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OPPOSITION TO RAILEOADS.

If every town in Oregon which has s railroad were to oppose extension of that railroad lest other towns should Bend appears to look at the matter

solely from the viewpoint of its saw-mills. The latter have a railroad rate on lumber to Denver and similar points which is 5 cents less than the terminal rates to the Pacific coast and only 1 cent more than the rate from Spokane, Baker and other points in the white pine group several hun-dred miles nearer the market. Klaath Falls pays the coast terminal rate, and is therefore under a handiof 6 cents as against Bend. If Deschutes road should be connected with the Strahorn road and if to Klamath Falls, the latter town manager of one of the mills. No consideration appears to have

been given to the other ways in which Bend would profit by construction of the Strahorn roads nor to the great benefit which would accrue to the great railroadless area of central Oregon. The Strahorn road is projected not alone to connect Bend with Klamath Falls. Another line is to run to Lakeview and a third to Crane, where it would connect with the O .- W R. & N. line eastward through Vale cheerfulness that was inspiring. to the Union Pacific system, opening the great Harney valley. A wide agriwould be opened, and the Bend mills rould have a more direct line, thus fortifying their rate position, which

ary character of the present railroad dministration but the probability

wrapped up with those of its sawmills March, 1918, in the great war, alone. They are identical with the The Boston News-Letter war railreads, north, south, east and west. These railroads will make central editor: Oregon develop and prosper, and as it prospers, so will Bend. Bend will not prospers, so will Bend. prospers, so will Bend. Bend will not months behind with the foreign news befully prosper as a big sawmill town round Great Britain, and now less than five months, so that . . we have retrieved a desert. Hence to condemn central a desert. Hence to condemn central Oregon to stagnation in the interests of local industries is not only narrow and selfish but is shortsighted, for it is to condemn Bend to restricted

These are days of progress, not of stagnation. They are days of broad vision, not of parochial selfishness. Bend should become imbued with the spirit of the times. It is up to Bend

ception to the rule. Recent investithe workings of this body have re-sulted in compilation of a veritable between the slang of criminals

W. W. argot makes an interesting vocabulary of disloyalty, unneigh orliness, inhumanity, and worse There are no I. W. W. words for home friendship, mutual forbearance, thrift, faith, hope or charity. It is a vocabu-lary of deprecation of the solid vir-

ch an employe is, in I. W. W.-"Mr. Block." its sense of obstruction, as is illustrated by the verb "to block"

destruction of property, especially while pretending to serve the interests of those whom they seek to ruin. "Turning the cat loose," and "wearing the wooden shoe" are two of these. A job on which no I. W. W. are em-

loyed is a "hoosier" job.

It will be observed by the students of I. W. W. literature that practically all of the new words which it has found occasion to create are con-cerned with crime and jails. It is unlikely for this reason that it ever will contribute to the enrichment of the vocabularies of ordinary citizens. The needs, or expects ever also of sabotage is small. proportion of our population which needs, or expects ever to need, a lingo

WHEN IT WAS.

A rather cynical correspondent of gonian has not always, if ever, supported prohibition, until it was a fait

when it is the law of the nation. It is needless to give any other reason.

Perhaps it will be justifiable to say

end of railroad building and therefore of development in the interior
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taken by Floral in remains to be seen. Therefore the sum of the state of the state of the state. Yet that is the position ment, remains to be seen. Therefore the sum of the su of the state. Yet that is the post-taken by Bend in regard to exten-sion of the Strahorn road from the sion of the Strahorn road from the delphia, New Orleans and San Fran-delphia, New Orleans and San Franment, remains to be seen. There are great metropolitan centers, such as munity and state rights, and there will be trouble about enforcement. Yet with the manufacture of liquor made unlawful everywhere, and its importation from other countries put under the ban, the supply after present stores are exhausted must come from illicit sources. What then?

BASE HOSPITAL NO. 45. the latter should be built from Bend pital No. 46, the Portland and Oremight claim the same rate as Bend late. It reached New York yesterday enjoys. The possibility that the Bend and, in time that cannot be too brief,

fighting, somewhat scattered, to be first page devoted to the subject. by its president to "stand by Russia"; sure, but in the fight. Base 46 saw Wherein the Post-Intelligencer speaks the grind of it. Back of the lines or well up at the front, its minister
Mount Rainier acquired its name hand to save the nation which gave or well up at the front, its ministering hands alleviated pain, soothed
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States will know the fact within an In saying that "under the present hour of the event. It is interesting railroad administration rates never go in these times of almost instantaneous down, and the Bend mills might suffer transmission of the news of big events high mountains, meaning nothing from an upward revision," Mr. Keyes that under conditions which prevailed more than "a mountain with snow on not only overlooked the very tempor- 200 years ago we might expect the "It." announcement of this momentous happening to reach us about May 15, that federal railroad laws and the en-tire rate system will soon undergo of a comparison of facilities for the that federal railroad laws and the entire rate system will soon undergo radical revision. When that change is made and when a general rate revision is effected, a town which felt the rate position of its chief industries the rate position of its chief industries of the Brest-Litovsk in the rate position of the seeds are at the bottom. Morrow went with the railroad company and Anderson went to Cottage for a time seeds are at the bottom. Morrow went with the railroad company and Anderson went to Cottage for a great stead-look in the west, his proposed that the bedone to one in the bottom. Morrow went with the railroad company and Anderson went to Cottage for a great stead-look in the west, his proposed that the bedone to one in the bottom. Morrow went with the railroad company and Anderson went to Cottage for a great stead-look in the west, his proposed that the bedone to one in the bedone to one in to be so weak that it found opposition treaty, the activities of the Rainbow to construction of a new road through division in the Lorraine sector, and of a city nor perpetuate the name of ing repairs. a wide stretch of country necessary the taking over by United States to fertify itself would be an inviting troops of four and a half miles of the front line, "Somewhere in France." icans, say we. The interests of Bend are not These were outstanding happenings of

The Boston News-Letter was one of nterests of all of central Oregon, the pioneer newspapers of the United which can best be served by through States. This newspaper as enlarged

In other words, remarks a commentator, the attention of the Boston politicians was engrossed on the slege of Belgrade, when their contemporaries in the mother country were intent on the destruction of the Spanish the pionest American editor had accomplished a wonder for his time. If ster, and the next in strength the improvement had gone no further. hould now be reading about the Ger-

participation in the war upon a twentieth century scale with eighteenth glossary of terms. There is this dif- century facilities for communication, the British premier's declaration that At the outset of the war, however, and that which springs spontaneously and long before we entered it, we on all of the principal conditions of out of the needs of particular occa- might have been expected to take a peace, that his pledges to exact full sions, that the former is devised to lively interest in events. News of the reparation from Germany, to impose promote secrecy, not to give expres- invasion of Belgium under the old punishment on the kaiser and others slon to thoughts for which existing news system would have reached this guilty of the war and to obtain com-Enguage is inadequate.

Philologists are able to estimate the character and the progress of a people by the development of their landers.

Continent thirteen months later, or about the time that Vilna feil and that terms will be ready for submission to Germany by the end of next decided to adopt conscription. On week, Having been a member of the the development of their lanfrom this point of view the
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land the improved fi drive into the Carpathians, the British | wary about questioning the wisdom of victory of Doggerbank and the first that course country. Later, when Germany, in policy and the delay of more than five February, 1917, was declaring unrements in dictating terms to Germany stricted submarine warfare and Kut. being accepted as unavoidable, the

Months of delay were reduced to when he said that after Germany "Block" is em- weeks in the century following. The beaten in the field, acknowledged the obstruction, as battle of New Orleans was fought on fact and accepted the armistice terms, illustrated by the verb "to block" January 8, 1815, fifteen days after the throwing obstacles in the way, and signing of the treaty of Ghent on Defighting. by "blockade." There are "blocks" cember 24, 1816. It was however, which are helpful, but these are not known to the I. W. W. etymologists. for it was the only battle of the war A "cockroach" in I. W. W.-ese is of 1812 which impressed Europe with a person who is loyal to his home a sense of American military import-The idea that loyalty in little ance, and it undoubtedly served to many has continued to use the wer begets greater levalties has kindle the spirit of nationality in our of propaganda by spreading bols no resting place in the wobbly mind.

The chief of police of a city is the "town clown." A "cossack" is a mounted policeman. A "barbarian" attruction of the Spanish fleet in Management of the armistice was signed, and spanish fleet in Management of the armistice was signed,

e'er felt the halter draw with good in The Oregonian and other newspa- and it has continued to the impairopinion of the law" fits the L W. W. pers in the United States on May 7, six ment of the country's economic power
to a "t." Local chambers of comdays later. To reach Washington, it and political stability, both of which to a "t." Local chambers of com-days later. To reach Washington, it and political stability, both of which merce are designated as "comical cluba." There are several phrases for around the globe. The Pacific cable the

wireless had not been invented.
In two decades the days have been reduced to minutes. Distance has al-most literally been annihilated. When the Germans sign the treaty of Paris, the whole world will know it prac-tically simultaneously. A single wire-less message from the high-powered Paris station, under 1919 conditions can be picked up by receivers in every important capital of the world.

DEMOCRACY SPREADS IN JAPAN.

The tide of democracy which has wept over Europe and western Asia has not stopped there, but has gone on to Japan. That country is the The Oregonian writes to solicit a state- are not content with extension from ment as to the "exact day when it was the commercial and land owning ment as to the "exact day when it was classes by a proposed bill which would more than double the number of thing in nation or in state?" "I seem to recall," he adds, "that The Ore-tores, which would mean about 10,-000,000 voters.

Until recently Japan was still in fact an autocracy, and the premier was chosen by a small body of the mikado's advisers who were called the It is sufficient to say that The Oregonian became a supporter of prohibition when prohibition was made the clder statesmen, without regard to whether they were leaders of the materials in the diet. The present jority party in the diet. The present cabinet is an advance toward democracy, for it is the first party cabinet backed by the majority party in the diet, but the mikado is still regarded that railroad lest other towns should that the efficacy of prohibition diet, but the mikade is still regarded come into competition with its inas unlly fade away and the mikado would become a constitutional sovereign with all the trappings but none of the

MOUNT ROOSEVELT?

About two months ago, in an entire y helpful and charitable spirit, The Oregonian suggested that there was n opportunity in the northwest to establish a conspicuous monument to Theodore Roosevelt and also settle a still smoldering controversy, by

to Mount Roosevelt. The glad news of the day is the return to American soil of base hospital No. 46, the Portland and Oregon unit that left early, and stayed late. It reached New York yesterday would be the first to express a willing-don Russia to its fate on the pitiful might claim the same rate as Bend enjoys. The possibility that the Bend enjoys. The possibility that the Bend rate would be revised upward to meet the Klamath rate seems to have been the motive for the Bend Commercial club's vote against aid to the Strahorn road, for the only speaker was the manager of one of the mills.

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It would be peculiarly fitting to name a great western mountain for Theodore Roosevelt. It would recall a comparatively unknown English-

the way, how do you go about it to change the name of a mountain?

LLOYD GEORGE'S DEFENSE.

Once more Premier Lloyd George in 1719, with the announcement by its has put his critics to silence, again lightfully thrilling. litical strategy. On the defensive he dilates on the greatness and difficulty themselves if they can muster a ma- apartment house. jority of parliament which thinks they can do it better. That was a fine but safe bluff, for the opposition con-A LANGUAGE OF CRIME.

Almost every set of criminals has its distinct peculiarities of language, or argot, and the I. W. W. is no exception to the rule. Becent investig.

If requires a form a ministee; perhaps words, this cabinet has been floured dering in a sea of troubles while he has been in Paris, but the fighting on this side of the Atlantic. dismayed he strikes back at the North It requires, of course, a certain take a firm held when his work at taming of the fancy to imagine our the peace conference is finished.

The American people and all of the allied peoples will feel reassured at the allies have come to an agreement news system would have reached this guilty of the war and to obtain com-

But, that being accepted as the right The English language as at present constituted, for example, contains no el-Amara was being taken by British for example, contains no el-Amara was being taken by British forces in the near east, we would only just have heard of the evacuation of preciatively for his employer's inter-Gallipeli. there was no justification for further He spoke as a soldier. was for the allied statesmen to take cognizance of the other weapons which they left in Germany's hands by not occupying the whole country or at least all of its frontiers. Germany has continued to use the weape

around the globe. The Pacific cable the peace compact. Germans who had not then been completed and should have been working to produce have been fighting and striking.

means of meeting the allies' demands man politics have been a rapidly mov ing picture, which is still moving. It was incumbent on the allies when they ceased hostilities to have such a firm grip on Germany that it would stay put" till peace terms were ac-

Mr. Lloyd George cannot be acquitted of exaggeration and misrepreentation in his references to Russia. When the armies of Siberia, of Gen-eral Denikin and of the Baltic provinces, ill equipped and ill supplied, have been able to defeat the bolsheviki in repeated battles, it is absurd to as-sume that Britain's share in the allied scene of intense agitation for wide and which would carry the anti- Newport. He is a familiar figure on extension of suffrage. The radicals bolshevist forces over the top to final Elk creek and manages to get a string extension of suffrage. The radicals empire. No person proposes that the allies "conquer" Russia or intervene in its domestic affairs. It is pro-posed to help the Russian people in driving out the tyrants who handed over the country to Germany, and then to leave the Russian people free to choose a government. We have the authority of Ambassador Francis for the statement that the part of Russia which is ruled by the bolshevits has only about 40,000,000 of the 180,000,000 people in the country, and that only 10 per cent of these are bolshovist by choice. All parties other than the bolshevists have joined n appeals to the allies for help in de-

livering their country from these mon sters, Catherine Breshkovsky, the veteran revolutionist, says in "Strug-gling Russia" that the constituent issembly met secretly in Moscow in April, 1918, and called upon the allies

Having watched the allied policy in Russia I may say that the policy has been undefined and uncontradictory; that I cannot find a single principle which would explain it. The allied policy is an enigma

The allies have grave sins of omis-sion to answer for. They withheld aid changing the name of The Mountain from Serbia and Roumania till those countries were crushed.

upon to perpetuate the names of friends whose sole distinction may have been that they were agreeable companions. Mount Tacoma got its transcontinental flight from San Diego pame from the Indians. The aboriginal awaits a time of showing it.

HOW THE NEWS TRAVELS.

When the peace treaty is signed it is safe to predict that we in the United as to the meaning of "Tacoma," but distance between St. Johns, N. F., States will know the fact within an another transcontinental flight from San Diego to Jacksonville, their success is assured, with the additional proviso that they keep a straight course and no not fumble their destination. The distance between St. Johns, N. F., and the Limerick coast is 1930 miles, a fairly competent authority asserts and the Limerick coast is 1930 miles that it has a general application to and at the speed of Major MacAuley's more than "a mountain with snow on fourteen hours five minutes, which is during the road from the Tillamook out the road from the Tillamook out the within the margin of safety. The aviators, indeed, have counted on nineteen hours, and will carry a

> Kipling wrote the best story of the transcontinental trip when he took Harvey Cheyne's father and mother from San Diego to Gloucester in "Captains Courageous," in record time. A Kipling will record the trip across in the air some day and make it as de-

Since an auto cannot be rolled into the kitchen or cellar overnight, rows of his task and demands freedom from of single-stall garages will continue nagging while engaged on it. But he to disfigure the streets in the resioutckly turns to the offensive and dent section where there may be a hallenges his opponents to do the job vacant lot. That scheme matches the

That's right, Mr. Forecaster Willis yearn for that kind of opening day.

Where is that erstwhile band of self-styled ancients 'known as the Forty-fivers? All too busily at work, probably, to grieve over present and future conditions.

When those roads to Klamath and Lake counties are completed, there should be a welcome-home party for the benefit of the two isolated coun-

The Hun squarehead is funny, He objects to soldiering at the peacetime rate of pay since his war experience. The average German is lost without a kaiser

the cat.

Wait a week for real ball,

Those Who Come and Go.

Oxen furnished the motive power when James S. Cooper of Independence ran a pioneer freight line between Portland and Independence. Later Mr. poper speeded up his line by installing mule power, and still later, so great vas the demand for rapid transportation, he supplanted the mules with horses. Independence looked good to the freighter, so he settled there, became a banker, merchant and farmer, and now he is retired, with nothing to worry about but whether the fish are biting. biting. Two sons-in-law and a son represent his contribution to the Ameri can army in the world war. Mr. Cooper was also a pioneer in discovering the beauties of Oregon beaches and for years he ornamented the Agate cliff at the Imperial.

"How many people in Portland know ion projects in Malheur county?" de-nanded Julian A. Hurley, state senator for Grant, Harney and Malheur coun-ties. There is a \$750,000 irrigation project under way in Willow creek with lands now being irrigated. There probably isn't an equal area in the state io compare with this Willow creek sec-tion for producing things. Three cut-lings of alfalfa is not unusual. The John Day highway, as projected, runs through no less than three frrigation districts. Portlanders better get away from the city payements and learn something about their state." The senator is at the Imperial.

"I'm going after bear and may shoo ome coyotes and a cat or two," said some coyotes and a cat or two, said George H. Kelly, late lleutenant-colonel of the American lumberjacks in the American expeditionary force. Colonel Kelly left last night for the head-waters of the Willamette at Hazeldell, where his dogs, Casey and Music, await April, 1715, the formula of the Russian people, and Madame Breshkovsky him. There's snow up in that region at says that its invitation to the allied armies was parallel to that of France to the American army. She says with good cause:

Waters of the Waters and Music await where his dogs, Casey and Music await him. There's snow up in that region at present, but it doesn't bother the hunter to the top of the Country of the Country

"We've had to fight the world, the flesh, the devil and Master Spence of the state grange in trying to g t good roads in Linn county," explained Sam Sarland, democrat and former state senator. Mr. Garland has returned to ebanon happy with the promise that a grvey will be made from Lebanon to ascadia, with the prospect of the for-stry department continuing the survey cross the mountains to Sisters, in Deschutes county.

'I was in lower Broadway one evenregon. Mr. Leiter, who registers from La Grande, has been in newspaper work in New York city and of late has been active in receiving Oregon boys on their arrival from overseas.

In the party was the mayor berg, the undertaker of McMinnville the sorrow and comforted the sore afflicted. It gave a tender touch of home that aided toward recovery or lightened the gloom of passing. It did its assigned duty and added the personal sacrifice of time and labor with cheerfulness that was inspiring.

Oregon is proud of its record and awaits a time of showing it.

H. V. Alley, county commissioner of Ciliamook, who lives at Nehalem: Hernan Farmer, another commissioner and A. M. Hare, the county judge, remained as the learning of the lea turned home yesterday after learning that a contract for paving five miles from Hemlock to Beaver was awarded by the highway commission, the work to cost \$112,803. This five miles is a

Martin H. Anderson of Cottage Grove, registered at the Imperial, was once a clerk for William Morrow when the latter ran the Palace hotel at Heppner. Morrow went with the railroad com-

Tickled over the news in The Ore-gonian yesterday was "Billy" Lee of Klamath Falls. The news article which appealed to him was the announcement the road programme inty made by the state highway con nission. To appreciate the full sigbe explained that he is in the automobile business.

He owns a bank at Gardiner and he owns timber and a dairy farm and mos of the town of Reedsport, does Warren Reed, who is at the Imperial. ort is one of the most hustling little ward to the time when it will have

Captain Harry Hunter, who was in mmand of the steamer Northern Paific when she went ashore on the New run off all the rain, even to a rainy England coast with hundreds of return-Easter, that Tuesday afternoon shall be sunshiny and warm. The fans passed through the city yesterday and yearn for that kind of opening day, was at the Hotel Portland. He left last night for San Francisco.

> Portland hotels are beginning to re ceive reservations from out-of-town people who will come to Portland Mon-day to witness the great aerial show staged by the flying circus for the victory loan.

Major Kenneth Marr, advance man for the "flying circus" which comes to Portland Monday to boost the victory loan, is registered at the Multnomah. Patrick Welch, who is interested in

mining properties in the Coeur d'Alene district in Idaho, is at the Hotel Ore-

One of Kelso's leading financiers, F. C. Stewart, is at the Hotel Oregon

itled to a refund.

A Change in Ideals. By Grace E. Hall.

Oh, why should the shades of immortals be proud, Like Milton and Burns and the rest of of that crowd,
As robed in their grave-clothes they
roam o'er the earth
And find of real genius such direful
dearth?

Oh, why should the shades of immertals be proud.

As dressed in their raiment of gossamer shroud

They wander about, and in pain and

Discover real literature gone to decay?

Yes, why should the shades of immor-tals be proud. Like Hilly Shakespeare and the rest of that crowd? Who cares for mere shades that can now only stalk? Who cares for their poems?-It's dollars that talk!

WHY POPPY SURVIVED GUNFIRE Nature Provides Flower with Ingenious Device for Propagation.

who sleep under the crosses and poppies of Flanders.

"To examine the poppy is not to violate its new-found sentiment, for it unfolds its giories upon closer study, Moreover it has a symbolism unexpected because of the pure accident of its association with America's sacriand explain all by that. Prebably one fices for freedom.

Twas in lower Broadway one evening and all of a sudden I thought of
iregon, so I went right up to the office
ind told the boss that I was leaving
or home—and here I am," reported O.
Leiter to Manager Myers of the Hotel

You will recall: 'Neath the blue of the sky, in the green of the corn, It is there that the regal red popples are

"A hint of the reason why the poppy survived the searing tramp of armed hosts and the churning of big-gun fire on the erstwhile grain fields of Flan-ders is given in a farmers' deggerei: When the poppy ripens be sure the seeds Will stock the gapden as with weeds.

"For the same reason the poppy's hardihood is attested in England by its bloom along raliroad tracks, by the roadside, and in the niches of stone "Nature provided the poppy with an intricate and ingenious Intricate and ingenious device of a kind which makes the study of even the simplest plant life a constant marvel and delight. It is the village rheumatic of the flower community—equipped with a miniature hydroscope. Long capsules contain the seeds of the poppy. Atop cach capsule are valves, sensitive to moisture of the air, which close when the atmosphere is humid. When the air is dry the pores open to

When the air is dry the pores open to eject the seed upon warm, sunny soil,
"Nor is that all. Jealous floral tribes
might accuse this plant of 'pan-poppy'
ambitions for expanding its place under the sun. For it is no mere accident that the seeds are at the bottom,

in its hospitality to files, bees, beetles and all other insects. It invites them by its brilliant colors and offers no special charm for certain privileged insects as do some more exclusive flowers. It has no boney but provides polien in plenty. In part the poppy is self fertilizing, but plants also are fertil-

flowers. "A characteristic of the corn poppy, beside its brilliant scarlet coloring, is the large size of its two outer petals which hide the lesser pair until the flower has opened. Poppies of Flanders, be they corn poppies or other varieties, are not of the oriental species from which oplum is derived. poppy, when cultivated, is kno the Shirley poppy. The flower is nial or annual, according to the when cultivated, is known as The flower is peren ety.

"Travelers among country folk of England will encounter various names given to the poppy, such as 'red cap,' 'red weed' and 'fireflout.' The more prosaic prefer "cheesebowl,' on account of the shape, and even 'headache,' because of the odor of some varieties:

Corn poppies that in crimson dwell, Called headaches from their sickly smell "And another poet is more guarded in his olfactory comment:

No odors sweet proclaim the spot Where its soft leaves unfold;— "But of all the poetic mention of the poppy, from that of Burns and Keats down to Bridges and William Winter, perhaps the most glowing and descripive is contained in the lines of Francis

Summer set lip to earth's besom bare, and left the flushed print in a poppy the Like a yawn of fire from the grass and the fanning wind puffed it to flapping too great.

The action of Captain Chichester at Cap fiame.

With burnt mouth red like a lion's it drank.

With burnt mouth red like a lion's it drank.

The blood of the sun as he slaughtered sank,

And dipped its cup in the purpurate shine.

When the eastern conduits ran with wine.

In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregonian, April 18, 1894. Baltimore.—Ernest Knabe, play anufacturer, died today.

Astoria.—The democratic convention has practically completed its work here. Compson has been nominated for governor and candidates for the lesser ffices have been selected.

Washington.-Five thousand men to survive the long trek to the national capital and will be atraggling in within a short time. The police and militia hardly know what to do with them.

Two blocks of Portland water bonds. totaling \$500.000, have been sold. A premium of nearly \$50,000 was paid by the successful bidders for the bonds.

SOME CAUSES OF DIVORCE EXTE

Higher Education, Extravagance, Religious Belief Among Those Named.

PORTLAND, April 17-(To the Edior.)-I disagree entirely with the conention of "Student" when he blames Device for Propagation.

In Planders' fields the poppies blew
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our plares:

"Immortalized by a soldier-poet, himself buried in France, Flanders poppies already are symbols of the nation's hero dead of the world war," says a bulletin from the National Geographic society.

"Now the poppy is to receive a semi-official recognition by being planted in government parks of the nation's capital as perennial memorials to the men who sleep under the crosses and poppies of Flanders.

In Planders' fields the poppies blew
Between the crosses and poppies of the decision of "Student" when he blames the "reduced degree of respect for marrings" on the foreigners in our country. What foreigners does he mean' Certainly not the Irish or Polish or Italians or French-Canadians or Hush are already are symbols of the nation's will carry his studies a little further he will find that all over our country will carry his studies a little further he will find that all over our country the people for the most part who take advantage of divorce laws are of old American stock or are the second generation (therefore native-born Americans) of European limingrants. There is not a shred of evidence to prove that the influence of foreigners is responsible for the large number of di-

great contributing cause is the higher degree of education afforded American "The poppy is a thorough-going allied flower, found in profusion in France, but especially popular in England because it is the only scarlet flower in the British flora, except the scarlet pimpernel, and even that is more red than scarlet.

"The poppy family (genus papaver, in botanical terminology) has as many complexions and habitats as the skins and homes of the men whose graves it weringe, the most expensive in the complaxions and habitats as the skins and homes of the men whose graves it decorates. To the swarthy African, to the brave Australian, to the crusading Californian, and to the Asiatics comployed behind the lines, the popples of France must have nodded familiar heads in friendly welcome.

"There are haif a hundred or more branches (or species) of the poppy family. It is likely the soldier-poet quoted above had in mind the most processific, one of the most common, and what many consider the most beautiful variety, the corn poppy (papaver rhocas). You will recall:

"Nexte the bias of the sky, in the green of the corn, it is there that the regal red poppies are born. any means explain all divorces in this way, but undoubtedly a certain percentage of them can be thus accounted for.

Religious belief is also a factor, Ours is a secular republic and many millions of our population have rejected entirely the sacramental view of marriage, together with other tenents of orthodoxy. I agree with "Student" that the church (always excepting the Roman Catholic church) has weakened itself by recedchurch) has weakened their by receiving from the position that marriage is a sacrament. For purposes of a strong church there has been too ready an acquiescence in the proposition that marriage is entirely a civil, not an occlesi-

astical, affair.

Divorce is easy in the United States, but not so easy as in France, where it may be obtained by mutual consent. Yet French immigration here has been negligible. Hence we cannot blame France for our divorce laws. Why we are not honest enough to allow legal separation by mutual consent and persist in astlesl, affalr. nonest chough to allow legal acquestion by mutual consent and persist in keeping up the pious fiction of an "injured party," is another story. As The Oregonian once remarked in a witty paragraph, very little alleged "cruelty" in divorce cases can be proved by visi-ble scars or marks. "Cruelty and inhuble scars or marks. Cruely and may man treatment" has a terrible ring to it, but in divorce proceedings, as a rule, it means little. Surely that is generally understood. "Personal indignities ren-dering life burdensome" as grounds for divorce is another camodflage which divorce is another divorce is another camourings when we piously maintain to salve our Furitan consciences, all the while knowing that it may mean just nothing at all. I trust "Student" will agree with me that if the divorce situation in the United States were influenced to any ized by the pollen 'left overs' of the great extent by foreign standards, com-insects' feast which they carry to other plete legal separation would be either more difficult or frankly more easy. The fact that our divorce laws are what they are shows that they are truly American, arising out of compromises made necessary by public opinion pe-culiar to the United States alone.

BROTHERS IN EVERY REMOTE LAND Britishers and Americans Help Each

Other and Fight for Each Other. PORTLAND, April 17 .- (To the Editor.)—It was the custom in our Angolan hinterland for the natives who Angolan hinterland for the natives who loved a white man to make him a blood brother. The gentleman, made in God's image in ebony, whose pointed teeth formerly were used in unholy feasts, pricked his arm, and then he touched his friend's skin with his knife so that their blood flowed in a common stream. Such a rite is held lifelong in effect.

The American and the British have fought side by side to free the world of slavery and oppræssion. They have

fought side by side to free the world of slavery and oppression. They have builded a road, founded on blood and human tears, along which the children yet to come shall march to sunit heights of quiet happiness. But there is a strong and insidious movement set afoot to disrupt the friendship between the two great democracles, and if any feeble word of mine can help to stay that treachery, no sacrifice would be too great.

one of Kelso's leading financiers, but thout a kalser.

The war has done great things for women. London housemaids demand to be called "Miss," by their employers, beligving a miss is as a good as a "missua".

Not every applicant can ride in the flying circuit Monday and not all may go at the list moment. The feet of the novice get cold in the air,

Put her over the first day. Let that be the Portland and Oregon plan, it is not hard to do and is easy if all are so minded.

There is a show at a local playhouse called "The Better" Ole," but "The Better" Ole," but "The Better" Ole," but "The Better" Ole," but "The Better" Ole, but The Better "Ole, but The Better"

JOHN W. LETHABY.