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MR. WILSON AND A THIRD TERM.

The rumor-finders of the newspapers and the gossip-peddlers of the politicians are once more busy with speculation as to whether President Wilson may not be a candidate for a third less fruitful subject. The presidentmakers may, indeed, have what they almakers may inside information—they ala inside information—they alterm. It is an interesting and more or merely to make conversation. Or they may be doing both. It is a part of the great art of saying something interestappeal for the whole American people. Everybody has his idea about it, and everybody knows that it is as good an idea as any other's idea.

Unquestionably the democratic party will make Mr. Wilson its candidate if he desires. There is no serious debate anywhere about that one phase of the situation. It becomes important, then, for the party and its managers to know whether he will stand for a third term or whether he would accept if tendered the nomination, say, unanimously. Probably it will be known before long if the former contingency an outright candidacy-is contem plated. It will be necessary to grease the skids for the smooth and success ful launching of the third Wilson ship. If it shall develop within the next few months that the nomination of any other than Mr. Wilson is a hopeless enterprise, and particularly if the republican party should fall into the un-pardonable error of making the league of nations-the great Wilson achievement—a campaign issue, it is likely enough that the demand upon Presiient Wilson to run again will be well nigh irresistible, and he may consent So it is well enough to consider the situation as it will probably present itself at the White House and with the political advisors of the president, if he has any whom he still trusts. Does Mr. Wilson desire to be presi-

dent again? Could Mr. Wilson be re-elected? Is it wise to risk the danger of a defeat, thus ending in disaster his remarkable career?

The inquiry as to whether President the office will be little less onerous in sent out: the final four years than in the previous eight. The strain upon him has been at once that contrary to the untruths asserted by the industrious propagandists. European war began in 1914; and it is inconceivable that the great decisions he was called upon to make, and the enormous responsibilities to assume, for himself, for one hundred million people and for the world, should not have weighed heavily upon him at all have weighed heavily upon him at all times. Some signs have appeared that the tension has been telling on him; and considerations of his health are not to be lightly cast aside, either by him or by his friends. He has himself given a hint that he looked forward to the time when he could cast aside the presidency, with its perplexities. anxieties, difficulties, gravities and, above all, its trusteeship for practically all humanity, and devote himself to the writing of history, rather than the making of it-an intellectual occupation entirely congenial to his tastes and his capacities, and a dignified and worthy service besides to his genera-

But if the assumption is to be accepted that the president might yield appears to be taken for granted that action will lie in the opposition the own labors and their results. Even a casual study of the field will disclose that the republican party has no present intention of making war on the league of nations; but it is more likely to seek credit for a great international enterprise made acceptable to the American people through republican insistence on certain vital changes. Would the Monroe doctrine have been

have been inserted except for them?" Would domestic questions, such as though it was the consideration promimmigration and the tariff, have been | ised for Italy's help in the war. explicitly reserved to determination by the member nations?

have stood sponsor for these amendments, and it will be difficult to exclude them from large credit for them. A likely development is that the republican party will insist that the league is a non-partisan project—the democracy has already so declared it-and claim with the president an equal Slavs had. share in its formulation and adoption. ganda, it is becoming clear that its threatened by Japan in 1915 and exerparties may "point with pride" to what Paris.

has been gloriously done With the league not ratified, and the treaty of London and was not occupation. So it happened when offi-

peace not secured, and with Mr. Wil-son a candidate, the historic American attitude against a third term, growing claim was founded on an alleged winter on legislation that would make out of Washington's example, must be through the league will be more apparent than now, and when the difficulties of performance will present

stances a venture of doubtful expe-diency; and in some circumstances— One by one the fourteen diency; and in some circumstances—
Such as fallure to find or create any broken or blunted by political expewith one elemental idea of government, division between parties over the diency. league—a rash and desperate scheme. But whatever the politicians may do,

before the date set for closing the campaign Oregon has firmly established its States may reach \$20,000,000,000, but ways have—or they may be seeking its place as the leader among cities in Great Britain, from which \$5,000,000,patriotic endeavor.

While Iowa and Michigan have reported completion of their quotas before Oregon, it is well understood that and \$39,000,000,000 for Germany. ing about a question which has an the banks underwrote their totals before the people at large had subscribed them. Therefore Oregon claims first comparing the amount of the debt per place among states which raised their quota by direct subscription. Oregon's of the patriotism of the men and the average income per capita.

of the people who answered their call.

This is the crowning victory of Oregon's and Portland's unblemished rec\$350 and each German \$600. The perord for 100 per cent Americanism. It centage of debt to national wealth in proves the state's patriotism to be a each case is: United States, \$: Great steadily burning flame, as strong and Britain, 30; France, 40; Italy, 31,50; clear after victory has been won in the Germany, 48.75. field as while the result still trembled striving toward it.

went through the fastnesses of the the other four nations exceeds that of many, but that fact may be forgotten Argonne, through the Hindenburg line the United States alone by only 10 per in the new resentment of the allies' and the Flanders mud, and Oregon cent, being \$330,000,000,000 against neglect. promptly steps forward and pays its \$300,000,000,000. share. No dishonored notes will re-

WHO STARTED THE FIUME DEMAND? Italy's claim to Fiume dates no farther back than last December, a month and the German \$30 out of \$154.

or six weeks after the armistice with Austria. Up to that time Italy had for industrial and commercial suprem-Austria. Up to that time Italy had for industrial and commercial suprem-claimed no more Austrian territory acy. It is as though a number of run-than was conceded by the treaty of London, which did not give it Fiume. with a pack on his back. One man's London, which did not give it Fiume. With a pack on his back. One man's to the west for "bigger opportunities" On December 18 the Italian-American pack weighs 10 pounds, another's 20 is promising, and may be needed as an news bureau, which says it is "under Has the no-third-term precedent validity and should it receive consideration by the president without referblack the areas which the London last against the 10-pound man. Uncle solitude of the farm. ence to its effect on any contemplated candidacy?

The latest which the London and against the 10-pound in and give to Italy. Those areas do not ne and they leave to the Wilson might regard favorably another term, from the standpoint of his personal wishes, may properly be raised in view of the fact that the burdens of

write from Italy, propaganda broke that Italy won the war and that Italy Adriatic rea. Gabrielle d'Annunzio took the lead, as in the pro-war agitation Seventy-five per cent of this fisheries in 1915, but it broke out in the old gift will go to persons not citizens and is not understandable, considering her familiar centers of pro-German propa- 40 per cent to allen enemies ganda and it was accompanied by slanders on and abuse of the Ameri- in Oregon, were figures and estimates A "lady" who bites "another lady" is cans and British. Extreme demands immediately available. Fishing goes on the part of an ambitious nation forward under a licensing system and which has won a sweeping victory are thus pays some moneys into the public not surprising, but it is cause for wonder that the statesmen should have income into hatcheries and adminis

have seen the danger. to the importunities of his party or have inflamed Italian ambition and nitely. The public's net return is a respond to the call of his country, as you will—and consent to a third can-didacy it remains to be canvassed is complete. Their best hope of escapwhether or not he can be elected. It ing punishment is division among the ing fish. allies. What better means could be justification for his unprecedented found than to assist the chauvinists in stirring up the people to make impos- merchantable size within the human it burn. republican party is expected to offer to the league of nations, making it mevitable that Mr. Wilson defend his which of their enemies gets Flume, since they cannot have it, but the next best thing to getting it is to set their enemies to quarreling over it.

The secret treaty of London awards Dalmatia to Italy, but President Wil-Would the Monroe doctrine have been son protests against the annexation as recognized in the covenant except for a violation of the rights of the Jugothe republican senators and other Slavs and of the principle of self- of the industry. Although fees are exdetermination. Britain and France Would the clause for withdrawal approve his position, though they were the chief parties to the treaty and

By the secret treaty of Pekin, signed n 1915 and forced on China by Japan's Unquestionably republican statesmen threat of war, China granted to Japan rights in Klau-Chou which were equivalent to ownership and sovereignty. China protested then and protested again at the peace conference. China declared war on Germany in 1917, and a declaration of intent to become thereby acquired the same claim to | consideration of its rights as the Jugo-

The allies have taken away what is But whatever the developments as to China's and given it to Japan, thus qualify an alien for fishing license or partisan color behind the league propa-confirming a claim founded on force location. The declaration thus became, ratification and its assignment to the clied by Germany in 1898. This is an and personal profit. It meant nothing realm of things accomplished are probable in the present year; and it will ally, but between two allies, or bebe out of the way for the campaign of tween an ally and an associate, to use 1920, except as the two great political the technical distinction adopted at the ideals and government of America.

popular vote, by which the majority full citizenship a requisite to fishing seriously considered. Will the over- of the people declared for annexation it was discovered, or at least contended whelming purpose of America to enter to Italy. This was a show of com-the league, and the enthusiasm for its pliance with the principle of self-of aliens that the industry would fail principal sponsor, override all other determination, though the suburbs, if allen fishermen were immediately considerations? Somehow we are in-clined to wonder if, a year hence, when not permitted to vote, and though was defeated in Washington. In Orethe duties America will have assumed many Slavs had fled before the Italian gon it was adopted, but sufficient time

The Chinese population of Klau- gear to complete the citizenship Chou has had no opportunity to say sibly begun when they filed their themselves on many sides, the popu- whether it prefers Japanese to Chinese declaration.

any president will not influence thouany president will not influence thousands and even millions of votes?

If such considerations enter the democratic mind—as they must—they will
make a third term in any circum—
stances a venture of doubtful expestances a venture of doubtful expediency; and in some circumstances a venture of doubtful expediency; and in some circumstances a venture of doubtful expediency; and in this day and age when it behooves
in this day and age when it behooves
of foreign birth or descent, yet citizens
of America; it revealed wide exploitation of natural and other resources
and business itself by aliens. Both are
conditions that must be overcome if
this is to continue a nation of people

LOADS WHICH NATIONS CARRY.

They show that, when all settlements

000 must be deducted as due from allies and dominions: \$36,000,000,000 for France, \$12,600,000,000 for Italy

The weight of the load carried by each nation can only be conveyed by capita and the national wealth per capita, also by comparing the interest ccess is an unquestioned expression per capita to be paid each year with omen who worked for the loan and shows that each American owes \$224

The amount of wealth per capita is in the balance. Although the impulse still more striking, for it shows the of daily news of physical combat no means of payment in the hands of onger drives them, the people are as each citizen of each country. This is: ready to pay the price after the goal is United States, \$2803; Great Britain, won as while the nations were still \$2608; France, \$2250; Italy, \$1111; Germany, \$1231. The American with The victory loan is a debt of honor the most means has the smallest debt. hand when we needed you?" Russia owed by the nation to the men who The combined national wealth of all has no cause for affection for Germany but that fact may be forgotten

The comparison of interest payable main from the war, so far as Oregon annually per capita and of income per capita to the same conclusion. calls forth a loud retort about second-

The nations are starting on a race that he is sure to be brought down.

It would be profitless to search for can say the other made the first adproducts of land. There is no funda- and go back to work. mental reason why the public should permit a method of exploiting the fish | Chairman Hurley tells us if we will in the public's waters that is denied only wait he will let us build the perexploitation of timber on the public's fect ship and lots of it. We're waiting: lands. In an article published recently there's nothing else to do. Fish Commissioner Darwin of the state should much rather be building ships of Washington contrasted fisheries that are not quite perfect. and land grants in that state in matters of the administration required or But in December, correspondents permitted by law in each instance. No of the peace treaty by national selfishone would countenance a gift of the ness and the hard facts of each naout all over the country proclaiming timber on state lands to citizens or tion's necessity. The treaty will soon aliens, yet in one year Washington will be as insipid as a bottle of seltzer should have the entire coast of the permit the giving away of \$12,000,000 when the cork leaks. worth of fish from state waters.

A similar contrast might be made That is not a ladylike way of living. been carried away and should not tration, in order to collect license another year for keeping up the supply Is it not possible that the Germans the succeeding year, and so on indefisomely to those engaged in the business of taking and selling and preserv-

Because the salmon matures in four generation, the public's management of its fisheries could, perhaps, be countenanced if only citizens were engaged in commercial fishing. But in the past in Oregon a declaration of intention to become a citizen has been qualification for the privilege of entering that occupation. In most in-ONE RULE FOR ITALY, ANOTHER FOR stances steps toward citizenship and active interest in the welfare of the country have stopped with the decla-

ration. Such fishermen have been indifferent to conservation and permanence pended plainly for the benefit of the fisherman who intends to remain in real the industry, an earlier day saw alien fishermen constantly seeking evasion through the conflicts and differences in laws affecting the Columbia river. The sole motive seems to have been to make as much as possible in as fined for violation of law. short a time as possible

About two years ago there were

many renewals of first citizenship

papers by fishermen. Inasmuch as regular summer day, with all its a citizen is not a legal basis for final citizenship papers after seven years, it was ruled that first papers more than seven years old did not again, a mere matter of convenience ration of intent to attach himself to Finme was not awarded to Italy by enable him to engage in a profitable

Those Who Come and Go.

a people confirmed in national pride,

Any allusion by Czar Burleson's

no "lady" at all.

after getting it.

of college life.

Seattle-Portland contests.

Heppner is soon to get;

and easy.

China now experiences the sensa-

fire and who sees his neighbor save

As college fraternities must pay the

war tax on clubs, it will not be pos-

sible to find a defender for the luxury

ax at college debates. The "frat" a

"pep" will break out at the

And because Oregon closed its quota

Clean-up week comes easy in Oregon,

Continue that saving habit. There'

nother loan in sight-dim, yet visible

The "old spinster" hurdled it.

All the drives now will be little ones

Saturday all the elements united in a

luxury, indeed! It is the first necessary

The tendency to disregard the hoary traditions of the past and the well-proven practices of another day is de-plored by Elliott P. Scroggins of Will-lamsburg. Mass. Mr. Scroggins was pained yesterday to note thi Portland victory gardeners were solutely inviting, sir, disaster," by was given aliens operating most of the gear to complete the citizenship ostensibly begun when they filed their declaration.

The war, with its attendant inquiry into every man's status and capabililarity of the new policy for America in undertaking to be trustee and guardian for all the world will be so great? Whether it is or not, who will say that opposition to a third term for whether it is or not who will say that opposition to a third term for whether it is or not who will say that opposition to a third term for whether it is or not who will say that opposition to a third term for whether it is or not who will say that opposition to a third term for whether it is or not who will say that opposition to a third term for whether it is or not who will say that opposition to a third term for whether it is or not who will say that opposition to a third term for whether it is or not who will say that opposition to a third term for whether it is or not who will be so that of the trustee and say that opposition to a third term for whether it is or not who will be so that of the trustee and the interest Japanese to Chinese and dectaration.

The war, with its attendant inquiry into every man's status and capabilities, opened the country's eyes to two outstanding deficiencies. It revealed an unsuspected high percentage of was visible, he asserted. "And yet, sir.

That wound stripe fairly shouted: "Yea, bo, in the Argonne." It was even loyal to America's institutions and in-terested in its progress and prosperity. Camp Lewis, was at the Imperial yes-But whatever the politicians may do, the decision, of course, will be with the president. That he will desire to retire, without reference to any political exigency or probability, would be a natural conclusion; and that he could or would be inveigled into any foolish or would be inveigled into any foolish or dangerous experiment with his own prestige and his place in history, is another natural conclusion; and that he could of the great war can be expressed. They show the deep put in easily intelligible form by Harvey E. Fisk of the Bankers' Trust company of New York in a book before the dist set for closing the came.

But whatever the politicians may do, the decision, of course, will be with the president. That he will desire to retire, without reference to any politicate and uninteresting, but big figures have a certain fascination even for those who shy at statistics. That is more particularly true of the big figures by which alone the outstanding facts of the great war can be expressed. They who will make my which alone the outstanding facts of the great war can be expressed. They have been put in easily intelligible form by Harvey E. Fisk of the Bankers' To meet this situation the Smith-Bankhead bill was introduced in the last congress. It provides a federal fund to be allotted among the states in proportion to their filliterate and transported to the suith shrappel when his outifit relieved with shrappel when his outifit relieved. He was gassed and wounded with shrappel when his outifit relieved with shrappel when his outifit relieved and uninteresting, but big figures have a certain fascination even for those who say at the Imperial yesterday. He was gassed and wounded that a person who can apply mind as well as body to his work can earn at least \$5 to with shrappel with shrappel when his outifit relieved hand with shrappel with shrappel

in proportion to their illiterate and non-English-speaking population, to be The villain who intimated that on expended by the states under federal the famous Sunday stock train—which, supervision and on a plan approved by the bye, carries stock to Portland. supervision and on a plan approved by the federal bureau of education. It is the Lane Americanization bill, designed to make the population of the United States 100 per cent American, and it is indorsed by the newspapers of both parties and all sections. It is doubtless disapproved by the boishevists, which is an additional recommendation.

Seattle's biggest show begins today. The plot is simple and more or less thrilling. A girl allows herself to win the fickle love of another woman's husband, and in his absence kills the wife with poison. The state steps in

wife with poison. The state steps in and charges her with murder, and Captain E. R. Budd can carol to himand charges her with murder, and self: "I am monarch of all I survey." would administer penalty. Ruth Gar- Captain Budd is superintendent of a rison in the leading role. All but the division of the railroad track now being back rows reserved for the morbid operated by Uncle Sam. It used to be minded. Time of run indefinite. Weeps, snickers, laughs, ad lib., ad nauseum. cific. Three engines, seven passenger snickers, laughs, ad lib., ad nauseum. If the Russians shoud finally exterminate the bolshevists, small thanks will be due to the allies, and the new government may be expected to greet on the North Beach peninsula. Captheir envoys with an expression which would say, "Why were you not on steamer Nahcotta, which plies a steamer Nahcotta, which plies across the Columbia. Hence his title.

It gives W. A. McKenzie great pleasure, indeed, to proclaim that at Golden-dale, whence he hails, there are more miles of paving than in any other city of the same size in the United States Not so very long ago, Mr. McKenzle was forced to do business almost in the style of a Kansas bootlegger. It shows that out of \$560 the American must pay \$9.34, the Briton \$34.24 nounce irrelevant and immaterial, out of \$337, the Frenchman \$45 out of though Mr. Burleson has been sending the desired goods to the half-opened \$300, the Italian \$15.22 out of \$208 telegrams by mail. The czar is under such a hot and accurate cross-fire those times as the "good old days."

There is grave danger that 6-yearwith a pack on his back. One man's pack weighs 10 pounds, another's 20 pounds and others' varying weights perhaps up to 100 pounds. We can imagine how long the 100-pound man would last against the 10-pound man. Uncle Sam is the 10-pound man.

Sam is the 10-pound man.

AMERICA FOR AMERICANS.

To the west for "bigger opportunities" to the west for "bigger opportunities" is promising, and may be needed as an offset to the country boys who, having father at the Portland hotel yesterday. "I had a pup which had fleas," he told a pup which had fleas," the tax-gatherer will are property owner has surrendered and said. "I will tear down offset to the country boys who, having father at the Portland hotel yesterday. "I had a pup which had fleas," the tax-gatherer will are property. "Mamma said I had to give the pup away. So I took it to a neighbor and sold it for 50 cents and 14 eggs, and mamma gave me 60 cents for the eggs. But I didn't tell them that Buster had fleas. Perhaps they might not have wanted to buy him."

AMERICA FOR AMERICANS.

It would appear to be safe to say that to didn't tell them that Buster had fleas. Perhaps they might not have wanted to buy him."

The would appear to be safe to say that large has learned many things during the father at the Portland hotel yesterday. That just as the property owner has surrendered and said. "I will tear down and build larger," the tax-gatherer will fat to fit themselves for the profession are surrendered and said. "I will tear down and build larger," the tax-gathered and said. "I would larger," the tax-gathered and said. "I will tear down and build larger," the tax-gathered and said. "I would larger," the tax-gathered and said. "I would larger," the tax-gathered and said. "I will tear down and build larger," the tax-gathered and said. "I will tear down and build larger," the tax-gathered and said. "I will tear down and build larger," the tax-gathered and said. "I will tear down and build larger," to him, "Thou fool, not feel to life the profession are surrendered and

an economic reason why the natural products of water should be administed and differently form the state of the world does not care a rap about that. It any anarchists' bombs had been duly were hiding away in Portland until any anarchists' bombs had been duly tested at Salem, was in the circumstances, quite a natural one. Supreme Court Justices Lawrence T. Harris, H. L. Benson and George H. Burnett wish it distinctly understood that they are merely passing a pleasant week-end in Portland at the Imperial. Any theories, ideas or suggestions that bombs have anything to do with their visit is immaterial, irrelevant and has no bearing thereto.

A contributing factor to this condition is the fact that owners are not as tered differently from the natural wants to get that treaty out of the way tested at Salem, was in the circum-

> The idealism is being squeezed ou Whether Major Rose has an inside tip that prohibition is not due in England, he did not say, but it transpired that

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Wigan, of Gifford, England, have been compelled to forego that good old English breakfast bacon recently in "Blighty," for "don't you know, it really is not fit to eat now." So, when Mr. and Mrs. Wigan Assistant Secretary Roosevelt is an ndian giver in his dealings with the battleship Oregon. He should know arrived in Portland yesterday and reg-istered at the Portland hotel, you are permitted just one guess as to what the volunteer state better than to suspect that it would neglect the old ship ordered for breakfast. Right, first time.

Loaded up with letters of introduc ions of the man whose house is on tion to the great and near-great of the Pacific coast, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. D. his furniture only to carry it away to McCready, extensive landowners of Tothe neighbor's house. The man natyears, while a fir tree hardly grows to urally thinks he might as well have let terday in the course of an extensive of the northwest. They were registered at the Portland.

CLUBROOM DOING GOOD SERVICE Portland Woman Finds New York Headquarters Appreciated by Soldiers.

PORTLAND, May 3 .- (To the Edi-A colored man caught with colored water alleged to be liquor is too much an off-color scheme to get on the blotter as anything but vagrancy.

PORTLAND, May 3.—(To the Edition.)—Have just returned home after several weeks spent in New York. Philadelphia, Washington and Chicago. While in New York I visited Oregon headquarters for soldiers and sailers a number of times, and always found and the second soldiers. some familiar faces of boys just re-While Portland has much interest in turned from overseas.

Il games played by the Beavers, the I want to tell the people of Oregon all games played by the Beavers, the

that it is the next best thing to a real home-coming for these boys. The club-room is nicely furnished with chairs, tables, plane and desks. You will also One thing that gives people respect find the late magazines, piners and for a federal court is the impartial games. All Oregon visitors try to do manner in which wealthy men are something for the boys that will add to their happiness. You need only to tell them that you are from Oregon and their faces are wreathed with

If friends of the boys wish to send something to the club, I would suggest giories of field and air.

A new, modern hotel is a county seat's best asset, and that is what loganderny iam, salmon, minored ham nine fact, anything that will make sandwiches. Coffee, sandwiches, cake, fruit, candy and nuts are served from be very much appreciated if our whole-sale houses and candy manufacturers would remember them. It is quite a task to serve from 75 to 200 boys a day, but there are always willing hands from home eager to do their part. Now if every Oregonian visiting New Ance made out to his father, and is sork wants a real welcome from a killed, then the father dies, will helrs that the finest boys in the United get remainder of insurance? If so, states, let him call at 425 Seventh ave-States, let him call at 425 Seventh ave-

nue, New York. MRS, EDWIN J. HALL. 705 Davis street.

The Genius-Friend. By Grace E. Hall.

That friend who pleases most is he Makes us to feel we have what he has lacked: Who has an intuition kind and keen, which he seems to pierce our mental screen,

And liking what he sees, himself draws As with a magic pencil, sketches raredevice that pleases us im-

mensely, And leaves us liking what he drew, in-

That friend who fits our mood-as fev friends do-Is he who disappears from out the view. Blending his thoughts with ours until And filled with rapture tell him all we know!

He'll quite forget the foolish things we say; His genius lies in berng just a friend, And genius-so we figure-cannot end!

Trusting, howe'er, when he has gone

MODERN BUILDINGS IN DEMAND today. Stagnation of Three Years Developing

Into Acute Need. PORTLAND, May 1. - (To the Editor.)—Now comes to pass, from re-ports from all quarters, a condition switch and jumped the track. The man that was predicted by close observers who was taken capitve only as "John immediately following the government's declaring the building constru tion business as nonessential to the winning of the war.

It simply stood to reason that a business that was essential in times of peace to the extent of \$1,800,000,00 peace to the extent of \$1,800,000,000 taxable property per annum could not be cut down in one swoop to 10 per cent of that amount and not result at the close of the war in a condition of

be actually and openly adding into their bids and estimates a little item of profit after including cost of bonds lability insurance, overhead, etc.

Isn't it true that up-to-date hotels are vercrowded? Are modern apartments Is it not a fact that a great umber of offerings in homes and other uildings are old style, out of repair, May we not justly conclude that it

requires more effort to produce a sat-isfactory return now on an obsolete building than ever before? Does it not require the pinch of necessity to keep such buildings occupied? Are not people who rent, whether house or apartnent, more particular, more finickal, nore desirous of up-to-date living conditions, more unwilling to be housed in quarters rich in their heritage of ob-solescence than in any time past? Does not the same apply to modern work-men and workwomen? If such is the case, what shall we do? What shall the ern building do? Is it too much to ask of him to be a good Bible scholar and a sport and "pull down and build larger":

The question is how far is it proper for sanitary engineers, uplifters and the building interests to go in their great programme of propaganda against obsolescent buildings and bad conditions? May we not even under present circumstances go too far in urging new building operations, so that just as the property owner has surrendered and said, "I will tear down and build larger," the tax-satherer will

the importance of good buildings, well are prepared to answer all questions lighted, sanitary workrooms and attractive surroundings, in their relation the speaker I refer to could not do so.

tion is the fact that owners are not as teachers reminds me of once wonderprompt as formerly (with low wages ing why a profession which required so and material costs) to repair old buildvast an outlay of financial cost time and hop raising seems to be on its last ings. There is no question but there legs in Oregon, here comes Major W. is a decided slump this spring in up-Lewis Rose, late of the British army. keep work.

All of which goes to indicate that wages and material can climb to such heights that high prices defeat their own ends. At any rate present indithe major has purchased a large hop yard at Independence and intends to go into the business in quite extensive dieness this year among the reliable fashion. Major Lewis was at the Portland hotel yesterday. to do the fair thing by the employing public. O. G. HUGHSON, Manager Builders' Exchange.

SILVER CHEVRONS.

Yes, they are silver chevrons, Now grin, damn you, grin; 'Tis not enough that we were left,
Proceed to rub it in:
I enlisted early in the game,
With many thousands more, Expecting sure to go across
And help to win the war;
I volunteered to do my part,
And thankful for the chance; My one desire was over there To do my bit in France.

drilled in mud and rain and snow In dust and scorching heat, From early morning until night, With tired and blistered feet. And aching back and throbing brow, Though I was well and stout. And often ere retreat I was Completely tuckered out. never missed a single drill Nor kicked about the fare, Because of my desire to pass For service "over there

And when the regiments were formed For service overseas, The Old Man always turned me down, Nor listened to my pleas; And I was always thus advised: "Perhaps the next you may; But other units must be trained, And some of us must stay. And so it ran from month to month, For ever came the same reply, "Not now, perhaps the next

To add insult to injury, Those measly Huns in France Like sneaking cowards had to quit Before we got our chance; Then Uncle Sam'invented this, Which we must wear, and so We advertise to all the world We did not get to go. Yes, they are silver chevrons,— The fact I can't deny; And many, many thousands more

Are just as sore as I

When Insurance Beneficiary Dies. ABERDEEN, Wash., May 3,- (To the Editor.)-If a soldier has his insur-

-J. A. BUCHANAN.

The remainder will be paid to the heles in monthly installments.

In Other Days.

Fifty Years Ago From The Oregonian of May 5, 1869, New York.—The lawful money erve in the national banks of York City April 11 was nearly \$54,000,000, exclusive of the amount required by law to be kept in reserve, \$7,000,000.

We understand the experiment of a igh school in this city is likely to rove a great success. It has been in high school in this city is likely to prove a great success. It has been in operation two weeks and the number of scholars exceeds 50.

Washington.-The constitutions of Virginia, Mississippi and Texas have been framed, authorizing election of state officers and members of congress and now have the endorsement of the president.

It is reported that the woolen factory at Salam has suspended work temporarily on account of chaving exhausted the supply of wool.

Twenty-five Years Ago. m The Oregonian of May 5, 1894. Washington.—Arguments in the trial f Coxey and his lieutenants, Browne and Jones, were made in police court

While the engineer and fireman of a motor on the Mount Scott and South Mount Tabor railway were at dinner an unknown maniac boarded the car

Doe" was unhurt. George Morey, the convicted mur-derer of Judge Barry, will be sentenced to death for a second time on Monday. The Columbia river transportation company was incorporated yesterday with a capitalization of \$30,000 by C. H. Leadbetter, F. W. Leadbetter and

CASE OF TEACHERS OVERDRAWN Writer Finds Fault with Class of Argument in Favor of More Pay.

C. A. Bullen.

PORTLAND, May 3 .- (To the Editor.)—I was present at a woman's meeting one day this week when a lady, presumably delegated by the teachers, presented their side of the question of increased salaries. I feel sure she harmed their cause through misrepresentation and exag-geration. She took as an example some little out-of-the-way place in the state where a small salary was paid and by dividing it by the full twelve months made it appear that \$65 was about the average salary drawn by the teacher. An ex-teacher who was present explained the matter by using the actual time of work (five days per week and ten months per year) and showed that the teacher had really drawn over \$6

er day. The speaker cited an instance of a eacher who had two small boys to upport and said she had to pay \$10 per pair for their shoes. A lady near me whispered that she did not pay \$10 for her own shoes and had a son who wore men's sizes and bought his smeet for \$5 and \$7.50 per pair; he wore tennis shoes in the summer at \$2.50 per pair. The speaker referred several times to the necessity of teachers attending the opera and taking trips during the summer time to fit them to be with the

children How many mothers (who happen to e with their children a bit of the me) afford trips to the opera or trips the summer? Who would put up

Stenographers, clerks, bankers, get out two weeks vacation. But, says the peaker, they did not have to spend a ng and expensive period in preparation. I believe investigation will prove that all good workers spent some long hard months and years to become so. Pharmacy men who have to take a long and expensive course of schooling

PAY SHOULD BE COMPENSATORY Tenchers Entitled to as Much as Commercial Workers, and More.

PORTLAND, Or., May 4 -- (To the Edtor.)-The increasing interest now prevalent in respect of the salaries of ing why a profession which required so vast an outlay of financial cost, time and hard study to fit its members for practical use, should, after all these reparations, prove but mediocre as to

remuneration In considering the standard of salremembered always is that they are paid on a ten-month basis. When transposed to a 12-month basis, the average salary, in most instances, falls considerably below the compensation earned by women in other lines of work, which have not required such long and coatly preparation. In additions and coatly preparation. In addilong and costly preparation. In addi-tion, a vacation of two or three weeks on full pay is commonly granted. Aside from holiday vacations, which do not ome at a time permitting outdoor rec-cation or rest, the teacher is denied his enjoyment. I know of present instances where

women working in offices or as head waitress in restaurants, with but com-mon school educations, are receiving salaries equal to or in excess of those paid to high school teachers, who were compelled to have as requirements a ommon school, high school, and, in manw instances, post-graduate

ourse, to be eligible.
I do not mean to belittle the profes-We must have good teachers. Our youth pass their formative years under the guidarce of members of this noble profession, and no more financial renuneration can entirely offset the al-

truistic services rendered.

In order to remove the temptation now appealing to many of our best teachers to desert the field for more icrative positions in commercial work, think that the salary should not only be equal to what can be obtained in other lines, but should, in addition, pay a commensarate return on the long years of preparation.

I am not a teacher, and have no relatives who are, but am strongly in vor of an equitable increase be

THE MEN WHO SUCCEED. This is the wail of the many who fail-"What if our courage forcake us? What if we wander afar from the trail?

A TAXPAYER.

given.

What if defeat overtake us? This is the creed of the men who suc-

"Rise up at once and get started; Plod right along over mountain and

mead, And climb to the heights, stronghearted. -EVERETT EARLE STANARD.

Memorable Dates.

MOSIER, Or., May 3.—(To the Edi-or.)—Please print the date of the sink-ng of the Lusitania, and also that of the Titanic disaster.
A SUBSCRIBER.

The Titanic was wrecked April 14. 1912; the Lusitania was sunk May 7.