the county's allotment of state road ciple of thrift that guarantees a future

EXPERTS TESTIFY

ON POWER BILL

By Carl Smith, Washington Staff Cor

respondent of The Journal.

gives encouragement to the investment

E. T. Merrill, chief engineer of

f capital, yet secures adequate protec-

ion to the public interest, according to

United States forest service, who had

a leading part in drafting the bill and

was the first witness in its behalf. Mr.

upon by the secretaries of the interior.

war and agriculture, as to what should

revenue," said Mr. Merrill.

Mr. Merrill maintained that

the time is up. Representative Ferris

come necessary to go into court to dis-

possess the lessee if the government

pointed out that it will apparently be-

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DROPPING GERMAN IN SCHOOLS

HE question as to whether the study of the German language schools is being answered by the

classes are dwindling in all parts try were to get into the game. of the country. In some places the

ary Digest article is made up from done so.

In this list Oregon is credited with fulness and its success. seven schools, of which one has dropped the study. The same figures are attached to Washington. A large decrease is in Idaho, where 12 schools out of 28 have dropped the language.

per cent. It is noted that in that state at a recent meeting of pastors rand teachers of the German Lutheran church, resolutions were passed recemmending the cessation of instruction in the German tongue in all parochial schools for the duration of the war.

Kansas shows a falling off of approximately 50 per cent. With the exception of Maine, which shows a decrease of 40 per cent, the New England states do not discriminate as much as the Southern states, where the decline runs as high as 50 per cent. There is only a slight decrease in the large states of New York, Illinois, Ohio, Massachusetts and those in which there are a large number of people of Tentonic origin.

The controlling reason for dropthought that the texts selected have been chosen with a view of spreading German propaganda. As expressed by a Baltimore paper:

The German language has not been a persistent political propaganda intended to wean the people of this coun-Caltio origins and ideals and divide the with the railroad company. national - interest and national sympathy.

Commenting on the results of its survey the Literary Digest says the question takes on several aspects, some of which are of an administrative nature. Only in the minority of cases is there a disposition to exclude German as a cultural study of the high schools and universities but as a study of the lower schools, technically known as the "grades," opinion is practically unanimous that there is no place for it here.

As substitutes for German the study of French and Spanish is increasing.

Oregon leads every other state in Savings quota. It is a thought to land controversy. stir all workers to the highest endeavor.

SACRILEGE

TO DOUBT it is next thing to sacrilege, or perhaps a little worse. for Judge McGinn to say what he does about "our great corporations" and their hired retainers. it is certainly something new for such truths to be uttered publicly in the schoolhouses, whose customary ise is to deal with the concerns of he middle ages and ancient Rome.

It is perfectly proper to speak about the corruptions of Babylon and the tyranny of Nebuchadnezzar in the school houses, but the instant Judge McGinn or anybody else ventures to comment on the tyrannies of a modern street railway company, ch. it's awful.

The divinity that doth hedge those immaculate institutions is receiving we were growing tired of the war many a rude shock these days. The and had regretted entering it. government, for instance, has just

companies. The corporation press ure of Pershing's army.

what is coming. the school buildings a proper place around ineffectively, blind to the county. for problems of public interest and future possibility of a German vicvery properly declined to close the victim to autocracy. doors on Judge McGinn and the hundreds of citizens who crowd the that we have enlisted for the full way may lie. If this is not done croachments of poverty and want, is at rooms to listen to his addresses.

THE SHIPYARD WAGERS

HERE may be people who will look askance at the action of various shipbuilding concerns who have bet \$10,000 each upon their individual capacity to produce the greatest number of wooden ships for the government in a given period of time. It is betting, but it is betting in a good cause.

Competition, they say, is the dife of trade, and so it will probably turn out to be in the business of building ships. Men are contentious animals who are more apt to extend their efforts when the victory of contest lies at the end of their striving whether in sport, in business or in politics. No man likes to be beaten, at Venice. The strangeness grows of power developed on navigable all seek to win. It is the law of

tween the Portland and Columbia nterest. No matter which concern Literary Digest shows that German all the yards, throughout the coun- present.

But whether the bets are on or off, decrease is, 10 per cent, in others 50 the race will still be on. American Rome was another. In Rome his perper cent and in many sections 100 shipyards everywhere are betting sonality was everything. Outside, A tabulation on which the Liter- and their construction against the ef-4000 replies received, gives the num- kaiser. If they win he loses. If they ber of schools which have dropped fall down he may win. The Portland it a decent governor, something ex- cept for two purposes: First, a nom- repentance is better than none at all, the study of German to be 149, as bet is but an incident to the one big tremely rare in those times. The city compared with 868 which have not bet against the imperial German government, its submarines, its fright-

BELATED, BUT-

tegically, at least, is somewhat I late with his request that the attorney general intervene in the suit of the Booth-Kelly Lumber company and the Hammond-Winter Lumber company against the Oregon & probably it is better late than never. It is an amazing contention that has been made by concerns. They bought Oregon & California grant lands in the days gone by at an average price, as they set out in their complaints, of \$10 per acre. The money has been paid not because Nero was the better man and the large areas of valuable timber involved in the transactions long time since have passed into the hands of the companies. But since Ferris act and its validation by the supreme court of the United States. the lumber companies have suddenly discovered that they paid the railping the study seems to be the road more than it was entitled to charge them for the lands they bought. They have suddenly discovered that the terms of the land grant under which the Oregon & California Railroad company held the lands, emphasized so much because of its entitled the company to charge them intrinsic value but rather as a part but \$2.50 an acre. Of course the grant was written into the laws of try away from Anglo-Saxon and Anglo- the land when they made the deals Of course the timber they bought is worth much more than \$2.50 an acre. Of course they knew all these things when they purchased it, but they are sticklers after the legality of all transactions and they want the courts to undo the overcharge and force the railroad company to give them back the excess amounts over and above \$2.50 per acre paid by them in the dim and distant past.

Incidentally, the success of the lumber companies would mean a 000,000 per annum. very material loss to the United States, to the irreducible school fund of the state, and to the road and port funds of the land grant counties. The \$300,000 and more involved in shore. America in the per capita purchase the litigation, if returned to the lum- himself to the lead pencil trade and ment property, or it is only a small doof War Savings Stamps. Here is ber companies, would reduce by that kept at it faithfully until he had expectation that this state which has sum the amounts to be paid to the won so many distinctions in war government, the state and the counwork, may be first to pass her War ties in final settlement of the grant

test against the contentions of the life would not be worth living. lumber companies as soon as their complaints were filed. It got into the game before the law of the case had been argued before the court of Multnomah county. Governor Withycombe has directed the attorney general to slip in before the close, of the twelfth hour and present the contentions of the state, if it is not too late to point out its interest in the litigation. Attorney General Brown doubtless would have been in much stronger position had he been sent into battle while it was being fought,

THE KAISER IS WATCHING

rather than afterwards.

erty loan would be good news in Failure to take up the loan quickly

undertaken a sweeping investigation would do far more to hearten the to proceed is due chiefly to their one of the essentials by which each

of the west will throw his full make a transfer of the financial bur-

It is not so important that we know term of the war, whether for one year or ten years, as it is to make this determination known to Prussia.

The best way to make the kaiser realize this is through a quick absorption of the bond issue. This will signify that we are in earnest and that if Pershing's army is put out of action it will be replaced by other armies and that we will fight on. When this fact is impressed on the Ceutonic mind the war will be shortened. Sincerity will be added to German peace talk.

THOSE BRONZE HORSES

T MAY appear strange to readers that the Greek city of Corinth Merrill indicated that the policy agreed should have made Nero a present of the bronze horses of St. Marks when it is remembered that the gift streams or in connection with the public

Nero is an accepted type of autocratic cruelty. He put the best men ministration costs. river yards will hold an added public in Rome to death without just cause. He executed many an eminent citizen than 10 cents per horsepower per anwins, the result will be an increased in order to plunder his estate. He num is imposed, which charge the comnumber of badly needed ships for the wrapped Christian martyrs in rags mission created by the bill could fix at should be continued in the use of the government. The winners and pitch and burned them on high will secure the money, but the losers pillars to illuminate his garden. And intent to charge no more than a nominal I the United States taken by the their country. It would be well if steeds and sent them to him for a

in Rome was one man. Nero outside their labor, their efforts, their skill he was the administrator of the huge rates to the consumer than to produce We have not heard of a prohibitionist governmental machine of the empire forts and the destruction of the and his personality counted for little.

Corinth liked Nero because he gave lieve in charging rental for revenue, ex- for the whole country. poor silly mankind, it ascribed its which cannot be reached in any other prosperity to the emperor, just as way." good Republicans ascribed the full din- he meant by "excess earnings." He had ner pail to McKinley. Nero had some trouble in defining it. Earnings nothing in the world to do with the could not be termed exorbitant merely prosperity of Corinth. But neither had McKinley anything to do with under rates which were reasonable and the full dinner pail.

lived, but facts of that sort are diction any more than necessary. Intra- tant part irrelevant to the political in under Nero than it was under the time that some conflict arises between first Christian emperor, Constantine, them. of the two, but because the times were more propitious.

The Corinthians saw in Nero a ruler few personal exactions except a de-This they conceded willingly enough. Readers of St. Paul's letters will remember that one god was about the same as another to the Corinthians. vided when the lease is executed. So they sent him the bronze horses which, after all these years, have clause of the bill against the doubts of been removed from Venice to Rome to save them from the Huns.

LEAD PENCILS

APAN has many and shining merits but imitation of the great American Bolshevist, Henry David Thoreau, is not one of them. On the subject of lead pencil mak-

ing there is an irreconcilable difference between the Island Empire and lawsuit lies at the end of the road, if our philosopher.

When Japan learned that she could make lead pencils by the million she at once set herself to doing it. In 1914 she exported 9,000,000 of those transitory conveniences. Now she is under regulation, the witness expressed They are en route home. sending them out at the rate of 168,-

Thoreau was also interested in lead earning his living by making them or tunnel crosses government land for instead of raising beans on Walden He accordingly apprenticed impinges only slightly on the governmade one perfect pencil. Then he left

the shop and never made another. Many men of many minds make the world interesting. We must have our The United States entered its pro- Japans and our Thoreaus, too, or

RIGHTS OF WAY

N HIS ruling that the state highway commission has authority to appoint a right of way agent, but that the conduct of legal proceedings in court is properly a function of the attorney general. Attorney General Brown has sustained the position taken by the commission.

If county courts would perform their duty it would be unnecessary for the state to employ a right of way agent. Primarily the law requires that counties acquire rights of way on roads which are to be constructed or improved by the state. SLOW response to the third Lib- In practice it has been found difficult to realize this result. Therefore pro-Germany. It would encourage vision has been made giving the ings in the event the county refuses

The indisposition of county courts

or neglects to do so.

apply. The basis of recapture provided. Mr. Merrill stated, is the actual, legitimate original cost of the property, plus betterments, reduced by the amount of unappropriated surplus, current balances

expected profits.

mestic plant, the idea in view will be to treat that kind of development inde-

pendently, and free it from many of

lowances for increased values of land.

franchise or going concern values or for

tended the job of making the chief survey of waterpower resources which has been made, declared that the country yet knows actually little about its waterpowers. The information is superficial, he said, so much so that nobody at the Oregon. knows whether the horsepower which may be developed from the entire coun- rival at the Portland. try is 30,000,000 or 300,000,000.

Letters From the People lication in this department should be written on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 300 ods in length and must be signed by the writer,

A Plea for the Liberty Loan Portland, April 4.-To the Editor of the central powers to think that state authority to institute proceed- The Journal-May I not, as a reader of your good American paper, submit a few lines regarding my views of the impending Liberty loan? The purchase of at the Nortonia. a Liberty bond appeals to me as being

of our hallowed telegraph and cable cohorts of autocracy than the cap- susceptibility to local political con- purchaser may the better prove that his patriotism is of the quality that has ditions. In the case of influential wrought our great democracy and is had best prepare its mind for a terri- The great unknnwn factor of the individuals the county court will not now defending it. Many of us who are ble shaking up when the coming dis- war is the American. The strength take action through fear of losing going to subscribe to this great loan closures transpire. Judge McGinn's of the European nations can be very political support. By throwing the self denial of some of the things that discussions of our street railway closely approximated. The maximum responsibility on the state highway have heretofore seemed essential to our company and its hangers-on in and has been reached. But it yet re- commission they find the "easy way." daily life, but that now must be foreout of office are mild compared with mains to be seen whether the giant In doing this, however, they do not gone in order that the land of our nativity shall not succumb to a tyrannical autocracy, under which we would be re-Happily, the school board thinks force into the conflict or will spar den which in the end is borne by the duced to serfdom. Such, to us, would mean humiliation, starvation and all of The law provides that the state a long train of acute brutalities. To deny one's self in order that one may public welfare to be discussed, and tory which will make of him the next highway department shall be reim- first defend himself and his posterity bursed for all expense incurred by from the encroachments of autocracy, the county in which the right of and then defend himself from the endirectly the amount is deducted from not be questioned, and, second, a prin-

> of prosperity. The purchase of Liberty bonds by the people to the extent of oversubscription will at once make us a thrifty nation by teaching us to banish extravagance and waste. It is to be hoped that this issue of Liberty bonds will be so heavily oversubscribed, and with such alacrity, that its impress will aid the United States in breaking the morale of the kaiser and his serfs, as well as curbing the activities of the fanged adders of sedition in our country. tion waterpower bill, now under consideration by a special house committee,

It is up to every individual to protect The one great bulwark that dictation. we can all strengthen is the Liberty loan. R. L. WALTER.

Chides Eleventh-Hour Drys

isfaction to the real prohibitionist to see hut claims most of the mail we receive. all parties now calling for the abolishing "I am so anxious to receive a certain is good in war time, why not at all visitor, as she told me her name. times? Why were we so long in finding "Don't worry; he has written or will out that beer and whiskey were an write," I told her, as I looked through was one of gratitude and not of fear, lands, is that rentals shall not be injury to us, as individuals or as a the letters. charged for purposes of revenue, but nation? An article in The Journal of quired. should be made nominal, to defray ad-Friday gives some light on the subject, far from New Orleans." she said. "I prohibitionists (who are now Under the bill a charge of not less shouting themselves hoarse to have the president proclaim national prohibition) between. read the article, digest it and solemnly commune with their own consciences as any sum beyond 10 cents. As a matter to whether they had always been on the yet the city of Corinth liked him so sum. Chairman Sims expressed sur- Brewers' association, was well known, done youman service in the cause of well that it cast the famous bronze prise at this, because in his view it may but for all that, even candidates for the newspaper from America nor get a presidency were willing to dicker with single word from the home land. be desirable to secure for the government substantial revenue from the millions of dollars which power companies of the Brewers' association. And we good face asked me how to go to a will drop in maybe today, maybe to- afford to grow no grass on their graves. The explanation is simple. Nero will make, to relieve the burdens, as he were told that the party receiving that famous old chateau near here, and also morrow, and maybe next week. expressed it, of those who are paying support would win. large sums in taxes for the purposes of test from any of the old party press? Not at all, but if my party lost out "I believe it much better to reduce blamed it on the brewers.

"The un- asking for the brewers' vote, but we my home in the Kameruns, in Africa. I derlying purpose here is to get low were exhorted to be regular. Prohibirates to the consumer. I do not be- tion was all right for my town, but not But a late inal amount to pay the cost of admin- and next November we will again have istration; second, it may be necessary to an opportunity to show our colors and prospered and, after the manner of go beyond that to get excess earnings prove that we really believe in doing away with the traffic, or whether we are just now trying to make someone else respensible for our sins of omission. D. H. KOPP.

Opposed to Backyard Chickens

Portland, April 5 .- To the Editor of because they were large, he agreed, if they were due to economical operation have read an article in which G. R. Smith advises poultry-raising in every regulated. At another point he intiback yard in Portland. Now, I am sure ple are courageous fighters and they this district. We went out to dinner tomated that rentals might be used to I am as patriotic as Mr. Smith, but I meet death cheerfully, but they think gether, but most of the eats he passed have much to do with the welfare of equalize differences between companies am sure he has not looked at this propo- the white man's method of fighting is up. Snails, sardine belies, pimiento and which make large and small returns, sition from all points of view. How- much more barbarous than their sys- various other delicacies found no favor the "lower classes." Nero was per- when because of competitive conditions ever enthusiastic girls and boys may be tem. The faith of many of my con- in his sight, and he marveled that I California Railroad company. But sonally a bad man, while McKinley they charge the same rates. The witness about gathering eggs and attending to verts has undoubtedly been undermined, could eat and enjoy them. On the was one of the best men who ever explained that it is not the purpose of little chicks, they will not give the same for the German missionaries have told whole, N. R. prefers the cooking he gets the bill to interfere with state rate juris- attention very long to the most impor- them the white man's God is fighting in Corvallis, to French meals. I would runs and the chicken-house perfectly history makes of them. The Roman and where a company operates in two clean and free from lice. "Throw out to get back to my field, but we are held and a wedge or two or three of real apple empire was a better place to live or more states, regulation would still all the fod you may; lousy hens will be left with the state bodies up to the never lay."

Then there is no room, if our neighbors are considered, and plenty there are who have no school boys and girls. Their back door opens almost into the the most important things to be kept next yard. The odor of that yard would in mind is to make the terms of the lease absolutely certain, and then to der life exceedingly disagreeable. Many keep it from change for the contem- a neighbor now is losing sleep by Chanwho gave them good government, plated leasing period of 50 years, unless ticleer's crowing incessantly through the protected their sailors from pirates, with the consent of the lessee. Congress night, and folks-in these trying times, taxed them only moderately and made ought to leave no uncertainty, he said, especially-cannot afford to lose their so the investor can be sure of what is sleep, but all for several blocks, those in lease itself. Thus, if the 10 cent charge home and not make life too hard." is to be made 20 and 30 cents at the end

We have parted with boys. We are things. Mr. Merrill defended the recapture house. grass for little folks to sit or play on. a few flowers, the necessary clothessome members of the committee, who line and the all-important vegetable garfeared that under it the government MRS. ANDREW TODD. cannot shake the hold of the lessee when

PERSONAL MENTION

Islands Contribute to Army

fails to agree to renewal at the end of "The Hawaiian islands are sharing the term. With such cumbersome mafurnishing the great American army for chinery, Ferris said, the danger of givdemocracy," said D. L. Applegate of ing what amounts to a perpetual fran-Honolulu, a business visitor in Portland. chise appears. Merrill maintained this Mr. Applegate is registered at the Multis not the case. Unless the government "We sent men to the United nomah. takes the plant itself, he asserted, a States last summer after registration day in America. They are in France he company in possession chooses to now," he said. "sit tight" and does not make a new

Soldier's Sacrifice Greatest

If streams tributary to recognized nav-Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Miller of Chiigable streams are held to be in law cago, who spent last winter in Californavigable streams, and thus brought nia, are staying at the Multnomah, those at home sacrifice they cannot do and Miss Elizabeth, of Omaha. the opinion that this should make no difference in the regulations, if the per- as much for democracy as the men on mit is for a new plant. If the appli- the field of battle," he said. "I have cant has its main development on pri- bought Liberty bonds, Thrift Stamps and pencils. He thought at one time of vate property, and its transmission line am denying myself many luxuries, but Mrs. Miller's and my best bet is our only a short distance the same rule will son who is in a field artiflery battery apply, but if an existing development of the American expeditionary force."

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Nelson of Los Angeles are registered at the Oregon. Among arrivals at the Imperial is Hingston of Index, Wash. Mr. and Mrs. Rossi of Wallace. the restrictions which would otherwise Idaho, are guests at the Portland. Gene Penlin of Heppner is an ar

rival at the Perkins. Daniel Smiley of Redlands, Cal., a guest at the Multnomah. A. Alexander of Wilbur, Wash., is and amortization charges, with no al-

A. B. Hanson of San Francisco is a guest at the Oregon. R. W. Rae of Prineville is an arrival Mr. Merrill, who personally superin- at the Imperial. Stanley Glidden of New York is stay ing at the Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Clark of Duluth

are guests at the Multnomah. E. Moore of Oakland is a guest Henry Agate of New York is Charles Hall of Coos Bay is a gues at the Benson. R. W. Sweet of Seattle is registered

at the Multnomah. A. W. McKenzie, an automobile ma of Seattle, is staying at the Benson. A. E. Sleep of Marshfield is a gues at the Perkins. and Mrs. J. P. Anderson are ar Mr. rivals at the Perkins.

at the Imperial. J. H. Hanley of Bend is registered at the Imperial E. A. Hamilton of Dallas is staying a the Perkins.

Among registrants at the Benson are

C. D. Bartrum of Medford

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE

Today is bond buying day.

Don't forget the baby bonds, either. Peace with honor by the Fourth of

just Oregon?

Dig up at home that the boys over-Whoever thought there was so much

the world, to say nothing of

g: The street car heaters

Signs of spring: The sare turned on full blast. It doesn't seem like Monday morning any more unless some of the boys stop farm worker as well as a good barber to tell us how much they accomplished in the garden on Sunday and how sore their muscles are as a result.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

Roseburg's council anticipates the drive by ordering \$2200 worth of Liberty bonds, to be carried by the city as a cash asset until after the war, or so long as the need to do so is apparent. The new home of the Clackamas County Banner, at the corner of Ninth street, on Main, Oregon City, will be completed within a few days and the installation of plant will be effected at

Tom Jones of Fossil has quit the ber shop, the Fossil Journal says, and goes to work on the Stelwer ranch Tom, according to the Journal, is a good

and feels that he can do more to war on the farm than in the shop. If you don't happen to have enough money for a Liberty bond, remember that War Savings Stamps answer the same purpose as the bonds, and that the lowly little Thrift Stamp also has a great mission to perform in this war.

Baker's city commissioners have repealed the dog muzzling order that has been in effect since the recent hydrophobia scare in which a number of cannes were infected and several persons bitten. The epidemic is now declared to be ended and the danger past.

JOURNAL MAN ABROAD By Fred Lockley

Somewhere in France-A dark eyed, jury for Multnomah county about a

dark haired, bright-eyed little woman year ago? Isn't your name Fred Lockcame to the counter where I deal out ley? I am Captain T. H. Maguire. I his democratic rights against autocratic information, advice, New Testaments, was a deputy with Walter Evans." cigarettes, French money for American talked over Collier, Hammersly, Robinbills and English notes, cash army and son, Ryan and the rest of the boys and navy pay checks and hand out letters had a good visit. Last night Lieutenfrom home. We receive countless let- ant Sturgis of Pendleton called to see me ters addressed, "Somewhere in France, but missed me. He left word he would Newberg, Or., April 3.-To the Editor care Y. M. C. A.," and the unending call again in a few days. of The Journal-It must be a real sat- river of humanity flowing through our of all traffic in liquors. If prohibition letter before I sail for home," said my "Where is home?" I in-"My home is in Louisiana, not and I would suggest that those newly have spent the past two years on the gary and in the course of our talk it Congo, in Africa, where letters from turned out that he was a grain buyer home are in these days few and far

A bit later I talked with someone who had come out of Russia, where for five months they were to all intents and right side. That there was a German-American alliance, financed by the purposes buried alive; for during the entire five months they didn't see a

Did we hear a pro- how to reach a certain cathedral. When going to see all there is to be seen." I had planned out for him an interesting tour to nearby points of interest, he said: "The war has played havoc with in and when I had helped him locate my work. I am on my way back to an address, he told me he was from have been there 24 years. My name is Melvin Fraser. I am a Presbyterian worked for the smartest and best grain minister. I have seen the natives in my operator in the United States. Any man district turn from their heathen gods to that catches Max Houser napping will the living God. I have seen my people have to get up early and then they will there turn from war and rapine to peace find that Houser is on the job before and industry. the United States 500 of my natives in his little finger than some of his came on the same ship to fight in the French army. I had hard work ex- using this war to add to his wealth." plaining to them why it was wrong for the native tribes to fight but right with the Pacific Telephone company at for the white men to fight. They are Portland, was another visitor, as was The Journal-In The Sunday Journal I a very simple, direct and childish people Lieutenant O. E. Pattersen of Eugene. and it is hard to show them the right- Next day N. R. Moore of Corvallis eousness of fighting for peace. My peo- dropped in. all-namely, keeping the for Germany, and I tell them that God give quite a bit myself for a cup of will punish the Germans. I am anxious up here in France indefinitely, await- pie. It is just three months since ing a ship for Africa."

Four Canadian soldiers drifted in to

spend a few hours between trains. I like painting. made them welcome, poked the fire upfor the forenoons and evenings are at it for quite a long time, and, as she damp and raw, and the cold penetrates. turned to go, exclaimed: One of them was from near Halifax; another from Winnipeg. I didn't learn where Shorty, the cavalryman, was The fourth man was from Caland had bought wheat from my one-time Said Peter partner on the East Oregonian, Bert Huffman, now a rancher at Langdon, Alberta. Two sailors were the next visitors and they gave me a graphic story of their experience coming over-an experience I am not allowed to discuss. They changed some currency into French dog than would support a big family. money, and handing me all the money they had left, they said, "Count this, the alliance in order to get the support. This morning a man with a strong, please, and take care of it for us. We tion for 'em ever' little while and can't

Portland, "My name is Paul Folquet, he said. When I left there for they got up. He has more public spirit rivals have in their whole body. He isn't Leland Gould, who for five years was

home made coffee with cream and sugar I left Portland, and if I could write all The next person at the desk was a I have seen I would have a good sized captain. When I had directed him to book. Unfortunately I can only write the place of which he was in search the mildest and most innocent letters. he looked at me closely and asked, since all discussion of practically every-"Were you the secretary of the grand thing of interest is forbidden.

HOW TO BE HEALTHY

THE CLEAN LABORER .- The dirty | with millions of bacteria, some of then man is sooner or later the sick man. harmless, but many of them capable of ahead. Charges must therefore not be poor health and others weary with toil, It is because of this fact that the ship- producing serious illness. When a child mand of worship for his statute. readjusted during the lease except in have to suffer. As Lillian Russell says, ping board of medical experts, headed survives in the midst of fifth, while a accordance with terms laid down in the "let us think as well of the ones at by a Chicago physician, are trying out clean one succumbs, people are quick to a patent by which when a man undresses and enters a room for bathing was rendered delicate by his cleanliness. of 10 and 20 years, this should be pro- working and denying ourselves many his clothes may proceed over a course of The infant death rates of different On a 50x100 lot, besides the laundering and be there fresh and clean classes testify, however, that the chilthere is only room for a little to meet him when he emerges at the dren who live in a constant state of other end of the bath emporium.

> facilities for taking a bath are so poor it is to avoid it. that they cause a man a great deal of the utmost, endeavor to surround him- of a general sanitary unlift, self with such bathing facilities that which the miseries of disease keeping clean will not be an irksome flight.

burden, but a constant temptation. The phrase "honest dirt" is a paradox. All dirt is dishonest, to the extent that it is an enemy to health. Dirt seethes of column 8, this page.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Hudson of St. Helens are registered at the Nortonia. H. P. Dickson of Salem is a guest at the Nortonia. Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Marsh of Seattle of charming private camps.

are arrivals at the Washington. Mrs. Henry Ferguson and Mrs. R. S. Ferguson of Goldendale, Wash., are guests at the Washington. Chester of Corvailis is a gues at the Washington.

All for a Single Tree

From a Bulletin of the Department of the Interior Except for two national reservations made for the conservation of curative to fight." springs, the smallest national park is the General Grant. It contains only four square miles and was created to protect one tree. But the General Grant tree is worth a national park all to itself. It is a giant sequoia, and, next to one, is the biggest and oldest living thing in the wide world. It is 35 feet through from bark to bark, and 264 feet It is not far from 4000 years old The one living thing that is bigger and older is the General Sherman tree in the Sequoia National park a few miles to the east, that is a foot and a half thicker and 16 feet higher. The General Grant tree is not the

only sequoia in the little national park. nowever. It is the biggest of a fine grove of sequola trees. The General Grant National park is a spot of profound beauty. It is a wild garden of nous attain their largest dimensions, and which is glorious in summer with luxury, for it almost never rains duiing the camping season.

many visitors. More than 17,000 people ceed Keiser and made an visited it last year, 2000 more than went ficient officer.

conclude that somehow the clean child filth suffer most, as a class, from dis-Speeding up work on ships means ease. Handling food with dirty hands. keeping every laborer in the best pos- putting dirty fingers into the mouth or sible physical condition, and, in this nostrils, are acts from which many disconnection, it is important to keep him eases arise. It is difficult for a laborer clean. Cleanliness, these physicians find, to realize this, but if he saw the dirt on depends largely upon the case with his hand under a microscope he would which it may be maintained. If the more vividly appreciate how dangerous

A clean man demands clean surround time and trouble, he is liable to neglect ings. When a man's body is clean he which there is little waste, as bits left this important measure. It is recom- hates soiled clothes, unclean wash bowls mended, therefore, that every laborer, in or clothes, unclean eating utensils, unthe shipyard or anywhere else, who clean environment of any sort. Personal A large dry kiln is kept full of material. wishes to conserve his man power to cleanliness is, therefore, the beginning before

> Tomorrow: Those Who Are "Shocked. See another story, "How to Live," foot

E. Bruce and daughters, Miss H. M. there the year before. More than 2000 automobiles brought throngs into the park to do reverence to the mighty tree This is no show place where visitors whirl in and whirl out. Most of those who come come to stay a while. There Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Walker of is a public camp, where one may stay Stevenson are guests at the Washington. as at a hotel, and there are hundreds

> "We Have Just Begun to Fight From the Springfield (Mass.) Republican

With perfect lucidity William II plains that Germany desires peace, but that before it can be attained "Ger many's enemies must recognize that Germany has been victorious." To that the only relevant answer seems that of John Paul Jones, "We have just begun

Olden Oregon First Oregon Militia Company Out-

growth of a Bad Indian's Act.

The first Oregon militia was formed in the fall of 1843 and grew out of a shooting affray at Oregon City. The provisional government was formed in the spring of that year and George Le-Breton was elected recorder. One day a Molalla Indian known as Cockstock rode into town, bent on mischief. LeBreton attempted to arrest him, and was fatally shot by Cockstock. Winslow Armstrong killed the Indian, and a general fight between Indians and whites raged for a time. A meeting was called soon afterwonderful luxuriance, in which all the wards and a company of 25 was orgreat trees for which California is fa- ganized with T. D. Keiser as captain The primary object was to bring to justice those Indians implicated in the the bloom of innumerable shrubs and LeBreton affair and to protect property flowering plants. It is a calm and si- and lives of settlers. It was styled the lent place, in which camping out is a Oregon Rangers company, and for years did fine service for the state. Charles Bennett, who had served in the United Small though the park is, it has its States army, was elected captain to suc-

Ragtag and Bobtail

Stories From Everywhere

Almost Sorry to Lose Him AM having so much trouble in trying to collect the money, that I sometimes almost wish I had my husband back," wrote a Wisconsin weman who had been granted compensation because of the death of my husband, to the state industrial commission. A lefthanded compliment to the deceased says Capper's Weekly, but undoubtedly

Do Your Daty Do you hear the means of Africas,
And of fathers in their pain?
Hear the anguished cry of mothers
When their some new areas See the blood—it flows like rivers.

From the hearts of countless brave
See wrecked homes and ruined cities

In Christ's name, then, do your duty.

Help to drive war's curse away.

Help your dollars in the balance—

Buy a Liberty bond today.

—Mrs. E. O. Davis. Pullman, Wash,

Accounted For "Oh!" said Mrs. Gushly, pleased with the luncheon, "this cheese is heavenly." "Huh, huh," assented that idiot Jen-

kins. "Made from the milky whey." Overexerted Herself a certain provincial art gallery, says London Tit-Bits, is a picture entitled "Saved," representing a Newfoundland dog standing over a child

whom it had rescued from the river. On market days many people from the country find their way to the picture gallery, and nearly all admire this life An old country woman stood gazing

"No wonder the child fainted after dragging that big dog out of the water." What They All Say

The druggist died and face to face With Peter at the entrance stood. "Try the other place; "You'll doubtless say it's 'just as good.' "
-- Boston Transcript.

Uncle Jeff Snow Says: Down in Los Angeles the swell sassiety people supports 16 dog hospitals and

some of 'em spends more money on a The babies of poor folks die so fast down there they have to extend the reserva-Some of them sassiety Los Angeles women would rather kiss a dog than a baby, and that's what's the matter with the upper clawses in America. We need them hospitals and doctors, and nurses fer humans. Uncle Sam orter "For two or three years I pizen the dogs, and draft the money spent on 'em as a super-income tax or

> Nothing the Matter With Portland

By H. S. Harcourt

When the Valentine Manufacturing company settled down in the 100 by 150 two-story building at East Tenth and Lincoln streets, John E. Cronan, president, John J. Valentine, vice-president and manager, and Frank I. Gollehur, secretary of the \$30,000 corporation, did not possess a correct estimate of the reception the enterprise would receive in Portland and the northwest could they imagine that in less than a year they would be shipping to New York, Chicago, St. Denver and several southern to Tacoma and Seattle, to North Dakota Montana, haif a dozen Colorado towns Francisco, and in big bunches to Sac ramento, Los Angeles, and more than a score of California's smaller cities, and to Arizona and Texas. But this has happened, and already they find themselves crowded for room.

In some minds this is a toy factory; and it is. But it is far from stopping at that. It is a "children's furniture factory." Its catalogue shows dolls' cradles, novelty wheelbarrows, pony carts, express wagons, stick horses, novelty stock toys, duck shooflys, horse shoofly rockers, hobby horses, go-carts, tunny little bunnies, bassinets, with and without hoods, pretty costumers. without hoods, pretty costumers, re-minding the children that they should hang up their garments and not deposit them on the floor, folding baby yards, children's clothes drying racks, and girls' and boys' sleds. But it likewise pictures 26 styles of children's chairs and tables. Some of these dressers are large enough for 'little big folks," and there are doll mattresses on doll springs and doll bedsteads that a three-year-old could sleep on and have plenty of room

These are finished in various lovely colors. Dozens of machines are required, most of them different from those of the big furniture making concerns; some are real novelties. from one article can be worked into another. The material must be of the best.

"We must always carry a large stock," says President Cronan, "for the reason that when we start to make any particular article we must count by thousands. It would not be profitable to make a smaller number of this and likewise of that. We must be in a position, when we receive an order for a of toys, covering perhaps 50 different articles, to fill it instantly; or if it be for one only, the response must be the same. Here is an order from Winnipeg. It covers nearly everything in our catalogue. It will go at once. At this season, however, we are manufacturing for fall orders, and our sales now are at their lowest. The output at this season-is about \$200

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