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#### STANFIELD AND WOOL.

United States Senator. He is a citizen of consequence and successful achieve ment. It is not the purpose of The Oregonian to make an appeal for Mr. Stanfield's nomination; but it has not failed to note that he is being steadily, persistently and wantonly muckraked for his vital work in creating at Portland a National wool market through establishment and operation here of the Columbia Basin Wool Warehouse Company, and the charge is made that he is a "profiteer" and a "hoarder."

A "profiteer" is one who makes dishonest and exorbitant profits by taking advantage of his country's needs in the crisis of war. A "hoarder" is one who, for the purpose of manipu-lating a market and advancing prices, procures and withholds from sale any article or product which the Nation or the public desires and in the ordinary course of business would be able to get at a price determined legitimately by the rule of supply and de-

If Mr. Stanfield has profited out of all proportion to the measure in which other producers of and dealers in wool profited, he is a profiteer. If Mr. Stanfield has accumulated large stores of wool to prevent the normal operation of purchase and sale on the market, keeping it when the Government or the buying public wanted it, and was willing to pay the prevailing price for it, he is a hoarder.

The Oregonian is able to say on information and knowledge that he is neither a profiteer nor a hoarder. It says it now, because it ought in fairhave him, or any man, penalized through politics, or partisanship, or newspaper unfairness, for having per-formed to the state of Oregon and to the Northwest an invaluable service in creating here a great wool depot, and in helping lay the foundations for important industry in the manu-

wool are that he has been a sheepman into an alliance with Germany.

have on hand adequate quantities, into some sort of recognition of the The wool comes to the warehouse in Bolsheviki as the lawfully established the grease, and is there graded, and government of Russia. then sold, as the owner directs. Let takes his profit when there is a profit themselves for the purpose of expel

dled last year about 16,000,000 pounds circumspection on Lenine and of wool, of which Mr. Stanfield had Germans in order that no valid preabout \$3,000,006 in money, and is a the allies, also in order that the Rus-large operation. The entire wool prodabout \$0,000,000 pounds, and of the which could be construed as an invi-Wool, a world product, sells at prices Lenine government.

Absolutely controlled by world condi
In view of the character, deeds and important dealer and the largest single or even of neutrality; willingly or by of the American output. It ought Probably the longer they and the Ger

an occasion for pride that any man the people will look to the allies for and vision become a large factor in the allies, and the state of Russia must a great industry, both as a producer grow worse before it can grow better, and as a merchant. It would appear, But the allies need to guard themalso, that there would come from the selves against repetition of the mispeople of Oregon a chorus of appro-batien that he had sought to make— garia and Greece of treating as friendas others had not made, though Ore- ly or neutral governments in secret algon bas for many years been a great liance with their enemies. vool state—the city of Portland a real center of wool trade. The storage makes a certain amount of temporiz-

of Mr. Stanfield. The Oregonian had sought to be a resources of the country to the point no doubt that the world is awakening mere spectator in the Senatorial con-where they may be made effective to to the importance of sanitary measurest. It will not pretend that it is continue the war in the west of Euures. Health officers do not encounter

zen for the one or the other. But it would not have Mr. Stanfield nor Mr. McNary, in the same situation, made the victim of false representations in matters not properly related to the campaign; nor would it have him, or his opponent, elected to the Senate for any reason except his worth to the state in its service.

The facts in detail about Mr. Stan field and the Portland wool warehouse are presented elsewhere in The Oregonian today.

### WHAT IS ECONOMY?

Nothing would be more appropriate, price unprofitable. in connection with the many injunctions we are receiving upon the sub-

A few years ago it would have been

The man who has tried wearing thing lacking in the situation. between its price and the cost of an gain public acclaim. all-wool garment probably has his own views on that score. One can economize on fuel to the point of increas-ing his doctor's bills, and economize pose to relieve the bakers of taxation filling his teeth only to be compelled to buy an entire new set, and There is a similar measure on the he can economize unwisely as to food ballot affecting the streetcar company. and lower his efficiency and lose his

Still there undoubtedly is room for

#### WELL-QUALIFIED JUDGES.

The State Supreme Court has able and respected judges, all from places outside Multnomah County, with a single exception; and the latter is Justice McCamant, an appointee of the Governor. It cannot be true that the people at large are suspicious of judgeship candidates from Multnomah, for there are in the bar here eminent lawyers who would adorn the bench. But it is true that their claims have been given little consideration, evidently because better men, in the determinative opinion of the infailible electorate, are to be had in the

Now there are three candidates for the Supreme Bench, to fill one vacancy. One is from Multnomah and two from the state. It is not the purpose herein to say that any of them should be elected; only to say that all are men of high personal and professional repute; and that the people are fortunate in having so choice a field to pick from. Whoever shall be nominated there will be no mistake. The sole regret will be, as it must be, that there is only one place to fill, and wages to a decent figure and estabthat while one will be selected, two lished the eight-hour day at a time must be left at home. It would be when every sort of necessary equipdifficult, indeed impossible, to find ment and replacement had also adbe Supreme Judges than C. A. Johns,

Percy R. Kelly and John S. Coke. might be wished that as much might be said of all the candidates for Circuit Judge in Multnomah ness to be said now. It would not be invidious, County. We would not be invidious, us to say that Judge Stapleton measures up to the requirements.

# ALLIES' RELATIONS WITH RUSSIA.

Demands of the Bolshevik governvelopment of desirable enterprise, if to recognition of the Lenine govern-The facts about Mr. Stanfield and mity to the allies and consequently is 119 No. Defeat them.

The circumstances indicate that in wool-buyer and seller-for a any of the Bolshevik ministers who decade or more. Through his thorough are not willing tools of Germany have methods his business expanded, until been intimidated by that country, for he became the largest producer of the demand for recall of the consuls sheep and wool in America, and one from Vladivostok came immediately of the largest dealers. With other after arrival of the new German am-sheep and wool men he became dissatisfied with the conditions of the seems to be to force the allies to leave wool industry and he aided in locating the military stores at Viadivostok una storage warehouse at Portland, thus protected by driving the Bolsheviki to making it one of the primary markets threaten open war. By this trick the of America. He thus helped to take Bolsheviki would be used as a tool by the Western grower out of the grip of which the stores would pass ultimateis Eastern dealer.

A storage warehouse performs the Also if the allies were to have dealfunction of supplying wool for the ings with the Lenine government in It is indispensable that it regard to Siberia, they might be led

This recognition would play into the it be understood that the Portland hands of Germany. By withholding warehouse operates on commission and it the aliles treat Russia as a country Mr. Stanfield con- without a government, which has been signs his wool to Portland, as other forcibly occupied by the armed forces producers and dealers do. He sells of another nation, and they are in a t through Portland, as others do. He position to occupy Russian territory as others do; and he pays all commis- ling the invaders without laying themsion and storage charges as others do. selves open to the charge of having The Portland wool warehouse han- attacked Russia. They also imposabout 6,000,000 pounds. It represents text may be given for occupation by uct of this Northwestern territory is and may not start any movement Nation 240,000,000 pounds, and of the tation to the alies to emancipate their world nearly 3,060,080,000 pounds, country from the Germans and the

tions. America produces less than words of the Bolshevik leaders, they one-tenth of the world's supply, and cannot safely be regarded as capable Mr. Stanfield, though an active and of sincere co-operation with the allies, producer, handles about one-fortieth coercion, they are tools of Germany, thus to be clear that any endeavor by mans hold mastery in Russia, the more him to manipulate the market by ruthless they will become in exploitwould be wholly futile, ing the country to meet the growing All the dealers in America together necessities of the Teutons, the more could not greatly influence prices. open will become German domination
It would appear that it should be and consequently the more earnestly

The military situation in the west warehouse is, indeed, a large asset, ing necessary in any event, for, unless and is the force unner of definite and they should entrust the task to Japan. The practice of assigning a week to field clerks and even civilian clerks profitable expansion in wool manualone, the allies lack the forces and first one and then another duty has and employes on duty with the milifacture; for where wool may be had in quantity, and other conditions are favorable (location, freight rates, a move at as early a moment as they are also included. favorable (location, freight rates, a move at as early a moment as they water power and the like), as they water power and the like), as they have men and transports available, in stage to the more enlightened "baby visions of the law is that made in be worth while, but it is probable that visions of the law is that made in be worth while, but it is probable that order that they may drive out the year." It is seen that if bables are to convert wool into finished mate-rinis. Now, indeed, a genuine start the hands of the Russian people be-are worth an effort the other fiftyde, largely by the efforts fore Germany has become too strong, one weeks of the year. The same is ly entrenched and has developed the true of the clean-up week. There is

Announcement is made that the price of bread will advance another cent tomorrow. It is an increase in ost of living that will be wider in its effect than the advance of one cent the past. in streetcar fares. It has been accomplished by a process similar to that which brought about the six-cent fare. The bakers made a showing to the Food Administrator that cost of materials and fuel, advance in wage scale, the eight-hour day and pay for overtime made production at the former

The street railway company went before another public agency, the Pubject of economizing, than a symposium lie Service Commission, and made a upon the subject of what constitutes similar showing. The cases are iden-

But no public charges of political possible to save a few dollars a year collusion will be made against the by going without a telephone, but now Food Administration. There will be it would cause a waste of time that no meetings or resolutions. There will would run into more money than the be no proposals for cut-throat competelephone rent would come to.

> Yet there might be a counter proposal offered as there is in the case they could sell bread cheaper. Or there might be offered a measure

to invite new bakers into the field by relieving them, and them only, of the economy in the scheme of things. It prohibition against hearding of flour, s admitted that we are extravagant, or by letting them use mill offal for Robert Stanffeld is a candidate be fore the Republican primary for the true economy from false. ployes overtime without extra pay, or by relieving them of sanitary regulaons, any or all of which would be detrimental to the public welfare but would enable them to sell bread at a lower price and force the present bakers into bankruptcy.

There is a similar measure affecting the street railway company on the ballot. It is proposed therein to let jitneys operate without imposing upon them the regulations imposed upon the street railway and thereby endanger public safety and public welfare, as was done in the past, in order to save the extra cent and drive the company into receivership.

The bakery business is simpler than that of running a street railway system. The ingredients of a loaf of bread are matters of common knowledge. It is also a matter of common knowledge that those ingredients have greatly advanced in price.

But the necessary purchases of street railway company are more or less of a mystery to the people. It is a false fancy that once constructed the plant will run itself with only the aid of employed labor. The fact that the street railway company advanced that nobody loves a corporation.

But there would be just as much in denunciation of the Food Administration as there is in denunciation of the Public Service Commisthere is against the street railway into the grain fields of tomorrow." company. Yet the public would re-sent an attack upon the Food Administration. A jitney baker measure, one of the allies' relations with that which fare to unreasoning prejudice against research.

Let us be honest and consistent. The

OLD-FASHIONED CLEAN-UP WEEK. The New York State Health De partment performed a distinct serv ice when it gave currency to the cise statement that "public health is purchasable." A good deal is accomplished by a slogan that crystal-lizes a truth. The point of the New York argument is that any community can practically free itself from contagious and infectious diseases, and particularly those which are disseminated through the agency of dirt, if it is willing to pay the price. Nor is it wholly a question of money. part of the price is vigilant supervision and hearty co-operation by indi-

The old-fashioned clean-up week which we have been enjoined to restore to fashion, had the merit of thoroughness, and was stimulated by the spirit of emulation. There was a time when citizens vied with one another in the effort to show the hirgest pile of rubbish. The bigger the pile, it was argued, the more thor ough the cleaning up had been. might also have been evidence that the householder had been the more neglectful of his duty during the pre-

far better than none at all. outbreak of spontaneous combustion. military needs of the Nation. Then Winter sets in and the mischief who exhibit them.

Stanfield, in his campaign; but it has time when the allies can bring superior as they did a few years ago. We shall tary service, but in which formal than he ever dreamed of. He will be sought, nevertheless, to give both him and Mr. McNary a fair field, and it has not sought to influence any citizen for the one or the other. But it of persistent effort throughout the of judgment shall be entered without he has worked a whole season. He rear. It will be a sign of progress securing an order of the court, which has prided himself on his sense of when the rubbish piles, which are shall not be made until the court shall orientation in town, but he will lose now as intimately associated with the have appointed an attorney to repre- himself in the woods. If he does not month of May as the dogwood and sent the defendant's interests. the wistaria, have become a thing of

### THE GIFT HORSE,

One good thing about the next book drive for the soldiers' libraries will be that it will be productive of much less literary junk. The amazing extent to which stay-at-home patriots disregarded advice and warnings in making donations to the last collection is only now beginning to be reealed. Theodore Wesley Koch, of the Library of Congress, tells about it in a pamphlet on "The War Service of the

American Library Association." Mistaken judgment was exhibited n the donation of "at least one copy of every improper book that was ever written," but since they were offered for the use of adults presumably pos-sessing some discriminating judgment shoddy clothing to save the difference the chance to bait a corporation and of their own it is doubtful if the denors went much farther astray than who sent shelves full of the Elsie books and Alger's juveniles. There was a file of the Undertakers Review. School readers printed be-fore the Civil War and many out-ofdate textbooks were taken from the home shelves.

Clearly, if the gift is to be judged by the thought bestowed upon it by the giver, there are many whose sense of duty to others is easily satisfied. One wonders what was running through the mind of the citizen who sent a copy of the "Postal and Tele-graphic Code of the Argentine Republic," or of the other who thought that our soldiers would be interested in the twenty-year-old reports of the Episcopal Eye and Ear Hospital. Mr. thinks that special mention Koch should be made of Ruskin's "Letters to Young Girls' and of Miss Leslie's 'American Girl's Book, or Occupations for Play Hours" (1866). But there were several copies of housethe prize gift was a 1916 diary, partly filled by the donor.

Fortunately, the books passed through a sifting process before reachfavorable upon a good many of the home shelves, and there should be a pher and observer. It was Adam drive. essential part of the soldier's recreation. It is especially noteworthy that of the farmer, the general direction has been pronounced by one authority to be desirable as a "refuge branches of country labor, require from the constant music, songs, movies and other distractions at many of the the greater part of the mechanical welfare agencies."

Those who are by nature inclined to lusions derived by Dr. Marsden Manvanced in price is ignored. Moreover, son, of San Francisco, from the Antità arctic explorations of Captain Robert city streets. He is the stock victim of the National interest. The fact "the same energies which have but shrewdness only when he is camou n of the Public Service Commis-beds of Canada into the most pro-ductive grain fields of the world will has borne it patiently enough, and sion. There is just as much ground ductive grain fields of the world will has borne it patiently enough, and for complaint against the bakers as in time convert the tundras of today has had few spokesmen to point out are only two months in which to dis-

ment are a sign of the delicate state that proposed sacrifice of public wel- thousand years in the scope of his discussion of the relative opportuni- per crop of wheat is not likely to facture of wood products of all kinds.

What encouragement can Portland effer to others to invest their capital here, contributing a share to the latter's policy in Siberia and as the latter of the latt before yesterday, or week before last gives him command of a greater vathey are to be assalled and libeled ment. On the part of the Germans wide-open jitney measure is 117 No. But he means, of course, some hundred of expedients. He goes on, for they show a desire to force the Bolton of the Lenine governture of the L

bananas instead. For by the time the world is getting its grain from the Antarctic plateau and Greenland, Oregon ought to be in the tropics, with not even an oldest inhabitant living who can talk reminiscently of the last silver thaw.

The so-called "Soldlers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act," passed by Congress, accomplishes in effect a complete ceeding twelve months, but that fact change in court practice concerning of a few of the professions. He is a it was not emphasized. It is unde- greater measure of protection to pereasier to prevent the accumulation of separate states, is set forth in an day and night. If he does not know ent spot to await the coming of a tion counsel of New York, in a letter poison weed in a sheep pasture on tardy and already overburdened ash- to the New York Times. This reason sight. He has studied the anatomy cart. The trouble with the violent, is that State Legislatures are for of livestock from the inside, and he ing sensation of duty done generally which in effect is done by the Fed- two pieces of barbed wire. the end of Summer there is another of the law is to relieve all persons in garden to get rid of a maximum of unobserved accumulation of dust and the service of anxiety as to their civil bugs and lose a minimum of vege

The law is exceedingly broad in its tells him almost as much as age annual housecleaning is complet- not only all officers and enlisted men ed the early batch of disease-dissemi-nating flies is doing its worst. The and also of the National Guard, the liveliest little fly-swatter in the family Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard, cannot begin to undo the damage that but also all officers of the Public in proportion to woody fiber, and an-already has been done. Under ideal Health Service on duty with the Army other trick in curing it and piling it ness and not the cleanliness of those tion of the War and Navy Departments. Members of the Nurses' Corps, The practice of assigning a week to field clerks and even civilian clerks

judgment shall be entered by default information he will acquire. He will, mless there is filed an affidavit showing that the defendant is not in the which, for example, has recently led a horse's withers and his pastern to the reopening of several divorce proceedings, including those in which possessed by a cow and more names The time to move will be the as much resistance to their decrees the defendants were not in the mill- of the different parts of a harness

aside. Numerous details of the pro- as many unfamiliar tasks. broad provision that a stay of proceedings may be ordered at any stage in any case where it shall appear that the ability of the defendant to defend service to his country.

bidden, except on express order of the going to succeed. It will be a familiar court. Anyone who participates in an task to solve one more new problem. illegal action of this kind may be imprisoned a year and fined \$1000. Protection is given against forfeiture of property being purchased on installents, and there is a unique provision against the lapse of life insurance policies to an aggregate of \$5000. The Secretary of the Treasury is required to deliver United States bonds to the ife insurance companies as security

for the payment of the premiums. The spirit of the law is that ever defendant shall have the full benefit of his day in court. It extends the special favor of the civil law to all in the military service of the Nation. But there will not be much disposition to quarrel with the liberality of the Government's policy in this respect. It is realized that the protection of the Government extended to the stay-at-homes is being made valid by the efforts of the defenders of the flag. Plaintiffs in litigation against soldiers and sailors will suffer only a fraction of the deprivation and inconvenience to which its beneficiaries are exposing themselves, and all alike will share the general benefits in the end.

### LEARNING FROM THE FARMER.

Those self-satisfied city persons who wives' books on home needlework, and proffer their services to the farmer this season to help him make and man trader was superefficient and that save his crops, and, incidentally, are the American was not "giving the peo inclined to the notion that they are ng the cantonment shelves. As has going to "teach him something," would een said, the effect must have been do well to turn to the pages of Adam clearer atmosphere for the next book Smith's belief that the tiller of the The cantonment library is an soil was the skilled worker par excellence, and that "not only the art of husbandry, but the many inferior much more skill and experience than trades." This fact, we predict, will be rediscovered by a good many volunteer farm laborers on their own account.

The jokesmiths have been wont to iew the world's future through dark picture their rural cousin with chin classes will be cheered by the con- whiskers and a single gallus, and to poke no end of fun at him for his Scott and Sir Ernest Shackleton, that of the lightning rod agent and the the world is growing warmer, that gold brick man. He gets credit for recently converted the glacial lake flaging his produce or piling his big that the city man in the country is more deeply that the city man in the city better or worse, is limited to a few into the subject than is implied by grains are scarce and that even a bum-Happier is the geologist, ties of each class to acquire informa-

dreds of thousands, perhaps millions, of years ago. And what has come to pass in the "recent" geological past gives us a clew to what we may expect in the "near" future—a few millions of years hence.

It is comforting to realize that the earth is growing warmer, but more reassuring to know that generations of which we shall be the remote ancestors are not going to starve. The population of the earth will not eat itself out of existence, for it holds the vast plains of the Southern Continent, and the tundras of the North, and the higher slopes of great mountain ranges in reserve. Mount Hood some day will cease to be capped with perpetual snow, and growers of strawberlies and apples will push their planting tools and their marketing methods to its very summit. That is, if by that time they have not decided to grow bananas instead. For by the time the varieties its grain, from the continent is grain, from the continent is grain from the continent is grain from the continents and upon materiais works with instruments and upon materiais works with instruments and upon materials works with instruments and upon materials of which the temper is always the same but the man who plows the ground with a team of horses or oxen works with instruments and upon materials with the temper is always the same of having the works upon too, is as variable as that of the instruments and upon materials which the works upon too, is as variable as that of the It is true that this was written be-

fore the modern city had reached its present stage of development. Captains of industry were rarer than they are now, and the modern intricacies of trade had not so sharpened the wits of the merchant and the clerk. But it remains true that the farmer still must adapt himself to changing seasons even more uncertain than market vagaries, and be master of a year, to appreciate the situation fully. score of trades and have a smattering isually escaped attention; at any rate default judgments, and extends a kind of mechanic and botanist and doctor and utility man all rolled into niable that the annual cleaning was sons in the military service of their one. He may not be versed in the country than has ever before been fine-spun theories of physics, but he excellent material for canning pur-The modern view that it is easier given in our history. The fundamental knows how to empty a barrel of cider to prevent disease than to cure it has reason why an act of Congress was with an improvised syphon, and he as its corollary the belief that it is required, instead of legislation by the can keep a hydraulic ram chugging rubbish than to spend a week or so analysis of the new statute made by the name of the peony that captured once a year piling it in an inconveni- Archibald R. Watson, former corporation the latest grand prize, he can spot a once-a-year clean-up is that it is usu- bidden by the Federal Constitution knows how to make a pair of gate ally followed by relaxation. The glow- to impair the obligation of a contract, hinges out of a hickory crotch and asts longer than is good for us. By eral moratorium. The essential aim when to let the chickens into the cobwebs, and scraps and junk, that rights, in order that they may be able tables. He knows whether a heifer invites the breeding of flies and the to devote their entire energies to the beef or a milk animal, and instinct in Oregon might by his ability, energy deliverance. Thus time will work for multiplies. By the time the aver- scope. The protected classes include scales about the point at which it ceases to be profitable to feed 60-cent corn into a young hog. knack in cutting hay at just the right time to obtain the most nourishment other trick in curing it and piling it conditions there would be no Spring and Navy, and of the personnel of the stack. Every day of the three rubbish piles, which would be regarded as testimonials to the slovenli- and Geodetic Survey under jurisdic- a new problem to him, and no one year furnishes a reliable precedent for the next. The city youth who ventures into

among other things, have an oppor tunity to enrich his vocabulary greatly litary service." It is this provision He will learn the difference between

carry his watch with him, he will be Plaintiff may be required to file too late-or too early-for his meals, to indemnify the defendant although he will not get up too early against any damage he may suffer if in the morning. His resources will be the judgment should afterward be set taxed by a hundred emergencies and Perhaps tection of defendants are included in he will acquit himself creditably. We he law, and the whole is capped by do not subscribe to the extreme notion now ready to announce the certainty of of Adam Smith, and, besides, times have changed, but if he does so he will be richer for the experience. The farmer may not be versed in pedathe action is impaired by reason of his gogics, but he will need to be a teacher

> He has been confronted with strange situations every year of his life. It would be unfair, perhaps, to compare the successful farm proprietor with the average city laborer. But the country man suffers little when he is set side by side with his city cousin, grade for grade. Those whom Adam Smith calls the "lower ranks of the people of the country" certainly manage to get more out of life than those in a relatively similar situation in the town. And the farmer, if given his choice, would rather have their labor than that of the city men, whose coming he views with curiosity, not unmixed with dread. Our city friends are about to have the table turned on them. They are going to go out into the barn and harness the horse wrong end to, and be "hicks" for a while. They will find that being "green" is almost altogether a matte of the point of view. And it will do them good.

A writer in the Bulletin of the Pan-American Union thinks that Americans have been too prone to accept without analysis the deprecatory statement that they have been inefficient in their efforts to obtain their share of the trade of Latin America. They have been told so often that the Gerple what they wanted" that they had come to take it for granted. But the figures are illuminating. In one-half of the twenty Latin-American countries before the war, the imports from Germany had sunk to one-fifth of those from the United States, and in the other half American imports were rapidly gaining on Germany. The fact seems to be that Germans in their struggle to maintain their ground had taken to imitating American and British goods, but it took so much time to do this with characteristic German thoroughness that they could not keep pace with changing styles. Latin Americans like to be up to date, and He was all set to take a whack-German imitations of old goods were being left on the importers' hands.

"Liberty" Potato week is an imporstands out that the United States pro duced a crop of more than 442,000, bushels in 1917, which was 92,000,000 bushels in excess of the average of the five preceding years, and that a large pose of it, for by July the new crop householder knows by this time that result in relaxation of restrictions as he encourages the grower to repeat the production of a bumper crop, which he is unlikely to try to do if he finishes the present season with a large unsold surplus on his hands.

The total number of subscribers to the third liberty loan approaches the 20,000,000 mark, and if the pace is maintained in successful to the pace is maintained in successful to the pace is sound. maintained in succeeding loans it will be as unfashionable to be without one as it would be to attend church in a bathing suit.

It being quite clear that the sheep industry must be reorganized if the country is to have wool and mutton enough to meet its demands, it is up to the small farmer to figure whethe he cannot find room for one more

The shipbuilders of Oregon, having got into their stride, are making the National record for per capita subscriptions to the liberty loan, and they are out for the per capita record for ship production as well.

eef market at this time is not a good sign, but it takes a man who has been face to face with the inexorable re-currence of "cow time," 730 times a

It is fitting that Oregon women should be favored in the purchase of sugar for canning. For where on earth is there a greater profusion of

The 3000 or so reported to be voluntarily idle in Portland should go to Petrograd, where they will hardly be noticed among the 350,000 who can't

One advantage that the Emperor of Austria has over the Kaiser is that he hasn't got six sons whose safety he need worry about.

due for an eclipse almost a month ahead of the sun that he was looking for a place in.

It looks as if Hindenburg might be

Regardless of who first made use of the submarine, a good many Ger-mans have used theirs for the last

one happens to be assigned to a listen-

Once again it is appropriate to sugland well tilled means a big cellar well

while the Kaiser's shock troops are recovering from the shock.

Conscription of Irish potatoes prom-

The British navy seems to be simply filled to overflowing with Hobsons.

Clipping liberty bond coupons is fine exercise for the hands,

## The Peripterous.

Peripterous-A Structure Having Rows of Columns on All Sides, Dictionary.

(Synopsis of preceding synopsea)

The Oregonian, a great morning newspaper, employs a distinguished literary architect to construct a peripterous. He does it. It has rows of columns on east, west, north and south.

The Peripterous becomes a Free Auditorium for the expression of incompetent, irrelevent and immaterial opinion, new verse and anecdotes.

# WAR POETS' CANDIDATE.

Senator Gluten, who is pursuing a novel campaign, having removed himsell from the hands of his friends, is his election by a handsome majority.

Senator Gluten has made an appeal to a distinctive class never before important in politics for the reason that

it never before existed. gogics, but he will need to be a teacher if he gets his money's worth out of the war poets," said the noted canthe new help that is being offered to didate, yesterday. "Through the sym-Eviction for non-payment of rent the new help that is being offered to didate, yesterday. "Through the symnot exceeding \$50 a month is for-I have obtained a complete roster of the war poets in Oregon.

"There are 75,486 of them. "Nothing has ever been done for this deserving class of people by Congress. No body of citizens is doing more to keep the home fires burning—or at least the home fires of my newspaper friend—than the war poets.

"I am, as is well known, committed to the enactment of a law that will pro-vide for the publication of all war poetry at Government expense. When the National Committee on Publication of War Poetry has been established, there will be no more painful rejections of earnest and patriotic effort.

"I feel that the publications by this committee will be a welcome diversion from the Congressional Record, the Official Bulletin, and the voluminous propaganda of countless bureau press agents now franked to a helpless public. "As the savior of the war poets shall of course get all their votes.

figure it is a cinch THE TEST POSITIVE. The heartless local organization known as the Society for the Suppression of War Poetry, after a long silence, has announced that the infallible test of war poetry is the inclusion some-

where in the poem of lines ending as follows: . . . across the sea

. . . to fight for liberty. Sounds Familiar.

Old Tom Moon, the blind newsboy, remarked the other day that one of the six candidates for Governor talked to him so convincingly about the certainty of his election that he would have congratulated him on the spot had not the other five candidates got to him first with the same line of conversa-

The Chump. (Dedicated to the Kaiser's American Dentist.)

There's one guy I don't understand, Some folks don't know luck when they meet it! He had a chance to beat the band And passed it up-Now can you bent it?

He had the Kaiser on his back! He had his nose where he could hit it. He could have pinched it, pulled it, bit it.

He had the fork-tailed Dutchman down He could have just hauled off and soaked him; He could have beaned him with his

could have tied him there and choked him. He could have-say, the chance was big! There were a dozen ways to do him, He could have took that buzzer jig And drilled him, drilled right through

and through him. He could have-Oh! gee, what's the use I 'spose it ain't my place to sass him. But, jimminy cripes, he turned him Great snakes! He didn't even gas

He had his mouth pried open wide He could have made him drink it,

What did he do? He let him slids. Well, let me ask you, Can you beat it? PAT RIOT, D. D. S.

The Great Bee Contest. KLAMATH FALLS, Or., May 6 .- (To he Architect.)-Last New Year's eve

sound. As midnight approached it be-came louder, and at exactly midnight my overhead porch light darkened and then became entirely obscured. As I rushed forth to ascertain the cause I tripped over a bulky object in front of the door. I then looked up and saw that a swarm of bees had clustered themselves about the globe covering the porch light, apparently for the sake of warmth, and hence the

darkening. As I returned to the house I picked up the object over which I had tripped. I found it to be four combs of fine honey. It was perfectly apparent that the bees had brought it as payment

for their rental privilege around the porch light. In the morning the bees left of their own accord and hived themselves in an old joint of stovepipe lying by the woodshed. They are there yet, and are turning out excellent, though slightly

sooty, honey.

I have not yet heard of any bees swarming earlier this year than mine. This is, perhaps, due to our mild cli-mate, which is an advantage—thou not the only one-of living near B. HICK HONEYWAX

Song of the Brend. Sing a song of sixpence, Our bread is made of rye. Four and twenty other kinds We are going to try.

And when this war is over, Then we all will sing: 'Wasn't that a pretty To set before the King?

We here in the home land Are loaning out our money, Saving with our sugar, And in its place eat honey.

Away across the sea To feed the boys in khaki Who fight for liberty. The girls are in the garden

We send our wheat and sugar

Hoeing out the corn; We none of us are happy, And sometimes feel foriorn.

Still, there is something to be said in favor of a knowledge of German if To help our soldiers lick the boche And bring them home again MRS. WILLIAM WILLIAMSON.

> Questions of the Hour. PORTLAND, May 11.—(To the Archi-tect.)—These vital questions which confront us at the present time might be discussed thoroughly in the Perip terous just before election:

> (1) Does Gus Moser expect to be elected Governor of Oregon?
> (2) In a group of people taken in this city recently, why was not George Baker included?

The big German drive is pausing thile the Kaiser's shock troops are revereing from the shock.

(2) When people have their pictures taken nowadays why do they open their mouths and show teeth like a young colt?

Baker or Withycombe?

(5) Is J. Hennessy Murphy a Par-nellite, Redmondite or Ulsterite?

(6) What form of law and order will

make the world safe for Democracy with a capital "D"? (7) I turned my clock back an hour. Now it is two hours behind schedule time. Does it make any difference in standard time? IVAN BELL.