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If the Borahs and Poindexters could have been present and seen the omnimindedness and enthusiasm for a League of Nations in the great crowds at the Portland conference, they would have discovered how out of tune they are with the masses of the American people.

who have been fighting our battles across the seas. The soldiers of the Civil war felt the same longing for land. It is a deep-seated American trait. Congress gratified the land hunger of the Civil war veterans by instituting the homestead system, which gave 160 acres to each veteran on easy terms.

conservatives of defeating woman suffrage in the senate. We do not see how the accusation can be confuted. Suffrage drew support from both parties and both contributed opponents.
As long as the United States has no open and pronounced liberal party there will always be danger that conservatives will control both machines and govern the country in spite of popular disapproval.

tion of the league, namely, that the league minimizes the sovereignty of the United States and of every nation which is a member of it.
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COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE
A moonshine still gets by all right unless someone can't keep still about it.
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Ragtag and Bobtail

Stie Semper, and A. C. That...
IT WAS the year 1880. A Canadian, a former Prussian soldier now residing in the United States, his acre-land mind brooding over the Great Wrong, addressed a letter to its perpetrator, long since dead, whose name by universal consent had not been uttered since the outbreak of the peace movement. There, in a sort of a due course the letter found its way into one of the aerial mail cars of the Overland Limited. There, in a sort of a mail, a clerk, aged 22, came across it. A puzzled frown was evident on his countenance as he read the superscription: "WILHELM, R. I."

MR. TAFT'S REPLY

IT IS announced from Washington that Poindexter, Borah and other senators will fight the constitution of the League of Nations.
With information and fine logic, former President Taft has answered them in advance. His answer is so complete, so final and so overwhelming that it is reprinted on this page from The Journal's news report of his speech in Portland Monday.

With Mr. Taft's presentation of the case well in mind, no unprejudiced man can be convinced by the shallow arguments on the other side. There is no contention of the opposition that Mr. Taft does not answer and irresistibly answer. His bigger and broader conception of the American constitution and American sovereignty is so apparent that the opposition's contentions are puny and futile.

It is difficult to understand the senate opposition. For the sake of the noble American dead in France, it would seem that the American people would be unanimous for any plan that would promise to end or even lessen war.
If we are not willing to enter into covenants with other nations to end war in the name of our hallowed dead we ought to do it in the name of our crippled boys who are now coming home. If not for them, we ought to do it as a protection to the living who are yet unmaimed and unmaimed. They ought to do it for the sake of saving them and others to come from being drafted for service in future wars. Finally, if for nothing else, we ought to do it in the name of those mothers in America who are weeping for their dead.

It is man's incompetency if broad wastes lie unused and unproductive with abundant water in plain sight in the wilderness of snows on neighboring mountain ranges. The Eden of plenty with green fields, snug homes and white school houses that suddenly appear in the midst of barren landscapes on the Eastern Oregon plains are living and eternal proof of the importance and utilization of irrigation. Parades of production in Klamath county where yield of a number of products increased ten fold as a direct result of federal reclamation, are testimony that nobody can contradict or disprove. Vast areas in the Inland Empire lie barren, waiting for water, man and the plow.

THE WOBBLY OPPOSITION

In the following, from his address at the Auditorium in Portland Monday, Mr. Taft makes a formidable reply to the senators who are fighting the League of Nations. He takes up objections and answers them in detail. No more complete and more convincing a statement of the soundness of his position has been made.

JOURNAL MAN AT HOME

By Fred Lockley.
Interesting passages from the testimony of a member of the British coast artillery are produced by Mr. Lockley today—testimony to the arduous and dangerous work of the coast artillery and war workers. There follows a story of some marvellous gunnery, and a tribute to the British coast artillery.

THE NEWS IN PARAGRAPHS

World Happenings Briefed for Benefit of Journal Readers
GENERAL
G. W. Brown, lieutenant governor of Saskatchewan, was elected Monday.

INVADING ENEMIES

ANY foreigner who comes to this country and advocates the overthrow of our form of government by force is an invading enemy who is treated with great leniency when he is simply deported to the land from which he came.
These words ring true. The conclusion is undeniable. The language is from a letter by Secretary of Labor Wilson to Micrometer Lodge of the International Association of Machinists of Brooklyn, which protested to the secretary against the deportation of 58 "alien radicals." Secretary Wilson continued:

When our own citizens desire to change the form of government they can do so peacefully in the manner provided by the constitution. If we cannot make progress by the peaceable process of discussing and voting, we are not likely to make any progress by the riotous process of cussing and shooting. The man who cannot be depended upon to vote right, cannot be depended upon to shoot right.

IF RECONSTRUCTING

STATE ENGINEER COPPER correctly argues that reclamation is a sound plan for reconstruction.
A great sum went to the government from Oregon for federal reclamation, but a small percentage of it was returned. There is a just claim which Oregon may well advance for a goodly share of the fund to be provided under Secretary Lane's one hundred million dollar reconstruction bill.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

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(Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on one side of the paper, and should not exceed 300 words in length and must be signed by the author. The editor reserves the right to shorten or omit any communication.)

LAKE IS GREAT ASSET

Portland, Feb. 15.—The Editor of The Journal—The representatives of the people of Oregon are soon to vote on house bill 376, a measure to protect the Lake Umatilla. It is a measure which should be preserved as such and dedicated as a memorial to the late Theodore Roosevelt by which it was created as a reservation. Watch your representative's vote on house bill 376. See whether he votes for conservation of the lake and the forest, or for a poor commercial enterprise for the benefit of land sharks and promoters.

WATCH VOTE ON LAKE BILL

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NORTHWEST NOTES

Northwest notes
William B. Wood, who came to Oregon in 1853, is dead at Eugene, aged 81.
South Bend will honor Pacific county's dead soldiers by planting 200 trees in the courthouse grounds.

A GROWING OPINION

The Oregon supreme court stands by its decision reversing the Multnomah county circuit court and giving to the daughter an equal share with her brother of the estate under the Myers will at Salem.
The thought is gaining ground in human opinion that great estates are not wholly at the unrestricted disposal of those who have accumulated them, but that the accumulator is a trustee temporarily in possession of large properties. The common good is believed to be better served when large fortunes are more widely distributed, and more quickly dissipated.

A NEW PARTY

FOR years it has been a common topic of conversation among progressive people that the time had come for a new party in the United States. Their idea is that the new party should include all the liberals and radicals, while the conservatives should mass themselves together as one of the old parties, or in both.
Years have passed and still the idea of a new party is hardly more than an idea. The prohibition party has never grown. It served an educational purpose and faded away. The new National party is said by many to have "died a bornin'." More vigor has been exhibited by the farmers' party of the Dakotas and Montana, but time must tell whether it can move forward into national importance.

THE SOLDIER'S JOB

Portland, Feb. 14.—To the Editor of The Journal—Regarding soldiers returning to their jobs, there has been much talk of late. The soldier's job is to fight for those at home as well as himself. He is forced to leave that job whether he enlists or not. And, whether it is held by man or woman, but if a woman or girl has to support herself and her family, she is entitled to the same as any man (not a returned soldier whose former job she may assume). But if a man or woman is not a returned soldier, she is not entitled to a job as long as more deserving ones are idle. In any case, give her the job if she had one. FAIR PLAY.

APPROVAL FOR CATHOLIC REPORT

Washington, Wash., Feb. 14.—To the Editor of The Journal—The propositions laid down by the National Security League council to guide legislation for reconstruction (as briefly summarized in Thursday's Journal) could well be incorporated into the constitution. It is this really a government by the people, why do we have to put up with the overhauling of the constitution by a few men to make this report of the committee a law? It is a question of Catholicism and the plan proposed, if we are to have "social justice and a contented people." There is quite a contrast between the National Security League apologizing to congress and the delivery of the report to congress. The gauge the loyalty of the National Security League recommending so wise a course as that referred to above. One is almost tempted to think that its activities were more in the interest of a certain class than of the public at large. F. V. MOSS.

REPLY TO "A FARMER"

Portland, Feb. 14.—To the Editor of The Journal—I have taken great interest in the letters from the people, and in reply to "A Farmer" I wish to say that I should use my common sense to better advantage than knocking labor. I think he would be greatly benefited himself and millions of other people if the farmer has a full granty the horses will be fat: if it is empty, the poor laborer will be the poor laborer; for if he has to go on rations of, say, one spud a day to make his horse live, he cannot have his three spuds a day, because he cannot get them. As demand regulates supply, why cannot the farmer be better off the better the man is paid, the better he lives; so, naturally, the greater the demand for food, the farmer has a lot of spuds. "Farmer" says that he has a guarantee of \$2.20 a bushel for wheat for his next crop. The government guarantees that price and laborers haven't any fat guarantees, so it is up to laborers to make their own wages known. "Farmer" says why should you sell the laborer what to do, when we all know that the laborer never tells the grocer what he will pay for his groceries. "Farmer" says that you sell all, instead of making bread? You know it got the kaiser in bad, and will get anyone else, no matter how what someone may come to the TOLLEK.

LICENSE FEE RESULTS

Portland, Feb. 11.—To the Editor of The Journal—I notice in the press reports the legislature is about to move to raise the license fee on automobiles in order to raise the money for road purposes as possible, which is right in the main, but it will certainly have an injurious effect upon the rural districts, where the automobiles are now used. Many carriers do not now receive sufficient salary to pay the upkeep on equipment and support families. They are simply holding on until congress will come to the relief. On routes where autos are used the farmer's mail is at his door in less than one-third of the time used on horse routes. The carrier, in order to reduce his expenses, will naturally return to the horse route, which is longer and less efficient. I notice congress is about to give Oregon \$1,050,000 a year for three years, besides \$1,181,000, also authorized to raise the license fee on the interest of efficiency and of the farmers, the legislature should so amend the pending bill that all cars used for revenue purposes should be exempt from the license fee. Let us hear from all other carriers by writing letters to their senator and representative. RURAL MAIL CARRIER.

OLDEN OREGON

Columbia River Has Borne a Surprising Number of Names
The Columbia river has been known by various names. It was called "Wauwa" by the Indians. The Spaniards called it "La Roque" or "La Roc." From the cape near the entrance of the river into the ocean it was then known as "Thegayo," and later as "Rio de Aguilar." By the Americans it was first called the "River of the West" as early as 1772, when Capt. Robert Gray called it the "Oregon," a name which it is supposed he heard while among the Indians of the Great Lakes. Afterward the name "Columbia" was given to it by Capt. Gray in honor of the first ship that sailed upon its bosom.

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