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peaches the fitness of the American people for self-government. Followed to its logical conclusion, it would end with a proposal to hire a kaiser to rule over us.

LET GEORGE DO IT. The public may not, but it ought to be, edited by the ball-tossing between the state public service commission and the Portland city council.

Relief for the street railway company is a red-hot object to handle, politically, and the public has made up its mind to do it.

How to Handle. The street railway company is in a state of excitement, manufactured and otherwise, over an advance in fare from 5 to 6 cents, ordered by the public service commission.

COMFORT TO THE MILITARIES. If the military party in Germany must view with intense satisfaction the situation that has followed the short-lived revolution attempted by Dr. Kapp.

Occupation of Frankfurt and Darmstadt by France as a counter-measure might have been expected to alarm the German.

A REVOLT AGAINST CONSERVATISM. The outflow railroad strike which is spreading like a forest fire from Chicago to all the chief railroad centers.

HOOPER ON THE FOOD PROBLEM. With the world crying for food, with food control near its end in the United States.

WHY TEACHERS LEAVE SCHOOLS. Social Isolation in Small Districts is Main Cause, Says One.

AN UN-AMERICAS REASON. Men who oppose universal military training condemn it as an un-American, un-British, un-French argument, which was made in the house by Representative Smith of Illinois.

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BUSINESS HURT WITHOUT CAUSE

Worran's Name Damaged Without Reason. Portland, April 9.—(To the Editor.)—A couple of months ago when an incident of political propaganda, I in common with several other grocers, was indicted on the charge of violating the Lever food law.

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Those Who Come and Go

"The Metolius river rose four feet when we had the big snow in December and it is said that no one ever heard of the river rising on a spring day before, as the river apparently stands at the same level all the time," says Pat Mahaffey, banker of Bend.

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CITY'S LIABILITIES ALWAYS MET

Single Tax Abandoned in Vancouver but Obligations Never Defeated. VANCOUVER, B. C., April 9.—(To the Editor.)—I have no doubt that the Oregonian has every wish to be heard of in doing a job for its own people and I would accordingly ask you to be good enough to publish a correction with regard to facts stated in an editorial of last Sunday on the question of single tax.

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More Truth Than Poetry.

By James J. Montague. THE GRASSHOPPER AND THE ANT. Though the ant is alleged to be wise, he wears his wisdom on a splinter. Collecting the household supplies. His family needs for the winter. All summer he rushes around excitedly searching for fortune. Which he loftily drags underground. And carefully places in storage.

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