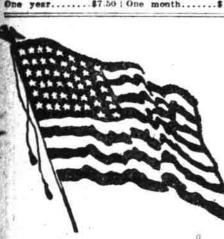
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It is no more a question whether the people of this country shall be allowed to plough the ocean than it is a question whether they shall be parmitted to James A. Bayard.

HOW WOULD YOU COLLECT

UPPOSE the Bean bill should be approved by popular vote. It directs that the grant lands be assessed. It declares them

preme court and the act of conbeen revested in the United States. Future title to any part of the lands can only be acquired by patent from the United States government

As a matter of being in equity with clean hands, the government Beyond land itself but only a former obligation of the government recog berlain-Ferris act.

\$2.50 is not payable to the railsale may be this year or ten years hence

enforce by any legal process until the land is sold. This interest might be referred to as an "equity," though there is question whether it is even an "equity." Because the land is government land, it cannot be taxed. This is fundamental. The only thing that can possibly be assessed is this right which the railroad has at some future day to receive \$2.50 for each acre hereafter sold

Suppose the railroad be assessed with this so-called "equity." And pay the taxes thereon. How would

the state get the tax money? If your property is assessed and the taxes not paid, the state, by virtue of the law, has a lien on it. which in due time may be foreclosed and the property be sold for taxes. The taxes are thus obtakes the property.

railroad possesses, viz., the future lines. right at an uncertain date to reenforce the right when once you have purchased it?

courts make up the deficiency in an intangible something on which of Canyon City and Burns. the tax money cannot be collected? How could the tangle in the tax rolls ever be straightened out?

The Bean bill thus proposes an absurdity, and serious support of it is inconceivable.

Two city elections are to be held in Portland next month if either of the two aldermanic charters wins. But what's a few elections anywhere in Oregon which does slavism." This won him many at \$25,000 per among politicians?

PREPARE YOUR BALLOT

to how they want to vote.

Among other proposals is the

Publisher that it may be successful should Medford to Crater Lake. put every citizen on guard.

> two commissioners to elect. No are the old established highways did not feel in immediate danger cept in threshing time, which is cus- all form of government, even com- or Oregon, running where they do ourselves but we did not relish the mission government, can be suc- because the immediate necessities prospect of seeing Europe domicessful without competent and of the people require them. Shall nated by a government so cruel, so honest officials. ers exercise large powers and on them because they happen to pass the czar's autocracy, and the kai- May 12 there appeared the text of a Joffre, waiting his turn in a Chithat account there should be great in sight of splendid mountains and ser's processed purpose to resist discrimination in their selection. lovely cataracts? Must we con- the monster seemed worthy of The records of the candidates demn the road past Silver Lake praise. A great deal of the so- serism as the only means "to bring should be searchingly scrutinized because that body of water de- called "pro-Germanism" which per- the war to an early end." With this and every vote for or against them lights the traveler's eye for miles vaded the United States at the bebe cast intelligently and consci- together? entiously.

Portland has good government now, and it is a precious thing, are entitled to every cut in grain any Pan-Slavic menace. German It would be a great blunder to give rates they can secure. Any effort intrigue honeycombed the whole good government a setback by by the Port of Astoria to prevent

So far as Portland is concerned, the coming election is, in many respects, as important as a presidential election.

The country will be thankful that the president shows a disposition to take the food situation in hand. Congress has dilly-dallied too long with this serious business. The members of that body are too much inclined to talk when they should be acting.

PROHIBITION IN WAR TIME

ROM every source, we are told that fool supply for the al lies may become the turning point in the war.

The country is called upon to plant the last acre of land and the last vacant lot. The people in some instances, in a universal response, are even digging up their lawns and planting them to vegetables

It seems unthinkable, should hesitate to forbid use cereals and edibles in the manufac-The lands are government lands. bushels of grain are consumed in ture of intoxicants. the manufacture of intoxicating beverages. There are statistics to the effect that the grains so consumed are equivalent to 11,000, 000 loaves of bread per day.

And this is not an interest in the Grains will help hasten the coming of peace. Intoxicants will not. The armies of liberty can be made strong for their great task by the products of the fields. They cannot he sustained on the battle front by payment to the railroad when the the products of distilleries and breweries.

It seems a very simple proposition, a wholly undebatable proposiroad until the land is sold. The tion, a thoroughly one-sided propoof a non-combatant's thirst for Not only has the railroad no in- whiskey or beer and the feeding terest in the land itself, but it has of the combatants who are making not even an interest that it can the supreme sacrifice, there is but one choice.

If food for the soldiers is in the slightest imperilled, save every grain growers. In some indirect pound of it that can be saved, in- and unseen way, they will have it ment for Portland to raise a fund to cluding all that which is consumed to pay. by the distilleries and breweries in the manufacture of liquors.

It is stated that the grain consumed in the manufacture of the world and the industry should liquors is the equivalent of that be escouraged. Society rests on used in 11,000,000 loaves of bread the farmer. per day. It ought not to take congress long to decide in a food suppose the railroad refuses to crisis that such a waste of foodstuffs should cease.

FATAL GIFT OF BEAUTY

T DOES not seem quite candid fit the conditions and the cost of whom this information will be of imto say that the roads to be haul. They should not be made to built and improved under the pay the added cost merely as a ed As the Spanish-American war, for bonding act are "scenic routes" matter of convenience and profit tained from the purchaser who and therefore of minor conse- for Astoria or any other port. pays the money to the state and quence. Nobody who will take the But in the case of this Bean map accompanying the bill in the that Pendleton grain should be person between 21 and 30 inclusive. bill assessment against the rail- state pamphlet can admit for a hauled 318 miles to Astoria for the must do the exempting.; no one can do are worthy of a few words, for, as it road, what would you sell? And moment that the scenery is the same rate as 218 miles to Porisuppose you do sell the thing the main consideration in selecting the land.

The road from Portland to Saceive \$2.50 per acre from sale of lem and on up the Willamette val- that, were his notorious bill that age is retained as the maximum the fact that we have a population of the fact tha government lands, how would you ley can hardly be called a "mere adopted, there is no way to enforce scenic route." Nor can that con- collection of the taxes on the right temptuous term be fairly applied the railroad has when the grant And since you could not collect to the great central road from the money, how would the county Lakeview to Bend, or to the road through the heart of eastern Ore-

> These roads and all the others chosen for improvement are natural arterics of travel and trade. Most of them were broken by the pioneers and laid out where they are because, everything considered, their location was the best possible.

It is difficult to find a road pleasant scenery with here and for most Americans looked upon there natural features of surpass- the Russian government as tyraning beauty. If we are to forbid my run mad and the czar's military VERY important election is improvements upon all roads which power was supposed to be almost but in our own country of liberty and pending in Portland. Many possess the fatal gift of beauty invincible. His defeat by Japan measures of weighty conse- we fear few of them will see sal- was explained plausibly on the if it is not gambling—gain without ton the law is the same.] quence are on the ballot. vation, to borrow Portia's phrase. ground that Russia could not get honor? Citizens will require considerable It will come as a surprise to most her forces into action. The long time to scrutinize these measures people to learn that scenery is a transit across Siberia was a fatal and form an intelligent opinion as demerit which should exclude a obstacle.

road from public favor. plan to go back to the aldermanic those who decry the economic value protective obstacle. Her immense farmers do not pay over 75 cents a day and attempt be made to railroad cents to open new roads into re- them? The kaiser pointed to the before breakfast. thinkable that an efficient and keep them in first class repair. empire, its unscrupulous absorp- man work, and when? Can he be an simple system should be aban- For example, the highway from tion of Poland, Finland, the efficient man of steady habits?

ly inefficient system, but nobody sound investment from the point and he warned mankind that Panknows what may happen. There of view of money returns alone. It Slavism must be checked in its good a bed as he has at his own home is an active campaign in behalf will not be long before we can career of conquest or the whole of the old system, and the fear say the same of the road from world would be subdued.

The commission- we decline to spend money on ignorant and so unprincipled as The Journal-In the daily papers of have invented the submarine, he didn't,

The farmers in eastern Oregon the inland empire.

FARMERS SHOULD HAVE IT

SALEM news dispatch says "the port of Astoria is evidently preparing to resist the movement on the part of the Port of Portland, the Portland Transportation & Traffic association and others to obtain on grain and other produce shipped from Eastern Oregon freight rates based on the distance and cost of haul.

If done, it will be a mistake for Astoria. It will be a mistake for and Russia seems headed toward more than one reason.

Astoria needs Portland's friend- historic ship and cooperation. It was Czarism. through Portland's cooperation that Astoria got parity rates with the war now stands revealed be-Puget Sound. The action by fore the world. which Astoria finally gained those rates originated in Portland, and Astoria knows it originated in Portland. Astoria knows that The Journal led that campaign, and knows that it was encouragement from Portland that caused Astoria to renew the petition that finally gained the coveted rates. Astoria failed when she made

gained parity rates without the acquiescence of Portland. Portland's friendship and assistance in this instance were of great value why Astoria should not now onpose Portland. The thing Portland did for Astoria should now

Pendleton zone are directly and profoundly concerned in this matper ton. If moved from Portland boat for Astoria the cost is 75 timately it must come out of the

These grain growers are entitled to the lowest rate obtainable, reand seaports. Their grain feeds

If it costs only five or seven cents for Umatilla grain to reach land and 75 cents if transferred to boat at Portland for Astoria. the farmers should have the bene-

As a lawyer, Mr. Bean knows lands are sold, and he further taxes levied that could not be colthe Bean bill.

HELPLESS RUSSIA

HE kaiser's professed purpose when he began his war of feat the menace of Pan-

Between Russia and her Euro-We feel little sympathy with pean neighbors there was no such shortage on the farms.

But the roads which are to be aggression was shared by many this way.

As it turned out there never was of Russia, alienated the governelecting unfit and unqualified of- farmers of the Pendleton zone ment from the people and rotted from getting a cut in the rate to the efficiency of the army. The the czar's ambition was nothing but a cloak for his own boundless ambition. What he really did was tee of the Socialist party of the Unitto attack the civilization of western Europe and the United States. hoping to destroy it and replace it with medieval autocracy.

Russia has as good as fallen out of the war, for the present at least, leaving her allies in the lurch. The kaiser withdraws las troops from the eastern frontier and concentrates them against France. The of man" works out in practice as the bulwark of Prussian despotism that proletarian anarchy whose renewed outcome

The kaiser's motive in starting

Letters From the People

(Communications sent to The Journal publication in this department should be writ-ten on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 300 words in length and must be ac-companied by the name and address of the sender. If the writer does not desire to have the name published he should so state.]

"The Tourist Business."

Portland, May 15 .- To the Editor of The Journal-In your editorial in Saturday's Journal, entitled 'The Tourist Business," I think you touched the right nail on the head when you said there was a "good deal of misappre hension abroad as to what the 'tourist business' might mean to Oregon." The man that said it would benefit no one but the hotelkeepers and garages is evidently mistaken a little, for it he would go to California-yes, to Francisco-I believe he would find the number of men and women who receive employment in one way and another through the tourist business in its various ways would measure up very well with the number of people reason. The grain raisers in the employed in the various industries in Portland.

of the world spends pretty close to from Portland to the ocean in deep \$700,000,000 annually? And I would sea ships for five to seven cents undertake to say that far more of this amount goes to find employment for people in the various walks of life garages. Portland's and Oregon's great need is the establishment of hotels and places of accommodation among Oregon's scenery, where the tourist could charge somebody has to pay. Ul- find entertainment and enjoyment, and then we should see what the tourist travel means. I believe it would be a good invest-

send this man, and some others holding like opinions on a trip through California or some other sections reaping a big harvest from the tourist gardless of the interest of cities travel, and then let him see for himself CHARLES COOPEY.

Military Exemption.

Saginaw, Or., May 11 .- To the Editor of The Journal-Please answer through the columns of The Journal the following, as soon as known: Are foreign-born males between the the high seas by ship from Port- ages prescribed by the compulsory

military law-aliens, in other words -required to register for the military census, and can they be drafted There are many foreign born men in fit. The rate on their grain should our state, who are not citizens, to

instance. A SUBSCRIBER. [Aliens born, who are not natural ized, are not liable to military service

that for himself. No veteran of the Spanish-Ameri-can war, in the nature of things, is limit.]

The Food Gambler.

itor of The Journal-The middleman. who stands in high places, gambling on the products of the earth, is a man ty's tax revenues would be thrown who menaces the life of the producer, tax revenues caused by levying on gon from Bend to Ontario by way into complication with a lot of as well as the consumer. I have been here on earth for 76 years. I am a titled to a great deal of credit. producer, and am also an observer, lected. But Lawyer Bean is not at least of some of the things that are of other towns that have done as well poses. Let us have good roads. telling folks all he knows about going on in this country; some of them, as Wauna, but they are too small to them. One of them is gambling and that the cities get all the credit. it should be stopped. Our representalives in congress should be requested by their constituencies to formulate a law prohibiting gambling on the prolucts of the farm, especially food proaggrandizement was to "de- materials that sustain life of human beings

is their duty to do so. Listen to the outery of the poor women and children for bread, not alone in Europe, O. F. B.

A Farm Laborer's Testimony.

Elgin, Or., May 13.-To the Editor of The Journal a few The Journal-In days ago I read a letter by W. Brown.

Now I am asking anyone who may doned for a complicated and whol- Tacoma to Rainier Park is a Transcaucasus, northern Persia, locality can draw from \$40 to \$55 a militia and the navy, and who lost greatly narrowed and restricted. Any kind of man in this particular although he tried both the naval limits, and just now these have been

or had before he left home.

· Mr. Brown is to be pitied, of course, for not getting over six bits a day His pretended fear of Russian but some men are paid according to their worth. I am a farm helper, Above all, there is a mayor and improved under the bonding act people in the United States. We wages, nor furnished my own bed, extanded the student of ancient causes of things can be also the old established highways did not feel in immediate danger cept in threshing time, which is cuslike the Woden line. A FARM LABORER.

> Mr. McCone Offers a Correction. Portland, May 13 .- To the Editor of message from certain American So-clalists to the German Socialists call-strating French democracy ing upon them to put an end to kai- doubt mastered the English language the fact that old Jupiter serism as the only means "to bring the war to an early end." With this message all Socialists are in accord.
>
> In the fairy story Jack climbs beanstalk to get at the giant.
>
> American equivalent of Jack is a merican equivale In substance it is an appeal to the ginning of the war originated in German Socialists to overthrow the the world the rulership of the few must be ended, and the rule of the

you are to be rejected service. But the shorter people established. It is unfortunate, however, that in Portland is likely to be resisted in kaiser's professed desire to combat this instance the message is not offi- potatoes. And there you are cial, and will not be so treated by the German Socialists, as it does not come from the national executive commited States, whose members are as follows: Victor L. Berger, Milwaukee: Anna A. Maley, Minneapolis; John M. Works, Chicagot John Spargo, Old Bennington, Vt., and Morris Hillquitt. New York city.

'According to press reports, which were unfortunately erroneous, it was stated that the message to German Socialists was signed by "the national executive committee of Socialists of Among those included as members of this committee were the Slavic zeal for "the brotherhood following: Charles Edward Russell. G. Phelps Stokes, Rose Pastor Stokes, William English Walling, Winpersons have no official standing in the Socialist party of the United States at the present time and were not authorized by the regular Socialist party organization to send the message to Germany, admirable as it is. Another error is to the effect that one of the signers, Henry L. Slobodin, is a former "netional secretary of the American Socialists' committee." Mr.

> It is, indeed, unfortunate that the newspapers have not been correctly gained a false impression.

Slobodin never held this office.

It has become the established policy of the Socialist party of the United the affairs of the sister Socialist par- backward state in the advancing tide ties of other countries, assuming that of popular government, that the greateach Socialist party in the respective est advance is likely. countries is doing the best it can in is called for January, 1918, and the the fight for victory over the ruling VICTOR J. M'CONE. Cass. State Secretary, Socialist party of

Pendleton, Or., May 13 .- To the Editor of The Journal-Hed any part of derful man. Theodore Roosevelt, in dicated military genius, one could apleadership.

tion days, and voted for him for presthe battlefields of Europe. West Point or Annapolis or value in military experience, why experiment paid in the life blood of the flower of American manhood?

If a hundredth part of the tales told by Henry K. Sienkiewicz of blood-mad Russia be true, and anarchy should sway is Russia, as the result of ill advice to the masses of that woefully ruled land, the fate of Armenia would be to what would transpire then, as a dream of misfortune to heart-rend-SILVER GRAY. ing reality.

"Honor to Whom Honor."

There is no ground whatever on at any age. However, the law, in re- advancing and the way they are worktrouble to glance over the road which Astoria can base a claim spect of registration, excepts no male ing to increase their membership and far as the public knows.

likely to be as young as 30; all are wonderfully and I think it deserves a the way of identification card or but therefore exempt from the draft, if great deal of credit. Notwithstanding ton to show "he is not a slacker." contributing at least a dollar. This Cherryvale, Or., May 13 .- To the Ed- was done in less than a week and I think that is surely good work, Besides this, we have contributed seven recruits to Uncle Sam. That is what I am sure that there are thousands is to be used for the highest of pur-

are outrageous, to say the least of be noticed and the consequences are A. M. DICKENSON.

Question of Remarriage. Vancouver, May 14 .- To the Editor

of The Journal-Kindly answer the ducts, such as wheat, oats and corn- following question through your paper: A man and wife separate. The man, believing his wife divorced from him. What can we do more than to ap- remarries. Later he learns no divorce peal to our servants in congress, to was granted, and he is indicted for not pass within sight of some sympathizers in the United States, pass a restraining law against those bigamy. Can either of the last two evils existing now in our country. It parties marry legally without an anrulment of the second ceremony? SUBSCRIBER.

[In Oregon the woman in the second marriage should institute suit to have plenty for all. I will ask what is it the marriage declared void, before rethat causes such high prices of foods marriage of either party. In Washing-

Portland, May 10 .- To the Editor

telling the reason of the present labor on foot to display a certain emblem He says the or flag at each home where one or form of government in Portland. of Oregon's scenery. There are forces could be assembled swiftly his own bed, and that one has to han- what will we do about the homes It is extraordinary that the pro- good grounds for the belief that for an assault anywhere along the die a ton or so of manure, milk from where the patriot has offered his servposal should be so quickly sprung it would often pay in dollars and border, and who could withstand two to twelve cows and do other work ices and been rejected? Is not he entitled to some consideration? it into adoption. It seems un- gions of exceptional beauty and rapid expansion of the Russian have read his letter, Where did that looks as fit as any boy in the city extreme liberality of law, custom and

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

SMALL CHANGE

With its unbroken record of never having had a crop failure, the Hills-boro Independent avers, Washington county can be counted upon to do its or ariking quotations, from any source. Contribute of ariking quotations, from any source. Contribute of ariking quotations, from any source. share of relieving the food shortage. times to reflect as easily as not days," says the Klamath Falls Herald Mr. Edison in these times to reflect that while he could as easily as not "the first proaching summer and the annual in-

flux. "There's no use trying to get around but one man risked his life today to trying to make a mid-winter show out Chicago Post. Occupants of offices of our strawberry carnival," says the in too Marquetta building first says strawberry carnival," says the grg Review. "There doesn't seem Jack climbs the The Roseburg Review, to be any desire on his part that summer should get a look in.'

the beanstalk for all it's rung class, and establish a greater degree of democracy. All Socialists, regardless of their differences upon other matters, are agreed that all over the world the world the matters. Advising the larmers of Umatilla roads be cut down to a width of 30 feet and the remainder cultivated, is good so far as it goes, but what I'matilla county needs is some crop plan the fermore are willing to adopt for tilla county needs is some crop plan the farmers are willing to adopt for The shorter you are the more liable rejected for military you are the utilizing its thousands of acres of sum-iner fallow."

you are for dropping As a result of a visit to the Washspuds grow where a thousand blades grass, four thistles and about 40 or dandellons grew before is not only a That American who makes two hills public benefactor but a patriot as well.

Nebraska, planting more than twice says. The Walla Walla farm covers Nebraska, planting more than twice as much corn as ever before, again gives evidence of the fact that though stocked with 12 and business men. Members of the announces her approach with convarieties of pheasants, wild turkeys and business men. Members of the siderably less hornblowing than some and wild ducks. A total of 8000 pheaspigeon, then at the ledge, and shoes her sisters, her name is always ant eggs have been set this year. Fish the list of arrivals just the same. lakes will be added.

ADVANCING DEMOCRACY IN AMERICA

commonwealths of the lication issued quarterly in Philadel- dum. phia, the advancements are given at some length, compiled from official reports, election returns and correspondcall, for municipalities, is now recognized in 35 states. Ten states either have decided to have constitutional conventions or the question is before tions in the present age draw up some progressive and democratic provisions or their work is defeated at the polls. These states are Massachusetts, Tennessee, Arkansas, Indiana, Texas, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Illinois, Washington and North Carolina. It is in Indiana, heretofore the most

It is doubtless a great comfort

while he waited.

worth, at all events.

to work

election for delegates is to be held on September 18, 1917. Not only do women vote for these delegates, but they will vote on the constitution to be drawn up and upon any separate propositions submitted. san, and no party designation or emmost striking recognition of the right of minorities to be heard is provided jority. Many meetings are being held be all the more advanced because for nearly three-quarters of a century no ture, but it is considered that the ap- marched nor stainless banner been Therefore, I feel that I speak from a amendment of any importance could be plication of these principles will passed owing to the absurd require- almost if not entirely prohibited by torch has also moved to light the nt that an amendment must be submitted to and passed by two successive to petitions can only be signed in the legislatures and then obtain a major- presence of an officer competent to and here beneath his smile and sway ity of the vote cast at the election inof the Indiana constitution in so large be applied to the constitution,

part by the makers of the Oregon con-Democracy is steadily gaining in the stitution that kept Oregon tied up for affairs of the municipalities and the over half a century, before a political revolution of ten-elevenths of the peoand in a recent issue of Equity, a pub- ple carried the initiative and referen-It is the existence of this rule of "a

> nitiative and referendum, although voted for by over 136,000 majority. every voter not taking interest enough to vote at all being counted as voting 'no," so far as the result and effect of such negative action was concerned. In Arkansas the new constitution authorized is quite likely to contain the most effective form of the initiaive and referendum. Equal suffrage

majority at the election" in Minnesota

that has prevented the adoption of the

orporated fully in the new fundanental law Arizona has enacted a law to preent the anonymous circulating of arguments on initiative and referendum neasures. The recent legislature enacted but few measures and adjourned on March 18.

revails there in primary elections

now, and is more than likely to be in-

St. Augustine, Fla., is one of many cities recently adopting the com- that makes our flag invincible nor mission form of government, and pro- dim its brilliant juster shed along the viding for the initiative and referen-

has directly and positively set aside all who see and serve all attempts to do away with the initstarted out to secure by initiative a new constitution considered to be the as thrones and scepters fall to dust. most advanced in the way of economic ion of anything so far proposed.

After 17 years of sleeping sickness the initiative and referendum provigiven some life by the legisla- men. the absurd provisions that signatures administer oaths, and in his office. stead of a majority of the vote cast on This, with other restrictions, makes it despotism dies away. the measure. It was the copying hard to operate. Neither principle can our rippling colors wave their wel-

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ILLS OF THE INDOOR WORKER- | deformities. Eye strain may indicate his age and mine, than our boys, but (No. 1).-Preventable disease alone itself in headache, twitching of the costs the nation's workingmen more eyelids or pain in the back. Faulty than \$360,000,000 yearly, causing as it does an average loss of nine full work-Because such sickness ing days! wastes the efficiency expected by the modern employer, as well as the contents of the employe's pay envelope, the prevention of disease has become recognized industrial problem and the health of the worker a paramount

issue. To best maintain health the indoor worker must pay careful attention to fresh air, correct position, proper and sufficient lighting, rest and recreation and, finally, to food and drink, Light must be sufficiently and properly Unfortunately, in many old offices and shops it is impossible to obtain adequate lighting without artificial light, which frequently brings the additional problem of excessive heat

Chief among the several serious disturbances of health cathed by insufficient light are eye strain and bodily er-No. 2)."

good position besides, is, in my

estimation, entitled to something in

Is not "our home" also entitled to

A Comparatively Small Bill.

The Word "Halt."

From the Descret News

For the average American to be told,

as all recently were told on high gov-

ernmental authority, "to keep your

mouth shut," is to impose about as

inpalatable an order, and one prob-

ably quite as difficult to observe, as

could be safely promulgated except

under the most stressful circum-

for the ordinary native to submit to

stances. Almost equally difficult is it

at a bridge, reservoir, factory, ware-

warnings. If his indiscretion leads

utraged hearer is more than likely to

grief. If he fails to heed the other

of being shot. All of us must remem-

ber and realize that we are at war, and

that war methods are summary and

severe. The tongue is proverbially an

unruly member, and the American arti-

cle is peculiarly liable to wag unwisely

public opinion. But the good gift may

MAN WITH THE HOE.

In comparison, the proposed \$6,-

M. L. M'MINN.

position frequently results in a contracted chest, this in turn interfering with proper expansion of the lungs. Combine these things with long hours of work in ill ventilated quarters, and tuberculosis is likely to develop. To prevent eye strain see that the

desk or work table is placed so as to receive the greatest amount of light with the least amount of glare. sure to shield the eyes from direct rays of light. The worker himself must see that his body does not become deformed. There are of course some occupations which cannot well be carried on without having the work er assume an unhealthy position. This is the case, for example, with garment workers, shoemakers doing handwork and draftsmen.

By studying your work, however you can find a way to solve this prob-

Tomorrow-"Ills of the Indoor Work

PERSONAL MENTION

Swedish Banker Visits. Mr. and Mrs. Alex Palmgren, tourists of Stockholm. Sweden, are registered at the Carlton. Mr. Palmgren

is a prominent Swedish banker and has been touring the United States Portland, May 14 .- To the Editor of for some time. The Journal-Oregon's share of the Overland From Salt Lake. Carl M. Lipman and his brother

Daniel of Salt Lake city, are regis-000,000 road bond issue is small and tered at the Imperial hotel, having made the trip to Portland in an automobile The motorist encountered five feet of snow in the Blue mountains but met with no other mishaps, spending five days on the way. H. G. Rice of McMinnville is at the

Perkins George L. Symons of Butte is at the Portland E. C. Blackmen of Riverside, Wash.,

s at the Multnomah William H. Moeller of Baker is reg istered at the Oregon. C. W. Grant of Toppenish, Wash., is at the Imperial

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Haines of Spo-

such restraint of his freedom of movecane are at the Cornelius ment as comes with the sharp com-R. C. Hillman of Culver is at the mand "Halt!" from a sentry or guard Perkins. E. B. Nettleton, from Wheeler, Or. house, or other point or place under is at the Portland. armed watch care. Yet the prudent B. Thompson of South Bend, Wash.,

citizen will not omit to heed both is at the Multnomah, Charles Boon Jr., five years secreilm into any intemperance violation of ary of the Spokane Greeters, the first one, the long arm of the se- joined the office staff of the Multcret service, or the short arm of an nomah.

Ben and M. Wise of Ilwaco, Wash., reach him and bring him to sudden are at the Oregon. Robert Service of Baker is at the command, he is taking large chances Imperial.

W. G. Carroll of Brighton, Or., is registered at the Cornelius. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fulton of Dalles are at the Portland. E. L. Murphy of Pendleton is at the Perkins.

egistered at the Oregon H. H. Tucker of Globe. not safely be overworked; there are the Washington. at the Carlton.

Rag Tag and Bobtail

Stories From Everywhere

tions of exceptional merit will be paid for, at the editor's appraisal.]

Blessed Are the Merciful. IT WAS just a little, half-grown that flock about the federal building is rescue it from starvation, says the in the Marquette building first saw the pigeon fluttering wildly and struggling to free itself from niche in the cornice on the northeast corner of the postoffice building. above the ninth floor windows of the United States marshal's office. It was entangled in a string, and every as effort to free itself was in vain until the bird, exnausted, dropped from the for ledge and hung by the

B. T. Roodhaus, a lawyer with offices at 1018 Marquette building, hurried over to the federal building and The janitor gave up the task of Every window in the Marquette

building, as well as in other buildings their heads, until Deputy Marshal William Henry Streeter came in. Streeter walked to the window,

looked at the pigeon, then at the ledge, took off his coat and stepped out of the window. A crowd quickly gathered in the street below. Traffic was jammed while Streeter edged his way along the narrow ledge, then climbed up the corner of the building. reached over the ledge and broke the string. The crowd cheered The pigeon dived

halfway to the street, then straightened its wings and flew away. Streeter crept back to the window. crawled in and put on his coat.

The Old Flag.

The old flag futters for the free and spotless shall its splendor be, as through the smoke and fire of wars t bears its dancing, gleaming stars of hope and liberty until the cannon's lips grow cold and still and plaintive bugles sound surcease from strife for everlasting peace. The old flag flutters for the free

by God's benevolent decree, and faneath the starlight of its sky. There, every governmental plan attests the brotherhood of man, and aristocracy goes down before the commoners who place the welfare of the human race above the glitter of a crown. No power can shake the principle

lines our sentries tread. streaming light is blent the glory of self-government and equal rights for warms the patriot's blood and leads his march through fire and flood and stroke and every stain and scath and

sions of the constitution of Utah have a war against the cherished rights of be unfurled except where Liberty with world

republics rise as empires fall and come to the morning lights the erst while potentate and slave meet on free soil with equal rights, and with the old guard of the land the exiland the refugee salute, defend and understand the flag that flutters for the free.

-Jack Smith, Astoria, Or

Mnemonics The Alexander department store last week purchased a Ford roadster for the use of Smoky Nolf of the grocery side, says the Pendleton East Oregonian's Weakly Smoky has poor eyes and had trouble distinguishing the three pedals on the car until Carl Cooley thoughtfully selected three aces from a deck of cards and affixed one to each peda-

trouble seeing three aces in all his

Career.

And he did."

He knew that Smoky had never had

No Argument. "Where'd you get the black eye?" asked Jones. "What was the argument about?" "There was no argument," replied

How It Started. Said a tiny drop of dew

Smith. "Brown walked up to me and

told me he would punch me in the eye.

To a raindrop (tiny, too),
"There is much we should be doing for our country, now at war; But we are so very tiny, Not like oceans, big and briny, That can cradle mighty battleships that voyage near and far

Said the little drop of rain To the drop of dew, "A pain You are giving me. Don't dare say such woeful things again.
Though I'm but a drop of warter, Don't dare to myself, can be a starter Of a movement nations movement nationwide to grow

'Now, my brother, you just hope on-Uncle Sam has got the dope or Everything that's up to date to meet the German submarine. But to meet and fight a sub.

big bumper crops of grain.

Soldier boys must have the grub So, we'll start the rain to ma grain, the finest ever seen. That's how all this agitation

to stir this whole great nation, Till the highest and the lowest vow to raise foodstuffs galore. Just a drop of rain began it High in air, above this planet

And it sent the word by wireless to ten billion billions more, And it's up to me and you

And the raindrops all to do
Our patriotic best to save each dear
old Stripe and Star.
And our boys, once they're in motion, Can whip all the subs in ocean,
If there's food enough to feed them, who so bravely go to war.

So, now, let us all get busy— Plow and sow until we're dizzy What we plant raindrops will water till it grows up high and strong; And we'll feed the soldier boys,

Fighting 'mid the battle's noise,
And Democracy will conquer, and it
won't be very long, -Nellie Beckley, Klamath Falls, Or. Uncle Jeff Snow Says:

Frank Coulter, who is a reformed preacher, has 'quit fishin' altogether 'cause he was tellin' it takes a special course in law, a license and then mighty good wind to git away from the fish and game wardens infestin H. F. Effenberger of Nehalem is the streams and meanderin' lines of the rivers and harbors of the state of Oregon. He ketches his fish mostly outer a can, and eats biled wheat A. A. Boring of Seattle is registered as a matter of religious duty and

patriotic delight.

Opposes Roosevelt's Ambition.

the magnificent ability of that won- blem can be used on the ballot. The preciate the clamor that he lead an for by the clause giving any 45 of the army against the kaiser. He is un- 115 delegates power to submit any doubtedly a man of wonderful ver- question to the voters separately from satility, but opportunity failed to dis- the constitution drawn up by the maclose the traits necessary to military

I downed the prejudice born of childhood, lived in the south in reconstruction of Indiana is likely to ident, as I did for Mr. McKinley. fairly impartial point of view, when I do not doubt his courage, nor do I believe that a more loyal man could be sebut if there is any merit in when the cost of failure would be

I heartily concur in the idea that our country can better spare men of if possible to add one jota to our chances of victory I advocate the appointment of an experienced soldier to command our army in Europe.

Wauna Or. May 15 .- To the Editor of The Journal.-I wish to say a few words in regard to Red Cross societies in the smaller towns. Every day we hear about the Red Cross society in the larger cities and towns. We hear how much they are doing, how they are their contributions; but we never hear from the small towns. I think they they may be out of existence as

Our little town, I think, has done only 300, we can boast of nearly 200 the "flag of identification" to mingla members of the Red Cross, each one with the Stars and Stripes? consider a grand piece of work and \$7,000,000,000 federal loan is \$56,000. I feel that the people of Wauna are en- 000.

On Identifying Patriots. of The Journal-In your issue of re-

cent date I note there is a proposal more persons have enlisted in the example, my boy, 18 years old, who and too much-this by reason of the was rejected soon after war was declared (on account of heart flutter).