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ONE MAN POWER. HOWEVER the present war may be, its progress so far has been a study in the history of centralized, and more or less autocratic power in equipping a nation for war and the relative efficiency of the national and the individual.

THE HARMONY PROGRAM. DIRECT hostility to Dr. Withycombe's declared plan of being "harmonious" with the legislature, Dr. G. J. Smith said in his Frisvold speech.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE. (Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on one side of the paper, and should not exceed 300 words in length, and should be accompanied by the name and address of the sender.)

A FEW SMILES. The usual large crowd gathered at Madison and Dearborn streets waiting to greet the elderly lady.

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF. Eternal primping is the price of vanity. The fewer friends a man needs, the more he has.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS. Senseless Signal: The Seaside boys, bent on the departure of the summer girl, can now save their money for the long winter.

IN EARLIER DAYS. By Fred Lockley. "I was here before Mount Angel was," said Nicholas Mikel when I visited him a few days ago at his home at Mount Angel.

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER. IN A letter that is extraordinary from many standpoints, President Wilson expresses his inability to take an active part in the pending political campaign.

Preparedness for war does not prevent attack. That great myth has been exposed. Germany was the best prepared of all the nations.

Urges a No-Treat Ordinance. Portland, Sept. 4.—To the Editor of The Journal.—The country now going on between the wet and dry is quite entertaining to those who have never lived in "prohibition" territory.

The Ragtime Muse. Dred tomb of the rejected and despoiled. Inhabitants, rat hole, quicksand, cave!

WAR FINANCE IN GERMANY. From the New York Sun. Details are reaching the outside world slowly of the means adopted by Germany to finance not only the direct expenses of the war but the country at large under war conditions.

RECORD WAR-TIME RECOVERY OF CREDIT. By John M. Oakison. Five days after the Bank of England had raised its discount rate to 10 per cent, and only two days after England's rate was reduced to 5 per cent, the rate was reduced to 5 per cent.

HOO'S HOO. By John W. Carey. Who bosses half of Europe (and of Asia, as you know), and all because his daddy did the same things years ago?

Cure for Insomnia. "Doctor," said he, "I'm a victim of insomnia. I can't sleep if there's the least noise, such as a cat on the back fence, for instance."

THE BROWN MAN'S HOPE. WHEN millions are being led to slaughter by their rulers in Europe the New York Evening Post finds cause for rejoicing and fresh courage, that, thanks to President Wilson, there seems to be, at last, a government in Manila which really seeks to be the servant and not the master of the governed.

EARLY RISING. THE truth of the old proverb "early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise," is questioned by the Rev. Walter Dwight, S. J.

MR. COTTON TO MR. COE. Nehalem, Or., Sept. 3.—To the Editor of The Journal.—I want to ask Curtis P. Coe, in your columns, a few questions, inasmuch as he is a candidate for congress in my district.

PERSONAL LIBERTY. Portland, Sept. 5.—To the Editor of The Journal.—A good sign of the advancement of prohibition is shown from the fact that a large part of its plantations are being taken over by the state.

STAND BY THE PRODUCER. McMinnville, Or., Aug. 30.—To the Editor of The Journal.—I note that Arthur Ayres will vote yet if anybody can show him any prosperity due to hops and booze.

CUTTING AND POLISHING. The Rev. Holman Black was congratulated in Denver by a reporter, who asked about his sermon, on his mastery of pulpit oratory.

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GIVE ALASKA A CHANCE. THE Alaska coal leasing bill has passed the house of representatives. It should pass the senate and become a law at an early date.

SPEAKING OF BASEBALL. THE war fans have but little more interest in the outcome of the international struggle than the baseball fans in the National League championship.

HOPES PROHIBITION WILL WIN. Ridgeport, Wash., Sept. 5.—To the Editor of The Journal.—Prohibition is a great advancement in civilization. There is nothing that causes so much misery as the indulgence in such things as liquor.

THE HOP-GROWING ARGUMENT. Forest Grove, Or., Sept. 5.—To the Editor of The Journal.—I see by The Journal that the hop growers are making great lamentation going up and down the hills.

A TIP FOR JOE KNOWLES. Portland, Sept. 5.—To the Editor of The Journal.—I like ever so much your Knowl's articles. Say, isn't it wonderful that Knowl's underdoes in his articles about the hop?

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