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I am opposed to the limitations of the lessening of the right of suffrage, if anything. I am in favor of its extension to broaden rather than restrict the privilege.—Abraham Lincoln.

SOME of the most interesting men in America—and that, of course, means the world—are coming to Portland next week, incident to the convention of the Pacific Coast Advertising Men's association.

THE rising sun in a full blown Portland rose inclining from the crystal chalice of Mount Hood should be their vivid impression of our floral beauty.

Days and nights filled with music and melody should be the contribution of our best talent. The ceaseless roar of our industry should speak the resistless urge of the electric current from our unflinching mountain rivers, and the light of day should scarce be missed under the illumination of night.

Maybe not extra, but more or less. July 1 holds no headaches or no terrors for us. We have had 'em, and they are memories of fast fading days and nights.

But out of the luxurious realms of reminiscence we rouse ourselves to merge our fears over the ebbing fountains of "Frisco" and wonder what will happen when that town goes dry.

And, horrible afterthought, what of Hornbrook? What of the satchel shank brigade which so long has troubled the northbound consciences upon the Pullmans?

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COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE Over-dressed chorus girls are apt to spoil any musical show. Prosperity often comes from finding the other fellow's lost opportunities.

Letters from the People (Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should not exceed one column in length, and must be signed by the writer, whose mail address in full must accompany the contribution.)

The Great Dipper and Canopus Fervale, May 21.—To the Editor of The Journal.—There is a phenomenon of the Northern Hemisphere which I should like you to explain.

Observations and Impressions of the Journal Man By Fred Lockley Conditions in Siberia as perceived by Major Holt while in the medical service with Yakutsk are recorded by Mr. Lockley.

Do you want to be a millionaire? That's easy. Buy a hand printing press and go to Siberia and print your own money.

"I came to Oregon 20 years ago," said Major Holt. "I started practicing as a physician at Gresham. A few years later I moved my practice to Dr. Short and sold to Portland.

In October, 1918, I was ordered to Siberia with four majors and 25 other medical officers. We arrived at Vladivostok in November, 1918, shortly before the armistice was signed.

"The Chinese troops were sent out to wipe out a band of Chinese bandits. They drove them into Manchuria. One of the worst epidemics of cholera ever known broke out among them.

Olden Oregon Proposal to Connect Coasts Through Canal Links and Rivers. Before the railroad became a means of communication there were suggestions for connecting Oregon with the East.

Paying for a Plague From the Los Angeles Times Every now and then evidence is revealed to show the havoc wrought by Spanish influenza.

And He's Quite Right at That From the Atlanta Constitution As the Atlanta Constitution says: "The 'Richland Philosopher,' says: 'The writer can get all the luxury that he is looking for by eating good home-made corn bread and drinking good butter-milk.'

Ratag and Bobtail Stories from Everywhere They'd Have to Go Some UNCLE SAM HODGE came down from the Kentucky mountains with his early products to market, says Every-body's.

How Poetry is Written To start a rhyme, begin with A. Proceed to B without delay. No need to C or even D.

The News in Paragraphs World Happenings Briefed for Benefit of Journal Readers GENERAL Since the war, it is estimated, Europe has lost 18,000,000 cattle, 35,000,000 hogs and 100,000 sheep.

At Vladivostok I saw acres and acres of munitions, railroad material, trucks, automobiles, etc. Much of it is being ruined by exposure to the rain and snow.

"German propagandists have gone all over the world selling the assertion that the railroads are public property and that there is no more need of paying for their use than paying for the air they breathe.

There was a further increase in the number of strikers on Thursday, when the laundry workers' union declared a strike in Paris and the Fifteen members of the house, 10 Republicans and five Democrats, have been appointed by Speaker Gillette to consider the resolutions of war-time expenditures of the war department.

NORTHWEST NOTES Peaches in Lane county have set in too heavy this year, and thinning will be necessary.

Dividing Hungary's Lands By Bassett Digby For little farms, but the churches and monasteries were irreplaceable. What they were held.

Curious Bits of Information For the Curious Gleaned from Curious Places According to figures issued by the war department, the combined British, French and American batteries shot down a large number of enemy aircraft during the year 1918.

Have You Ever Known Man Who Regretted Saving Money? The old proverb truthfully says that the fool and his money are soon parted. There is no virtue in poverty.

Shift Stamps and 1919 War Savings Stamp now \$5 sale at usual prices.