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AS AN INVESTMENT.

It is an illuminating phase of the victory loan drive that whereas those in charge find it necessary to spur the public they also find it necessary to hold the reins on the bankers.

The banker today tells you that the victory bonds are a good investment. He is willing to subscribe for the entire balance after popular subscriptions have been filled.

The victory liberty loan is an exceptional investment because of its perfect security and the fact that it yields a greater interest than the prevailing rate on the stock exchange.

CROSSING THE ATLANTIC. The attitude of semi-credulity which a large part of the public holds toward the Atlantic crossing is paralleled in the skepticism with which 190 years ago this month, people looked upon the approaching initial voyage of a steamer across the same ocean.

The story of preparation for the voyage was similar to that of the preliminaries for the now approaching flight. The Savannah lay for some weeks in harbor at Savannah, Ga., waiting for favorable weather.

The aviators now about to set off on their pioneering undertaking will be followed by a group of spectators for exercising even a little more caution than is commonly expected of men who take their lives with them every time they go aloft.

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pave the way for other and longer flights; but if they fail their expedition will be an instructive lesson. The Atlantic crossing, to be crossed by airplane, and probably within a very short while.

PLEASING PROPHECIES.

City Planning Expert Cheney offers to Portland a happy prospect of continued growth, when he says that Portland will likely pass San Francisco in 1933, or thereabouts.

Probably they will tell you in St. Louis and Cincinnati that quantity, not quality, counts in a census report. True enough; yet population is the best measure to be had of progress; and Chicago is surely entitled to its laurels.

Statistics for 1918 compiled "from municipal sources" by the reliable World Almanac give Portland 10,000, a considerable gain over the 2,072,144 in 1910. The same authority gives Seattle 256,000, as against 237,194 in 1910.

CREATING A SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. A home without music is a place. There are only a few such in America, though the volume of the cottage organ, or the accordion, or the fiddle, has given way to the violin, the piano and the viola.

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ITALY'S BOLT AT PARIS. Withdrawal of the Italian delegates from the peace conference will force on Italy a peace which is not of her own making.

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ing districts. Farmers' daughters used to be ridiculed by the story writers and paragraphs when they came home from working on the farm, wearing napkins and finger bows and chintz curtains and cheerful wallpaper, but the fact is that the daughters quite often won their point, as the sons will win theirs in the time to come.

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Italy's claim to Dalmatia and its islands on the plea that they are needed for defense, shows that it has not yet changed its point of view to suit the new system which is to be established. The Jugo-Slav state will have at least 14,000,000 people.

RAINY EASTER. The apparently well-established belief that if it rains on Easter Sunday there will be six rainy Sundays following, seems destined to go the way of other superstitions founded, as Professor Conklin of the University of Oregon would say, upon "willingness to guess."

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the American principles and have accepted those principles as applying to themselves. As regards Fiume, British agents in France are free to juxtapose the American position and to decide the question in accord with it.

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Those Who Come and Go.

Twenty-five million pounds of potatoes are being sold in Portland by the government, and scarcely anyone in the town knows about the transaction.

"I can make more money on my 100 sheep than I can on the crops on my 100 acres," says a farmer who understands the farmers in the Willamette valley do not go in more for sheep.

"If it ever comes to a vote, the cattle men will put the sheep industry in Klamath out of business," asserted C. W. Stone of Marsh Falls.

Walter Gleason, formerly a Portland attorney and now a member of the regular army, is limping around the city on a cane.

Time was when the Irish "mail" propelled by the motive power of husky Hibernians, was an important feature on the maintenance of way of railroads.

He is a bachelor and owns a lot of property and has been the despair of many a girl.

G. G. McIntyre, who is hoarding his money in the bank, is not at the Imperial. Mr. McIntyre's post-office address is Brightwood.

Mrs. J. L. Van Dorm and Mrs. F. D. Thieken of Salem are registered at the Seward.

Blind Slough was represented at the Hotel Oregon yesterday by Jack Koski.

Novel-Reading.

I'd like to know just what you think each day, dear.

Gold Found in Small Stream, Probably Volcanic in Origin.

PORTLAND, April 24.—(To the Editor.)—I am glad to answer the title of your editorial of this date, "Where was Blue Bucket?"

The party proceeded for a number of days, crossing a divide separating the valley of the Malheur from either the Silver or the John Day, and somewhere near the end of this digression an encampment was made on a small stream (more probably a tributary of the John Day) near the town of Ontario.

As to how the discovery came to be named there are several versions, not necessarily of the same order of all things to do with Blue Bucket.

THE WORK IS WANTED BY MEN. Job in Which Toller Is Interested Is Conclusive as to His Ability.

ASTORIA, April 23.—(To the Editor.)—Experiment in the public mind just now are the problems of after-war changes and necessities (often improperly called reconstruction in this country).

CHILD SONG. The bluebird comes, Spring will come, too. Flowers and grass, Under the blue.

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In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Oregonian, April 25, 1894. San Francisco—James A. Healey, an old-time actor, died today of apoplexy.

Washington.—Attorney-General Olney today appointed John M. Geary an assistant to the attorney general, to assist in the prosecution of the Chinese and opium smuggling cases.

HOW TO PROMOTE USE OF MILK. Writer Says Best Way Is to Reduce Prices to Reasonable Figure.

PORTLAND, April 24.—(To the Editor.)—In reference to the limited demand for milk and butter it is rather amusing to note that the newly formed dairymen's association has suddenly come to the conclusion that our healthy milk is not being used.

LAW ENFORCEMENT IS SPORADIC. Correspondent Says Officials Deal with Spurts With Traffic Violators.

PORTLAND, April 24.—(To the Editor.)—The Oregonian carries an account of the murder of an old man on the street bridge by a young man in a automobile. It is also stated that the driver was spooning with his girl and trying to drive at the same time.

WHY ARE MEN OF NAVY IGNORED? Sailor Discovers That Soldiers Are Getting All the Credit and Medals.

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