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MARSHAL JOFFRE. Portland welcomes Marshal Joffre because, both as a man and as a soldier, he inspires love and admiration.

NOT YET ALARMING. Possibly the folk Oregonians observe with some pessimism as indicated by its prediction that the initiative will be put to its severest test this year.

Widespread use of the initiative and referendum raised its peak in 1912. Since then the biennial submissions have decreased to as low a number as seven.

AN EDUCATIONAL BORDERLAND. Gradually, but with a good deal of certainty, the dividing line between the colleges of liberal arts and the vocational school is breaking down.

THE GERMAN PLAN. Von Kluck's army on the right around the allied line, the German army in Paris, to smash through the barrier which the French had formed on the Grand Couronne of Nancy and pour through in the French rear, cutting in place of supplies and reinforcements, and to the French in Champagne, reach the rear of both broken wings, envelop them and force their capitulation.

Yon Kluck began to retreat, followed up by the allies, and the German army on his left drew back also in line with him and under heavy attack, but the German continued to advance till the 9th, hammering Foch back, but giving a gasp, he drove a wedge through it, routed his opponents and he was retreat general. The Marne was won, and democracy was saved.

efficient as a clerk if clerking is to be his vocational avocation. That it has been thought expedient to impart knowledge in these adventitious branches within the walls of the college is a matter of administrative detail only. It happens to be convenient and time-saving to do it that way, that is all.

It is probably impossible to retain the cloistered college in the educational system of the future, probably no harm in being done by mingling instruction in the business of making a living with the teaching of the art of living.

NOT NATIVE GHOST. The manifestation of a ghostly presence at Brentwood in the Portland suburb is not altogether satisfactory. It ought to be generally agreed, and we think it is, that as a rule, Oregon ghosts are fully as enterprising as Oregonians in the flesh.

IMMIGRANTS AND THE FARM. Professor John B. Clark of Columbia points out one of the reasons why the nature of the immigration problem for the United States is changing with the years.

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Year after year, Massachusetts can be depended upon for a heavy rain about the first of April. The rainfall for winter. After that the crocuses "croak" and the arbutus trails into sight and spring is on.

THE ARM-CHAIR PERSONAL AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL IS CHECKED FOR GARDEN DUTY. If there be politics in this, and the charge will be made if it can be hung on anything or anybody, those concerned probably will be found to have been commissioned from civil life.

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Just a word to the regulators or vigilantes or whatever they call themselves at Medford. A negro bootlegger is no worse than a white one, and the difference between them is not necessarily as disturbing. The movement of population away from the farms is ominous only so far as it presages a time when too few will remain on the land to feed the population, and the cities will be known that certain epochal inventions have set free large numbers of hands who formerly would have been required for food production.

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The Listening Post.

SOME local business men, who already have capital invested in Alaska, are now backing a clam and crab cannery. There is a good demand for sea foods of this character and Alaska has the raw materials, according to one of them.

It is the function of census takers only to record the facts. Solutions of the problems they reveal will be left to the state and the nation. The fact that stands out is that future growth of manufacturing would seem to depend on the resources of the food-producing capacity. The farm-labor issue will soon press for serious solution.

With the passing of cheap land was primarily agricultural in character. The succeeding immigrations came from countries overflowing with untrained labor, which on its arrival in America sought employment in large industrial centers.

The stories have a breath of the atmosphere of Nova Scotia and the great embarkation camps near Halifax. The Canadian continent was being rushed to France. The boys used to complain of their loss of sleep on account of the herring, and swore that the fish would swim out on the sea on the heavy fogs at night and might be seen to splash their tails between the trees and their tails.

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Farming is clearly no longer the principal vocation of Americans, as it was in the early days of the republic. The census of 1920, now available for analysis, indicates that the country passed the zenith of its agricultural period, for there were 12,659,000 persons engaged in agricultural labor in 1910—while white mark up to that time—highly employed 10,950,000 were so employed in 1920.

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Those Who Come and Go.

Every house at Garibaldi is occupied and more are needed to meet the demand. A department store at Tillamook is now being built on the corner of Garibaldi, and a hardware store will open a branch. We now have two restaurants, one of which has a bar.

Every loan made by the war finance corporation in the vicinity of Parma, Idaho, has to be approved by F. E. Fisk, who is acting as the examining officer. Mr. Fisk knows the country and the sheep and cattle game, and he is not a man to be trifled with.

With excellent prospects for a fine wheat and fruit year, sheep and wool contracts on the Dalles-California highway being advertised. The Dalles looks like the place to place, according to Tom West, who is at the Imperial. People of the Dalles, says the Dalles, is the finest natural golf ground in the country.

Some 35 years ago Thompson Scoggin and L. P. Quimby were rivals in producing and developing fast race horses in the Pacific Northwest. Now Scoggin, who is a nephew of the former Portland councilman of that name, is back in his back in Good Samaritan hospital, and Quimby is an operator. Mr. Quimby and Mr. Scoggin ran a lot of the old races all over again in the Pacific Northwest.

Al Hendriksen and Cecil and his brother George of Willow creek postoffice Arlington, are at the Hotel Oregon. They came to town to attend the golden wedding anniversary of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hendriksen of this city.

H. V. Dunlap of Moscow says that the people of northern Idaho will be glad to see the 1922 exposition. He plans were made to put that part of Idaho on the map during the fair. Already plans are being made for a motion picture story of that section showing the great wheat fields and other industries which would attract the prospective tourist.

"We have an abundance of hay in Idaho," says Fred Perkins of Caldwell, Idaho, at the Perkins. "One reason is that the hay cannot be shipped out because some of the alfalfa in the state is infested with weevil. There is no weevil in the hay in our section, and the alfalfa is placed on all the hay in the state."

Spring chinook, the finest food fish in the world, are in the Columbia river, according to John Larson, deputy fish warden, who is in town from Astoria. Mr. Larson has been fishing the river as a fisherman or a deputy warden for more than 35 years and he knows a man and boy interested in fishing.

Arthur L. Bramwell, of the desk staff at the Hotel Portland, was married Saturday night to Miss Adeline C. Morris of this city at the First Congregational church. Mr. Bramwell is a son of F. S. Bramwell of Grants Pass, and a brother of the state superintendent of banks. Nick Raatz of Great Falls, Mont., is at the Multnomah. Mr. Raatz has a bottling works in Great Falls, and the contents of the bottles being soft drinks.

Burroughs Club.

Can You Answer These Questions? 1. To what age does the ordinary domestic goose live? 2. How do toads shed their tails?

Answers to Previous Questions. 1. If minnows are caught by accident, should they be kept? By no means. They live on the wrigglers of mosquitoes and are useful checks on this pest. Gold fishes, cutfishes and sticklebacks are wrigglers, and are valuable in ponds that cannot be coated with oil to check the insect.

Not Qualified to Reproach Young Men Who Criticize Flappers. Need to Examine Themselves. PORTLAND, April 3.—(To the Editor)—After reading an article in The Oregonian, originally published in a Las Vegas, N. M., paper, stating that the boys of the town of Mosquero, Harding county, N. M., have organized with the intention of eliminating the so-called "flappers" from the matrimonial race, am prompted to voice my sentiments.

To a certain extent the girls of today have extended the girls of yesterday. The woman considered previously a flapper is now a flapper. I am 24 years old. I have not, as yet, sobbed my eyes. However, should I feel so inclined I most surely would. I do not roll my eyes, unless I find it necessary, and I do not appreciate improper dancing. I would indeed give great pleasure to take the young man, "eligible to take upon himself a wife," who is so far above reproach as to be able to criticize or voice his opinion of any girl, whether good or bad. My brother is being taught to respect all girls. I hope he never forgets his training, and that he will live up to it.

REFORMS ARE ALL BOOMERANGS. WRITER WOULD NOW RATHER SEE CORRECTIONS THAN POLITICIANS IN CHARGE. MAPLE LAKE, Or., April 2.—(To the Editor)—I was much impressed by two contributions to The Oregonian signed by Ernest Teightwood. His suggestion for a "holiday" in taxation comes from a practical man, and is also about the only logical plan of relief.

Under the law of Oregon the wife's property is not liable for the husband's separate debts, and that is in case the laws of other states. In this case the law of Montana would govern the right to attach property within the jurisdiction of that state, and the Oregonian cannot undertake, except in a few particulars, to give especially the laws of states other than Oregon and Washington.

Value of Radium. CENTRALIA, Wash., April 2.—(To the Editor)—Please state how much radium is in the world, also how much it is worth as once. L. C. STEPHENS. We cannot give you the present stock of radium in the world. The United States, which supplies most of the world's radium, produced 34 grams in 1920, or a little more than one ounce. Radium is worth about \$10,000 a gram. There are 21,000 grams in an ounce, tray.

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Name of Sir Harry's Stick. ROSEBURG, Or., April 2.—(To the Editor)—Please tell me the correct name for the crooked stick or cane carried by Sir Harry Lauder. A READER. The Scotch sometimes call a rude walking stick a "kent."

More Truth Than Poetry.

A DIFFERENCE. We sniffed in the breath of the on-shore wind. In the days that are dead and gone, Myrrh from Persia and spice from Ind.

We pictured the crew in the bright array. Of the natives of lands afar, As the bark climbed over the breakers gray.

And hailed for the foam-flecked bay. We listened for songs, in a wild strain, Longing for the heart's desire, The chanty that seamen have always sung.

In Other Days. Twenty-Five Years Ago. From The Oregonian of April 4, 1897. Salt Lake.—The westbound through passenger train on the Oregon Short Line, which was starting this morning, one man was killed and seven persons injured.

Commenting yesterday morning the improvement in this city started to furnish logotype weather reports to the hotels and business houses.

Corbett-Sullivan Fight. PORTLAND, April 2.—(To the Editor)—In The Oregonian March 17, under the title "In Other Days, Twenty-five Years Ago," you have this paragraph: "Carson, Nev.—Robert Fitzsimmons today became heavyweight champion of the world, defeating James J. Corbett in a hard-contested 12-round battle."

Liability for Husband's Debts. PORTLAND, April 2.—(To the Editor)—A wife's household effects which are in store in the world, or husband's own money, as residents of Oregon, C. maintains that a household goods can be attached to satisfy the creditors. C. also maintains that E's creditors are not compelled to serve papers on him in Oregon.

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