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We quote from the Southern Pa-

In the period from 1910 to 1919 the price of dressed beef originating in Chicago and transported to New York increased from 27th cents to 40 cents per pound, or, expressed in our smallest unit of value, 175 mills, while the freight rats increased 2.4 mills, or only 1.5 per cent.

The price per pound of ham and bacon

It is often the case that statistic proportion of the retail price of a rear, or of a ham, or a pound of beef, represented by railroad transportation ost, is wholly impossible to estimate. The freight rate on the finished com-modity, small in itself, is but an inal part of the freight rate be consumer actually pays. that the consumer actually pays. Yet had the Countless freight charges ramify back to the door of the producer. A gentlimited eral increase in freight rates applies to transport to stockyards of the livestock of which the commodities mentioned are finished products. Every ness of visiting the various ports. In implement used in care and slaughter the assignment of versels to represent of the animal pays its freight toll. At the power and majesty of the great the tannery the materials used, the American navy, with its twelve or machinery, the buildings, represent a transportation cost. At the shoe factory the machinery, the buildings, the fuel and every other essential to manufacture have paid another freight.

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and manufacture of woolens.

Nor in this brief resume is all the freight charge roughly represente The original producer has paid freight rates on his barbed wire, his silo, the windmill, his pump, his farm machinas illustrative of all, the manufacturer of the farm implement has paid a to make the finished product figures self. the cost of his contribution he necesturning without slack or stoppage.

skirts of the city who hauls his own wagon has, before delivering his of the day, if he would rather have onions, his potatoes and his carrots, it so. paid out freight charges which are buried away in the capital represented not in every minute particular de-

must obtain return. freight rate.

order to live they must be compen- flict sated for the service they render. We ing the deficit from the public treas-ury, for the public treasury is but the to take the form of laws. Business other pocket of the consumer's trous-men's organizations have considerable. Japan cannot fairly be asked to give But let us not deceive ourselves power in the way of changing customs up its concessions unless other coun-

with the idea that railroad rates have little influence on the cost of living. So inescapable is their effect that if they can be maintained without further advance by application of the better economy that accompanies private operation, the battle against mounting costs is more than half won.

the case may be.

If the senate should insist on its amendment providing that Germany share and over Shantung to China, Japan suburban lines are zoned, and the suburban lines are short. On the surface and elevated lines within the city, the stevated lines within the city, the fares have been raised successively to 5. 7 and 8 cents. There was a constantly growing deficit and now the stantly growing deficit and now the stantly growing deficit and now the principal food articles have risen at increased, traffic decreased, and the city under the city, under the city under the case may be.

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The people of Oregon will note without envy that Bremerton, on Puget sound, is to become the "home yard" of eighty-four vessels of the new Pacific fleet, while the smaller number of forty-eight vessels is assigned to the Mare island yard. It is not well known that a "home yard" and a "home station" are not identical, for a naval vessel may be assigned to Puget sound, or the Columbia river,

On the Atlantic coast there are numerous yards, but on the Pacific only Bremerton and Mare island. Thus it is natural, and even inevitable, that the aggregation of ships at one or the other, or both, be very great.

But in the division of vessels at home stations, no reason exists of course why there should be a preponderance of warships at one port over another, provided of course the strategic value of one may not exceed the other's. We have seen no statement on authority, for example, that Puget sound is 100 per cent in availability as a naval base, while the Columbia river is 00,00 per cent. Yet in naval calculation the Columbia river has no high place. There is extant a report, to be sure, that a naval base should be established near the en-trance of the Columbia. So it should be, of course, but it has not been. Yet here is the Pacific fleet—one

half the floating strength of the United States navy-now cruising cruising about the broad waters of the Pacific, under orders to stay permanently. The fleet is engaged in the agreeable busi-

Portland will of course give the piled upon the preparation of meats third-class vessels a first-class recep-

## LET ALL SAVE DAYLIGHT

Those who feel that they have been tumber for his feeding sheds, his cheated of an extra hour of day light by congress' insistence on repeal Back of him, to cite one article of the daylight saving bill have the German rights in Shantung to Japan of the farm imprement has paid a gain part of their loss by individual freight rate on his raw material, on initiative. The advantage of clock ings, on his fuel and other incidentals. deception, an undoubted advantage in sume that the effect of the treaty And back of the implement manufac- its way, will be lost, it is true, but we turer is another manufacturer who still have had the benefit of a demon- permanent supplies the machinery with which stration of what may be gained by go- guaranteed by all the allies. the implement man manufactures his product. Back of him are countless reaching to the mines, the morning and quitting an hour earlier mills, the lumber camps, the stone at night. Perhaps not to the same exquarries, the brickyards. Each must tent as formerly, but nevertheless in employ workmen who in turn are con- considerable degree, the citizen can sumers of beef and bacon and shoes accomplish the same result next sum-and underwear. As each of the nummanufacturers and producers clock, an hour shead. The early bird whe has contributed in the prepara- will catch the worm-in this instance rights would be transferred to Japan tion somewhere along the line some- the symbol of better health and the These include leases of property at thing that is used directly or remotely freedom of a longer twilight for him-

The farmer had, or thought he had sarily considers the cost of his equip- a grievance against the system which ment and the cost of his materials, of got him out an hour earlier than usual which freight charges are a necessary when he already was getting up bepart. And the ultimate consumer, fore the dew was off the grass, and finding that he has to pay for it all, which made the hired man want to uses the high cost of his living as an quit just at the hour when working argument why his pay should be advanced. The workman's higher wages and the extra trouble entailed in are again reflected in the cost to him catching milk trains and the like conwhich he must consume in stituted the chief arguments against order to live, and the cycle keeps on daylight saving from the farmers point of view. But it will be conceded, The life of the country is dependent even by farmers, that setting the clock upon its rail transportation. The cost ahead was a great convenience to perof that transportation enters into the price which the consumer pays for about 70,000,000 people. The quesevery conceivable article he buys, tion now arises whether city people Even the truck gardener at the out- cannot save their daylight at the beginning of the day, and let the farmer produce to the public market in his go on taking his hour toward the close

of the day, if he would rather have it so.

In other words, city and country are not in every minute particular dependent upon one another. While in his ordinary day's work the farmer is goirg his own way, there is no reason equipment and upon which he pendent upon one another. While in It would be hard to conceive of an going his own way, there is no reason these arrangements with China.

The great powers in particular, at the cost of living than the railroad his way, too. On the occasions when The only thing that the farmer has to come to town to buy eral, would be bound to see that Japan could approach it would be an arbigoods or to put money in the bank, kept these promises. Upon completrary increase in the wages of every
there is already sufficient leeway in
man who works, for only by increasbusiness hours. And the city man have the same status as any other ing the wages of every one could the may well enjoy his golf, or his home Chinese province, and Japan would cost of everything that man consumes garden, or his automobile ride while remain simply as the owner or lessee

Perhaps some municipal regulation should give up its property gain not an iota by paying them less will be required to bring all the city concessions—also, but, as the presithan the service costs them and meet- interests into a harmony of hours. But dent said in reply to Senator McCum

chase of the system. But the taxpayer, through the ingenious and easy
method of issuing bonds, has so far
not had to put up a dollar in cash.
Only credit. Why should he worry?
Pay-day is far in the future and a
nickel—the same nickel of our annecestors in the pre-war days—will take
him anywhere in the city. That is

fice to carry over to next winter the same quantities as were carried over to last winter. But Mr. McKellar found that on June I the quantity of eggs was 10 per cent more, the quantity of eggs was 10 per cent more, the quantity of poultry three times as great as the senators have the United States as peaked. There is much matter for thought in such a performance."

Mrs. Jack Methot has returned to Portland following a sojourn in southto Puget sound, or the Columbia river, or San Francisco, or San Diego, as its base, but when in need of repairs or when not in active service, it must go to its home yard.

The federal trade commission found on Aug. 7 these increases in the session. quantities of leading foodstuffs in storage: Butter, 89 per cent; creamery butter, 129 per cent; lamb and mut-

ton, 91 per cent; pork, 20 per cent. On every item quoted, although the demand. The explanation is that cold China is not likely to grow. storage is being used to defeat this law. Cold storage was originally designed to extend the supply available for consumption into the season of scarcity. It appears now to be used for the purpose of withdrawing from supply a large quantity of food and of thereby maintaining an artificial level

In that connection Mr. McKellar recalled that when the pure food bill was before congress nine years ago. and when a committee of the senate was holding hearings on cold storage, officials of the big packing companies showed a peculiar lack of interest in more than half of the cold storage space in this country is owned by the becomes to all intents and purposes ever the burst comes. non-existent. If it should rot, there is ample compensation in the higher price obtained for what was sold.

## HOW TO GET JAPAN OUT.

Those republican senators who voted in committee against transfer of comfort of knowing that they can re- and in favor of handing them over to China profess that they are the ones clauses would be to leave Japan in

These are not the alternatives be-fore the senate and before the allies. The choice lies between two means of getting Japan out of Shantung. question to be considered is which will cause less delay and less friction, and which will more surely accomplish the desired result

Under the treaty all the German Tsingtao on Kiaochow bay, a from that port to Tsinanfu through Shantung and coal mines in Shantung. with sovereign powers over the area President Wilson informed the senators at the recent White House con-ference that Japan had agreed with This draw "as soon as possible," president construed to mean, beginsigned. That assurance was given to the United States, Great Britain, France and Italy. Its terms are thus is shown in described by Professor Toyokichi and men in lyenaga, of Chicago university:

The Shantung programme announ Japan's peace envoys and now elabor her foreign minister is to restore Klin pursuance of the assurance given peace conference and in fulfilment

The great powers in particular, all be similarly affected.

By virtue of their necessity to the community railroads must live, and in are indeed few points of possible conmitted the history of Japan's action in Manchuria and Corea, insist that it

mounting costs is more than half won, indeed, when they adopted "standard time" on their own motion. In Canada, where the cities are strongly in a predict that the experiment of municipal operation of the street railways is a success. We have it on the unimpeachable authority of the municipal director that the system showed a profit during the past month. Who operation of the street railways is a success. We have it on the unimpeachable authority of the municipal director that the system showed a profit during the past month. Who could know better than he?—unless it could know better than he?—unless it could know better than he?—unless it not be much resentment. See where an old actress, aged the special insist on fulfilment of this promise, and would have their support in holding and would have t

there is an exaggerated pushed copies and exaggerated pushed copie ing which Europe would produce less than in peace and would make unusual demands on this country. But this is a year of plenty in America. Japan might decide to hold on. We

more by letting the Shantung clauses stand than by changing them. If it will be with the Baker stock this sea-changes them, it is likely to accomplish nothing for China and to make the United States the laughing-stock supply was greater, the price was the United States the laughing-stock From the New York Morning Tele-higher than a year ago. This is a flat of the world. When the American graph the following is taken, which ascontradiction of the law of supply and people realize that, the popularity of sumes particular interest inasmuch as demand, which decrees that prices fall the senators who have suddenly culas supply increases in proportion to tivated such a warm friendship for Ditchburn a Portland girl. The ac

put the railroad in the background.

A Grover Cleveland could settle all from Beethoven, he whispered. 'She knows the one I mean. I have always to theorists was not as profane as it sounds. It was: "Go to hell!" While they did not, they went elsewhere and sounds. The work of the was formerly and Swinburne, light opera star, and the work of the was formerly and Swinburne, light opera star, and the work of the was formerly and Swinburne, light opera star, and the work of the was formerly and swinburne, light opera star, and the work of the was formerly and the work of the was formerly as the work of the was formerly as the work of the was formerly as the work of the was formerly to the work of the was formerly as the work of the was formerly as the work of the was formerly to the work of the work o they did not, they went elsewhere and Cleveland settled it his way.

excess, put it in cold storage and it alone, money that will be needed if

When a wife alleges in her complaint for divorce that her husband bought her too few clothes, all other wives simply sniff or say it served her right, and, come to think of it, a an who cannot do better than that is

The majority of the senate foreign relations committee acts as though it were the whole peace conference and as though all that President Wilson and the other delegates had to do was to write their "okeys."

Lenroot's plan of one big railway work, though it would lead to a secretary of railways eventually, which, re membering Burleson, this country will not want. Mexico will not recognize a Peru-

for watching his precedents rather railroad closely nowadays. The forest fire draft law has teeth after all, and needs no conscientious with the Spokane company and none

objector clause, for any man who will not fight forest fires is either lazy or Telephone rates can be jumped up in a day, but reduction means "stall-

ing" for a month or more. Meanwhile ning as soon as the treaty had been the customer pays his bill as rendered. Democracy of the American Legion the mingling of officers and men in the list of delegates to the

> Autoists can avoid accidents pedestrians if they will. As the Seattle Argus aptly says, they never run

coming convention.

Government may be biting off more

than it can chew in opening mailorder stores in all the big centers. All restrictions on beer having beer emoved in Great Britain, 54 cents is not too much for Oregon hops.

In raising their rates, the lawyers of profiteering 'Lawing' is all profit any way.

The Liberty temple might be placed

The spruce war has come lagging along almost a year after the real war Portland should not need be admonished to avoid waste of water.

Stars and Starmakers. By Leone Cass Baer.

If the senate should insist on its An excerpt from a letter of recent man.

THE SPEEDING CYCLE.

It would perhaps be unkind to suggest that a part of the annual report of the Southern Pacific company was designed to lay the ground work for Robert S. Lovett's advocacy of a substantial increase in railroad rates. Yet whether designed or not to reinforce as it may be possible for the target of the support of his bill for regulation of in support of his bill for regulation of cold storage houses. They were to conduct storage houses. They were to cold storage houses. They were to cold storage with Germany as accepted the general effect that prices of the principal food articles have risen at the same time that the quantity of open to the United States would then or \$3,000,000 a year and it is expected to reach \$4,000,000 per year.

The public will pay the deficit in taxes, it may be possible for the tax-Sociation which is a branch of the Federation of Labor and the managers. They staged a wonderful scene, with the stage so crowded with actors that not another one could get on. It was a perfectly wonderful roaring mob and a tableau never to be forgotten. When a tableau never to be forgotten. When the speaker called for the men to take off their coats, roll up their sleeves and hold up their right arms in a pledge o fight to a finish it was worth seeing. The audience was called upon a me ment after and rose in a wild applause and pledged its support. Things are expression of the spirit of the times.

elebrated actresses were serving Europe has stopped waste and has increased production, and it should suf-to put China in possession. Would as ushers and selling candy. The place

who is an officer on a ship plying in grow over night when the railroad was three months for a brief stay. Mayo three months for a brief stay.

> aumes particular interest inasmuch as count says:

With railroads completed from Con- death could not destroy the love which Western Oregon. stantinople and Cairo to Bagdad, no Rudolph Edward Schirmer, president serious gap would need to be filled in and treasurer of the music house of G. order to make a through route Schirmer, Inc., had for music. Mr. through southern Asia parallel with Schirmer had been ill for a long time the Siberian road. The British have a road from India half way across Baluchistan, which might soon connect the Bagdad road with India. But him if he had any last request to make, before that is done, the girplane will Mr. Schirmer motioned for the doctor to bend over him.

"Tell Ann to sing me that selection

dving man was still conscious.

the hardest that had ever confronted Harvard medical college. her sobbing and sweetly the limpid Gring's voice joined in. But in the middle of the song the physician inter- his own name in Vancouver. B.

dead.

"Mr. Schirmer was born in New York City 60 years ago. He received his elementary education in that city and in Weimar, Germany. He married Miss Swinburn March 28, 1916, and was a at the Benson in this city.

Lora Roger's friends in Portland will learn with interest of her engagement co finished selling an order of as second woman and in character roles supplies to H. F. McCormick, who with the Woodward Stock company in chipyards at St. Helens, the latter of earn with interest of her engagement rian government installed by a coup Spokane. Miss Rogers is even now planning on spending her first free week in Portland, where she has a host of personal friends made during her two-year stay at the Baker Stock theater Hazel Whitmore is leading woman other than Albert McGovern is the leading man. Another former Baker Player, Walter Zeigfried, is in the company. The company opens on next company. The company opens on next Saturday night in slax Marcin's farce. "Here Comes the Bride," Rogers playing the veiled bride, a role she made especially keen in comedy values last season when the Baker company gave this play.

Corinne Barker, former Portland girl, was planning a rush across the continent visit of two days at the Pen dleton Round-up, as the guest of friends, but has had to postpone the idea since she is having probably the railroads are tied up; the state has good roads and plenty of automobiles. Barker, "it is a task to please one " should be said to please one " should be s busiest time of her youthful career, over. Climbers" for Tom Terriss, and works every other day at the studio in on the trip. Pelham. The next day she works on a Vitagraph picture under John Noble's

> Rita Gould returned from France Rita Gould returned from France this week after having served as an entertainer for the A. E. F. for eight Mr. Buck, who owns a general merchandise establishment, is accompanied

Florence Oakley, leading woman at

n a park block, out of the way, yet her husband. Percy Church Pryor, son of They were married ten years ago when Miss Oakley was playing leads at the Belasco. Since January, 1916, they have been living apart. She charges him with desertion. Pryor is a well-known days. Mr. Hilderbrand owns a large society and club man of Los Angeles, furniture store.

Those Who Come and Go.

Back in 1916 William Lensch of Se-BY LEONE CASS BAER.

A LEXANDER, over at the Hellig. conceived the idea of establishing a predicts that if this agitation over club for boys between the ages of 14 law died at midnight last night when the new democratic tariff bill passed.

the cities to have that which they Japanese interests from Shantung enhim anywhere in the city. That is
enough for any Seattle man or woman,
far away in Boston there is a different story. The traction roads get
into trouble and the city under the
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They will stay at the Portland on their way home.

prices he conducted a little investiga-tion all his own and found out that the eastern working girl doesn't think much of paying \$125 for a suit or \$20 for a pair of shoes.

If the road between Portland and Seaside is no worse than that between Chehalis and Portland H. A. Schoenfeld of Seattle says he isn't afraid to drive to the coast. He arrived at the Benson yesterday with a party made up of his wife and family, O. C. Gladlen of Seattle and Lee Strauss of Spo kane. They aren't enthusiastic over the condition of the highway to Scattle

The Brooks-Scanlon mill in Ben would have a hard time getting along for many days without J. P. Keyes, its manager, who registered yesterday at the Benson. The lumber company he is with is one of the two that made Bend grow over night when the railroad was size of the mills.

a hobby of E. A. Rhoten, who is so interested in farming that he edits a paper all about it up in Salem. He is editor and manager of the Pacific Homestead, and is also connected with the Northwest. Poultre, Toward Swiftly and wildly estatic, "Hip! hip! hip! hurray for the war," shouted they, For Europe has gone democratic. No longer shall kings grasp the serf by the throat. the Northwest Poultry Journal. Rhoten travels all around this s "Even the knowledge of approaching takes in every big farming event in

Both the fruit and grain crops around Walla Walla are going to be bumper ones, according to Otto Ra-budde, who registered at the Washinghave not had a very harmful effect, he says. Mr. Rabudde is accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Anna Luckindall and Mrs. W. H. Drucker.

has a marvelous voice. Ever since his marriage to her Mr. Schirmer's chief delight had been to listen to her sing.

"The copy which he had saked for things from that section.

where they will attend inter. Mr. Dunback will dying man was still conscious.

"Thereupon Mrs. Schirmer began to school this winter. Mr. Dunback wil go to Columbia university law school sing under circumstances which were while Mr. Hoffman is to be in the her. By a great effort she mastered make their trip over a northern route.

When next Portlanders hear of Bert notes rang out in the silent room. Mr. Lister, one of the greeters at the Mult nomah, he expects to have a hote middle of the song the physician interrupted:
"The song is ended, he said. The over a hostelry for the north to take over a hostelry for himself. Mr. Lisuseless to go on. Mr. Schirmer is dead."

dead."

While her husband goes to Seattle to look over the Puget sound branch of H. Liebes & Co., Mrs. Ben A. Goldsmith of San Francisco is planning to remain resident of Santa Barbara when he smith left yesterday for the north after paying a business visit to the Portland store owned by his firm.

After W. R. Hewitt of San Francis him to Portland yesterday. Mrs. Mc-Cormick also made the automobile trip. and with her husband is stopping at the Benson.

Several years ago R. S. Hamilton was teaching law in Eugene as a member of the faculty of the University of Ore-

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Butler and their small son passed the night at the Imperial before returning to their home in Salem after a trip to Seaside Mr. Butler used to be in the newspape business but foracok that to take a position in one of the departments a the state capital. Mrs. G. V. Pettigrew of San Francisc

Mrs. 13. V. Pettigrew of san Francisco is registered at the Benson. Mrs. Pettigrew is prominent in society and her husband is a well-known polo player in the south. She will return to the bay as soon as the railroad strike is Among the grain men who have at the Mulinomah the last few days is
E. J. Eisinmayer, a large operator
from Los Angeles. Mrs. Eisinmayer
and their small child accompanied him

Criminals, take warning, P. K. Aherr of Seattle, manager of the Pinkerton detective agency for the entire Pacific coust, will be at the Portland today.

by his wife.

While her husband at Bickleton the Majestic in Los Angeles, has sued her husband, Percy Church Pryor, son of Judge Pryor of Pasadena for divorce. Brockman is at the Perkins on a shop-

#### In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago. by the 53d congress became a lay

The electric cars of the Vancouver line of the Portland Consolidated Railway company now run across the Burn-side-street bridge to connect with the Second-street line on Second and Burn-

Washington—By a new treaty nego-tlated between Great Britain and Japan, England abandons all claims of extraterritorial jurisdiction

Coney Island—McAuliffe, lightweight champion, was given the decision here over Griffo, the Australian boxer, in a 10-round match, witnessed by 6500 spectators.

Baled hay is quoted at Ellensburg, Wash., at from \$8 to \$9 per ton on the

#### Fifty Years Ago.

rom the Morning Oregonian, Aug. 28, 1869, New York-The Eric company has

A large installment of Celestials came by the Andreas from China

Yesterday V. B. DeLashmut, who sells groceries, vegetables, etc., at the cor-ner of First and Taylor streets, brought into this office a whole load of melons, pears, plumbs, cakes, cider, etc., for all of which he has the thanks of all

#### More Truth Than Poetry. By James J. Montague.

WHAT'S THE USET (Hungaria has gone back to the reign of Grand Duke Joseph.) When Mittel-Europa was swept by the

The people forthwith ceased to cower, To the Bashi-Bazouks and assorted grand dukes Who had ruled with tyrannical power,

No kaisers nor monarchs shall rule over us," Said they, "a free people don't need

We'll run our own game in the glorious Of great and illustrious Freedom." And over the world all humanity's

Waxed swiftly and wildly estatic,

They have set up the bars against Sul-tans and Czurs
The autocrats' day has departed!

And then, while the shouting was still ringing out
They rescued a duke from the cooler,
Put a crown on his brow and he's reigning right now,
As the royal Hungarian ruler.

Which shows that some people, no mat-

ter how free
Humanity's prophets may set 'em.
Will cling to a king and crawl under
his wing
As soon as conditions will let 'em! Where Is the Customary Enterprise?

Isn't it about time that some Gotham newspaper was wiring up to Canada to ask the Prince of Wales how he likes Too Lively.

The trouble with the cost of living is that it will not stand still long enough to be investigated.

No Such Luck. We have about abandoned hope that the ticket speculators would strike in

# Mere Words.

By Grace E. Hall. We change our language daily, like our clothes, Adapting to the circumstance and

We grasp the parlance from the stream

Along, and add our bit with tact and grace; We talk in town of stocks and bonds and rent, Of butter, clothing, matinees and

High prices, politics, the cash we spent, The traffic and the sights upon the street; The coming styles, the colors, cut and shape, sprinkling of lawns, the auto we stand alert with eyes and mouths

agape, Looking for subjects — language never stops! Down on the beach 'tis files and "skates" and fish,
Reels, boats and baths; the surf, the sund, the tides,

The hikes, the clams, the rocks; and then the wish To do each day a million things besides; The sunsets, mist and fog, the winds, the ships.
The appetites, the bathing nymphs,

the spray, The weed upon the sand-our fancy New wo. delay. ords upon our tongue without

Then to the farm! and once again we The language of the place, the folks, the sphere. Discuss the subjects that their minds

To entertain and please-things they We talk of wheat and oats and hay and

swine, Of cream, the fruit yield, garden stuff and such, Flinging our words around and doing But if the truth were told-not say-

> Change of War Risk Insurance. ASTORIA, Aug. 25.—(To the Editor.) -Please explain what steps are necessary to change the war risk insurance policies to an endowment. I have a son who has just received his discharge

and he is anxious to CONSTANT READER. Write to the bureau of war risk insurance, Washington, D. C.

Wife's Signature Needed. PORTLAND, Aug. 26.—(To the Editor.)—Can a married man deed or sell property acquired before marriage without his wife's signature?

CONSTANT READER. In Oregon the wife's signature would be required to convey an acceptable