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Religion is more of a necessity in a republic than in a monarchy... Do Tocqueville.

ALL I'VE GOT

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This was the declaration of Henry Ford Friday, in Washington.

But the day America entered the war he went with America. After the supreme act, the course that his country took was his course.

"Uncle Sam can have everything I've got." At the time he said it, Mr. Ford was in Washington to begin work as an industrial lieutenant on the Emergency Fleet corporation.

Some time ago, Mr. Ford gave his great automobile plant at Boston to the government for the period of the war.

It is the most magnificent contribution to the war resources of the country by any private citizen.

Mr. Ford has offered the government the use of his Detroit and other plants scattered throughout the country, and his offer will be accepted by the various branches as rapidly as the buildings and the skilled labor in the plants can be utilized.

His attitude is a noble example of citizenship. He goes with his country. He goes where his nation goes. He fights if America fights.

Foreman Helber began work at the Portland incinerator in 1905. The man whom the commissioners propose to give his place to did not enter the service until 1911, six years later.

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ATAVISM

NOTABLE phenomenon of these war times is the slump in college circles back to the worship of Latin and Greek as the be-all and end-all in education.

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places of leisurely resort for the sons of the idle rich where those who are not too lazy while away the golden hours puttering over Horace and Ovid.

A FOOLISH PROPOSAL

AS a result of formidable protests, Commissioner Mann has abandoned his plan of running a health department in Portland without a chemist.

Keeping a chemist is the wiser course. If somebody must be sacrificed, it would be better to abolish a commissioner or two and retain a chemist.

This candy was given a girl by a well dressed woman—does it contain "knockout drops"?

Something is wrong with the milk delivered at a soldiers' camp—what is it?

The chemist ferreted out the poison cases for the police department. A woman is caught who sent several boxes of poisoned candy through the mails.

A man is discovered throwing poison on his neighbor's lettuce. Only a chemist can determine the character or presence of the poison.

In conjunction with the bacteriologist, the chemist is the authority to whom the public can go for accurate information on food and drug adulterations.

There is no use to have inspectors or inspectors if there is not a properly credentialed chemist to defend their work with his authoritative and scientific testimony in court.

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with a lively conscience can ever forget. The political purpose of the book is to exhibit the workings of the invisible government in the mining camps.

Under present conditions it is imperative to find some way to increase transportation facilities. Looking to this end the national council of defense has appointed a committee to work in cooperation with state highway commissions.

Highway work is important. So is the development of river transportation. As aids in the transportation field these two factors might prove decisive in the war.

It would take some intellectual shadiness to deny that this shadowy entity usually gets what it wants, though as a rule we may take comfort in the opinion that its way is less tyrannically cruel than Mr. Sinclair describes it in Peter Harrigan's Colorado coal barony.

One of Mr. Sinclair's most interesting chapters reports an actual "election" for county officers held in a mining camp.

THESE things have happened to Portland: 1.—The interstate commerce commission has rendered decisions depriving Portland of certain favorable rates and thereby narrowed the city's trade territory.

2.—The trunk railroads with terminals in the northwest have over-ocean steamship connections at Puget Sound but none at Portland.

3.—Portland in other days was the chief and almost the only import and export city in the northwest, but last year Portland's foreign commerce was \$376,000,000.

4.—In the public letter by Chairman Small to the secretary of war, Portland has been given notice that the house, in which all appropriations originate, expects local communities to not only provide water terminals, but to put on and operate water carriers if further appropriations are desired.

5.—In spite of the falling realty values, the vacated properties, the reduced rentals, the lessened employment on the water front, the diminished local activities in many lines caused by these things that have happened to Portland, there has been and is, very little manifestation of local concern about it or about whether further disasters of the kind may happen to Portland.

6.—Because Portland is without ships, there is a differential of 15 cents a bushel in the government allowance for wheat, even after a basic price for Portland was secured through great effort, and it is a differential by which Portland and its territory this year lose millions of dollars and next year are almost certain to lose other millions.

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THE author has clearly in mind the great strike and massacre of 1914 in his description of the final uprising of the miners against their exploiters.

WITH the question whether Upton Sinclair's new story, King Coal, is a "work of art" or not we are not much concerned.

Mr. Strahorn announces that 20 miles of the railroad out of Klamath Falls is practically completed.

Section 10, Article 1 of the Oregon constitution says: "No court shall be secret, but justice shall be administered openly and without purchase, completely and without delay."

Mr. Bigelow is not qualified to fix prices on produce. Neither does the market have sufficient time to set himself in close enough touch with the supply and demand to enable him

operative cameramen in Astoria, is registered at the Carlton. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Boston are registered at the Oregon from Tacoma.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Bogardus are registered at the Perkins from Cascade Locks. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Birch of Sastatchewan, Can., are in Portland at the Carlton.

county taxpayers who board prisoners in the county jail but also to the prisoners of whom some have been held in that jail since last July, this being November.

Three pound sacks of sugar have been distributed by a Tammany leader to his constituents in celebration of the election of a Tammany mayor of New York.

Letters From the People... (Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on one side of the paper, should not exceed 300 words in length and must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer.)

Slayers of Dragons... Hanford, Wash., Nov. 10.—To the Editor of The Journal—In the mythologies of many nations the dragon was a huge monster representing wrong and evil.

A View of Patriotism... Portland, Nov. 13.—To the Editor of The Journal—In The Journal of Nov. 11, appeared an article criticizing a young woman whose father is drawing a salary of \$250 a month.

To Conserve the Soldier... Alamo, N. M., Nov. 1.—To the Editor of The Journal—I had lessons in my youth to save everything, waste nothing.

Arraigns Market Management... Portland, Nov. 11.—To the Editor of The Journal—As leader in the suit to prevent the sale of small quantities from setting prices on produce.

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Ragtag and Bobtail... Stories From Everywhere... (To this column all readers of The Journal are invited to contribute original material, in verse or in prose, for publication, strikingly original, from any source. Contributions accepted for publication will be paid for at the editor's appraisal.)

A Man Who Cashed His Note... An incident in the early life of Henry P. Davidson, who left a lucrative career in partnership to put the Red Cross into war work, is told by Edward Hungerford in Everybody's Young Davidson, by dint of much persistence, has become paying teller of the Astoria branch of the bank. A man entered the bank and shoved a check and the business end of a revolver under the paying teller's wicket.

The paying teller never lost his nerve; neither did he lose that urbane and quiet smile of his. He continued to look at the check, then he looked at the man who held the revolver. Then he glanced at the check again. "It was drawn to the order of 'John A. Lighty' and it was drawn for \$1,000.00."

The incident for Davidson has never regarded it as anything else—attracted the attention of the newspapers. They played it on the bank floor and he looked at it were the officers of the new Liberty bank, just coming into existence downtown. They wanted men of nerve, and they carried young Davidson of the Astor Place bank seemed to have that.

The anxious dead... O guns, fall silent till the dead men Above their heads the legions press on; (Thee) fight their fight in time of bitter fear And die not knowing how the day will go?

Oh flashing muzzles, pause, and let them pass; The coming dawn that streaks the sky afar Then your mighty chorus witness be To them, and Caesar, that we still make war.

Tell them, O guns, that we have heard their fall; That we have won and will not turn aside; That our hearts toward till we win or fall; That we will keep the faith for which they died.

Bid them be patient, and some day, anon They shall feel earth enwrap in silence deep; Shall feel the wonderment, the quiet dawn. And in content may turn them to their sleep.

John McCrea in London Spectator. Uncle Jeff Snow Says: Some fellers allow seems to live well passin' the hat for one thing another on a percentage.

THROUGH THE WINDOW... Good morning. Where you going Thanksgiving? While England is being made bomb proof, the United States should be made bomb proof.

Oh, say, can you see by the dawn's early light? Not much when the fog falls during the night.

But Not Peace Ships, Hooray! Henry Ford is going to build ships for the government.

News is that the British are chasing the Turks in Palestine. Didn't know they celebrated Thanksgiving day over there.

To Improve the Nation's Health... Ninety of the Most Celebrated Authorities in America Give the Key in "How to Live."

A new book on health has just been published. It is the greatest book of its kind the world has ever known. This book is called "How to Live."

This splendid work has been authorized by and prepared in collaboration with the hygiene reference board of the Life Extension Institute by IRVING FISHER, chairman, professor of political economy, Yale university, and EUGENE LYMAN FISK, M. D.

This book contains advice on housing, clothing, breathing, eating, activity and rest, poisons from without and auto-poisoning, a new viewpoint of eugenics. It applies these rules to the natural every-day life of the average family, helping each member to make correct living habits.

This is not a book of theory. It is the result of extensive study, investigation and research adapted to the needs of modern individual and family life.

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