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than an end. That is where his partisanship differs from Senator Borah's. It is not probable that the Idaho senator's speech will be circulated as a campaign document.

LINKING THE PRESIDENT IN ITS persecution of President Wilson, the Oregonian carried in its first edition Tuesday, a scurrilous news article.

A FREE LEGISLATURE THE legislature could do nothing more intelligent than to require appropriation bills to be ready by the 20th day of the session.

THE power to control appropriations in committee and otherwise has always been a chief instrument of legislative tyranny.

THE free lances in the legislature are nearly always the members from counties that seek no appropriations. They are the members who could never be subjugated.

THE argument in all these complaints is that if President Wilson had protested against the violations of treaties and the principles of civilized warfare he could have protested with justly great effect.

THE Hearst newspapers would scarcely go to such lengths in libeling a president. The assassination of President McKinley was caused by the publication of matter less violent.

THE Oregonian is culpable in that it wittingly falsifies the known attitude of the British, French and German toward the United States.

THE world on fire with war, all citizens understand the weighty problems that environ the Washington government. To be fair and just with the warring peoples, to so manage the conflicting and complicated forces that we shall not become embroiled, to preserve our own rights in the midst of a conflict in which eighteen million men are under arms and civilized government in all Europe at the point of break down—all this and vastly more is the burden under which the president is struggling, and it is amazing that there should be in his own country a hiss which condemns him because he did not entangle his country with a protest to Germany against the invasion of Belgium.

WOODROW Wilson's policy of peace and neutrality has the approval of the vast majority of the countrymen, who want his hands upheld and his position supported.

THE nation wants no bloody trophies, no sacrificed manhood, no slaughtered boys. The spirit of the nation is voiced by Ella Wheeler Wilcox, thus: Hear, then, our edict: Never from this day will any woman on the crust of earth be a warrior. We have sworn the oath.

SENATOR BORAH'S REPLY SENATOR BORAH was selected by his Republican colleagues to reply to President Wilson's Indianapolis speech.

AT LAST CHRISTMAS DAY William Jennings Bryan accompanied a friend in Fairfax county, Virginia, hunting rabbits.

THE secretary of state says there wasn't snow enough for a rabbit to make a track in, but if there was snow at all he didn't even see a rabbit, much less shoot one.

Very Likely From the Philadelphia Inquirer. Perhaps the censor made it necessary for the Oregonian to go to Indiana in order to get a little news of the war.

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PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF SMALL CHANGE The hard part about an easy job is the getting thereof. A really handsome woman is one whose mirror turns up her vanity. Many a man turns over a new leaf one day and turns it back the next.

Letters From the People (Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on only one side of the paper, should not be longer than 150 words, and must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer. The editor does not desire to have the same published more than once.)

Reply to Mr. Kleinau. Portland, Jan. 9.—To the Editor of The Journal:—I am reading Mr. Kleinau's appeal for the United States army, I was moved to go down to the recruiting office and do—as he is trying to do—get some one else to enlist.

The Ragtime Muse Past and Future. To be a child again, for a brief frolic, I would like to be an old man in his twilight. I would be sure of the infantile colic I would be a child again, just for a night.

A Few Smiles "What's become of that little chameleon Mandy had?" inquired Rufus. "Oh, de fool chile done lost him," replied the old man.

THE KAISER AS A WAR LORD—An intimate view of the most talked-of man in the world.

GERMAN NAVAL OFFICER FORTRELLS ZEPPELIN RAID—What may be expected of these giants of the air.

THE WAR'S TRAGIC TOMORROW—Urban Gohier, French author, sees naught but gloom ahead.

WAR BRINGS FAME TO EMILE VERHAEREN—Belgian author leaps suddenly into the limelight.

WITH THE WAR PHOTOGRAPHERS—A page of striking photographs from the war zone.

DEVELOP YOUR CHEST—Lillian Russell offers advice to women.

STATESMEN REAL AND NEAR—Fred C. Kelly.

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