduced to a minimum and 'deadheads' are a thing of the past. Freight is billed through on all lines

and accounting has been simplified. Many of these changes are of such undeniable benefit to the public that the people will inevitably wish to retain them after the war has ended the Immediate occasion for Government operation. Many more of them will past, not only by repeal of the recent advance, but possibly by reduction of the Winter months of January and pre-war rates. Many discriminations and special favors have been abolished, and all shippers and passengers are member of the District Draft Board, presumed to be more nearly on an equality than they ever were.

Advocates of Government ownership will surely seize on these results of Government operation as arguments have felt that they should render in favor of their policy. Controversy will center upon the question whether these advantages cannot be perpetuated without Federal ownership, and upon the disadvantages which would have to be endured and the benefits derived from private ownership which would be sacrificed by the new policy.

> Both advocates and opponents Government ownership will agree that things can never again be as they were before the Government took posses-Close co-operation and a measure of unified control must conwill be constrained to discover a plan by which these gains can be prewithout losing the points in which prifering the evils with which public ownership has been accompanied in They may turn to other countries. consolidation of all the roads in a cer tain area under one corporation with Federal appointees on would propose a closer degree of Federal regulation exercised by regional

The experience of other democratic countries warns us that Government the operation of railroads is inevitably ac-

of 1915. This growth was made be-fore the railroad was completed, and political ends. Men are judged by the or by a party majority which merely furnishes an inkling of what may be value of political, not railroad, service, impresses the rubber stamp of its approval on the acts of its leader? The transportation. Enthusiastic Alaskans that means waste. Discrimination whole Nation is making the war, and the whole Nation should decide when and how it shall end. It should register that decision through Senators ary food, relying upon the "outside" business pull would decide. These inshippers and between sections and communities, but political instead of business pull would decide. These influences might divert traffic from its natural channels, and might decide the route of new roads. Railroad officials would become politically active as they were before progressivism drove them from the legislative lobbies and as postmasters now are. Politicians who have been to the front and have sifted back through the hospitals.

M. King undertook last Summer to rid the city park of rodents by the use of a preparation of his own, and that rats are no longer found in the park. The rat question has been dwelt upon in public print to such an extent, that it is not necessary to refer to its sands of American soldiers, who have been to the front and have sifted back through the hospitals.

High on a bill looking away toward him? lican Congress would make on the allies is most unfortunate for his case, Our allies know that the Republicans have been more zealous for war and victory than their opponents, and that the Navy has been doing. The do not scruple to solicit campaign what the Navy has been doing. The do not scruple to solicit campaign their control of Congress would foreshadow a more determined fight on autocracy, a firmer insistence on unconditional surrender, than if the Democrats remained in control. Early lines in forming their war cabinets.

The eyes of the American people allies is most unfortunate for his case, are so fited on the battles on land that from the legislative lobbies and as through the hospitals. High on a bill looking away toward the River Loire, across a valley to the funds from every stockholder of a funds

The Navy works silently and se-cretly, but it and the British and allied of the West, and has shown a degree navies have kept the sea open for of adaptability to varied conditions of shipment of 2,000,000 American sol- which a bureaucracy is incapable. lector (Sheriff) personally liable for diers and all their material. That it These advantages are not likely to be any damages that may be sustained has not a more dramatic part in the thrown away in blind admiration for a by a property owner through failure, war is due to the prudence of the system which has proved inferior in neglect or refusal of the tax collector German navy in not challenging the other countries under normal condito keep the property owner's true ad-dress or to give him mall notice.

Infallibility in the office of tay col-Infallibility in the office of tax colsector is impossible. If this bill passes
laying of a mine barrage from Scotment itself provides about half the

There is no basis for compariso between public operation under war conditions and private operation under peace conditions. For this reason the performance of Mr. McAdoo should not lead the Nation into a plunge for Government ownership. plan would be to attempt a combination of the good features in both of the rival plans. This may seem a daring experiment, but it is not beyond the capacity of American statesmen for originality in solving economic for originality in solving economic rend, newly dressed, clean shaven, with trimmed hair and with that springy for originality in solving economic

Abandonment of competition has mild by comparison with those of caused the closing of many ticket and freight offices and the comparison of England and France, a fact which ought to make us accept our own lot philosophically. The practice in English eating houses is to allow each is so beset with dangers of is worse provided with lighthouses and buoys than that of Alaska.

The duty thus to protect life and shipping is more imperative in Alaska between two main points now move at scraper. This must suffice for an ensurance of the contained in the bowl of a dessert spoon. Ieveled off with a paper scraper. This must suffice for an ensurance of the contained in the bowl of a dessert spoon. mits just below the surface, and a on the deficient supply of labor and average of 89 pounds per capita per vessel may run on them unawares, as material. placed the appointive power in the hands of the President, the new officials would have acted under his dia month.

> Hungary cannot escape the penalty of her share in the central empires crimes by declaring independence of Austria. The evidence is strong that

> ning for two years and the boys may be home before then. Meanwhile, there's West, who has intimated Mc-Nary is the man to elect this year.

Oswald West's candidate says "we need an American-born man for Governor," and that is a backhand slap Tom fire in New York harbor. condition and did so.

The American Army seems to have been given the hardest part of the task in France, but tackles it with

but the need is for something to hold back a choice bit for the carver, most always father.

Stay outdoors as much as possible the "rain and southerly winds." That atmospheric condition just not is for health.

The man indicted for bigamy can find the soft spot in the heart of the wife, but the other woman is adamant. A little less holiday expense

ecomplish the increase asked in the total of the war drive next month Democrats who registered as Re

ublicans are red-hot for the President's request. It's a sure sign. When the German people

empire is already bankrupt. From force of habit many awoke

usual yesterday, but turned over for the beauty sleep. Beath on the Princess Sophia was merciful, but the lesson is to have is

A livestock exhibit in a hall will be the stockmen down at the yards think.

your house in order.

With the Government running the as written in a fine Italian hand." express companies rates are advanced for the asking. Exchange of goods is suspended, but

the divorce mills continue to aid in swapping wives.

the pieces. To be more effective, the gauze should be shirred and

real lace. Wilson evidently wants just "pega"

Your Boy in France.

What He Is Doing and Thinking out, as Gleaned From The Stars and Stripes, Official Newspaper of the A. E. F.

The principal function of the Blois Camp, however, is the physical grading of soldiers, mostly those discharged from the hospitals. Classifications are:

Class A.—Mon fit for the front.
Class B I.—Mon temporarily unfit, but
likely to become A. Fit for heavy duty
away from the front.
Class B 2.—Men likely to become A but
whon classified, fit for light duty only.
Class C 1, C 2 and C 3.—Gradings for convalescents who would ordinarily be unfitted for class A.
Class D.—Physically unfit. To be returned
to the United States.

The men arriving at the Blois Camp usually show considerable wear. Most of them have had long train journeys and their clothing is old and worn, their faces grimy and unshaven. They feel just as they look. They are lined up for enrollment in an entrance company. They present their service records and any other credentials, and give information required.

feeling of a man just bathed. And in those buildings they have told all their troubles, all the vicissitudes of their army life-including the ball-up in their allotments, the court-martial that was an accident and the family worries back home—and they have been looked over by a collection of medical officers.

The soldier tells something or acquires something almost at every step. From the medical officers he goes to

he vocational classification room. Here s gleaned his life history before the var by a series of questions devised

the showers in squads on a time-table schedule. When they have dressed they pass on to the barber shop—the best one in France, everybody in the camp says.

deserting the Teutons at this late cial types of labor companies are also tor.)-Recommendation by

months, and at least several thousand study that some of these quasilons of them will be chosen from the boys in France. The commanding General has should receive, but personal experience has enabled me to speak positively issued a bulletin saying that every upon at least one.

Through the publication of the deffort is being made to facilitate the

candidates schools is followed by a rigid examination before a board of Only in exceptional cases will com

Base Hospital 46: I can't blow taps no more."

He says to me; (They'd kidded him outside the barracks door.)
"I used to do it pretty well before—
Before I played my buddy off—it's war.
But don't you see?

"The moon was full and white,
And shining free,
About the way it's shining there tonight.
We started up and Buddy got it right—
A piece of shrap; it dropped him out the fight Alongside me,

"We faid him in the clay:
And it was me
That sounded taps; there was no other wayI can't hlow taps no more . . . but say
I tapped a German skull the other day,
And that squares me."

The "Big Drive" in Italy is foreshadowed in the Stars and Stripes of October 4, which was permitted to me: elves doubt the empire's solvency, the tion only that American troops were in that country in considerable numbers. "How the Yank Is Faring in Italy" is the caption of some humorous descrip-

tive aketches.

"If you do not know what Esercito Americano' means," it says, "it is be-cause you belong to that somewhat larger fraction of the A. E. F. which is visiting France rather than Italy, If your adventures in Latin ever car-ried you as far as Cuesac's Commentaries you may remember that the early Roman Fook was forever assem-bling an exercitus and going forth to conquer somebody with it. 'Essercito Americano' is simply 'American Army'

Doughboys on leave hunt a taurant the first thing. They ask for a trattoria, which is not something to eat, but the whole restaurant. Meat is seldom aspired to, as the boys have learned that, no matter what is ordered

Between the Germans and the British nothing remains of Zeebrugge but the pieces.

Between the Germans and the British turns out rabbit.

Eggs are fairly safe. "Due nove fritte" is not hard; or "due nove alla cocca." But would you recognize "nove in fritalla as an omelette."

FARM PESTS PRESENT PROBLEM Writer Believes There Must Be Son Lure for Every "Varmint."

FOUNTAIN, Wash., Oct. 24.—(To the Editor.) — Just now, in looking over The Oregonian, I see that Mr. George M. King undertook last Summer to rid

service, or 10 times as many as two years ago.

Its disposition is to do things as they years ago.

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Its disposition is to do things as they years ago.

Its disposition is to do things as they always have been done.

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By far the greater part of these men are those who through wounds or sickness have been in hositals and for the military duty in France.

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By far the greater part of these of fired and they cally or duty in the substantial and for the substantial the section of time they happen to find it and they call the substantial they happen to find it and they call the substantial th

but what has its sympathies and its antipathies. I kill off the clothes moths by soaking red woolen rags in a solution of arsonic. The theologist of course, knows why the moth selects the red cloth in laying her eggs, passing by the other colors, but long ex-planations would be unprofitable. It is immaterial whether it acts on the eye or the nose, and so is the reason

We all know what a skilful player with a reed flute can do to snakes and from The Oregonian I learn that a phonograph properly used is deadly

Nearly every year rattlesnakes come from the rocky cliff back of my house, follow down the draw to it, camp a couple of weeks under the house, the couple of weeks under the house, the depote of weeks under the flat further to the railroad tracks and to the depot, where they camp a while under the platform. I would like to learn of a repellant (other than a rope of horsehair) that would keep them from their favorite haunt under the doorstep, and of a lure, that would entice them to traps set under a platfor tice them to traps set under a platform made for the purpose. Perhaps sanked have no sense of smell, in which case tures would be ineffective. Does anybody know of a favorite food (other than small birds' eggs, which are not obtainable), that might serve as a bait? I can not play a reed flute or any other, nor would I want to wait to play it till after I am bitten, even if I could play it.

The work of sending the men through this clearing house is handled with the expedition of a well-ordered assembling room of an automobile factory. Grower. Thinking that probably an article by Mr. Bingham had appeared in their journal I wrote them. They were kind enough to write me: "We never heard of Mr. Bingham or his coyote plan." While I have not so far war by a series of questions devised by Thomas A. Edison.

A horseshoer who has come to France in the infantry may find himself in the artillery or cavalry. If he had been a plano maker he is more than likely to be sent to an airplane repair shop. Misplaced men are reassorted.

The next thing is pay, new shoes and new clothes—and two sacks of tobacco. The bath is next. Men go under the showers in squads on a time-table schedule. When they have dressed the attention it really described to the same way, not only about coyotes and other animals mentioned, but also about many others not mentioned. Any trapper knows that his success depends almost entirely on proper lures. Why not apply the same means to the extermination of pests of all kinds? The subject has by no means received the attention it really de-

kinds? The subject has by no means received the attention it really deserves. Among the readers of The Oregonian are many old-timers and exfrontiersmen besides people in all walks of life. If some of these people could be prevailed upon, I believe they could tell us something. walks of life. If some of these people in all listed in the Eugene Register nearly 30 country schools which were unable to open because there were no teachers, and even in The Oregonian there have been recently

phers are maintained at the camp, and HOME SAVED BY ADVERTISEMENT Experience Convinces Writer That

Present Tax Notice Law Is Good. PORTLAND, Oct. 26 .- (To the Ediber of Commerce upon the questions Tens of thousands of officers must be commissioned within the next few months, and at least several thousand of them will be chosen from the boys in

effort is being made to facilitate the granting of commissions to those who linquent tax notice I was apprised of have shown their worth in actual service.

A three months' course in the Army A three months' course in the Army for the property, who looked the same of the course in the agent for the property. after it for me, through an oversight failed to pay the taxes. tised, a friend saw the advertisement and knowing that I was in the East a nissions be granted higher than that of the time, took the trouble to ascerta my address and wrote promptly and the trouble to ascerta the second Lieutenant. ardor and with grim determination to

see it through.

Private Lin Dawies, formerly a reporter of The Oregonian, contributes a bit of verse to the Stars and Stripes, but the need is for something to hold the roast while being carved, but the need is for something to hold nosed to be stressing to the stars and stripes.

the time, took the trouble to ascertain my address and wrote promptly and in time to prevent the sale of the property. In this instance the owner of the property felt secure in having performed all of the duties of a good citizen, supposed the taxes had been paid. zen, supposed the taxes had been paid, and would have been put to consider-able expense and annoyance but for the

advertisement of delinquency. The present law seems effective in maxim coined by Woodrow Wilson, that "the white light of pitless pub-licity" is one of the cures for public ills, I shall vote against the "delinquent tax notice bill.

DR. W. C. ADAMS. Pleasing the Palate Is Bad Habit. . COQUILLE, Or., Oct. 25.—(To the Editor.)—The editorial in The Oregonian October 23 on new food regulations inspires me to relate my experi

nce in food conservation,
I think the majority of our people
at too much. I found in my case it ent too much. was largely habit and pleased the painte, although I sometimes dreamed of my grandmother after a hearly late supper. To be sure I worked hard most of the time in former days, and supper. my present bill of fare would not be quite sufficient at that time, which was meat twice daily, with pie or pudding and cake or all three. My weight at that time was about 133 in Summer waist band 31.

For the last 12 to 14 years my bil of fare has been: 8 to 8:30 A. M., four buckwheat cakes with butter and syrup or honey or mush and one pint of milk; 3:30 to 4 P. M., meal of differ-ent kinds of vegetables, fruits, two slices of bread, butter (meat, average once a week), one pint of milk, which is both food and drink. During the day I eat an apple or two or a banana many times nothing. Weight around 159 pounds; waistband, 34; age, 65. I do some manual labor m FOOD CONSERVATION.

A colored minister was about to lead his congregation in prayer when sud-denly the floor of the church sank a foot, causing a commotion among the parishoners. The preacher was equal to the occasion and quickly quieted his

"Caffe nero" winds up the meal. But you get no sugar, unless you have it in your pocket.

Juggins—Why does the Captain always stick to vin blane?

Muggins—Guess he's obeying the G. O. about not looking on the wine when it is god."

"Caffe nero" winds up the meal. But to the occasion and quickly quieted his flock by solemnly saying. "Stay Just whar yo' all is, my people, de Lawd is wif you!"

Immediately a big Mose Peters jumped upon a pew and shouted: "Misto' preacher, if de Lawd was wif" me just now, den who all's done took when it is god."

When it is god." ot blackberries?"-Cartoons Magazine, | yard workers must get permits,

In Other Days.

Twenty-Five Years Ago. From The Oregonian of October 28, 1803. Peoria, Ill.—The whisky trust has announced an advance of 1 cent in

Proprietors of a McMinnville saloon are offering a reward of \$200 for the arrest and conviction of the miscreant who threw a stone through a costly plate glass window in its front.

rices which go into effect tomorrew

The Union Meat Company, having just occupied their new packing and cold storage plant at the corner of Fourth and Glisan streets, cordially invite the public to call and inspect the came this afternoon between 1 and 5 o'clock

Long distance telephoning to all coints in Eastern Oregon and Washington is a pleasure, the service is so perfect.

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From The Oregonian of October 25, 1868.
Madrid.—Provisional government has issued a manifesto concerning the administration of the kingdom. Advanced liberal ideas advise the rale of treet and speedy mode of abolishing slavery.

Mr. Bertrand, charged with the murder of J. A. Meler, was arraigned be-fore Judge Hoffman yesterday. The prisoner's statement is that the derisoner's statement is that the de-eased owed him a large sum of money, the earnings of his whole lifetime, and that the killing took place when the deceased man refused to give him \$25 with which Bertrand wished to get to San Francisco.

Governor Ballard, of Idaho, came down on the Cascade yesterday and made us a call last evening. He re-ports lively times in the Territory, Governor Moore of Washington Territory came as a passenger on the Julia

We learn that the Yamhill, Molalla, and other tributaries of the Willamette River are rising slowly. The Willam-ette has not risen sufficiently to materially enhance the facilities of naviga tion, but a few more days of rain will

SHORTAGE OF GRADE TEACHERS Correspondent Advocates More Normals

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COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Oct. 26.—(To the Editor.)—In an editorial October 18 headed "Pretest This Abuse," I note you are advising the electors to vote "no" on the normal school measures. In my mind you are making a great mistake in doing this, for I consider the establishment of the two normals, one in Southern Oregon and one in Eastern Oregon, to be absolutely essential to the educational interests of the state at this time for several reasons.

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First, this measure has the whole-hearted support of President Campbell, of the University of Oregon: President Kerr, of Oregon Agricultural College; State Superintendent Churchill and all of the leaders of equivation in the state, and these men are certainly qualified.

been recently several utterances la-menting the shortage of teachers. Your admonition to the electors to yote no on this meritorious measure is untimely and is a hard blow to the most sensible means of lessening the shortage of grade teachers in Oregon. Even now Superintendent Churchill has authorized the certification of high school graduates who have had

ment against them. Furthermore, you speak in the last paragraph of your article as this being an initiated measure; it is strictly a referendum measure. Hence you really should suggest a vote "yes" to make

your own argument logical.
WORTH HARVEY. The reasons that actuated The Oretonian have been made clear. We think all the educators named will admit that additional normal schools will not be needed while the war lasts; that you cannot make teachers if students will not accept instruction, and that they are not accepting it to satisfactory numbers where it is now offered. The one normal school opened with less than one-half the number of students that attended last year. For these reasons The present law seems effective in attended has year. To this instance for the its operation, in this instance for the benefit of the property owner who was not to spend the money appropriated, delinquent. Firmly believing in the lift the bill passes, until the war is over. maxim coined by Woodrow Wilson, that "the white light of pittless pubpriation of funds and the annual tax levied by the bill would be collected. The Oregonian suggests that the appropriation be not made and the tax be not levied until there is a use for the

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> STEVENSON, Wash, Oct. 26.—(To
> the Editor.)—In The Oregonian's Friday paper I read the suggestion that
> Germany be compelled to pay the debt
> she owes to civilization, a sum in excess of \$100,000,000,000, and to insure

he payment an army to occupy her erritory till it is paid. To me this seems only just, but there should be labor performed in the dev-astated parts of Belgium and France by German people till the towns are rebuilt, the country made fit for cul-tivation and these German laborers hould be clothed and fed by the Ger-

man nation.

Why is it that no American women are expressing their opinions on "peace talk"? Have we lost our herve or are we too weak-kneed to dare back up our boys in their slogan, "To hell with an

armistice"? MRS. ELLA STAGEDILL.

Government Building Permits Government Building Fermita.
HOULTON, Or., Oct. 26.—(To the Editor.)—Kindly inform me in regard to building permits from Washington, D. C. Are they for the city of Fortland or for the state of Oregon? Is tearing down, maying and rebuilding considered repair work, and are shipyard workers exempt from the new law?

A SUBSCRIPER. A SUBSCRIBER.

Farm buildings not exceeding \$1000 in value may be erected without Government permit. If you contemplate rebuilding a structure worth more than \$1000 or are planning to erect the building in town you must have a permit. This is obtainable through the County Chairman, Council of Defense, residing at your county seat.