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# TREACHERY TO OREGON

TILL fighting the rivers and harbors blil, the Orego yesterday:

But it appears now to be obvious that sentiment of will support a reasonable measure, encluding the pork, ment of the current bill is practicable. If Senator Lane and Senator Chamberlain will shift

of a bill tainted with pork that cannot pass to a ought to pass, they will be commended at he

There is no way to misunderstand these words. The Oregon ators are advised to abandon the pending bill and go ov ton, Borah and the other filibusterers. They are advised to turn their backs on the senators who have consented to the placing of the Columbia jetty on a continuing contract, and make an allowance of more than \$5,000,000 for that work. It is advice by a Portland paper, in spite of the more than \$6,000,000 provided for Oregon in the bill, for the Oregon senators to scuttle the pending measure and join forces with a minority faction, who are trying to defeat rivers and harbors legislation.

If Chamberlain and Lane should take such a course all the real friends of a liberal rivers and harbors policy would turn against Oregon. This state would be delivered bodily into the hands of the men who are fighting waterways. Does anybody think for one minute that Oregon can retain its more than \$6,000,000 in the bill if the Oregon senators join forces with Burton who wants the amended bill to provide but \$12,000,000 for the whole country?

The Oregonian says it is fighting the bill on the ground that there is graft in the measure. What part of the more than \$6,000,-000 that Oregon is to get is graft? In the bill, as Burton is to amend it, what Oregon appropriations are to be cut out, and what reduced?

The proposed Burton bill would appropriate \$12,000,000 for the whole country. Oregon could no more get \$6,000,000 under such a total appropriation than could Mount Hood be pitched into the Pacific. What part of the Oregon allowance then would the Oregonian eliminate in order to free the bill from what it calls graft? Would it take it all for Portland, or would it leave some for Celilo, some for the upper Columbia, some for the Willamette, some for Coos Bay, and if so, how much?

The pending bill places the Columbia jetty on a continuing contract and allows \$5,100,000 for the purpose. By the arrangement, United States engineers say the jetty can be completed in three years. If Oregon joins the Burton filibuster and accepts its pro rata cut in appropriations, would the Oregonian have the continuing contract abandoned, and permit the original million for the jetty to stand? Major McIndoe said with an allowance of only a million a

year, the jetty cannot be completed in less than six years. In joining with Burton, does the Oregonian insist on the latter plan? Does any citizen of Oregon think for one minute that the pending

bill can be cut from \$53,000,000 to \$12,000,000 without Oregon being forced to make some such surrender as abandonment of the continuing contract for the Columbia jetty?

The Oregonian claims there is graft in the pending bill. It is now time for it to specify where the graft is, beginning with Oregon. The United States engineers have approved the entire bill as it now stands with the exception of two small appropriations totaling \$100,-000. Are the engineers grafters? Is General Kingman, chief of engineers, a grafter? Is Major Morrow a grafter? Is Colonel McKinstry a grafter? Is the Oregonian the only honest institution in the United States?

The pending bill passed the house at about \$48,000,000. Are the members who passed it by a large majority grafters? All the Oregon representatives voted for it. Are they grafters? Are the members of the senate who are patiently striving to pass the measure grafters?

What is the use of sending men to Washington to struggle for appropriations if men and newspapers in Oregon fight appropriations? Why talk of sending J. N. Teal or any other man, and why send senators and congressmen to strive for waterway appropriations if their efforts are obstructed by such utterances as those of the Oregonian

at home? The editorials of the Oregonian are being used by the filibuster-

ers at Washington to help beat the rivers and harbors bill. The Portland Chamber of Commerce has received information from numerous Washington sources that the Oregonian's fight is angering senators in other states and alienating them from support of Oregon projects in the bill. The Oregonian made a bitter attack on a Flor-

## and then he next. ure will b neutrality sent

ction that the chief f pe's devastating confi us growth of arn been virtually prov . It has be virtually proven nen who profit from the manufacture of munitions of war are hiefly responsible for tremendous expenditures by nations. These nen are actuated by no patriotic motive. They are in the business for the money and their business fall of a chimney on will not grow unless there is use his beat in the wee for what they manufacture.

But why blame makers of cannon more than manufacturers of the pistol? That instrument of death is a common nuisance in times of peace. Its manufacture

and sale for profit should be prohibited at all times. If a nation ing along the street at the time?" needs revolvers in the hands of soldiers or peace officers, the na-

tion itself should supply them. Will the world rid-itself of the menace of revolvers and armaments? Mr. Wells has outlined a large program, but it is a program which must be carried out some time if civilization is to survive.

Letters From the People

(Communications sent to The Journal for ablication in this department should be write ten on only one side of the paper, should be writ-exceed 300 words in length and must be ac-companied by the name and address of the sender. If the writer does not desire to have the name published, he should so state.)

"Discussion is the greatest of all reform-ers. It rationalizes everything it touches. It robs principles of all false sanctity and throws them back on their reasonableness. If they have no reasonableness, it ruthlessly they have no reasonableness, it ruthlessly crushes them out of existence and sets up its own conclusions in their stead."--Woodrow William Wilson.

#### The Hunting Season.

Roseburg, Or., Aug. 28 .- To the Edieverybody would be benefited, that or of The Journal-Since the an- voted the saloons out of Oregon City, ouncement of Governor West's proc- and the law is as well enforced as any amation about two weeks ago, declar- prohibitory law on our statute books. ng the hunting season closed until I defy Mr. Cotton or anyone else to fter the rains have eliminated the ex- show one instance where a man spent treme fire hazard confronting the tim- his money over the bar and his family ber of the state, I have noticed several was happier on account of it. I rearticles in different papers of the state cently made a trip over different towns severely criticising his action and set- in Oregon. I saw more drunk men in ting forth claims as to the small one day in a small town where they amount of damage done as a result of had a saloon than I have seen in Orethe hunters' carelessness. gon City since the first of last Jan-

he timbered districts of Douglas coun- ness, for even Mr. Cotton knows if a y alone, so far this season, and I man spends his money for booze the venture to say that the amount of loss merchants do not get it, and the tax- ty so far as I am concerned." Mark about half are colored. It has not let him think he is fighting for the rom these fires has been many times payers have to pay many thousands of greater than the value of all the deer dollars caused by the open saloon. in all of Oregon. I am not decrying M. YODER.

the hunting of game. But I do be lieve that every man who stops to figure one moment on the value of the timber to every man, woman and child in the state, will soon see that it should not be sacrificed for what sport and deer meat there are to be got.

The stumpage value of the timber is bout 50 cents per thousand. It costs which means that about \$10.50 goes on this wealth going up in smoke.

ved hard, pulle his collar, and ally made up his "Lillian," he said desperately, "let's get married." Lillian's bored

SMILES

A REAL PROPERTY AND right, but who can you marry?"-Judge.

When Police Constable Ponderon intered the police station to sign off sma' hours

Q AA "Any idea what caused it to fall?" in-UNIT quired the sergeant. "The chimbley was in a very shaky con-dition for a long

"Only me, sergeant."

you was young, uncle?" said the wit pinned her apron on him and made him behind the counter. "Sure I did," cackled

the old man. some whoppers. I remember one where th' snow wuz six feet above my head. Yes-"Oh, nonsense, uncle

That's impossible. "here never was such a snow." "It's true, I tell you."

"It couldn't have been." "Yes. "twas. Six feet above my head. guess I ought to know. I wuz down he cellar at th' time!"

"Now," said the voluble salesman, 'here's a piece goods that speaks for tself. "All right," inter-& weary cus-"Suppose you " quiet for a

ity bath. . . Why not quit seeking a position and tok for a job? . . Some detectives try to disguise their eath with cloves. ression vanished. "All

When a post gets up in the world he moves down from the attic. How particular is a bald man con-cerning the care of his hair! The man who marries a pretty girl is apt to get the short end of it if he takes her at her face value. The Gazette Times calls for disarm-ament of the juvenile powers in Cor-vallis. It says children who own air-guns "fire in any direction regardless guns of the destruction."

An engagement may not be as rood as marriage from some points of view, but it is a great deal better from some others. .

SMALL CHANGE

The nude truth sometimes needs an

One kind of a hopeless fool is the chap who poses as a "good fellow" and spends more money on his friends than he gives to his wife.

And many a successful business man "Ever see any big snowstorm when boy and his old fashioned mother churn.

. . It's "Poor Old Tom!" for Lipton, to be sure, but he might be worse off. He might have come on over and won the cup and then the war might have broken out just after that, and then his own people mightn't have cared a whoop whether he'd won it or not. Drewsey News: The Drewsey Recla-mation company at its annual meeting elected J, L. Sitz president, I. M. Davis secretary treasurer. I. H. Holland, S. S. Williams and J. L. Sitz directors. This company's ditch, nine miles long, with a tunnel 500 feet long, is com-pleted and the company is out of debt.

COMMENT ON CONGRESS

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

Mark Sullivan in Collier's. the motto, 'In God We Trust.' be re-The curse of congress is cheapness. stored to the coins from which it was inefficiency, buncombe, devotion to stricken under the Republican adminprivate and local interests, indiffer- istration. The motto was restored." ance to the general public good of the nation. The intellectual average of the lower house and of the senate is necessary to admit that this sort their corn ground. They got back also-has become low. The quality of of cheap and shallow demagoguery is

lustrated by a booklet used as a campaign document by Congressman where. Charles Gordon Edwards of Savannah, Ga. He is serving his eighth year in congress. As congressmen go, he is

let. One is entitled "Edwards, the Man Who Made It Possible;" another, "Congressman Edwards, Pleading for at Washington. In London the "Times" to us he said: Harmony." says about himself, in order to get daily practically a complete steno- ers of Baal are destroyed." himself reelected, are not calculated graphic report of the work of parila- pretty near doing it, too. to make an American proud of con- ment, and this is read each morning ered all the men in the neighborhood, gress. He says: "It is in humble by some hundreds of thousands of the armed them with guns and soythe obedience to this duty which I feel I people of England. With us congress blades, marched to Horn's mill, where owe to the people of the first congres-sional district of Georgia" that he is the New York newspapers to print an tacked them. After the fight they running for reelection. Bunk! He is equally complete account of the work threw the dead Mormons in a well running because he wants the office of congress would involve prohibitive and followed them to Dyamon's, where and the pay! There is this promise in telegraph toils. The same is true of they had another fight with them. the metaphor of pork and ple: "There every other large city. Washington is" When you take an oldtime Missourian will be no 'second table' for any coun- a city of only about 300,000, of whom who would rather fight than eat and this appeal to sectional prejudice: "Has enough population to justify the daily advocated and favors fair pensions papers of that city in printing an exfor worthy Confederate veterans and tended account of the work of con- scrapping. their widows." But on another page: gress for local consumption only. The

"Opposed Union pensions by his vote result is that daily papers throughout and by a speech on the floor of the house.

There are pages and pages of of Orecord in getting ple: "Introduced in the past dozens of southern war-claim bills. "Secured a public building site for Statesboro.

"Secured a public site for Waynes boro.

"Has helped to distribute latest and most improved cotton and other seed.

By Fred Lockley. OREGON SIDELIGHTS "I was born in Knoxville, Tehn., in 1830," said, Uncle Jimmy Belieu. "My people left Tennessee in the early '30s The Salem Statesman's strategist gives it as his opinion that the Ger-mans took Longwy the short way.

maville, Mo.

**IN EARLIER DAYS** 

A series of accoplane flights will be an attraction of the Benton County fair, to be held at Corvallis, Beptember 17, 18 and 19. "When I was a little chap 11 or 13 years old there was a lot of trouble with Joseph Smith and his followers. They believed that Independence, Mo. believed that Independence, Mo. was their Zion, and, as the Tillamook now has a curfew ordi-nance, effective on and after Septem-ber 1. The light plant whistle will be sounded at 8 o'clock p, m. around there didn't like their trines, especially polygamy, they to run the Mormons out. Our men folks had gone down to Plattsburg to

enter their lands. The Mormons, find ing the men folks gone, came to place in the middle of the night and burned our house and barn. It was winter and there was about four inches

Hermiston Herald: This has been the dryest season in years all over the country. Thanks to a government backing with an immense reservoir, we have as much water as any year. this as a warning to us to leave them alone. They said if we interfered any According to Miltonians who are more with the Lord's anointed we

quoted in the Pendleton East Oregon-ian, a clever deaf and dumb magazine subscription solicitor recently "took would pay for it with our lives. Some of them were in favor of putting us almost \$50 out of Milton in the course out of the way as a warning to the of a day and got away without leav- others, but the man in charge said no. "We walked barefoot 12 miles across ing any trace behind.

the prairie to our nearest neighbor. Drewsey News: The Drewsey Recla-Sam Plyley. there. He had been an Indian trader and had built a trading post strong as a fort. My mother was in her nightgown and was barefooted. I will never forget how cold the snow was on my

bare feet. It was a cold, clear night and the snow sparkled like a million diamonds. "My father and the other men had gone to enter their land, while my uncle, Neal Gilliam, and most of the

He was an old settler

rest of the men thereabout had gone with their ox teams to Jim Dixon's mill on Platt Run to have their corn ground. Dixon's' mill was about 80 Do the people of Georgia really swal-low this sort of thing? Unhappily, it a few days to wait their turn to have with their commeal about a week after the average congressman is well il- more common among the Democratic we were burned out. My uncle, Neal congressmen from the south than else- Gilliam, had been a preacher. He was great beleiver in the Old Testament, particularly those places where it There is nothing so hopeless to an talks about 'Vengeance is mine, I will observer of congress as the lack of repay, saith the Lord.' He slways not the poorest specimen. Four pic-tures of himself he puts in the book-literally no periodical in the United ed to carry out the Lord's will and States which even attempts to give an smite iniquity hip and thigh. When account of the work of the government he heard what the Mormons had done 'As a servant of the Some of the things he and one or two other daily papers give Lord I will see that those worship-He came

He gath-Lord and destroying the Almighty's enemies, you will see some pretty hard

'In the spring of 1843 my father, Pleasant Belieu, with A. J. Jackson and some others, took some Indian the country, quite naturally, expect goods to trade with the indians for their Washington correspondents and furs. They established their trading their expensive telegraph bills to give post at Conesville, them primarily that kind of Washing- Bluffs. Some government troops under near Council ton news which is of local interest- Captain Waters were located there. the appointment of postmasters, local Joe Robidoux, who had a store and improvements and the like, gristmill on the Missouri river at what There is no weekly paper which even was called Robidoux' Landing, or St. attempts to record as much as one Joe, being a friend of my father's, inone-hundredth of the important active vited me to spend the winter with ities of congress and the government. | them. I put in the summer of '43 with his boy hunting buffalo, and that win-

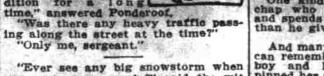
To anyone who watches congress ter-'43-'44-I caught fish through the osely this is all very hopeless. The ice and trapped beaver "Has furnished nearly every rurs school of the district with a large Congressional Record is, of course, a "Along about May 1844, m3 United States wall map, in order that stenographic report of the debates father and Uncle Neal Gilliam came the greatest good from these valuable and acts of congress. If it stopped on their way to Oregon. My father demaps would result to the greatest there, probably it might serve as a cided to stay at Scott's Bluffs on the number, instead of sending them to basis of information to the public. But Nebraska river, or the Platte river, as it is cumbered with speeches that it is now called. the 'favored few'.' And so on ad infinitum. He calls never were delivered, newspaper clip-"The American Trading company had

rupted tomer. keep couple of minutes and give it a chance!"

There have been nearly 100 fires in uary. It does not help legitimate busi-

Scouts the "Temperance" Plan. Portland, Aug. 29 .- To the Editor of The Journal-Having seen in the columns of a Portland evening paper of Thursday a call to the citizen egon, over the signature of Mrs. Ab-

igail Scott Duniway, to give up the idea of statewide prohibition of the about \$11 to put the timber on the cars, liquor traffic and take up "the more sensible idea" of the "real temperto the people of Oregon in the way of ance" she and her league represent. abor and supplies on every 1000 feet I thought a word of reply might not cut. And we ought not to take chances be amiss. I am old enough to have carried a musket through three years



lass matter.

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They are spirits of devils

working signs, which go forth

unto the kings of the whole

world, to gather them together

unto the war of the great day

of God Almighty. And they

gathered them together into

the place which is called in Hebrew "Armageddon." - Rev.

TURN ON THE LIGHT

ONG ago, and many times, The

Journal pointed out that

there was lack of system in

the conduct of Multnomah

Long ago, and many times, The

Journal declared that loss, waste

and extravagance resulted from this

lack of system, to the great cost

But in the main, these charges

fell on unresponsive ears. The

public was busy with its private af-

fairs. It had no thought of public

and more than all The Journal

brought to public attention. An

impartial investigation by two pub-

lic bodies finds that there is lack

of system, that there is duplication,

that there is waste of public

money, that there was purchase of

insect poison at \$2 a gallon when

it could be bought for less, that

more was bought than necessary,

that no attempt was made to buy

it at a lower figure, and that in

general the whole county system is

antiquated, ragged, irresponsible,

The folly has gone on for years.

Nobody knows how much public

money has been wasted in the pro-

cess. There is no way to find out.

the unofficial investigation to war-

rant a further inquiry. The in-

vestigating bodies were without

But enough has been gained by

ineffective and very costly.

Now, there is confirmation of all

and detriment of taxpayers.

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power to compel the attendance of witnesses, and we have the spectacle of refusal by the architects to present information respecting the costly changes and other facts regarding the courthouse. It is a strange pass when the people of a county are not permitted to know what has been done with their money in the building of their courthouse. It is extraordinary when the people are required to foot the bills but are denied the information as to what the bills are for.

It is a good time to have a house cleaning in Multnomah county. It is a favorable time for the citizen to have full and complete information. It is high time for probe.

Out of the inadequate information brought out by the unofficial committee's investigation, there is abundant proof that the protests made and many times reiterated by The Journal in the past were authentic and based on disagreeable facts.

Turn on the light?

### NEED OF A WAR TAX

WASHINGTON dispatch says the house ways and means committee has tentatively agreed upon the necessity of a war tax to provide revenues necessary for running the government. Such a tax may not be popular, but it is evident that it must come if the European conflict continues.

There is reason to believe that the deficit in revenues from customs collections will be larger than was estimated at the beginning of hostilities. Curtailment of imports will continue long after the war ends, for Europe will need a considerable time to get back to a producing and exporting basis. Even should England get and If, as has been said, there is an on a scale which will restore customs collections.

to the entire world.

The Washington administration the illegal traffic. has a difficult problem before it. The extent to which the drug The government has enough money evil exists is appalling. Only those In its treasury to meet expenses who come into personal contact for a considerable time, but there with the victims in hospitals, police is question whether treasury .bal- courts and prisons know the whole ances should be drawn upon until truth. It was recently disclosed ia the necessity for levying a war New York that the drug peddlers tax becomes imperative. Higher had even marked school children a natural outcome of the war detaxes are never popular, and they as the victims of greed. are especially unpopular when the A jury in Portland's municipal esty of men. He insists that trade ests, with those people who believed over

ida project. It was a project which had the approval of the army engineers who visited the proposed improvement and made a personal inspection.

Sparkman of Florida is chairman of the rivers and harbors committee of the house and Fletcher of Florida is on the commerce committee of the senate. These men will probably be on the conference committee if the pending bill passes. They have been friendly to the Columbia river and to the Oregon projects. But the denunciations by the Oregonian of the Florida project have done much to anger these men. It is one of the handicaps the Oregonian has thrown upon the Oregon senators in their efforts to do service for Oregon. Do Portland and Oregon business men think the Oregonian's fight on the rivers and harbors bill is a good thing for this state? It is almost unthinkable that an Oregon newspaper would take a course so destructive to the material interests of Oregon. It seems

incredible that it would make a fight which must have for its fruit. if successful, the postponement of the completion of the Columbia jetty to a date at least six years hence.

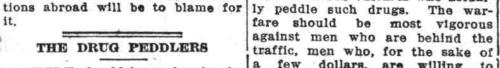
No wonder that all over Portland it is whispered by business men that the Oregonian has gone mad in its craze to elect Booth and some official body with power to defeat Chamberlain. Men are saying to one another every day that unscramble the eggs to insert the the Oregonian is actually trying to beat rivers and harbors legislation in order to be able to say afterward that Chamberlain and Lane are

without power in the senate. They are saying every day in this town that the Oregonian is willing to sacrifice all the waterway interests of Oregon in a puny and puerile effort to make campaign flapdoodle for the use of its private candidate for senator.

The Oregonian occasionally throws kisses at the rivers and harbors, but they are the kisses of treachery. It throws occasional kisses at the state of Oregon, but they are the kisses of betrayal.

tax is stamped on each article the court has found an attorney guilty people buy. Americans have ac- of the unlawful sale of morphine. customed themselves to paying A druggist testified to having sold their portion of the federal reve- the convicted man eight bottles of supports it or is a damage to it. Are without attempting to verify his capita consumption, which precludes nues without knowing the exact morphine and the same amount of we earnestly putting good solid brick amount, and a habit of long stand- cocaine. The lawyer says he will around this stone in order to form a amount, and a habit of long stand- cocame. The lawyer says ne will ing cannot be changed without appeal his case, and until the ap-group separately, working to get into much liquor is consumed in dry terri-"Fo But it is the business of congress ment as to his guilt may be sus- brick that are rotten, chipped and wants to believe that he is at liberty to meet the situation frankly and pended.

courageously. If a war tax is But the authorities should not levied, it will be the business of stop with one conviction. It is a the nation will suffer by it. It is so that blind pigs are not found in wet the people to recognize its neces- comparatively easy matter to pun- easy to make rules we like and make territory, why is it that Denver, with sity, and also the fact that condi- ish the human vultures who actual-



a few dollars, are willing to HERE should be no lagging by wreck human lives and cause un-Portland authorities in their told misery. pursuit of men and women engaged in the drug traffic.

maintain control of the seas, there- organization engaged in the illegal by enabling her merchant marine sale of morphine and cocaine, its to resume ocean traffic, that fact members should be put out of will not assure a resumption of business by sending them to jail Importations by the United States if that is the only effective means. In Cincinnati, New York, Chicago and elsewhere vigorous warfare

Europe is engaged in the busi- has been begun on the illegal sale ness of fighting and small atten- and use of habit-forming drugs. tion will be paid to the arts of Underground systems for the purpeace. Production and manufac- chase and distribution of opiates and sold only in government shops. ture will cease and exports to the have come to light, and in some There should not be a single rifle or United States drop away even if cities politicians and public offiocean lines of travel were opened cials, druggists and physicians have

been found to be participants in the end of the European war will curse to civilization:

Let the manufacture and sale of the pistol be prohibited by international agreement. It can be done. But will it be done? Mr. Wells says a world council for the regulation of armaments as

pends upon the courage and hon-

Deer hunting, morover, is better in of the Civil war, consequently I know the fall than in the summer. The game something of what was meant when it is in better physical condition. The was said "A question was never setreason that the people hunt in August tled until it was settled right." We is that it is at the beginning of the have been trying Mrs. Duniway's plan season. It is necessary for them to for a good many years, and yet get into the woods at that time before are, according to statistics, drinking the deer become so wild that the hunt- more liquor per capita than ever beer cannot get within a mile of them. fore.

If the opening of the season were post-Mrs. Duniway says we are obsessed poned to October, the deer would be by this idea of statewide prohibition. tame, and when the city man goes out I agree with her, we are; and we are to hunt he would stand some chance calling on Mrs. Duniway, with her of getting one. Also, it is practically league, with all the saloonkeepers, the mpossible to hunt any deer success- brewers, the Democrats, the Repubfully at this time of the year. The licans, the Prohibitionists, the Cathsmoke in the woods precludes the pos- olics, the Methodists, the Baptists, the sibility of seeing the deer more than a Congregationalists, the Presbyterians, the Friends, the Universalists and the few hundred yards.

I think Governor West should be other churches of whatever name, the highly commended for the action he drunkard, the man who is down and has taken. Every foot of merchantable out, every man and woman of this timber means a dollar or two to the great state of Oregon, to join with us for statewide and nationwide prohibiimbermen of the state and \$10 to \$11 tion of the liquor traffic. o the people of the state

And when we have tried that a The state appropriates \$75,000 every long as we have tried the old way, and wo years for maintaining the state find it is as much of a failure, we can bureau of forestry, whose duty it is to see that these lands are patrolled. easily slide downhill again to our present condition. If the state has that much interest in Now if Mrs. Duniway is not too much

t, it ought to have the further interest "obsessed" with her own idea, will she of keeping hunters out of the timber please tell us how much the saloons when there is danger of fire. and the breweries of the state would A SUBSCRIBER.

Sound Stuff in Government. Portland, Aug. 29 .- To the Editor of traffic?

The Journal-As lawmakers of this state and nation, what is required of The Blind Pig Question.

us? The preamble of the constitution. St. Helens, Aug. 28 .- To the Editor which is the great cornerstone of our of The Journal-S. J. Cotton, whose government, says: "We, the people of was printed in your issue of the United States, in order to form a August 26, for evidently takes it more/perfect union." Each law laid granted that the readers of The Jourdown besides this cornerstone either statements. He seems to believe that any one commodity having more than the blind pig exists in dry territory its proper weight in the aggre-

state and every state now arising to

F. W. TASKER.

the great structures of government cracked by our selfish interests? to do so, but if he wants the readers

If vindictive laws creep in by some of The Journal to believe it why plausible argument, we may be sure doesn't he give proofs? If it is true others live up to them, that we fail to 483 licensed saloons has a list of see how bigoted, contemptible and 1020 retail dealers who pay the retail narrow we have grown. But we will liquor dealer's federal tax? Counting fare should be most vigorous suffer in proportion to the amount of out the drugstores paying federal limalicious premeditation we individu- quor tax there are still as many blind ally put into them; only, the sad part pigs as licensed saloons in that wet

is that this doesn't keep the innocent city. One of the Denver papers pubones from suffering, too. The "of" lished a list of the addresses of 103 and "by" and "for" applies to all the of these blind pigs. If Mr. Cotton wants people to people.

lieve that Salem, Oregon, uses as much liquor now as when wet, why doesn't he back up his statements with reports from express and freight sifted, of all malice, vindictiveness and companies of the amounts of liquot shipped in there when wet and when ble of a loyal, law making body, be it dry. If as much liquor is used in dry territory, then it would be reasonburn out any possible dross that might able to expect as much drunkenness still be hid and turn the pure stuff in dry Eugene as in wet Eugene, or in out into honest bricks to build up this dry Springfield as in wet Springfield. Why not quote the reports of ar-

Coffee and Intoxicants.

Mr. Cotton states that blind pig operators have no respect for law. I would not question such a

to fight prohibition? He says there is not one instance where prohibition

families.

Mr. Cotton says when the saloon goes out the blind pig comes in. My observation is that there is more liquor sold illegally in licensed towns than in dry towns. It was the business inter-dous mountain of coffee contained observation is that there is more liquor

himself "The Plowboy of Tatnall," and pings, partisan documents. As it a post at Scott's Bluffs. says of his opponent: 'He can't out-country the plowboy." Finally, he throughout the country read the of-its and Joseph-were in charge of the enumerates as one of the reasons for ficial record with any regularity. It is a book of reference rather than one reelection that: "He delivered a speech urging that to be read.

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# UPS AND DOWNS OF THE "INDEX NUMBER"

use in comparison, so as "index num-By John M. Oskison, The big commercial agencies keep ber' cannot be taken as a guide to Oregon. the pitimate cost of living, except track of the prices of those commodthat generally speaking retail prices ities which are in common use in do roughly and in time follow wholethis country, and they issue from sale prices up and down.

time to time what is called an "index In the light of these explanations number," showing whether the cost of let us make some comparisons of livliving is rising or falling. From a ing costs based on the "index numspring issue of Dun's Review, this ber

explanation is taken: On May 1, 1912, the per capita cost "It is a well known fact that there at wholesale of the commodities reis no better basis for a study of the ferred to above totaled \$128.98; on commercial situation than a compara- the same date this year the cost was give to have her idea adopted in this tive record of commodities. Tempodown to \$118.23, which was 11 cents influences, such as short crops, cheaper than on May 1, 1913. rary throw off the yoke of the liquor war, financial or political disturbances

On July 1, 1912, the figure was may exert some effect for a time, but \$122.27; a year later it was \$116.32. in the long run the course of prices and on July 1 this year it was \$119.71. must be determined by the action of From these figures you see that living the law of supply and demand." costs reached the high point in this Then the method used in compiling country about the end of April, 1912,

the "index number" is explained: more than two years ago. "Quotations of all the necessaries of Now let us compare the quotations life are taken, and in each case the of wholesale prices of some of the commodities used to make up the "index number" during the week ended August 15 this year and the same week last year. This year, apples were \$1.25 a bar-

W. C. T. U. women unthinkingly and

C. A. BALL

"For convenience of comparison and rel, against \$1 last year; beans were economy of space, the prices are \$5.10 a hundred pounds, against \$4; grouped into seven classes: Breadstuffs include quotations of wheat, corn, oats, rye, barley, beans and peas; meats include live hogs, beef, sheep and many provisions, lard, tallow, etc. year, coffee at 81/2 cents a pound comdairy and garden products embrace pared with last year's price of 91% eggs, vegetables, milk, fruit, butter, cents; cotton goods were slightly highcheese, etc.; other food includes fish, er this year; ordinary good butter was liquors, condiments, sugar, rice-also cheaper; eggs were a little higher; tobacco, etc.; clothing covers the raw prunes were cheaper, but nearly all material of each industry, as well as other dried fruits were about 2 cents quotations for woolen, cotton, silk and rubber goods-also hides, leather and was \$4.90 a barrel, instead of \$5.40, boots and shoes; metals include varilast year's figure; lumber was generous quotations for pig iron and parally cheaper; metals were cheaper;

tially manufactured and finished products, as well as the minor metals, tin, lead, copper, etc., and coal and petro-\$7.70 to \$9 a hundred pounds. leum; miscellaneous includes many grades of hard and soft lumber, lath. brick, lime, glass, turpentine, hemp. linseed oil, paints, fertilizers and have received, the \$119.71 for July 1 drugs.

this year. Yet the increases do not seem startling, and many of them will Wholesale prices are taken, since retail prices vary too widely to be of be only temporary.

caffetannate of caffeine and potas- 47 one-fifth grains datly of a known sium-enough deadly poison to kill deadly poison. every man, woman and child in the Prohibition advocates, ministers, de-United States.

According to the analysis in the Encyclopedia' Britannica (pages 112the 113), one pound of coffee contains statement but would ask where there over three-fourths of an ounce of caffeine, caffetannate of caffeine and potassium. The medical dose E. T. LUTHER. (find out from your doctor) is one-fifth of it without remonstrance. The drunk-

a grain of caffeine. It is so strong that this small dose is all that is Ballston, Or., Aug. 29 .- To the Edirequired. Then figure it out. You drunk, while an opium fiend will adtor of The Journal-All your correwill find that three-fourths of an spondents, both prohibitionists and ounce just equals 1800 one-fifth grains, anti-prohibitionists, have overlooked the contents of caffeine, caffetannate one to drink. of caffeiene and potassium in one pound of coffee. Just imagine what to humanity, and that is coffee. In unknowingly will make strenuous 1913 there was imported into the this means-1800 one-fifth grains of forts to keep people from drinking United States \$52,529,493 pounds of beer or wine, and offer instead a a virulent narcotic drug, in one pound coffee, which would furnish about 10 of coffee, and the average family's far deadlier drink, coffee; and many supply for's week. In 10 pounds of would fight for their coffee harder coffee, each person's share of what than an anti-prohibitionist for his 50,000,000 pounds of caffeine, they drank last year, contained nearly beer or wine.

summer out after the buffalo, so they got my father to stay and take charge of the trading post. When they came back from their big buffalo hunt my father took some goods to trade for furs and went up on the headwaters of the Columbia. We heard that he died on that trip, so he never got to on with my uncle. 1 went Neal Gilliam, to Oregon." H00'S H00

Three of

By John W. Carey.



building materials were unchanged, ex-Who sent an ultimatum to cept laths, which were \$4 a thousand, majesty the czar, and when he failed instead of \$5, and lime, which was 92 to too the mark let loose the dogs of cents instead of 90 cents a barrel; this war?

Who got the bug 'twould be great sport to make all Europe prance, and so stirred up another row with nextdoor neighbor, France?

Who tired of life's monotony and yawned and said, "Oh, hum," and pound higher; winter wheat flour sent his troops across the line to scrap with Belgium? Who kicked the British llon in the

ribs and pulled his tail and roused J. live beef was up from \$7 to \$7.25 a Bull in dudgeon high to hit his blo ing trail? hundred pounds, and live hogs from Who undertook, in other words.

Here are enough examples to show "some job"-to the the can abaft the that the next "index number" will known world-at-large? That well record an advance over the last one I Kalser Wilhelm man.

> On the Trail. Kansas City Star.

"Do you see that man going along with his head in the air, sniffing with

his nose?" "Yes; I know him.

"I suppose he believes in taking in the good, pure ozone?"

yout church going people, and millions "No; he's hunting for motor of others who decry and work against garage, I believe."

the excesses of others, must have their coffee, and even parents are such The Sunday Journal slaves to the habit that they will see their children addicted to the use of The Great Home Newspaper, ard, when sober, will offer the most consists of abject apology for his condition when Five news sections replete with vise strongly against the use of it; illustrated features. while a coffee drinker will urge every-Illustrated magazine of quality,

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R. T. HUGHES, rests in such places to prove that there is as much liquor consumed

The Blind Pigs' Sales.

of The Journal-In an article, signed in The Journal of Aug. 26, S. J. Cotton says prohibition does not lessen drinking. Then why do men that manufacture it spend thousands of dollars

be the hour for dealing with a has benefited one man or community

CAN IT BE DONE? TT TRITING from London, H. G. Wells pleads for the absolute prohibition throughout

the world of the manufacture of weapons for private gain. He says: I would carry this suppression down

against men who are behind the

traffic, men who, for the sake of

even to restriction of the manufacture and sale of every sort of gun pistol and explosive. They should be

worthy state of ours. made only in government workshops

pistol unregistered, unrecorded and untracable in the world.

The Detroit Free Press says that

was closed they went home sober and the greatest and most harmful drink

by keeping men 'sober. I know of

scores of men that spent their money in the saloon, but when the saloon

ought necessaries of life for their

Every measure suggested to be imupon this great state as a law should be put into the public mortar of honest reasoning, ground fine and class prejudice, then sent to the crucia legislature or the voting booth, to

without the saloon as with it. Oregon City, Aug. 28 .- To the Editor

is a saloon having respect for law.