

THE JOURNAL

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NOTHING THE MATTER WITH PORTLAND

THERE is nothing the matter with Portland. Its site is most fortunate. Nature could not have been more kind. The city is the gateway for one of the greatest and richest back countries in the world.



America asks nothing for herself but what she has a right to ask for humanity itself.

WOODROW WILSON.
Refrain tonight, and that shall lend a hand of assistance to the most unfortunate...

GOING DOWN TO EGYPT

THE long expected German expedition against Egypt is impending at Aleppo. The city of Alexander's old battlefield of Issus...

Whether the same good fortune will befall William remains to be seen. Attacking Egypt is one thing, winning it is another...

There is a good double track railroad from Aleppo down to the beginning of the Sinai desert...

The Sinai desert, as all Bible readers know, is a terrible place. The Jews wandered about there for forty years without getting ahead a great deal...

Because a Corvallis man left the price tags on his Christmas presents to his wife and thus deprived her of the pleasure she would have had in finding out the cost herself...

TREND OF OPINION

IN HIS article published in The Journal of December 25, J. B. Ziegler makes two points to which it is desirable to call particular attention.

Finally, the capstone in this series of natural advantages bestowed by an indulgent nature upon Portland is the deep river channel to the sea...

Such is Portland as the city now stands, and in contemplation of it the onlooker is forced to say that there is nothing the matter with Portland.

That, of course, is a mistake. But it is a mistake that in time we are going to repair.

It is true, of course, that Portland has never yet found her stride. Nature gave us so much that with the usual human tendency we have been disposed to let nature do it all.

It is a man of trivial importance in comparison with some of the public expenditures we have made. It is not much more than the cost of maintaining the public library and branches...

What more equitable than for the holders of values thus made to contribute by taxation for the maintenance of transportation lines that will greatly augment their values and be of inestimable service to the whole people?

It is interesting to learn from an inside authority just who does support the Chamber of Commerce and dictates its policy.

LINN COUNTY seems to be exceptionally permeated with modern, progressive ideas. A few days ago we spoke of the Albany society which had been organized to foster good feeling between city people and their country acquaintances.

There are enough fruitgrowers in Linn county to form a powerful corporation. United they have plenty of capital, they can establish rules of grading, packing and shipping...

AND THE ASS

MR. HARDY'S exhortation to the Chamber of Commerce employees would soften a heart of stone. It is paternalistic, almost pathetic.

hoped that the Linn county fruitmen will spend liberally for expert ability where that kind of ability is indispensable. It would be the worst of economy to form a corporation and entrust its management to incompetents.

The propensity of our learned ones for big words is well illustrated in the use of zeltgeweizentzungung when common ordinary boils are meant.

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In the following article, the third in its series, we are invited to the results to date of an undertaking to conserve the fruit and vegetable resources of Oregon by devices and methods that shall have no effect on the quality and no effect on the marketability of the products.

There came into existence in May of last year an apparatus invented by the W. G. McPherson company of this city that is destined to work a revolution in the preparation of all kinds of fruits, berries and vegetables for the market and consumption.

The invention is a fruit, berry and vegetable evaporator, and there is not another like it in the world—not another, it is believed, so perfect, and not another from which similar results may be obtained.

These quantities of water must be paid for by buyers of canned goods, and they add to the cost of shipments of fresh fruits or vegetables.

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Letters from the People

Communications sent to The Journal for publication should be addressed to the editor and should be accompanied by a return address.

Sunday Closing

Roseburg, Ore., Dec. 26.—To the Editor of The Journal:—I have just read a letter in The Journal written by Mrs. Cordelia Hess of Prairie City, who advocates Sunday closing laws.

Organization for National Defense

Oregon City, Dec. 28.—To the Editor of The Journal:—I am writing you to tell you that I am a member of the organization for national defense.

THE BAN ON THE JILTY

Portland, Dec. 28.—To the Editor of The Journal:—In the Oregonian of today I notice the following headlines: "Jilty" is under ban. Chamber of Commerce asks employees to use streetcars.

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE

Here's hoping you are in shape to welcome the new year. Sarah Bernhardt says she is fit as a fiddle—and an old one, at that.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

Finishing and furnishing the teachers' training school building at the University of Oregon will be completed in time for occupancy in the second semester of the school year in February, the Linn county reporter reports.

Here comes New Year ready for work, and yet they have not finished talking about starting the new auditorium.

People from the east will tell you that Portland's cold weather, far from being the real thing, is hardly a suggestion of it.

One trouble with Austria's arbitration plan is that arbitration of a continuing offense is a foregone victory for the offender.

Delegates to the irrigation congress having done their talking and the resolution is now up to Oregon as a whole to do the doing.

Reports that western Mexico has climbed abroad the water wagon lead one to believe there is no more oil in Mexico than many people had supposed.

The Southern Pacific's threat of limitless litigation over the O. & C. line has been met by the people of the South, Pacific and the limit of what's coming.

Fire Marshal Stephens announces a new order for the city of Portland concerning fire hazards by making streets instead of passing further warnings to the people.

FIRST IN THE PART OF UNCLE TOM

From the Christian Science Monitor: When Harriet Elizabeth (Becher) Stone, in 1861, was anxiously awaiting the arrival of her husband, she was in Washington, with the first installment of her story, "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

The first and final performance was given in North Adams, Mass., by the National Dramatic Company of the United States, bound to "front" the play.

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That everyone would be compelled to do his part as soon as called on. I have had been Senator Chamberlain's views on this matter, but from what I see of the bill it is feared to get through congress.

It is a pity that the people of the United States are so divided on this question. It is a pity that the people of the United States are so divided on this question.

Patriotism and Christianity

Portland, Dec. 28.—To the Editor of The Journal:—It seems to me that Rex Loveland is on the wrong track in some of the remarks he has made in the Portland papers of December 29 and 31.

THE HENS

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The Once Over

The Country Correspondent. It's about time that somebody said a good word for the country correspondent, who saves so many good words about the people of his—or, more often, her—neighborhood.

It has been pointed out, of course, that if the country papers cared to retaliate, they could do so in paragraphs of well-merited criticism in the city papers.

The Atlantic Observer, for instance, has a good correspondent at Mackinac, Mich. I don't know her name, or anything about her, except I am sure that she is a woman, and I know she can write good and interesting material.

Here is the "blast" to the Christmas budget of news from Massachusetts. It is a good thing that the people of the state are so interested in their own affairs.

Of the promoters of Portland's first municipal Christmas tree, we are told that the fact that Portland's city council did a prosperous business in 1915 was the main reason for the tree.

It would require a large book to contain the names of all the actors, comedians and comedienne who have taken part of the Uncle Tom's Cabin.

There was a time, as many will recall, when certain manufacturers, less than generous in their regard for the country, in order to stimulate popular interest in "Uncle Tom's Cabin," took liberties with the original dramatization.

More Slugs for Vancouver. The Vancouver Herald has the following: Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 28.—The Washington monument, Vancouver.

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