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kaiser are trying to humbug the allies by their big talk of a spring drive. The odds are heavy that they intend to direct their operations this season to the east. There is Russia to be carved up and salted down, for one thing. Then there are the rich mines of the Caucasus to be developed for the use of the suffering Fatherland.

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COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE: A long farewell to all my woodpile. When in doubt buy another Thrift Stamp. Looks as though Wisconsin might come back after all.

Ragtag and Bobtail

An Awful Retribution! "HENRY," said his father-in-law, as he called his daughter's spouse into the library and locked the door—this according to "Tit-Bits"—you have lived with me now for over two years.



The secret of success in life is for a man to be ready for his opportunity when it comes. —Durrell.

WISCONSIN

THE returns from the Wisconsin senatorial primaries are before the country. Victor Berger, as his campaign slogan, proposed immediate withdrawal of American troops from France.

The vote was cast with full news from the kaiser's peace, made with the Bolsheviks for Russia. With the peace treaty ratified by both parties, the kaiser's troops, while the voters were at the polls in Wisconsin, were overrunning Russian provinces, grabbing off chunks of territory here and there, preparatory to annexing them to the Hun empire.

Lenroot was the pro-war candidate of the Republicans, and Thompson the La Follette candidate. The assumption in Wisconsin and the country is that Thompson's attitude toward the war is the same as La Follette's, which means a position of more or less hostility to America's purpose in the conflict.

Wisconsin is the home of a heavy German population. How a large portion of that vote went is shown by the heavy vote for Berger in Milwaukee, and in Sheboygan, a German stronghold, where he polled the large total of 11,827.

A great deal of voting was done in Wisconsin as the kaiser wanted it done. A great deal of voting was done against the government of the United States, and for the government of the Junker war lords.

HUMBURG: The trumpet-tongued advertisements of the German warlords are giving their big western drive a reminder ominously of P. T. Barnum, who made it a practice to advertise more luridly what he did not have in his circus.

BRAINS AND CITIES

THE Erie canal in its completed form is to be formally opened its entire length May 15.

As then used under plans now forming, it will release 18,000 freight cars per month for other service. The canal has cost the state of New York \$150,000,000.

In coal shipments, the canal as it is to be operated, will effect a saving of 68 cents a ton on bituminous coal and 61.3 on anthracite. It is reasoned that the canal alone will prevent a recurrence of the past winter's coal famine because of its great capacity suddenly added to the transportation agencies.

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The importance of the canal as a factor in relieving the traffic situation is understood in the Middle West, and the editor of the American Lumberman of Chicago has written New York authorities offering to assist in promoting use of the newly deepened waterway.

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Use of the canal in its old form has been declining steadily under the aggressive and selfish policy of the railroads to undermine and weaken its service.

There has always been waterway brains in New York. With more railroads than any other city, and with the heart of the whole railroad world beating in Wall street, the waterway brains of New York several years ago proposed the deepening of the Erie canal, and a vast fund of \$110,000,000 was made available by the state for the purpose.

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Waterway brains is a vital and tremendous city building and wealth making asset.

There can be no other conclusion than that the six-cent fare is founded on hocus pocus, legerdemain and thimberling.

This kind of thing cannot go on. It is a precarious structure that, in time, will fall in ruins upon the heads of those responsible for it.

THE PATIENT DUTCH: THE United States should not be impatient with The Netherlands.

Our Dutch friends ought to be allowed a reasonable interval in which to muster up the philosophical resignation required to lose their ships without repining.

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Nothing the Matter With Portland

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Letters From the People

Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on one side of the paper, and must be accompanied by the name and address of the sender.

State Insurance Indorsed: Portland, March 20.—To the Editor of The Journal—Referring to your timely news article in yesterday's Journal on the state insurance matter, I would like to see legislative action looking toward state insurance.

The Work of One Day: Portland, March 19.—To the Editor of The Journal—Referring to your editorial of yesterday, which is very significant in every detail, and to which attention should be called in particular: Portland, Or., in one day, Sunday, March 19, 1918, the people of this city are fighting your battles, and see that the other fellow is snowed under so deep that he can never be resurrected.

The Hun's Ways and Hell's: Portland, March 13.—To the Editor of The Journal—In speaking of the German atrocities, Luther D. Wishard says: "There is nothing in hell that the Hun has not done to his people."

Potatoes as Feed for Stock: Portland, March 11.—To the Editor of The Journal—No one who has thought has not thought out than to starve the potato crop. No farmer or gardener should neglect to plant large crops of potatoes.

The League of Nations: THE league of nations after the war begins to loom up as an issue in practical politics. It has got far enough along to be debated in the British house of lords.

Personal Mention: Spokane Visitors Here: Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sherwood of Spokane are arrivals at the Multnomah.

Shipbuilders Here: J. A. McEachern and J. F. Gilpin of the J. A. McEachern company, shipbuilders at Seattle and Astoria, are registered at the Multnomah.

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How to Be Healthy

HEALTH HYGIENE—The character of one's breathing during sleep may tell a great deal about the condition of the heart.

Shortness of breath is a common symptom. It generally appears on slight exertion, and may be one of the earliest indications that something is wrong with the heart.

One cannot fail to be impressed with the frequency with which coffee, tea, alcohol and tobacco are mentioned as enemies to the best health of the heart.

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Journal Man Abroad

Somewhere in France—What the folks back home want to know about is how their boys are getting along.

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As England Hears Us

Harry (Just "Out")—Listen, Bill! Sounds like old Fritz comin' over in the mud—squish, squish, squish, squish.

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