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SIX YEARS AS PRESIDENT.

Woodrow Wilson on March 4 com-pleted six as eventful years in the ond term on a "kept us out of war" presidency as any of his predecessors platform. He wrote the platform had seen. He went into office pledged to carry through a great programme of internal reconstruction relating to the financial and tariff systems of the When a railroad strike threatened, he ings with industry. Before the second year of his incumbency was half finished be become ished, he became engrossed in an effort to preserve neutrality in a war which convulsed the world, and into which we were finally drawn. He began by grappling with domestic problems; he has spent the greater part of his term and a half with foreign problems in which it was thought years ago that Americans would have only a passive and incidental interest. President Wilson began with every-

thing in his favor. A majority in both houses of congress was democratic, and the republican party was rent by faction. After his party had been sixteen years in opposition and had been declaiming against the misdeeds of the republicans, the people were willing to let it show what it could do. He was all-powerful. A tariff bill according with his ideas was passed, and at his bidding congress remained in session to pass a currency bill which was supported by most of

the republicans. Before his first year had passed, he Panama Canal and demanded repeal of that law in order to escape foreign difficulties which have never been revealed by him, nor by anybody. By this act he divided his party as well as the republican party; yet he forced the measure through congress with great personal determination, renewed demands of Colombia for payment of \$25,600,000 in settlement of Canal matter by proposing to pay with a despot, all doubt ended. He \$15,000,000—a concession which was made a fighting speech calling for vigorously denounced by his opponents war.

serious criticism, and some of them meet the high requirements of perappointments he appears to have left largely to his secretary of state, Mr. to give them to "deserving demomingo a scandal. The secretary of thrift increasing his private incom-while neglecting his public duties.

as a result the United States has had ing the war.

Very early in his first term Mr. Wilson announced a policy of noninterference in the internal disturb- fairs, we encounter one of the presisaid he would not recognize govern- partisan that, when every one of the are, in respect of willingness to let ments established by violence. Huerta caused the murder of Madero will not trust a political opponent with in Mexico and made himself president, an executive office, though he claims ample of other nations which recog-mized him and when Carranza started will must be supreme in his own when the flag was insulted at Tam-pico, but did not get the salute to the minds were so engrossed with the war drive out Huerta, as had been expect- that democrats would be elected Villa raided our border towns in re- lican congress. venge. Then Pershing was sent after next spring.

are small and Mexico is large.

called it "the European war" then- come before the people for decision the one idea of the people was to keep out of it and all approved the President's proclamation of neutrality. Irritation at the British blockade at first

sea, while pacifism was supreme at the state department. But German ited with a diplomatic triumph and points have crystallized the sentiment which are beneficial to mankind.

many caused misgivings.

American Garrison was, however, ex-All rights of republication of special dis-patches herein are also reserved.

American Garrison was, however, ex-changed for the pacifist Baker. Con-purpose to "take counsel" gress whittled down the preparedness gress and with other constituted counscheme without protest. The great idea of the president, which took the form of a declared policy, was to keep cie; and that "pitiless publicity" and out of war, in either Mexico or Eu-

himself and skilfully sought to satisfy

an aroused patriotism by including denunciation of the German out-

rages and propaganda, then rampant.

When we analyze the result of the own strength than to the blunders of yet most of the criticisms aimed at his they break through the tangle to win six states were very close and more capable ble political management would have policies and practices will in time be elect him. The state of public opin-ion was shown by the fact that the house of representatives was almost tied and that the republicans gained

several senators. The election was only a month old when the president began to show a genuine apprehension that we might be drawn into the war. This is the explanation of his note to all the belligerents calling upon them to state their war aims. He received a clear answer from the allies, an indefinite one from Germany. He followed this with a speech to the senate on January 22, 1917, in which he stated what he fignored an election pledge in favor of thought America would hold worth making coastwise ships toll-free in the fighting for. That was the wise act thought America would held worth of a statesman who prepared the ground for an inevitable step. Yet he still held back after Germany proclaimed submarine war and tried to compromise an armed neutrality. Not till the Zimmermann note was captured nor till he had heard the truth about Germany's hostile designs from Mr. enforced by the powerful influence of Gerard's lips, did he decide on war, his office. He responded to the reing denunciation of the filibustering senators and, when the Russian revo-"violated rights" in the Panama lution removed all risk of being allied

pacifist, incompetent Baker, nor have a department of munitions nor a war would care to assume the blame. sonal distinction and intellectual and cabinet, and he barshiy attacked Sendiplomatic accomplishments. But one ator Chamberlain for proposing these ambassador to Russia-created wide- had been at war a year, we had a mere spread criticism, which ceased only handful of men in France with no when the appointee, with commenda-ble discretion, withdrew. The minor when the German rush came, he let American aircraft, guns or tanks. But by having someone to work for—some-birth.' one besides themselves. It is not al-Pershing send American battalions to be brigaded with French and British. Bryan, who conceived it to be his duty He saw the weakness of the allies them to "deserving demo-through the divided command and of instances which prove the contrary waters over the bar—a vigorous, vigi-the nomination to Greece united his influence with that of to be true. Half the zest of battle lies lant, valiant opponent worthy of any caused a sensation and to Santo Do- Lloyd George in favor of single command. No doubt exists that Foch's state occupied himself chiefly in ar- ability to dispose of troops at will in ranging peace treaties while war was execution of his plans was one of the they have a competence before they main factors in winning victory. lectures, thus with customary When the allies called for troops to relieve their thinned and exhausted ranks, he answered without hesita-One of the first acts of the admin-istration was to withdraw support send the men." His fourteen points from the six-power loan to China, and were a noble interpretation of high national and international ideals, and little hand in development of that have proved a fine piece of strategy, country and it has fallen under the for they were most effective propapower of Japan more than ever dur- ganda to break down the morale of the Germans and Austrians.

When we turn again to domestic afances of other American states, but dent's limitations. He is so ardent a When chief allies has a coalition cabinet, he money Mr. Wilson refused to follow the ex- and they give, ready support to his revolution, he adopted a policy of party, he disciplines those who diswatchful waiting. Many Americans obey and thereby causes division when were meanwhile killed and robbed. he most needs unity. This weakness He sent troops to occupy Vera Cruz led him into a grave error of political flag which had been demanded, nor that they were giving little attention did he send troops to Mexico City to to politics, and there was a prospeced, nor did he rescue the Americans many republican districts because the from the Tampico mob-the British republicans did not vote. Republican and Germans did that. When the war managers saw no means of getting out turned against Huerta, he fled. Pres- the vote, when Mr. Wilson supplied it ident Wilson waited again while Car- by writing a letter reflecting on the range and Villa fought it out. More patriotism of republicans and calling 1903 and 1905, and they were set Americans were murdered. When Carfor the election of democrats. That apart as a reserve in 1907. The two ranga and Villa fought it out. More patriotism of republicans and calling

ranza won, Wilson recognized him, letter caused the election of a repub-When the peace negotiations began His men got into two fights the national interest demanded that with Carranza's men and the presi- the whole treaty-making power of this ognition to the distinction which dent sent the national guard to the nation work together, for no treaty border, also sent a very hot letter to could become effective until ratified and the sportsman, between the man Carranza. War was expected, but by the senate. A new departure in who hunts to find rather than nothing came of it. Villa was not foreign policy was to be made, for spread terror and shoets to kill rather. caught, and the troops came back the league or no league, the United States than to hurt. Although Roosevelt must be a party to settlement of Euro-When Haiti and Santo Domingo pean affairs, for this occasion at least. were torn by revolution, American Yet Mr. Wilson deliberately ignored were torn by revolution, American Yet Mr. Wilson deliberately ignored discoverer of new or rare varieties of marines were sent to occupy them, the senate by appointing himself and game. He distinguished, moreover, protectorates were established. four others delegates to the peace con-Their case was generally held to be ference without submitting their in his defense of the rights of true parallel with that of Mexico. They names to that body and by giving no sportsmen. This he showed when he hint of his plans. The consequence wrote: is a predisposition to criticise and op-Subsequent events have so absorbed public attention that these minor affairs are almost forgotten. When war broke out in August, 1914—we and beneficent measure which has war broke out in August, 1914,-we and beneficent measure which has

The place in history of President

cie; and that "pittless publicity" and "open covenants" are mere phrases and not practical rules of presidential conduct; that he is a partisan when he appeals for non-partisan consideration and support of his plans and policies and "adjourns politics"; that he scorns consistency and practices opportunism always; that he reserves important seats of authority near and under him for small men, for he bears no brother near the throne"; that he follows and does not lead public opinion and boasts of it; and that the white house has never had 1916 election, it is apparent that Mr. aristocratic; and that he is tolerant of those joys that fishermen find, carried enough of them for Hughes to forgotten; and he and his administration will be remembered for what he

and it have done.

IN RESTRAINT OF CUPID. to any male person, unless it family and is likely so to continue." hought that the measure is likely to of angling. be taken seriously.

rudiments of an education and who is he "gloats," ways true that "love flies out of the lazy husbands who make the trouble, reaching husbands who will not work. It is not practicable to weed them out at the marriage license window.

As has been suggested, even an bill such as the one outlined. But fight. it did, it would only invite depopulation of its state. Of all the reasons that can be urged against early marriages, failure to have accumulated a competence in advance probably yould receive the least consideration Perhaps Americans are materialistic. as some of their critics charge, but an American in love is quite as others take second place while the pursuit of the ideal is under way.

BIRD MEMORIAL TO ROOSEVELT.

The proposal to build a bird foun tain as a memorial to Theodore Roosevelt recalls to an advocate of the plan the fact that, while he was president, Roosevelt created 36 bird reservations in various parts of the country. One of these was the Three Arch Rocks. off the coast of Oregon, the ornithological wonders of which were de scribed to the president by W. L. Finley and H. T. Bohlman of Oregon, and which still is one of the most noteworthy reserves, in respect of the variety of its bird life, on the Pacific coast. The biological survey of the rocks was made in the summers of other reserves in Oregon which the birds owe to President Roosevelt are the Malheur and the Lower Klamath.

spread terror and shoots to kill rather was known as a mighty hunter, he greatly preferred the laurels of the

gards certain creatures, notably the wapit of Yellowstone and to a lesser extent as re-gards deer in Vermont.

almost balanced horror at German be ratified by appointing senators as of a closed season on the coast of spondence to settle the steelhead-rain- luck which have nothing in common with the ordinary changes of life.

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The list of names of members of mecca for centuries past. with having definitely kept us out of of all peoples into a common aspiration for peaceful development of the memorial committee is significant, that the president, declaring often his lery of the masterpieces of old times," 616 rainbow; and during 1918 a total not only the utilitarian value but the steelhead were released. selors, takes counsel of none but a spiritual benefits derived from the

AN OREGON TROUT. It is safe to assume that there is none among the fellowship of Oregon anglers, however swiftly the trout may rise to his hackle, but is given to pondering on the vanished days when stream was good fishing. chevalier whose courage is ever to be memorable, he cannot but dwell in thought upon the doughty warriors who swam the stream when Lo possessed the land.

Wilson's success was due less to his neither of criticism nor opposition; of those joys that through fair weather or foul, when policies and practices will in time be bling, untamed and untainted little mountain creek that is always "just over the ridge." They are given much to fancy and stale pipes, from which union is born an abiding belief that any moment and any water The Indiana legislator who has in- may send them a strike to tingle at

It is true that tradition and actual erson is financially able to support was young and settlers were too busied with ax and plow to pay to the big would be sorry for Indiana if it were that never was rivaled in the annals

than fear of poverty based upon lack toward sarcasm at all things Ameri- a year.

war.

His conduct of the war has been a combination of the war has been a combination of the war has been a combination of the plomacy. He would not dismiss the be to put a check upon matrimony for foam-splashed epic of that fight, but which no enlightened community has felt the kinship of sport when the savage silver fighter was gaffed No American is poor who has the and on the pebbles. Kipling exults, of them—Pindell of Peoria, named as changes. In consequence, when we industrious. And the land is filled say, and none will blame him. In with men who owe their success to the fellowship of fisherman there is the incentive which was given them neither "border, nor breed, nor

Calming somewhat, Kipling tells his reader that the king of all fishes, window when poverty comes in at as landed by himself, was a salmon the door," There have been millions fresh from the Columbia and the blue in facing the world together. It is the man's tackle and wit and resource. One guess is as good as another. The ten-pound rainbow trout, brimming the point of view of the Prussian and with the zest of his oceanic excursion, that of the world outside of Prussia. Indiana legislature is unlikely to pass At any rate, it fought as steelhead

way of arriving at the conclusion that, in the very same streams that knew is a master of this. drove the prow of his ship into the one of the "books of the hour." fresh waters of the Columbia.

Wherever anglers foregather, to single day. Thus swiftly did events ometime or other the tales of mighty give place to one of an Oregon steelage. Fin and sinew and scale, whenever fighting fish are discussed, he rises amid his peers.

Though a trout from the rounded bluntness of his aristocratic snout to the clean, square, powerful sweep of his broad tail, the steelhead is officially known in Oregon as the steelhead salmon-for there is a strong market demand for his firm pink flesh, and there is commercial wealth in his constantly replenished numbers as they sweep in from salt water to the distant spawning beds. In Rogue river alone is his identity preserved, where, though he is still offimally a salmon, the law protects him from netting in order that he may rise to the fly and furnish pyrotechnics and thrills for sportsmen, as a

true trout should. Once upon a time, by authoritative voice, the steelhead was scientifically classified as a salmon-and the error of his naming persists despite denial It was David Starr Jordan of Stanclassification of the salmonidae of the Pacific coast, who first determined that the steelhead was a salmon born and bred, and whose mistaken dictum the gardener is innocent. But the spring plowing military machine demands an examencyclopedic works. This was an opinion which Dr. Jordan later found lieutenant has a fondness for his no war, no congress, no anything, and it wise to recant, re-classifying the father-in-law and would save him if nothing to do but work. fish as a sea-run rainbow trout.

the Sussex affair, Mr. Wilson was cred- into words. The famous fourteen ment, but has saved several species the native steelhead, to whose ances-

MONEY VALUE OF EDUCATION. The department of education of cause which it represents by publish-

clear, for example, that the nations It is perhaps because of this capachaving the most efficient educational ity for comprehending points of honor Though his creet may contain a trout of size and spirit, a radiant spotted quantity of wealth than those with in- Maeterlinck is more greatly revered ferior school systems. England and in America than, for example, in Ger France, among the nations of Europe, many. And when the burgomaster lead both in educational facilities and facing death, is made to say, "I am in per capita production. Spain, no hero; I am not used to suffering; Greece and Russia are cited as ex- I can bear my own unhappiness, but amples of the backward nations. The not that of others," he speaks again Russian is only two-sevenths of that country. of an Englishman and one-third of Thus to summarize the play i that of a Frenchman. The showing to betray the climax, in which

slightly better than that.

to racial traits, statistics of the states in taking the selfish course—the of the United States should prove phrase contains a volume of specious convincing. Here it is possible, with pleading. Who is there in this coun troduced a bill which would forbid the roots of memory for long years county clerks to issue a marriage to come. tion between expenditures for education and productive capacity of the is made to appear by satisfactory doc-umentary evidence that "such male giants in those days," when the land people Massachusetts and South Carolina furnish convenient types for comparison. Massachusetts gives its chil- a cheery view and premotes optimism doubtless unfamiliar alike with the trout of Oregon the homage that was dren an average of 7.4 years of school- Yet the golden tenor is not without a ways of Cupid and with the history of their due. Yet they found time and ing, and average expenditure is \$25 certain philosophy which ought to go the upbuilding of the west. It is a occasion, here and there in the winfreak bill, and nothing else, and one ning of the commonwealth, for sport gives an average of 2.8 years of schooling per pupil, at a cost of \$6.95 per right in whatever it demands, and that pupil. Both quantity and quality are the duty of the artist is not to try to be taken seriously.

It was so when Kipling came, a lower in the latter instance. Production in Massachusetts is estimated at pattern, but to cater to that which taste the world, and with a penchant then for of the artist is not to try to create a popular taste after his own pattern, but to cater to that which a ready exists. It is an attitude much

of immediate property in possession can. For Portland, then emerging the basis of vocational education of the young couple determined to wed. Most of the capital of the younger generation of pioneers consisted of good health, strong arms, willingness to work and a worthy ambition to make their own way in the world, who had no prescient vision of this Financial ability to support a family same soil bringing forth an abunds difficult to measure. The Indiana ance of sons for the salvation of Eu- sought to be made by the Tennessee solon makes another mistake in de-fining it as "income from property to catch his fish."

department, however, is that general education promotes productivity, and, however, everybody ought to be satistherefore, is a concern of all the people ven in Tenness

By estimating the value of the chools in dollars and cents, the department has furnished an appraisal which all can understand. The imponderable benefits, however, are also enormous and satisfying.

MAETERLINCE'S "BURGOMASTER." It would be a fitting climax to the writing of war books if, as the publishers say, there is about to be an end to them-if Maurice Maeterlinck's "The Burgomeister of Stilemonde' should be voted the last great work half tries. of the war series. For Maeterlinck, not those who decline to wait until nomenclature of fishes was loosely as a Belgian, would be the logical one they have a competence before they administered in those days. Broadly to place the capsheaf in position. Macup from the sea were known as sal- he employs a play as the vehicle for mon. Perhaps it was a steelhead, a emphasizing the difference between

> No play in recent times has stirred the reviewers who have read it All of which is but a roundabout They find fault with its technical construction, as this applies to its availhowever superlative may have been ability for production on the stage, the qualities of the big trout of yes-teryear, the best traditions of the teaches. As to the history which it species have been perpetuated and contains, its references to the massa handed down to Oregon anglers of cres at Dinant and Louvain-these today in the seagoing rainbow, alias have been graphically covered by ofsteelhead. And steelhead, with thanks ficial documents; but there are certain to careful propagation and far- other phases to which only the drasighted protection, are yet plentiful matic form is adequate. Maeterlinck them when Captain Robert Gray Burgomaster" is likely to prove to be The entire drama takes place in

yarn after the manner of their kind, move in the summer of 1914. In all, there are barely five and a half hours strikes and epochal struggles will of action, a fact that in itself is quite without dramatic precedent. head, his pugnacity and his pound- burgomaster's son-in-law, Hilmer, is a lieutenant in the Prussian army and an under officer with Major Baron von Rochow, a typical officer of the Prussian machine. The burgomaster is taken as hostage for the good behavior of his people. A German officer is shot dead in the burgomaster's grounds. The only person known to have been near the slain officer is an old gardener, who it would be preposterous to suppose has killed him. The Prussian officer in command must make an example of someone. The burgomaster is permitted three alternatives. He may find the real murderer-if he can. He may sacrifice the gardener. Or he may pay the pen-

in the drawing of the characters of the German officers. The burgomaster's son-in-law is not pictured as a "brute" in the commonly accepted er is worrying over daylight saving is sense of the term. He is, so far as a that he has nothing else to worry type of the military caste may be, quite the reverse. But he is wholly inable to see the moral aspects of The rule is inexorable. The

becoming extinct is one of the classics adherents that none other than his delightful satire. The burgomaster

nany caused misgivings.

righteous national aims, because unfor it includes those of many heads and he flourishes with a will so hearty life of the burgomaster is infinitely doubtedly they define the reasonable of huntsmen's organizations, as well that a hundred yards of line rips more valuable than that of the gar-The president's aversion for war and the extreme pacifism of his party led him to frown on the demands for preparedness of those who saw danger ahead, and in December, 1914, he scoffed at them as "nervous and excited," but the demand became so strong and the national peril obviously strong and the national peril obviously in 1915 that he took it the president's aversion for war and doubtedly they define the reasonable of huntsmen's organizations, as well that a hundred yards of line right as occities composed of naturalists. This merging of two elements indicate through the water in a jiffy—none can through the water in jiffy—none can thr Eastern Business Office—Verre & Cenkin, Brunswick building, New York; Verre &
conklin, Steger building, Chicago; Verre &
conklin, Free Press building, Detroit, Mich.;
San Francisco representative, R. J. Bidwell.
San Francisco representative, R. cation of a sacrifice of the weak. The with con- he endeared himself to those who see of 2,631,962 rainbow and 1,633,580 stories of our pioneers in new countries and new enterprises, indeed, show that the contrary has been the rule The burgomaster's point of view is the view of our people (and it is conse Tennessee performs a service for the quently quite incomprehensible to the Prussian) when he says:

productive power of the individual a language alien to the invader of his

Thus to summarize the play is made by Greece and Spain is only burgomaster's daughter later figures with heroic resolve. But the issue is To those who would contend that sufficient for discussion during many the figures represent a coincidence a winter evening. "The more inno-only, and that the difference is due cent of the two"—and hence justified

Caruso at 46 mourns his "vanished years," which would seem to run coun ter to the theory that music tends t bearable. This is that the public is create a popular taste after his own more likely to promote happiness in The comparison is not made upon both the singer and the public and to The supposimuch smaller than that. With 80,-

> Some of the colleges want to place I've been robbed by foxy merchants. popular among the young folks if both have their way.

If all the soldiers of the allies had exacted as high a price for the death of a brother as did Sergeant Harry Mullin, the war would have ended much sooner with the extermination of the German army.

The beauty of a cold snap would be that it would prevent premature budding of trees and exposure of the fruit to another frost. It is not hard to be an optimist, if one only

Young Ford knows more than the old man and is going to put out a car to sell for less. It takes young blood to show the old fellows how to do

The best thing about this season of rear is that the worst is all behind us. rocuses are already peeping timidly out and almost before we know it apple blossom time will be here.

Food may be a cure for boishevism. and then again it may not be. "A man must live" is not the doctrine of selfsacrifice, such as we were led to believe was taught by war. Laws against teaching German in

quite superfluous by the action of pu-pils themselves, who have not waited Say by nineteen twenty-four, for legislatures. quite superfluous by the action of pufor legislatures. The east is due for a visitation of But I'm stuck here on the Ehine.

had last year are preferably of the 17year variety. However, our income and other taxes will be as nothing compared

with those the Germans will be called spon to pay when they raise that indemnity. One comfort that the boys who were That foils the tender spring;

discharged early from the service will Of March that snows, have is that they will always have \$60 And halls and blows—coming to them until they get it. coming to them until they get it. Success of the liberty bond sharks To the east, he's Mr. Hyde; indicates that something has been While to Beaver-folk

education in the public schools. the gardener. Or he may pay the penalty as hostage.

The point of the play lies not in the dramatic situation so created, but

The robins are working the lawns and it's knows not our northwest clime the dramatic situation so created, but

was about several weeks ago. Perhaps one reason why the farm-

over these days. Someone will have to hurry if the unable to see the moral aspects of Someone will have to hurry if the titled a "Mild Winter and a Plague of the situation as the Belgian sees it. He soldiers are to get that land we all Rats." It is most timely and meets does not deny-he even believes-that want them to have in time to do their with my full approbation. I should

It promises to be a dull summer --

THE STORY OF ST. PATRICK.

And so, you say, you'd like to hear of Ireland's pairon saint?
You'd like to listen white I'd tell of all the good he did?
Yell, very little gift of words have I the tale to paint: But should I hesitate for that? Well,

may the Lord forbid! Tis happiness for anyone of Irish blood to speak Of him, who, though not Irish, was the best of Irishmen; he man who, moved by love alone, left home and all to seek The blessing of the country where he

once a slave had been.

out a difference between them and the native steelhead, to whose ancestry the stream has been a breeding mesca for centuries past.

The discussion which follows furnishes the dramatic contrast of the play. The question of "relative values" of life is raised. The lieutenant, in the work on Erich and poor slike, in baptism to own the rich and poor slike, in the rich and poo The lordship of the Savior over life

> But faith! he didn't stop at this great work mong high and low; His love embraced the very soil—for as the his try states, He caused the three-leaved shamrock

> of emerald green to grow. And symbolize love, valor, wit-the Irish Christian's traits. And then to make things pleasanter and

show what Christ could do In freeing hearts from evil, anakes went out at his command other creeping, scarey thing; he banished all them, too-Made Ireland more like paradise than any other land.

What's that you ask? "Why didn't he get rid of whisky, too Ma bouchal! that's an easy one; there was no whisky then; The drink those days was water and the famous "mountain dew,"
The necter known years later to the
people as "poteen."

Patrick founded colleges, where Irishmen were trained minister the gospel, and in time those schools became The wonder of the nations as the gifted men, ordained,
Went forth to every land to preach
and teach in Jesus' name.

Thus in those early days the fame of Ireland spread afar As the world's great seat of learning and missionary zeal; And all down through the centuries she's shone—a brilliant star Of religion and learning, e'en when under tyrant's heal.

In every Christian land today, old Ireland's sons are found
Holding high position in the church
and school and state;
St. Patrick's work is flourishing the whole wide earth around, the nations of the world feel they've cause to celebrate.

Now, sir; you've got the story in a brief and faulty way;
You know just why we celebrate the
day—March seventeen,
And why all the sons of freedom should
rejoice, too, on that day
And make a world chorus of "The
Wearing of the direct." Wearing of the Green

-T. J. O'CONNOR. Chehalis, Wash. AWAITING ORDERS.

missed the sights of Paris,

Where they say the bright lights shine; in the mud and waited orders While our brave boys broke the line; All the kaiser's land and jewels For these words I'd gb.dly pay-There is a transport in the harbor And you're ordered home today."

've seen my comrades buried When the convoys' lights were dim. Heard the bugles sounding mess call When the grub was mighty slim ew my heart is in the home-la And I wish someone would say-There is a transport in the harbor And you're ordered home today."

Heard the night birds' lyric call, Felt the clutch of "Spanish flu" As my best friends passed along. Now the long, long trail is turning, Soon we'll hear the captain say— "There's a transport in the harbor, And you're ordered home today.

We're sick of French lassles And of Belgian beauties, too; Of red wine of the provinces
We've sampled quite a few.
Our next stop is old New York; Soon we'll hear the captain say— There's a transport in the harbor, And you're ordered home today."

Hark, I hear a siren moaning-Clear away the craft afore; Tis a gray old army transport Coming from the home-land shore. She's calling, softly calling me To come across the sea Where a mother and a sweetheart Long and watch and pray for me. Now my soldier days are over, And I need no longer stay. There's a transport in the harbor, And we're ordered home today.

(These verses were sent from France by Private Foster F. West to A. Ghest, 731 Sixth and Taylor streets).

"SILVER THREADS AMONG THE (The most popular song in the army of occupation.)
Durling, I am coming back,

Sliver threads among the black, Now that peace in Europe nears, I'll be back in seven years; Pil drop in on you some night With my whiskers long and white. Yes, the war is over, dear, the schools seem to have been made And we are going home, I hear. 17 and also 13-year locusts, and Ore-gon growers hope that the aphids we "War is hell," but peace is worse, had last year are preferably of the 17-When the next war comes around In the front ranks I'll be found, I'll rush in again, pell mell, Yes I will, like hell, like hell, —H. W. JACKSON, First Lieutenant.

Bern Castle, Germany. MARCH IN OREGON.

wrong with the commercial aspect of He's a kindly bloke-

Jekyll-to Oregon

Out here-in Orego -EDITH J. PERNOT.

Real Danger in Rats. PORTLAND, March 7.—(To the Editor.)—Permit me please to congratulate The Oregonian upon the excellent editorial which appeared March & enlike to see your suggestions receive the attention they deserve in every com-

munity. I made the suggestion to members of the legislature ways and means com-mittee that the "bounty on rodents"