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such rates as will bring traffic to load the ships which will use those facilities. However well equipped the harbor may be, it must have cargoes to load ships and they will not come. Thus the questions of ships, ocean commerce and railroad rates are inseparably connected.

If distress and defeat come and that a revolution will follow. This confession of a German confederate that has been said about the mania for conquest by brute force having spread through the whole German nation. It should destroy the illusion that we are fighting a nation which against its will has been dragged into war by a military caste.

neglect our own. It is now known that Germany laid in large supplies of American black walnut as part of her scheme of preparedness to conquer the world. That country was aided by our wasteful practices, which took little account of our own future.

SHIPBUILDING WILL GO ON. Announcement of the Shipping Board that early prospect of peace means no relaxation of energy in building ships at those yards which have made good in reassuring news for Portland, for the shipyards of this port have certainly made good.

THE FISH BILLS. The public will pursue the safe course by adopting the advice of the public officials who have made recommendations on the two fish bills presented to the voters. The Oregonian should urge the adoption of the bill closing the Willamette River to commercial fishing above Oswego is approved by the fish and game warden, the state superintendent of fish and game and the state biologist.

A NIGHTMARE. The frantic assaults by the Democratic National committee, the state committee and the various newspapers upon Colonel Roosevelt lead us to suspect that in some unaccountable way we have misread the news of the last few months.

THE EX-TEACHER. The gravity of the educational emergency caused by entrance of large numbers of teachers into the National service is indicated by the fact that an appropriation of \$25,000 has just been made out of the President's "National defense fund" for the establishment of a school board service section of the Federal Bureau of Education.

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Vote early today if you don't want to be kept standing in line. After the stores close at 3:30 this afternoon there will likely be a rush for the polls which will make the late voter wish he had cast his ballot on the way to work.

BLACK WALNUT. The keen foresight of the Kaiser, who twenty years ago began to denude America of black walnut timber, and the destruction of remaining isolated trees for our own purposes since the war began suggest the probability of reforesting this valuable tree on a considerable scale as a measure of protection against the future.

GERMANS AS SEEN BY A GERMAN. The best hope of the moral regeneration of Germany rests in such men as Wilhelm Muehlen, who resigned as one of the government directors of the Krupp Works because he was opposed to the war and fled to Switzerland in order to regain his freedom.

Those who were familiar with the black walnut generation or so ago will remember the trees on which grow with moderate speed, gave great expense of shade because of its spreading habit, and bore a nut that taxed the small boy's ingenuity to get it out of the shell. The nut was also not rich in quantity, but many persons profess to like it.

Now, then, all together! Over the top again today! Little Italy, shake! And shake again! Despite a brilliant prospect, it is every Republican's duty to vote.

Those Who Come and Go.

After traveling 2400 miles in the automobile, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hampton and daughter, of Chicago, Oklahoma, arrived at the Multnomah yesterday. They came via Colorado and Utah and are making their second Western tour in seeing America first.

Russell Hawkins returned yesterday from an extensive business tour through the East. He registered at the Hotel Portland.

W. G. Jenkins, Jr. arrived yesterday at the Multnomah with his father. The latter went to a local hospital, while the younger Jenkins took the first train for home.

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Among the arrivals at the Multnomah yesterday was a distinguished one from Honolulu, the property of Mr. Clarence Lombard. According to Mr. Lombard, it is just a common ally of the hotel industry.

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PORTLAND, Nov. 4.—(To the Editor.)—Election day is here! Several important measures and a number of candidates are to be passed on by the public. The excitement of the war news has largely pushed the election into the background.

Yet there never has been a time when it has been more important to inform the people about the candidates and various measures and in casting their ballot on election day.

HOER OF PRAYER IS GOOD IDEA "Where There is No Vision, People Perish." Quotations Correspondent.

PORTLAND, Nov. 7.—(To the Editor.)—Most cordially should we all greet the Rev. Baker's call to the people of our city to spend one moment of prayer daily at the hour of noon.

EVERYBODY HAVING SAID WHY HE IS supporting everybody—today is the time to vote. Italy, like the United States, was slow in getting into the war, but she is putting a glorious finish to it.

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PLEA FOR ROQUE RIVER FISHING

Defeat of Pending Bill Declared to Be in Interest of Monopoly. GRANTS PASS, Or., Nov. 5.—(To the Editor.)—I wonder where the motive power came from that induced the board of directors of the Portland Chamber of Commerce to pass resolutions advocating the defeat of the Roque River fish bill?

Mr. Humm, who owned the property at the mouth of Roque River and built up a monopoly of fishing in the river held by Macleay. If the fish on Roque River were created for sole exploitation by a wealthy corporation, the people residing along the said stream would like to know it, as there are still people living that are foolish enough to think the common people who have built homes and schools and roads along the Roque River in Jackson, Josephine and Curry counties should be at least accorded the same right as Mr. Macleay, which they would have if this bill seeks to defeat should become a law.

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AGES OF RECONSTRUCTION AIDES Minimum Is 21 Years for Women of Exceptional Qualifications. PORTLAND, Nov. 5.—(To the Editor.)—In answer to inquiry concerning the shortest period in which women may prepare for positions in military hospitals, and the minimum age for entering the service as a nurse, you have stated that two or three years' training is required, and that the government does not accept women for former military positions under 21 years of age.

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WOMEN WHO ARE exceptionally qualified in health, character, personality, previous training and other qualifications, are invited to apply to the Surgeon-General of the Army for a four-months' course of training to begin December 1, 1918.

ELSA F. GILL, Registrar, Red Cross College. PORTLAND, Nov. 7.—(To the Editor.)—I am writing you regarding the work of our organization in this country and in France.

WOMEN ARE NOW being recruited for the U. S. C. A. canteen service at the Portland Red Cross headquarters, Gasco building. The workers get their maintenance and traveling expenses in some cases, but no salaries are paid.

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In Other Days.

Eighty Years Ago. From The Oregonian, November 5, 1838. Chalmers represents the Indians North Plains. Sufficient military forces are stationed near the threatened points. The trains are running regularly.

Omaha—The 900-mile port on the Union Pacific Railroad was passed by the track-layers today. The rains lately have created quite a pond of water on Fifth street at its intersection with Columbia. The improvement there, especially the grading, has been done in such a way that there is no outlet for the water, and it has become so dammed up that footmen passing up Fifth street cannot cross Columbia at all.

Twenty-Five Years Ago. From The Oregonian, November 5, 1893. Milwaukee—Judge Jenkins today made an order authorizing the receivers of the Union Pacific National to adopt the contract executed by the St. Paul and Northern Pacific.

Boise—A compromise was effected today between the state officials and the purchasers of the state wagon road bonds on a basis of the time for their payment. The state will receive \$25,000 at once and \$7,500 December 1. The balance of \$90,000 will be paid in four installments between April 1 and July 1, 1894.

Since construction was begun on the Bull Run pipeline which extends through the place, Gresham has become a prosperous country town. A number of buildings have been erected in the last few months for residential and business purposes. Chief among these is the cannery, which is completed for the winter, which will be obtained in the Spring.

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