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long. Still Nicholas was an autocrat and Lincoln, like Wilson, was a democrat. An autocrat is his own source of power. Be it much or little its origin is the autocrat himself.

last thousand years was centered in a little Italian principality. There is an undraped statue of Minerva out there and possibly Secretary Warren has prudently kept the police out of the neighborhood lest their eyes fall upon the ungarmented form of the marble goddess.

Commission government is clean government. It is daylight government. It is government in the open where everybody can see everything that is done and fix the responsibility for whatever is done.

Beans. Beans are the most important food in our mill, lumber and mining camps. They are the salvation of many a boarding house and restaurant.

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE Hood River county's taxpayers are coming on pretty well. A half of the year's assessment is already paid, the Glacier says.

Rag Tag and Bobtail

Stories From Everywhere If to this column all readers of The Journal are invited to contribute original material in verse or in philosophical observation...



THE TOURIST BUSINESS

THERE is a good deal of misapprehension abroad as to what the "tourist business" might mean to Oregon. One man says it "would benefit nobody but the hotel keepers and garages."

Letters From the People

Every communication sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on one side of the paper, be not over 300 words in length and must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer.

The Lily Whites

Portland, May 10.—To the Editor of The Journal—Twelve years ago I came to Portland from the middle west with a family and the earnings of a lifetime.

America's Democracy

Aurora, Or., May 7.—To the Editor of The Journal—Yesterday's issue of your paper you devote much space to what I call the "Lily Whites."

COMPARISONS OF FOOD COSTS

Dear E. Hewitt in Chicago Herald. Nearly every one talks about the increased cost of living, and much is said that cannot be substantiated.

A Trio of Kid Stories

Lately a mother began teaching her 5-year-old daughter about God and Christ, and told her to be very good and careful what she said, as God would be watching her.

PORTLAND'S WAY

Few things could be more interesting in Portland just now than the action taken by the stockholders of the New Orleans Board of Trade to "establish a permanent river transport line with a specific pledge of financial aid."

A SUBVERSIVE SCHEME

SOME of these current suggestions as to "labor preparedness" are subversive if not traitorous. A horrible one which we have just seen in the New York Evening Post scandalizes us all the more from its appearing in such a quarter.

Two-Platoon Results Cited

Portland, May 8.—To the Editor of The Journal—Ninety per cent of our firemen want a two-platoon system. Seventy-five per cent of the men are married. One hundred per cent of our firemen spend their money here in Portland.

Barred From Vacant Lots

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