clean up.

with those of England.

Letters From the People

The Syndicalism Bill

Oswego, Jan. 24 .- To the Editor of

The Journal-Your paper stands for

right. It is the friend of the people

pliment; it is the real truth, sincerely

writen, and your readers will concur in

it. Now, we ask you to frankly dis-

cuss the bill introduced by Senator

Dimmick in the legislature on syndical-

is dealing with an important question.

Is it possible that such a law as pro-

The passage of such a law would sug-

members are all bad; that they only

who defend our rights in public ut-

as pleasantly as the crook likes. It is

led to believe; that these L

To advocate, teach,

at least, not now.

man pursueth."

well as we do.

law is their protection.

scared. , "The wicked flee

in line with un-American legislation-

School Changes Urged

Portland, Jan. 29 .- To the Editor of

The Journal-There has been much said

teachers. J. R. Stuber of "Schoolhouse,

District No. 18," has the right idea in

his letter of January 18, in which he

says to revise the course of study so

But I would have the age limit from

eight to 16 years, instead of seven to

be allowed to do so unless it is a detri-

children, and not merely a system to

Another thing that needs a great deal

more attention is the conduct of the

and from school. There are a great

A Plan for "Cleaning Up"

slaughter and plunder.

H. W. COOK.

16, as Mr. Stuber advocates. Also,.

for the practical side of life.

V. F. COOPER.

is not dangerous to society.

ism. With little

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Are we as diligent as we ought to be to protect American citizenship against the poison that must arise from the decay of harmony and honesty and industry and fru-gality; and are we sufficiently watchful against the deadly, burrowing peats of consuming greed and cankerous cupidity? answers to these questions make up the account of our stewardship as keepers sacred trust.—Grover Cleveland.

THE BRITISH STRIKE

HE strike in Great Britain is on a tremendous scale. It must under which a quarter of a million hour week? Is that psychology

It is but a little while ago that for a week than some American were pinched and their outlook bleak.

war and the tremendous necessities tural resources? of the government lifted British workers to higher standards. They were given shortened hours and far higher compensation. The government had, by necessity, to go a long way to meet their demands, and was not unwilling to go to those lengths friend to labor, was the British government's reliance and its soul. Now it is after the war; and the instead of peoples.

nation is shaken to its foundations

in other countries, may it not be a the world's peoples. conspicuously fortunate fact that a The diplomats left to themselves great captain who steers a middle may be trusted to do the wrong course, who has the complete confi- thing today as they did in all the dence of the multitudes and is loved yesterdays of time. So much for Mr. by the millions not only in his own Holt's warning. land but throughout Christendom, is His suggestion relates to the or-

fixed to secret treaties." His coun- adequately for the nations' welfare. try should not be sacrificed on any account, for the world owes it a ious to the world to be made a and disrupt affairs at the prison. pawn in the game of secret dip- There is now an efficient warden lomacy.

THE SYNDICALISM BILL

NSWERANG a correspondent whose letter is on this page, The Journal has grave doubts on the subject of the syndicalism bills at Salem.

Syndicalism is a hateful thing. There is no room for it in America.

When an Inland Empire orchardist load to carry. returned home one day, he found the its seems to be the current aspiratives which he had hired syndicalists tion of the Austrians to unite with labor. But this advantage is purely the people can correct all wrongs or to set out planted wrong end up. Germany, since they are of the same imaginary. The roots were in the air and tops race and speak the same language. in the ground. It was the I. W. W. Their old ambition to rule a great United States has efficient labor way of evening up on an employer. empire with many subject peoples which more than makes up the dif- every community place a box, with a A long list of like instances of devil- has vanished. try could be added.

snakes. Such things are despicable scattered here and there in Central fore the war, were able to undersell of paper and cast it into the boxand should be punished. If there are Europe should not form a single the British in foreign markets, though no laws covering such offenses, prop- federal union on the model of the they kept prices up at home. The of. And let's clean up, and let's do it er statutes should be enacted. It is United States. If they were to retain same steel armor plate that cost in a civilized way. Let us show the if we have at the same time a Demoalso true that there should be law their kaisers any such a union would Uncle Sam around \$600 a ton was sold world that America can dean up withfor punishing men who advocate and be dangerous on account of its ex- to the ezar at a far lower figure. teach syndicalism.

But when you go to the length of lation, but as a republic the case countries seem on the verge of r- of a system, when we can get around it? punishing a man who rents a build- would be different. ing for a meeting at which some idiot might advocate direct action, of their people are not apt to be questions begin to arise. That may militaristic. They seldom cherish im- future competition between England I will leave the rest to you, as space be a very near approach to a dan- perialist ambitions. They devote their and the United States in the iron and gerous length. To what extent might energies to improving their own wel- steel trade, because there is hardly dore Roomvelt's words where he said such a provision be used to abridge fare rather than to destroying their likely to be any. Combination, not if the people were with him he could

NO OTHER CONCLUSION

TOULD it not be a peculiar position for any man if he should oppose suits for recovery of stolen school lands? The state land board, the highest administrative authority in the state, has directed that suits be brought. The courts, federal and state, have formally declared in decisions that lands for universal peacetime conscription

fraudulently acquired can be recovered. Suits would be directed only at recovery of lands known to have been stolen, and the recovery procedure would be by regular and lawful court processes.

How can any man or institution stand in the way of such suits? What would the public obviously think?

There could be but one conclusion: the person or institution there will be wars as long as people ponent of Socialism. "A few rich men," opposing the suits must either be in possession of stolen lands or permit those who desire war to con- said Pope Leo XIII, "have been able to

him, hurried off into the woods to that organization. by statutes.

practical way would seem to be with little ones. We do not look upon to 1. It is now before the house and speakers and other educative pro- Texas as a danger to Rhode Island. cesses rather than with statutes which may silence not only I. W. W. free speech but the free speech of all senators were inviting political cru- our state? citizens.

repression and force; and in the face of the fact that the tribunal was end, force, in its most terrible form, planned by Portland women and that laid him low.

cause wonderment everywhere of interesting expedients in The get. More than one former official What is the sudden psychology Journal of January 28 for better- who resisted reforms they sought, ing conditions in Oregon. One of is now a political mummy British workers are demanding a 40 them is that the state develop its unused waterpower. This unused waterpower, properly put to work, would light and heat the whole Willamette Valley. It would go far PAVE you noticed The Journal's news of the legislative session? British workers received less wage Willamette Valley. It would go far toward lighting and heating the Inworkers got in a day. Their lives land Empire. But it runs away to sea benefiting nobody. Is there Kirk, A. L. Lindbeck, and Ralph not some way to put a stop to the Watson, dean of the reportorial We know that the 51 months of thriftlessness that neglects our na- world of Portland. News is re-

GOOD IDEAS

AMILTON HOLT, of the Indepenmakes a useful suggestion in they happen. out to be a league of governments public.

If that should happen it would, of by increased demands from the course, be nothing better than an cific International Livestock show is workers, not a mere few workers, other Holy Alliance of unholy mem- planned by the American Aberdeen- the cause for discontent ought to be Is the world coming to be divided Vienna patched up in 1815 at the announcement in a statement just cause is discussed; yet these senators seeds of Bolshevism sprout vigorously. The plains in 1852, married a daughter neighbors, he awaits with serene conwith rampant radicalism on one side farcical outcome of the war can only sults at the Portland show have so and rampant reaction on the other? be prevented, as Mr. Holt well re- impressed representatives of the asso-Contemplating England and imag- marks, by a continuous and lively ciation that the plan of heavier supining what eventuations might appear interest in the league on the part of port of it has been adopted.

nor of Salonika, has sent to this tives directly from the people. This ble competitor, Germany, is out of as to teach the eight grades in six years. office three pamphlets in which he has been The Journal's consistent de- the race. pleads the cause of Greece before sire. It is difficult to understand the American people. Mr. Metaxa how a league composed only of fears that Greece may be "sacri- judges or diplomats could function duction. Her workmen are expert. plenty to accomplish the work necessary master, being a man of methodical turn.

and save a useless salary.

In Coos county, syndicalists drove interview that there have been great extinguish the British trade. spikes in sawlogs to tear up the changes in Austria. They are far But all that is over. Germany no thing at mills all up and down the the people has become free and deposits left her are but scanty. some of the fruit districts of Cali- vanced rapidly since they unloaded competition between England and the

It was the work of human rattle- all the solid masses of Germans bination which they had effected be- of registry and "Yes" or "No" on a slip tensive territory and numerous popu- Besides, workers in the principal man who is sane who wants that kind

Republics governed by the masses men level. neighbors.

after American institutions and pur- states would, not unlikely, prove to poses had been explained to him, be- be a center of civilizing and peacecame one of the most enthusiastic ful influences. It would be apt to soldiers in the camp. The Journal show itself worthy of a place in the knows of an I. W. W. who, after league of nations and might be exsimilar explanations were made to pected to contribute valuable ideas to

draw from sawlogs the many hidden The Hapsburgs throve on the nospikes he had driven into them. It tion that it was the prime object is probably true that a very large of every nation to fight every other per cent of the tribe could be reached nation and conquer as many as posbetter by educative processes than sible. With the exit of the Hapsburgs comes in the worthier notion that it and of justice. This is not a mere com-I. W. W.-ism is despicable and dan- is the duty of the nations to live gerous. It is without reason or ex- together in peace and mutual helpuse in a land where there is an fulness just as it is of individuals. open ballot and a fair count. But as In the new world big republics ought means of rooting it out, the really not to be any more dangerous than

It is as if some of the Portland cifixion. Their fight on the proposed Instead of education, the czar used court of domestic relations is in the gest to us that I. W. W. members are every woman's organization in the have one thought, the destruction of city is solidly behind the bill. Un-Sam H. Moeve suggests a number like men, women voters do not for-

AT SALEM

The paper has three special ceived over a leased wire, operating directly from the state house into The Journal office.

The news is full and complete. It is not colored. It is a fair and dent, gives a useful warning and impartial statement of things as.

his league of nations dispatch It is a news service that ought because Lloyd George, Britain's best printed in Wednesday's Journal. The to be highly satisfactory to the legiswarning is that the league may turn lators and of great value to the

ory such as the peace conference at Angus Breeders' association" is the removed. No effort to deal with the

HE story that England designs to control the world's iron and steel trade is not incredible. She has been pursuing that design for ganization of the league. In his the last hundred years with encouropinion it should have a legislative aging success. She is not likely to John N. Metaxa, formerly gover- department composed of representa- drop it now that her most formida-

England's coal and iron mines are conveniently situated for cheap pro- believe eight months' school per year is Her shipping makes the problem of to complete the eight grades in six years. markets fairly easy to solve. If a for other pursuits so that the pupils field and mountain cave is freedom's tiary should not be abolished. The taken promptly, as seems likely, there works can supply.

Before the war Germany's control England almost everywhere in the some now do. iron and steel trade. Even in Eng- a child is capable of taking the work lish cities German wares sometimes of two classes in one term, he ought to

LISTRIA is now a republic. Its One of Germany's leading motives president is a man named Seitz, for going to war was to seize and such. The school is supposed to be, and who began life in an orphan hold the Belgian and French iron it ought to be, for the benefit of the asylum and is a tailor by trade. deposits in order to carry competi-Seitz is a Socialist. He says in an tion to greater extremes and perhaps

plant as a means of forcing mili deeper than political changes and the longer cuts a figure in the world's owners into payment of higher loss of territory. He gives us to markets and is not likely to for years wages. They have done the same understand that the psychology of to come, particularly since the iron on the way home, usually a big boy atcoast. Their acts of vandalism in modern. No doubt they have ad- Some reports speak of lively future

fornia were vicious beyond compare. the Hapsburgs, who were a heavy United States in the iron and steel trade, with a supposed advantage on

If England has cheap labor the ference. Our steel companies, even card on it showing the subject to be There is no apparent reason why under the comparatively loose com- every voter write his name, his place ganizing to bring wages to a com-

But it is probably idle to discuss the subject, what will our senators do? competition, is in the air. There are him he could do nothing. President We were told at the time that an A German republic in Central plenty of signs that our great steel Wilson has used almost the same words.

magnates are negotiating a merger Now Senator Borah is calling for the same. And I must say that when greed will enter the home of the unborn child Industrially England and this counand impose abuse upon it through the try have perhaps finished fighting. abuse of the mother, just to accumulate the almighty dollar, it is time to clean up. W. C. JACKSON. Major General Wood betrays his

professional interest when he argues Denies Church Opposes Socialism Portland, Jan. 28 .- To the Editor of on the ground that "there will be The Journal-Some people, it seems, are under the impression that the Catholic wars as long as people exist." . His church is opposed to Socialism. For pessimism has an obvious economic this idea there is not the least foundabackground. Should wars cease Gen- tion in fact. The Catholic church has eral Wood would be in the same never yet condemned Socialism ex cathedra or from the chair of Peter. Not situation as Othello. "His occupauntil this is done can it be truthfully tion would be gone." Unquestionably, said that the Catholic church is an opopposing the suits must either be in possession of stolen lands or be acting for some other person or institution unlawfully holding stolen lands.

The suits must either be in possession of stolen lands or be acting for some other person or institution unlawfully holding stolen lands.

The suits must either be in possession of stolen lands or be acting for some other person or institution unlawfully holding trol their affairs. When the people clearly express their will against the better than that of slavery itself."

This sounds very much like Socialism. But it is a bold statement of fact back of which is the highest authority of the great struggle, in relation to of which is the highest authority of the laboration permit those who desire war to consider the shoulders of the teeming masses of the laboring poor a yoke little better than that of slavery itself."

This sounds very much like Socialism. But it is a bold statement of fact back of which is the highest authority of the states would, not unlikely, prove to that his reasoning is faulty. Catholic church. Some Catholic secular publications as well as some of the clergy and laity of that church oppose Socialism, but this opposition is voiced only in the field of economics, the field (Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 360 words in length and must be signed by the writer, whose mail address in full must accompany the where flies the flag of the Socialist challenge to all opponents.

A man who does not demand the full product of his toil is not true to himself and is very liable to be false to The Socialist demands the full product of his toil and is therefore true to himself. "To thine own self be true," says a great poet, "then it shall follow as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man.' PATRICK O'HALLORAN.

Socialism and Christianity

Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 26 .- To the The Journal-Before it may was railroaded through the senate, 29 be determined whether Socialism is anti-Christian, the type of Socialism and the blend of Christianity in question must firstly be determined. Scientific Socialism and philosophic Christianity are posed is necessary? Are Americans one and the same thing, and this thing plotting violence upon the clases ruling was plagiarized from the philosophy of was plagiarized from the philosophy of century, B. C.; whereas, anarchic Socialism and mystic Christianity may be anniversary of his birth. far more numerous than we have been

nicious and idolatrous false teaching, and both are anarchy, pure and poisonous. There are at least a dozen schools of anarchic Socialism, and not less than 12 dozen cults of Christian spiritualism. lence will be interpreted by our courts and scientific method. Thus to include those forceful common folk anarchy and mysticism were, are and will continue to be a stumbling block terances but who do not always choose in the pathway of progressive civilizathe right adjectives to describe crooks tion. A BUDDHIST.

"Save the Pennies'

not uncommon to hear a real good American say: "That politician ought Estacada, Jan. 27 .- To the Editor o be hung," or "That grafter ought to The Journal-Poverty in this blessed The politician or grafter is country is generally accounted for on safe. No one is going to hang him, the theory that the unworthy poor do not save their pennies. So the gospel But, would such a remark not come of thrift is preached at the delinquents. under this law? Would it not expose who miss all of it, because they the speaker to the penalty attached to not clothes fit to wear to church nor the violation of this law? It seems nickels to purchase the papers. To save wonderfully strange, after 145 years of training in liberty and free speech, that out of a hen, to get up a little earlier we have got to the point where such to work a little later, to skim the cream a law is necessary. There is one of two a little closer, to wear the darned old conclusions: There are some awfully socks a little longer, to pare the cheese bad I. W. W. members, or else the a little thinner, or go without it altopoliticians and grafters are getting gether-this is the song of salvation up bringing down a German plane. What of the old parties would take up the when no to date. It is a sad and mournful song. has that to do with the migration of cause of prohibition, so I worked and page of May the good Lord save us from such the Irvine family to Oregon in 1852? voted for prohibition." A printed page of May the good Lord save us from such Would this law affect the reading saved, what must it be to be damned? grandfather was Charles Claggett, who lived to see his dream of nation-wide of the Declaration of Independence, which suggests violence in pretty plain million knows that millionaires are not vine was married she and her husband with keen interest the results of our terms, if conditions reach a point where made such by saving their own pen- took up a place near Salem. Thirty early Indian wars, the Mexican war, those suggestions are required? Sup- nies but by stealing other people's dol- years ago I used to see on sunny and the Civil war, the Spanish-American pose we discover that the person read- lars. But the preachers and professors ing the Declaration of Independence to and certain antiquated agricultural ed- Charley Claggett and a group of Salem "Much greater support of the Pa- an audience is guilty under this law. itors still keep passing round the same pioneers playing croquet on his lawn on the sons of the South fight shoulder to Senator Pierce tried to educate the old mouldy chestnuts and empty shells Commercial street, in Salem. 29 that this law would not remedy; that and singing the same old stupid song-"Slave, Save and Starve."

as in the hotbeds of discontent. killer laughs and Fate spins. And even I shall appreciate any effort on your part to educate us in this law, its needs, turns her wheel. J. L. JONES. and why America has degenerated to such a point that we must keep chizens

The Sawed Wood Shortage Portland, Jan. 24 .- To the Editor of

un-American because it can be conun-American because it can be con-strued to apply to many a remark that man in The Journal recently stated that a man who made a study of the Bible Special Correspondence to The Journal and the ings in America of our boys have had a prophecies needed no record of present Chicago Daily News telling effect here. They are fine in their prophecies needed no record of present day events, so accurately were they being fulfilled. I agree with him. One message in the Bible which has always confounded me runs semething like this: 'To him that hath shall be given; and of late regarding the scarcity of school even that which he seemeth been a prophecy, and lo, have I now ment, Illinois national guard, and erst-witnessed its fulfilling with mine own while county commissioner of Cook counduced to the necessity of buying sawed wood by the cord. We ordered from one of the many flourishing institutions handling this commodity. My lord and counted the sticks as he brought them This would leave the summer months in, finding they ran far short of the great policy of railroad building in could work as apprentices at some trade of that size. He piled it carefully and number he knew to be standard for wood heavy debt. The land where severy parole officer at the Oregon peniten- Africa and Western Asia is under- or profession that would help fit them sent for the city sealer of weights and measures, who gravely assured us that had the same experience and observation home or glory's grave" is too prec- position has been used to disorganize will be a demand for all her iron be a minimum that would insure the feet to the cord. We had 101, so the As to the teacher's salary, there should sawed wood measured only 115 cubic to tell. comforts of life. But the teacher should company sent us a check for the shortearn the salary by doing the work age. In course of time this wood was re at the penitentiary who can function of the Alsatian iron deposits enabled both as warden and parole officer her to compete successfully with the pupils, thereby taking the cord from the same concern. This also the pupils time from their studies, as looked shy and measured short. Upon notifying the company the city sealer again came, protesting this particular company's impeccability and his belief in their honesty before he even saw wood. He gave me a slip for 102 feet. telling me curtly to get my wood in ment to health. But some teachers plead four-foot lengths hereafter. ceive a credit slip from the fuel company for 10 cubic feet. One hundred and twelve cubic feet of wood for \$9.75! provide jobs with big salaries to men federal government, as are scales, in-Why is not this position under the stead of giving it to a man whose living depends upon the favor of the mer whose influence procures him the apchildren on the school grounds and to pointment? MRS. H. H. KUHN.

Spoilers and Drones Portland, Jan. 25 .- To the Editor of tacking a smaller one. The teacher ought | The Journal-The question all-absorbing

reconstructionists have plans that will be dollars in their own pockets. the last 50 years the capitalists have Grants Pass, Jan. 24.-To the Editor been protesting, while labor has been squeezed from every angle. The real estate promoter has levied about 50 per cent on the farmer, our protective tariff unfust things that may be imposed upon levied 45 per cent on the laborer, and them and come into their own rights then the middleman levied at least 30 and do it in a sane, civilized way. It costs nothing. This is the plan. Let per cent on each, so labor of all kinds has been ground between the upper and the nether millstones. Labor has been voted on, on some public corner, and tariff law, which, without the incentive of the war, would have brought prosperity to the laborer, and which would have continued if the president had sucwhich I shall call a soapbox, as soap ceeded in getting a congress for 1919 and 1920. We all know what a Republican congress will do for the country eratic president. We can expect but out going into a Bolshevik system of little of benefit to the people from conmust look to our state legislatures. The first reconstruction work should be in I read that 90 per cent of the people giving justice between the land specuwant to take war profits to pay war debts. Now, if 90 per cent vote yes on agreed that no one created the and we should be agreed that all the value there is in land before there is will not permit me to do justice to the performed is just what the land produce. Our legislature should pass a law which would be laborer on land. The labor should be laborer dealer appraised and the real estate dealer hould pay for the labor before he could

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

OREGON SIDELIGHTS SMALL CHANGE

It will be natural for Paderewski, fter he has served one term as prime minister, to expect an encore. Hood River parties are projecting country club, including golf course.

The total county indebtedness The new Sinn Fein parliament at Dublin is carrying on all its deliberations in Gaelle—which is all Greek to us.

Very considerate of the city council to give us until March 1 in which to get our flu masks in readiness. But why not make it April 1?

Anyway

All fear of a shut down of Baker lumber mills has passed, the Democrat says, and operations will now be on a larger scale than ever.

"With the introduction of warm weather," says the Crane American of January 24, "work was resumed on the new Crane Mercantile company build-Anyway, we've never been so fright-ened of the "flu" that we wouldn't indulge in a shot of Spanish sauce whenever our appetite craved it.

new Crane Mercantile company "Parcel post rates are just about as

cheap as the freight rates on the Sump-ter Valley railroad," says the Canyon City Eagle, "and many people have most all of their goods come that way." At Eugene a man going home late saved his purse from holdups by sneaking it into a package of beefsteak he was carrying. Or, on the other hand, was it the beefsteak that he sneaked into the are distressed over the belle-hop prob-

If there were as many ways for Germany to raise the money as there are for her not to raise it as per all these self-appointed attorneys for Germany, her war bill would be just as good as paid right now.

"What's the matter with Russia? Russia." Thus an esteemed contemp. "Salem," the Capital Journal asserts "never faced a brighter outlook for an era of growth and prosperity than at the present time, because of the promthe fruit and other products of the "What's the matter with Russia: Russia." Thus an esteemed contemp. This diagnosis is very good—very good indeed. It is so good, in fact, that it is just as good for any other country, with due allowance for kind and degree, of Salem."

purse?

JOURNAL MAN AT HOME

(A nonagenarian pioneer of Oregon is Mr.) participation in the state's public affairs. turdiness of its stock is indicated by the fact that Oregon was effected by a widow who came hither forks of the Santiam and about the across the plains in 1852, bringing eight of her boyhood days of his son, Frank Irvine,

Benjamin Harrison Irvine of Lebanon Gautama, Christ's precursor of the sixth is receiving the congratulations of his friends upon celebrating the ninetleth "Uncle Ben' any, or all, means of insidious, per- has lived in Oregon during the last 66 years. I visited-Uncle Ben and Aunt Becky at their home during strawberry season several years ago. His father Jesse Irvine, was born in Kentucky and moved out to the frontier in Missouri in the very early '30's, not long before what they called in those days a "Missouri Democrat." He died in 1840. In 1852 his widow, Margaret Hadley Irvine, Irvine, married Sarah Becky Johnson, with three of her daughters and five sons, made the trip by ox team across the plains to the Willamette valley. The Santiam. Aunt Betty died about a year. Oregon country-the land of promise- ago. "We were Missouri Democrats when proved to be the land of fulfillment for we settled near Scio, back in 1852," said the Irvine family, and today the sons Uncle Ben as we sat under the trees and daughters and grandchildren of Mrs. at his home the last time I visited him. Jesse Irvine are scattered all over the West. Givie, the oldest daughter, did crat. He was a great admirer of Gennot come to Oregon when the Irvine eral Joe Lane. Jesse, Jim and I were family migrated in 1852. She and her Stephen A. Douglas Democrats. husband had a farm in Kentucky and surely used to have some warm political

Pasadena, Lloyd Cosper by name. He publican party, I got weaned away from was awarded the Croix de Guerre for it and became a Prohibitionist. Neither salvation. If this is the way to be It has this to do with it : Lloyd's great-Anyone who can count as high as a married Polly Irvine. When Polly II- prohibition come true. He has watched somnolent summer afternoons Uncle war and the Philippine insurrection, and

No wonder athelsm flourishes and the who made the six months' trip across respected by relatives, friends and Jesse B. Irvine married Emmaline mander shall give him his marching or-Fate cannot keep from laughing as she Humphreys, whose people owned a farm | ders to take the long trail to the prom-

Few men were better loved or more respected than Jesse B. Irvine. I visited him at his home in Corvallis some years ago and he told me many inter-esting things about early days in the editor of The Oregon Journal. James Irvine married Lucinda Whit-

ing. Margaret, the youngest member of the family, married George Hellenbeck. After his death she married Robert Miller. Milton A. Miller, collector of internal revenue, is their son. Sam seven miles from the capital city. Betsy married and also settled near Salem Charles L. McNary, United States senator from Oregon, is a grandson of 'Aunt Polly" Irvine-Claggett.

"Uncle Ben" Irvine, the last surviving child of Jesse and Margaret Hadley whose father, Harrison Johnson, had donation land claim in the forks of the "My brother Bob became a Lane Demo discussions 50 or 60 years ago. I became a Republican, but along about the In France I met a young aviator from time Mark Hanna was running the Re-

Uncle Ben is 90 years old and he has he has seen the sons of the North and shoulder in Europe to bring liberty to the world and make the world a better Robert Irvine, another of the children place to live in. And now, loved and Smith, also of Marion county, fidence the day when the Great Com-THE FINE CHAPS "OVER THERE"

By Anthony Czarnecki

regarding their life, habits, conduct and appearance were enthusiastically voiced to of careful observation by Colonel Daniel This. I now know, must have Moriarty, former head of the 7th regiment, Illinois national guard, and erst-This winter we have beeen re- ty, Iii. Colonel Moriarity was on his way to France together with 30 other men as one of the main field secretaries of the Knights of Columbus, who are to engage in important work in connection with demobilization. In the group were men from New York, St. Louis, Kansas City and other places, and these, while listening to the views of Colonel Mariari-

"I have been connected with soldiers I could not come across with my colonel, who looked younger and spryer many years. "I found that our soldiers and whom I questioned and observed be of help to them as they go fluence of the original home surround- glad to be here."

Every grub that is taken out, every house that is built, every fruit tree that is set out, increases the price of the speculator's holdings. The land speculator is a drone and ought to be treated G. W. DOWNING. like the drone. Other Northern Pacific Heroes

to be paying more attention to those in is reconstruction. A great many of the Vanora, Jan. 22 .- To the Editor of The Journal-A few days ago you published the picture and a very interesting letter of a Portland hero, a navy boy on a submarine chaser, regarding the removal of wounded and other soldiers from the stranded Northern Pa-It might be construed from the article that no other chasers were assisting but the ones named. Howhave a son who is machinist ever, I and chief petty officer on submarine chaser Calhoun No. 85, one of the latest models, finished only last spring, and he, too, was assisting in that heroic rescue work, and gives likewise a very interesting account of it in a letter home. I also have another son in the navy who is electrician on the submarine F-3, who gives some scary accounts of his experiences, although he seems to have enjoyed them. He says in training they often so out and submerge to the bottom of the briny deep and then turn all lights out and see how quickly they can rise to the surface, all working in the darkness of the depths, and when the officer in charge gives an order it is repeated by the one it is given to, and no one else speaks-which shows each man at his post to do his part in the clockwork of complicated JOHN T. DIZNEY.

> Change of Child's Name Marshfield, Jan. 7 .- To the Editor of

telling effect here. They are fine in their London.-Comforting words to the kin appearance and in their conduct. In of our boys on this side of the ocean fact, they are the finest soldiers and sailors I have seen on this side of the ocean. fathers as well as the homes in America from him that hath not shall be taken in an interview given to me after days that as a whole they will come back as though more experienced. Many agencies, both of this country and which stretched their hands from home across the sea, have been carefully guarding and aiding our boys. Too much praise cannot be given, for great amount of unselfish work that you see done for them on all sides.

> "Our boys are a healthy, active lot, and compare most favorably with all the others. The war experience will be ty, joined in with him, declaring they a great thing for every soldier and saillook upon them I feel more keenly the fact that in spite of all I tried to do in the Illinois national guard for many when they came over here. If I had authorities that producers years, and I believe that my experience not been too old, in spite of my experihas been intimate and varied," said the ence of many years in the national guard as an officer, I should have enin his snug fitting uniform of a Knights listed as a private. However, now for of Columbus secretary than he has in the Knights of Columbus, and through their kindness, with other splendid men, and sailors whom I met here in England I am going over to see my old boys and not only are a fine, bright lot of men, or wherever their duty may call them. but have kept themselves clean. Not I am a soldier now working in the cause only the various agencies, but the in- of helping our fighting men, and am ill

was a law protecting our people, in five The Journal-Is it possible to change a years we would not know our own child's name from the mother's maiden country. The price of unimproved land name to her husband's name, or from is from two to three times too high, her husband's name, she being married some time before the child was born? READER.

of the father. If born out of wedlock it takes the mother's name, unless the mother gives it the name of the reputed father. Names, once given, can only be changed by court proceedings.] Wilson the People's Man

Independence, Jan. 27 .- To the Editor of The Journal-I feel that some of our leading statesmen should be more cooperative with President Wilson's plans, rather than denounce the absence of our president from the United States. know our president is determined to do the will of the peoples of the world, who have put their confidence in him as a deliverer. He will never shirk his duty. Our country needs this man of all men to keep the United

R. E. PORTERFIELD. Olden Oregon How a Nervy Ploneer Got a Sallboa

to the Snake River.

States a peaceful country.

W. H. Gray was the first man to run a sailboat of much size with regular freight up the Snake river. That was in 1860, before steamboats were pla on the river. Gray built his boat, a 50-ton sloop, on Oosyoos lake, on the Okanogan river. In it he descended that river to its confluence with the Columbia. Thence he descended the Columbia. running down the Entiat, Rock island, Cabinet and Priest rapids no slight undertaking. At Five Mile rapids he found his sail was insufficient to carry the sloop on. Men said it was impossible for him to ascend. The was taken up on an improvised ca

Ragtag and Bobtail

Stories From Everywhere

Greek Meets Greek WHAT'S coming off out in front there?" asked the proprietor of the Tote Fair store in Tumlinville, Ark (quoted in the Kansas City Star), "A couple of fellers from Stradile Ridge swapped mules," replied the cierk, "and now each is accusing the other of skinning him."

"Well, then, why don't they trade back?" "I reckon they are both getting skinned again."

The Ultimate Bliss

After the war is over
After I get back home,
I have but one ambition
Under the heaven's dome.

After the war is over
(That is, if I'm not dead).

I shall be happy all over.
I'm going to bed in a Bed!
—Carolyn Wells in Everybox

Uncle Jeff Snow Says: Jed Hitacker, who paid \$4.25 for a

bottle of cold ten last week, is some pessimist. Jed has figgered out that with a sufferin' public dependin' on bootleggers fer enthusiasm, and the bootleggers dependin' on moonshiners fer the foundation stuff, and the moonshiners liable to be snooted out by revenue officers in flyin' machines, there won't be no more Fourth 'o July, Christmas, New Year nor harvest home celebrations worth goin' acrost the road to see. Jed would emigrate to Italy or somewheres. but he lows he loves the American flag and wants to sell some of his logged off

The News in Paragraphs World Happenings Briefed for Benefit Of Journal Readers

GENERAL. By orders of a circuit court in Hono-lulu newsgirls have been abolished from the streets.

Smith W. Conklin, a millionaire, was shot and killed at Pathcogue, N. Y., by a detective, who tried to kill himself. Leaders of the maritime workers at Buenos Aires announce that they have organized to continue the port strike inlefinitely.

General Pershing reports that by April he will be dispatching American troops homeward from France at the rate of Louis F. Post, assistant secretary of labor, predicts that a period of unequaled prosperity will follow the readjustment period.

Government control of telephone and telegraph lines would end December 31, under a resolution favorably reported to the house Thursday.

The 12 federal reserve banks broke records in 1918 by piling up an aggregate of \$55,436,000 net earnings, as compared with \$11,202,000 in 1917. Army aviation plans in connection with the proposed army of 500,000 men call for 1003 airplanes operated by 2000 officers and 22,000 men.

Lieutenant George P. Leggett, an avi-ator, whose home is at Fairfield, Ia., was killed at San Diego, Wednesday, when his sirplane fell 500 feet. Senator Chamberlain delivered an address at Sharon, Pa. Thursday night on reconstruction and the problem of employment for returning soldiers.

A convention of the League of the Southwest to discuss the annexation of Lower California is to be held in Los Angeles the latter part of February. A new issue of \$600,000,000 in treasury certificates, bearing 4½ per cent in-terest and payable July 1, was put on the market by Secretary Glass Thurs-

The repair ship Prometheus arrived at New York from Brest Wednesday after having been stationed in the Bay of Biscay since the United States entered

the war. A measure modifying homestead law privileges in favor of soldiers who served in the war or on the Mexican border has been reported favorably in

the senate. NORTHWEST NOTES

The Warrenton Commercial club has oted to join the Oregon State Chamber f Commerce. Father O'Neill of Hillsboro has been parish at Beaverton.

The city council of Vancouver, B. C. as adopted a resolution calling for has adopted a resolution calling the expulsion from Canada of all en-

A bill in the Washington legislature which would permit the marketing of cuil apples is being fought by the state horticultural commission During the season of 1918 the dan cannery paid out \$125,000 for and \$16,000 for labor. The total was 3000 tons of carned goods.

Prisoners in the Snohomish jail were detected extracting from corn syrup over a slow f still was seized and search di half pint of alcohol that had be Captain T. K. Brown of Ellensburg. Wash., just returned from overseas, has announced his candidacy for congress

Assurance is given by

the Pacific coast who had informagreements with the spruce product division will receive their money. Charged with appropriating to his own use certain food stores belonging own use certain food stores belonging to the army, Captain W. J. Ergensinger, coast artillery corps, has been dishon-orably discharged from the army.

FOREIGN. King Peter of Serbia, who has been ill for some time, has suffered a second stroke of apoplexy.

By January 18 the whole of Ger-many's western army had been trans-ported to demobilization centers. Dr. Alexander Cesar, a prominent geon, has been appointed representative of Nicaragus at the peace conference. Spartacan forces have overturned the government: in Wilhelmshaven, Ger-many, and occupied the banks and public buildings.

Oscar T. Crosby, president of the Interallied Council for War Purchases and Finance, and General Tasker H. Bliss of the council have resigned.

Large bodies of Turkish froops joined Tartar bands and are atta Armenian villages. About 20,000 were slaughtered in Baku and vi The belief is expressed in French ficial circles thta the preliminaries peace will be finished and ready submission between March 15 March 31.

Consider the Squirrel; but Don't Be a "Nut!" Buy W. S. S.

[Stories of achievement in the accumulations of War Savings Hamps sent to I Journal and acceptable for publication to avarded a Thrift Stamp.] The squirrel doesn't have to taught thrift. He knows he m

store up nuts for the long wint Gee! The squirrel has got a lot or some of us. Let's play squirrel's And let's pla Thrift Stamps are nuts and sto when we can't earn as my

then let the money loaf. Put work. Let Uncle Sam have i buying War Savings Stamps. Thrift Stamps and 1919 War