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A REPUBLICAN VIEW

AN IMPRESSIVE appeal for a united America behind President Wilson in the extraordinary crisis created by the world war is made by the Springfield Republican, one of the leading Republican newspapers of the United States. It says: The administration may go to the country with an extraordinary record of legislative achievement. The new federal reserve banking system...

A FEW SMILES

There was a father who was very angry because he had heard his small boy was using slang, and he had brought him up to his room. He called upon the Irish people to keep faith with the British democracy and bear their share in the burdens and sacrifices of war. No fair minded person will begrudge the Irishman this day of rejoicing. It marks the close of a century old fight which Grattan and O'Connell began and Butt, Biggar, Parnell, Mitchell and Redmond have carried on.

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

Every police magistrate has his trying times. The successful man stinks to business with the industry. No, Cordelia, a melting furnace is not an apparatus for cooking smelt. A woman likes to get into society so that she can help to keep others out. His satanic majesty never gets his due from some people with their lives.

SMALL CHANGE

When a woman marries for spite she's not a wife; she's more than her husband. When a man tells a young widow that he is not worthy of her he knows she knows he's lying. What a delightful world if the rose kept its odor as long as the moth ball does.

Four Pages of War Photographs... No better idea of the character and magnitude of the European war can be secured than by actual photographs of the people and places involved.

WHO ARE THEY?

There is a recall for all that die. A mourner over the humblest grave. But nations swell the funeral cry. And triumph weeps above the brave. —Byron. THERE is to be a recall of the Mayor and Commissioners Dieck and Brewster, who will be the candidates? Is the recall a disinterested recall, or are there gentlemen in the background who have an axe to grind?

Letters From the People

(Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on separate sheets and must be addressed to the Editor, The Journal, 507 Broadway, Portland, Ore. The name and address of the sender, if the same has been published, he should so state.) "Discipline is the greatest of all reformations. It rationalizes everything it touches. It kills pride, it kills selfishness. It drives them back on their responsibility. If they have not the responsibility, it drives them out of existence and sets up its consciousness in their stead." —Woodrow Wilson.

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"I have been three times passed by the House of Commons and in a few hours will be the law of the land. A new era has opened in the history of the two continents." "Tommy," said he, sternly, "how dare you use that word? And to speak of your own father? How could you do it?" "Well, pop," said the youngster, "how was I to know you wanted to swear first?"

The Tariff Howl

Portland, Ore., Sept. 15.—To the Editor of The Journal.—The editorial in Saturday's Journal regarding the Oregonian's wall about the low tariff paid in this country for raw materials is a pertinent one. It won't change the disgruntled Oregonian one whit. Some one has crowded the Oregonian's front door out of the public press, it's no reason for persistently seeking to pervert facts.

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These are not Democratic times or Republican times or Progressive times, but war times. The commanding thought of mankind now and until this awful war is over as well as long after, is the part the United States has played, is playing and is to play in the great war drama, and in the tremendous world politics to be enacted in the readjustment of dislocated national affairs, in the re-establishment of national boundaries, and in the settlement of the intricate economical problems incident to the vastest conflict in the history of man.

It is the hope of mankind that out of the awful realities of this war, there may come an opportunity for a united world movement for whole or partial disarmament of the nations. More than to any other nation in the world, the stricken and suffering peoples of the war zone will turn to the United States for counsel and guidance, and in such a time of what infinite importance that Woodrow Wilson should be the chief counselor and with a united people back of him. How infinitely better, when he comes to speak as the leader of his country to the unhappy human beings in the stricken nations, that he should speak as one having the complete confidence and the undivided support and approval of his own countrymen!

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NEW FANGLED GOVERNMENT

Under the new fangled government we hear so much about lately, the taxes are \$3 per capita, exclaimed Dr. Withycombe, as he rested on the bosom of 150 chosen and trusted followers at the Commercial Club dinner. It is a startling position for Dr. Withycombe to take. It must have been one of those steps of the tongue that so often throw a vivid light on the deep inner convictions of Dr. Withycombe. Of course, under what Dr. Withycombe calls the "new fangled system," there are certain small expenses not operative under the old system. The initiative and referendum make a larger ballot. But aside from reactionaries, everybody knows the added expense is compensated for in the opportunity the people have of enacting the legislation. There is a small item of expense in issuing the voters' pamphlet. But it is a thousand times compensated for in the educative influence on the citizen in leading him to a greater interest in public affairs.

MRS. WILSON'S REQUEST

ONE of the hopes expressed by the late Mrs. Wilson on her death bed is about to be realized in the passage of a law by Congress abolishing the slums of Washington. The measure has now been endorsed by both houses. As a mother the president's wife was extremely sensitive to the condition of the children of the slums living under conditions which bar out even the commonest joys of life. She doubtless thought of the illness, hunger, cold and lack of nourishing food and, worst of all, the bestial life about them. "The poor ye have with you always," said the Nazarene, but he taught that in carrying cheer to the distressed and opportunity for better living the field of poverty could be narrowed. Language can never express the feelings of President Wilson when he signs the bill which is the last wish of his dying companion, whispered in trembling accents from her deathbed, now translated into statute law.

The Hop Industry

Portland, Ore., Sept. 14.—To the Editor of The Journal—I offer the following as a reply to the article of the Yamhill Hop Growers' association in your issue of Sept. 11. "The attacks" on hops have not been on Yamhill producers but on a condition that addresses wherever hops are grown under similar circumstances. I will grant that in Yamhill, where pickers sleep at home, and are taken back and forth in wagons, conditions are better than elsewhere. I do not challenge the fact that one individual instance of dishonesty by several friends who have lived longer in Oregon and who have had experience in hop fields.

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THE COURT FEES

TWO years of agitation by The Journal against extortionate fees in the federal courts of Oregon has finally cleared away the remaining remnant of the fee lobby. The system of double fees for the clerk and marshal was abolished by the Chamberlain rider to

WELSH DISESTABLISHMENT

THE decision of the House of Commons to suspend legislation amending the bill disestablishing the Church of Wales until after the close of the war will result in the measure becoming a law as it passed the house. The bill has been passed by the lower house three times and has been rejected by the House of Lords. It now goes to the king for the royal assent. The movement for disestablishment owes its beginning in large measure to the great schism of 1811 when the Methodist faction of the Church of Wales finally separated and became an independent body. In 1906 the Liberal party was swept into power on the wave of a liberal and non-conformist tide which spelled disaster for the established church schools. The Liberal government was pledged to a radical reform in the public school system whereby the state aided church schools should be superseded by non-sectarian schools. The bill effecting that reform went through the House of Commons in short order but the House of Lords as quickly threw it out.

IRISH HOME RULE

INDICATIVE of the absorption of the world in the issue of the great international war final steps in the Irish home rule and Welsh disestablishment bills have been taken by the English House of Commons almost unnoticed. On Tuesday last the house voted to suspend legislation amending the bills. The Unionists manifested their protest by withdrawing from the chamber. The effect of this vote is to send the bills up to the king and they will become laws over the veto of the House of Lords. It will probably be a year before the Irish government is organized. Premier Asquith has promised that before the home rule goes into operation the government will introduce a bill amending it to meet the objections of the protestant counties. It is hoped that that time a spirit will have grown up that will make a real settlement possible. To have postponed the passage of the bill, said Premier Asquith, would have had a deplorable effect on the Irish race all over the world and on Irish recruiting for the war. In a manifesto John Redmond, the Irish leader, says: "By overwhelming British majorities a charter of liberty for Ireland

Challenge to Mr. Ruth

Portland, Ore., Sept. 17.—To the Editor of The Journal.—Owing to certain editorial changes, or possibly an inability to print, the letter of Mr. Ruth, published in today's Journal, I beg space to correct my challenge and some statements: I wrote: "Editors who would have been hanged and eliminated from the homicide count had they been Oregonians for only the first degree murders were the victims of a letter known as..." I now add, "And none are hanged." I challenged Mr. Ruth to deny that he used either the word "quaint" or the word "jail" wrongfully. R. E. BEEGLE.

Dangerous Weapons

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