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Every measure must be tested by this question only: Is it just? Is it for the benefit of the average man, without influence or privilege? Does it embody the highest conception of social justice, without respect to person or class or particular interest?—Woodrow Wilson.

THE ROAD SCANDAL

the pavement in Marion county with strength and confidence. between Brooks and Salem is not being laid according to specifications. The development of a weakness at shown by the legislature and the this point naturally leads to the suggestion that there may be weak cumbent on the state highway commission to make a thorough investigation of the work already finished as well as that which is in a state of construction. If it should develop that the work is not up to standard, contracts should be cangelled forthwith and the dishonesty of the contractor exposed to the

More than this, the commission should, as it no doubt will, strengthen its inspecting force by employing only tried and competent men.

With paving contracts amounting mileage of nearly 295 miles outstanda big task in seeing that all conditions are complied with and that tue for such a large expenditure of public money is had.

urgent needs in Oregon its urgency hate and destruction. will not admit of slackness or diswork altogether.

written by Meriwether Lewis, Wil- so well or longed for a speedy return measures of reform than had been liam Clark and their assistants to when victory was won. tell from day to day the story of their adventurous exploration of the a cause of pride to every person tion. who has come to the Pacific Northwest from less favored portions of the country. To know the history of that original expedition should be the ambition of every pergenian, by birth or adoption.

IS IT ALL BELOW?

lower strata than in the upper. It interests against attle. seems to have a harder time hidit down toward the bottom.

in biblical lore, has not yet discov- point in the Columbia basin. It His friends know that Mr. Cum ered that silence is golden, in more is founded upon the complaint of the mings has a great deal of confidence the goldens glamour about it, finds of Idaho, who seek to have the by so much of the tour of the more difficulty in securing the si- interstate commerce commission give country as has been made, covering ence. It is a strange world.

table tells us, who found a piece merce commission to determine, upon which ran riot during the old reof money at his feet. All his life-long thereafter, as he journeyed transporting grain on all lines to and every man be on an equality about, he kept his eyes on the tidewater terminals from the Inland before the law.

sieces of change, now and then, of service as shown by the investi-but he missed all of the big things, gation. hroughout his journey, on a level) It may be true that a readjustwith his eyes, and above.

People were disappointed with him. Large visions flaunted themselves his face but he failed to see unfavorable position, but that is the them because he was continually misfortune of the unfavorable geocoking down. He missed what he graphical location of those ports. was hunting because he never looked up. Some said he was a failure, as Empire should not be forced to a looker. Others, that he did not suffer in their profits because the want to see.

It was timely action by Governor Olcott in heeding the information received from the Marion county farmer and reporting direct to the state highway commission that the road work was not up to specifications. It is a good thing that this that they be given the benefits of inefficient work has been discovered what nature has tried to do for thus early, so that a more effective inspection may be applied. The Marion county farmer is entitled to it, but nothing more. They want great credit for his vigilance.

THE PICTURE

DEACE has been signed, and are starting well. Government reports indicate that this nation will become the

granary of the world when harvest time is over, the June estimate fixing the wheat crop of the country at 1,236,000,000 bushels. All other products are on a similar basis. The problem of unemployment has shifted to the reverse side of the picture with jobs clamoring for men rather than men for jobs. Labor, in national convention, has shown its grower's case, wherein they seek conservatism and sane control and justice for themselves and injustice altogether the United States is on for no one. Puget Sound railroad solid ground and ready to advance, and shipping interests may attempt

one out of which business men will involved, but it will take some HE need of a closer inspection take confidence to go forward. The juggling with facts and figures to of state highway work is made world once more has turned its fool the interstate commerce comapparent by the disclosure that back upon the past to face the future mission.

A great deal of confidence was people in entrusting so much road ots at other places. It is now in- sion. The commission owes it to itself and to the public to take measures that will prevent repetition of the road scandal in Marion county. Let us either have a dollar's worth of sound road for every dollar of public money spent or have no roads at all.

ONE REASON

France, and the trees and flow- cause. ers and fields of Oregon.

to over \$6,000,000, involving a they were 6000 miles away made it son has by far the greatest mind clear that their dreams of paradise in the world. He is convinced, too, pictured the fond scenes of home Where the lords of the mountains are world. "The president's much against the armies in the devastating force of high explosives. If it should turn out that that he is the most practical states—war in future is to be waged—not so for a decent was much against the armies in the field as one and never expect to be one, but ing and with many others in pros- pictured the fond scenes of home that he is the most practical states- war in future is to be waged-not so pect the commission has before it Where the lords of the mountains are man in the world. "The president's

In a luster of silver and pearl; Those whose fortune it was to remain at home and keep before their to a mistake of importance that he erful explosives, which will simply wipe one in which it might be pleaded eyes the constant delight of the has made? At times many of us that the scope of the work under- beauty of this Eden-like land can have thought him wrong in some taken is too big to secure efficient have no such vivid pleasure in it as and faithful workmanship. While the bronzed lads that have come back road development is one of the most to it from a hell storm swept with those who doubted him, wrong."

Watch them as they gladden their honesty. If honest work cannot be eyes with longed-for views, as they this man in the White House operathad it would be far better to suspend lift their faces to the caress of the ing among colossal events and sea breeze, and as they listen to the under tremendous pressure and re-Not only as a duty to the public melody of the streams in the mounsponsibilities, you find them, if at ers may have been fortunate. But It is no wonder that he is active and inbut to itself should the highway tains. To them the raindrop is a dia- all, of minor character and very commission make a searching investi- mond locked in the heart of a rose. far between, gation and take practical steps to To them the blue of the sky and the justify public confidence in its gold of the sun are reflected in the and only to forward the great movecapacity and desire to get the best nodding blossoms of wayside paths. deared, for which they made offering ated. He tells you that Wilson and More than 1,000,000 words were of their lives. No wonder they fought his congress put into effect more

-Oregon country. This is one of sloughs to Major Geiger of the fedthe interesting facts brought to light eral health service? The officer by The Mentor, an unconventional seeks top feeding fish that can be into law and put into operation by magazine of New York, which de- taught to eat mosquito larvae in votes its May number exclusively to irrigation ditches. The carp is a pictures and text descriptive of the top feeding fish, but judging from Lewis and Clark expedition. To the present buzzing product of the have followed the path beaten out sloughs he certainly seems to lack by the intrepid explorers should be public spirit in mosquito destruc-

PUGET SOUND CAMOUFLAGE

Maybe the lower strata, unlearned or Astoria or any other shipping committee. ways than one. Maybe, too, the wheat growers and shippers of East- as to the outcome in 1920. This conlower strate, not having so much of ern Oregon, Eastern Washington and fidence has been greatly stimulated

noisy about a still, or a pint of The league in its petition is not he insists, is pronouncedly reactionishine here and there. Their asking for a Portland rate, an As- ary, and the definite issue will be gurgling cannot be hidden from the toria rate, a Vancouver rate, or whether the progress made in progofficial and eagle eye and ear. But for rates to Seattle, Tacoma or any ressive legislation shall be undone case or two-that's a different other Puget Sound It is ask- and the country swing back under matter, not so noisy, if properly ing . r a just rate to all tidewater reaction, or whether the forward ports. It is doing nothing more movement is to continue until all there was a man, so the than to petition the interstate com- the discriminations against the masses

oked up. He found other small grain rates on the basis of the cost

ment of rates based on such an examination of cost of service would throw Puget Sound ports into an The grain producers of the Inland Cascade mountains run between them and Puget Sound. The grain men did not plant the mountains between their produce and their markets. Neither did they carve the gorge o' the Columbia down to the water level. They are merely asking them. They want to buy transportation and pay a reasonable price for a just rate.

The public service commission of Washington contends, in Seattle's behalf, that the petition of the Inas against Seattle and Puget Sound. It is difficult to see the foundation a just charge for the service, all present rates are unjust and discriminatory against the shipper and the grower, forcing them to pay a mountain rate for a downgrade haul.

The grain rate case is a grain-It is a good picture to look at; to fool the public about the issues

A POLITICAL CAPTAIN

OIX feet 2, straight, and 49, Homer D. Cummings is chairman of the work to the state highway commisand has been a Portland visitor. He is a lawyer, and one of the most successful lawyers in Connecticut. His father was an inventor and contributed several important devices

to the mechanical world. As national Democratic chairman. Mr. Cummings receives no salary. He has won all the honors of his profession and enough of competence to enable him to give a great deal HERE has always been a relation of his time to the ever fascinating between a vermin infested trench, game of big politics. What is more, songy with mud and blood, in he has a profound faith in his

From a close knowledge of him, Letters which the boys wrote when Mr. Cummings thinks Woodrow Wilhead may be in the clouds," says In the banners the forests unfuri. firmly planted on the earth. In his frightful and fiendishly cruel warfare is statesmanship, where can you point turned out that he was right and When you glance back at events and search for blunders made by

Mr. Cummings is in politics wholly ment for the betterment of America It is the land, the home of meir en- that Woodrow Wilson has-inaugurenacted in this country in two generations. He takes the Progressive Why not offer the carp of our platform of 1912, and, one by one, shows the pledges made the people by the Progressives actually enacted

the Democrats. The l' of measures so translated striking that it is worth while to that year and make the comparison.

A strong face, eyes of the clearest Germany's munition factories will be blue, a firm mouth and a voice and manner suggestive of great this brings us to another factor in the reserve power, Mr Cummings seems situation. Germany will need, if she is ever DROPAGANDISTS from "some-reserve power, Mr Cummings seems where on Puget Sound" are just of stature for the great responsibility son entitled to the name, Ore- now very busy trying to con- that goes with his high position. vince the producers and business in his party are Vice Chairman Kremen of the Inland Empire district mer of Montana, a clean cut lawyer that the Columbia basin water grade of much prominence in his state, rate case to be heard before the still young as to years, but strong T IS funny about bootleg booze. It interstate commerce commission on in personality and capacity. Director seems to be more apparent in the July 21 is an onslaught of Portland of Finance Jamieson of Iowa, known nationally as a wizard in securing T. ~ propaganda, as is so often campaign funds by small popular ing itself down below than up above. the case with that commodity, is subscription; Executive Secretary Hol-It is a paradoxical sort of stuff. In- wrong in its premise, and, therefore, lister of Missouri, 39, quick, widely side it has a tendency to go to the wrong in its conclusion. The peti- informed and altogether interesting; top, in making its presence known. tion of the Inland mpire saippers' and Mrs. Bass, a nationally known Outside it sems to be easiest to find league has nothing to uo with Port- woman, who is head of the woman's land any more than with Vancouver, bureau of the national Democratic

them a rate based on the cost of the about one third of the states so far. There seems to be something very service rendered . The leadership of the opposition,

in his own state. Democratic nominee for United States s nater in 1916 and ran neck and neck with President Wilson, both of whom reduced the normal Republican plurality of 25,000 and bility of the "League of Nations," and no stronger. Kill the "League" in its cradle, and he would be a rash man who would guarantee that Germany will

in their visit to Portland, left a most favorable impression upon members of their political party.

> CAN DISARMED HUNS RE-ARM?

Arming of the Future to Be Prevented

From the Philadelphia Public Ledger The clauses disarming the late centra empires are drastic and comprehensive They will leave them entirely stripped of military and naval power in the European sense. But if the civilized world proposes

war. And that is that a "capable intelligent people can improvise an armed force at astonishing speed. These behalf, that the petition of the Insame Germans calculated that they land Empire league is discriminatory could ignore the British people as a military factor because they had no army of continental magnitude ready when the war broke. But, by reason for the charge. All that is asked the ability of the French and the Rusis that rates be fixed on a basis of slans to keep the Germans engaged while the British enlisted and drilled an army, these unmilitary British were factors of cost being considered. The able to create the force which really "won the war" during the two years, 1916 and 1917, between their arrival in the field and our later arrival.

The unready British were formidable in the summer of 1915 and they were impregnable in the summer of 1916. This achievement was accomplished, remember, under the old, clumsy and haphazard system of voluntary enlistment. The British did not turn to conscription until the drain of the war forced it on them. We in America made better speed and because we applied conscription at once and because we had the benefit of the experiences of our allies. We conscripted our armies in the late summer of 1917, and we broke the German offensive in the summer of the following year. When the armistice came that autumn we had more than 2,000,000 men under arms on the other side of the

So much for the possibilities of raising and equipping an effective army out of the bosom of an unmilitary and unprepared people. This, it should be kept in mind, was done under the present conditions of warfare, which are in many regards very much like what they were a century ago. Infantry is still the important, the vital arm. Vast masses of trained men are still the decisive factor Artillery has increased enormously value; cavalry has become, except for ourposes of pursuit, almost negligible. But it is far more necessary than ever before to assemble enormous numbers of men and subject them to intensive military training.

ment of alreraft and the tremendous inlines and civilian activities generally of aircraft dropping tons of terrifically powwhole communities out in a single blast of limitless destruction—then a nation will not need the millions of infantry move; but it has almost invariably now necessary, but can win its victory with a comparatively few skilled air pilots fed by corps of chemists distil-ling death in a hidden series of hell's

entific research and the great gamble even if science follows her usual course and reveals her secrets to a lot of scattered searchers almost simultaneously, the point is that the application of these unhappy discoveries to warfare will not require the prolonged drilling of mighty armies of men, but could be launched armies of men, but could be launched cept what comes from melting snow.

almost in a day by any nation having
a large mercantile air fleet. And this Columbia slough insect he should go up the peace treaty does not attempt to forbid or even limit.

However, even if war must still have huge armies to carry it on, a people like the Germans, with a gift for organization, regimentation andready obediencenomy, precision and swiftness of con-scription—might easily establish a new world's record for putting a formidable force in the field. With them, indeed, it would probably be more a matter of into law is extraordinary. It is so equipment than of men, for we must remember that much of our rapidity was hunt up a Progressive platform of munitions for the allies for years, and so to_strike a dangerous blow at any enemy, precisely the same sort of pre-liminary covering by some power which is prepared for war that the French and Russians gave to the Britsh and Americans. It would have been useless for the Britsh to be able to create a first-Germans had been able to win the war and dictate peace to the continent while the unready British were preparing. As for us, we would never have got into this war at all; and a pertinent question is: Would we have been ready when the fictorious Germans brought the next war to this hemisphere? A heavily worded and ever-mobilized Monroe Doctrine would have been hardly sufficient. will be in the same position. She must be covered by a friendly and prepared power while she is getting ready. But that. Even the kalser probably knows that the best-armed Germany cannot. trymen against "any cock-of-the-walk business." Even if Germany were to be-

So the whole question resolves fiself into the possibility that she may eventually find allies. If she should, then these allies, being as well armed as anybody under the "League of Nations," could quite possibly hold a defensive front while Germany was getting ready behind it to pour her millions into the

come again as strong as she was in

very speedily turn their plowshare fac tories into sword works. "But it is impossible for Germany to get allies!" Let us pray that this is true. But this impossibility is precisely as strong as the practicable works-

Letters From the People

never find herself in a formidable offens ive "league" of her own.

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City Employes' Wages Portland, June 29.—To the Editor of he Journal.—In a recent issue of your paper "A Taxpayer" deplores

that city hall employes seem to think of nothing else but to have their salaries raised and that some day the people will get tired of this state of affairs. In depend upon these restrictions to extract the face of facts and figures such criti-effectively all military menace from the contral empires, they are forgetting one employes just as much to live as any one. It is an undeniable fact that city employes have not been raised in proorder to meet the advanced cost of livthat they ing, and it is another undeniable fact copie as a that labor in general has not been advanced in pay sufficiently to meet the continual soaring of prices for the necessities of life. These conditions force nearly everyone to ask their employer for more salary in order to meet these mostly unwarranted advances. hopeless to look toward the government because the first thought is: Why doesn't the government stop this profiteering? The city employes do not ask more in order to lay something ought to be able to do), but just enough to live decently.

City employes, as others, when undercome what they ought not be. They feel sure of their job because nobody wants it for what it pays. Can a city like Portland afford to have such service? In the main the city forces are composed of good and efficient men and women. Here and there a few from the

big ones down don't realize what a publie service job means and their conduct is chiefly responsible for certain measures getting defeated at the polls. For and this particular act caused many un-favorable remarks to be made about the city employes as a whole as well as the office which sends out four able bodied easily in two hours. Why send four is of the old cherry trees. Such things is

one and never only another TAXPAYER Behold the Mosquite

Portland, July 1 .- To the Editor of The Journal.—It is to be noted in last Sunday's Journal that D. C. Lewis adduces as an argument for dredging Columbia slough that it will do away with the mosquito pest of the city. This argument is in line within the city limits and the two mile kitchens.

It is not enough to retort that this is a game at which two can play. It is a game dependent upon invention and scientific research and the great swarm of mosquitoes coming from the slough, scientists tell us that this bird travels on an average just 36 feet during its brief lifetime from the place of its birth and that only the great swarm of mosquitoes coming from the slough, scientists tell us that this bird travels on an average just 36 feet during its brief lifetime from the place of its birth and that only the great swarm of mosquitoes coming from the slough, scientists tell us that this bird travels on an average just 36 feet during its brief lifetime from the place of its birth and that only the great swarm of mosquitoes coming from the slough. game park around the city. As to the get a drop of blood in that little journey. mountain near Mount Washington. In both these sections there is no water ex-

real sport.

Mr. Lewis seems to have the notion that mosquitoes are like grasshoppers or locusts that swarm for miles and live for months, but they are not. There is enough' moisture in the bushes in Rose City Park to maintain a healthy colony, as any one living there can testicolony, as any one living there can testify. Any garbage dump, any pile of old
cans, any rank vegetation, any place
where snow is melting rapidly and green
things spring up with heavy dews will
produce a good healthy crop of the pest.
Any one who defends and legislates in behalf of other wild pests is inconsistent in attacking the relatively harmless Ore-gon mosquite. O. G. HUGHSON.

Considers the Canoe a Menace Portland June 26 .- To the Editor of The Journal—When I looked on the picture published in The Journal yes-terday of Edward Zollner, who was drowned near St. Johns when his cance overturned. I was compelled by my feelings and sympathy for the dear boy and his friends to utter my protest and his friends to utter my protest with pleasure of the return to the Chiagainst permitting the keepers of boathouses to keep and rent the dangerous struments, of a value more sentimental things. While I am not in favor of than actual. The item concerning the placing too many restrictions on pleas-skull of the Sultan Okwawa plainly ure seekers, at the same time there are relates to a real prestige which that so many fine young people risking and somewhat macabre symbol of power a young man launch out upon the deep and dangerous waters of the Willamette river in a cance with a young woman and a child about 2 years old—his famand a smid about I years old—his family, I suppose. There was a small steamer passing at the time, and what did the poor fool do but paddle hard until he got into the waves; and he stayed in them as long as they lasted. I thought at the time that he had no love for his wife and baby, so I only suggest that some steps be taken to protect innocent women and children from such recklessness, and the only way I can see to do it is by prohibiting the renting of such craft. We protect the public in other ways. Why not in that way siso? R. R. BRATTON.

way I can see to do it is by prohibiting the renting of such craft. We protect the public in other ways. Why not in that way also?

R. R. BRATTON.

Why the Confusion?

Portland, June 28.—To the Editor of The Journal.—Seventeen years ago on my first trip into the Cascade mountains, east of Portland and just south of Mount Hood, I found a beautiful stream called Eagle creek. This stream heads at Stoney Camp, one mile west of the Plaza Camp range station and flows west for 35 miles, where it empties into the Clackamas river, eight miles below Estacada. This stream is full of trout and has miles of beautiful camp sites and I have caught trout in it 17 inches long. Since the Columbia highway has

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE What's the score? The promised shakeup in the road ispartment threatens to make it har

The president has something to say when he gets home and he isn't going to lose any time in saying it. Cigar makers in New York are out

Cigar makers in New York are out on strike, which may or may not be sad news, depending on whether or not you smoke their brand.

Sheep shearers in Eastern Oregon are said to be making from \$20 to \$35 a day, which might lead to the conclution that someone is being "fleeced."

We've heard of lounge lizards and lunch lizards and the like, but the case of the lizard that lived in the lung of a Chehalis cow, though they had to kill the cow, is a new one on us.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

Just to show how very good business is, the La Grande Observer says a carload of automobiles "only lasts in the dealer's hand in La Grande long enough to tighten the last boit." Deer are more plentiful

many years in the Greenhorn mountains, say residents of that section, as quoted by the Baker Democrat, and hunters will find good sport when the open season rolls around.

Eugene people expect the parade to be held during the Fourth of July cele-bration there to be the biggest affair of its kind ever pulled off in the upper Willamette valley. They are talking about a parade length of five miles.

OBŠERVATIONS AND IMPRESSIONS OF THE JOURNAL MAN

By Fred Lockley

[Astonishing totals of tobacce consumption the United States are graphically presented any by Mr. Lockier, who, while a T. M. C. marctary in France during the war, busied he soit quite a good deal in purveying smokes the boys in khaki. In this article Mr. Lockies touches upon other incidents of the graph of the state touches upon other incidents of the graph of the g

a mile and spent many an hour trying against me, but you heed not to secure smokes for the boys. A cigar- "I am relentless, I am every else can anyone go to for relief ette or a cigar does not seem of very but his immediate employer? It seems much consequence: It represents at sand does not amount to much, either, but take handfuls enough and you have the Sahara desert or a thousand of seashore. It is the same way with aside for a rainy day (which everyone cigarettes and cigare. I ran across some statistics the other day that are rather surprising. The internal revenue paid will become dissatisfied, dis-gruntled and ugly. Their services be-United States for about 1000 years, or would build 14 battleships. The money spent for cigars alone each year would pay for the building of the Panama canal and we would still have left over \$50,000,000. Two hundred and fifty-one cigars are smoked every second in the United States. Of course, you could not smoke a cigar in a second. I mean is that if you divide the 21.718.-418 cigars smoked every 24 hours in instance, about two months ago four took all the cigars smoked in the walks at East Seventy-second street. United States last year and put them walks at East Seventy-second street United States last year and put them north of Glisan. The weather was nice in a line, end to end, they would go and for two days this gang of four around the world more than 22 times. slept under the cherry trees within one lf you put all the cigarettes smoked block and a half from Glisan street. last year end to ened they would reach last year end to ened they would reach There were a number of disgusted wit- from the earth to the moon and back nesses (mostly taxpayers) to this stunt again, and you would have enough

While the internal revenue report doe men to do the work one man can do not indulge in fiction, nevertheless it filled with interesting statistics. Fo men? This particular stretch of side- example, the report shows that for the walk was ordered renewed two years year ending June 30, 1917, for every man, woman and child in the United Are we sure that similar conditions will prevail even a decade hence? This war began the development of two new forms of warfare on land which may very casily so gain in scope, power and paralyzing effect as to revolutionize military methods. These are the employment of claracter and the transparding in the shade of the cold cherry trees. Such things is discretely always one a day for the cold cherry trees. Such things is discretely always one a day for the cold cherry trees. Such things is discretely always one a day for the cold cherry trees. 538 cigarettes, almost one a day for every man, woman and child in the United States. In addition to that we used 445,763,206 pounds of chewing and smoking tobacco, as well as 35,377,218 An' yet through all his cussedness there ran

I had always supposed that human ity's worst enemy was war, or, if no war, ilquor or lust. In a recent issue of the Fourth Estate I happened upon the following description of humanity's worst enemy: "I am more powerful than the bined armies of the world. "I have destroyed more men all the wars of the world. "I am more deadly than bullets and have wrecked more homes than the

nightlest of siege guns.
"I steal, in the United States alone more than \$300,000,000 each year. "I spare no one, and I find my viotims among rich and poor alike; the young and old; the strong and weak; "I loom up to such proportions that

Eagle creek and a picture in the Jourconfusion to campers and sportsmen. The Eagle creek I speak of is reached the mountains to Puget Sound points.

I have lived in Portland a number of that grain growers are being unjustly years and find upon investigation that taxed for transportation charges, for the stream that flows into the Clackamas had been on all our maps and known as Eagle creek for 30 years, came to view a few years ago. I think something should be done to eliminate the confusion in this matter and would like to hear from other persons on the subject, JAMES G. MENANE JR.

Some of the War's Restorations

From the New York Evening Post

Sentiment, effected more or less by certain minor restorations Germany by the treaty. The French back. Visitors to Berlin who have seen the flaunting exhibit of the loot from

ure seekers, at the same time there are so many fine young people risking and losing their lives in those dinky little cances that I think it is time they were prohibited by law from being rented in the city limits. Only a few days ago I stood on the Broadway bridge and saw of the Koran text of the Caliph others. It is certain that with the trenchant reduction in Turkish power will come the duction in Turkish power will come the departure of the office of the caliphate from the Turkish sultans, with such political influence as still attaches t that office. Thus the spiritual/success sorship to the prophet will return to "Yes," Arabis and into the same hands as the Dinkum." political sovereignty over the original home of Islam.

> From the La Grande Observer To urge upon the rate-making powers the rationals the injustice new pro-

in I cast my shadow over every field of labor from the turning of the grind-gene to the moving of every railroad train.

of wage-earners in a year. "I lurk, in unseen places and do mos of my work silently. You are warned "I am relentless, I am everywhere-in the home, on the street, in the factory, at railroad crossings and on the sea. "I destroy, crush or main: I give nothing, but take all.
"I am your worst enemy.
"I am Carelessness."

After you have been in France a few months you become versed in the lan-guage of initials. You possibly belong to the S. O. S. of the A. E. F. When you are off K. P. duty, you ask the M. P. to direct you to the Y. M. C. A. or the K. C. In fact, almost everything over there is known by its initials. I ran across a British officer with the initials M. I. C. E. on his collar. The C. E. stood for civil engineer, not Christian Endeavor, but I have forgotten what the "M. I." stood for. When a man signs his name in a register and follows it by the initials A. D. I. M. D. S. F. P. D. B. A. F., it takes considerable mental effort to figure out that and Machinery Department Section Food Production Department, Board of Agriculture and Fisheries." Yet, that is his actual title.

One of the astonishing results of the war is the fact that many a lad who was considered here as worthless and of no account, made good in splendid shape under the test of hardship and danger over there. A few days ago I woman whi received from Bert Huffman, my old him dead. time partner on the East Oregonian, a to quote it. Here it is: I knew a kid who went away to war-

A good-for-nothin', harum-scarum chap; He'd sponged and bummed and loafed to n While His folks all said he'd go to jail, they guessed— He seemed the black sheep of the whole she-bang; His crimes weren't bad, but just that pesky sort— Too big to clear him—not enough to hang.

Some said he'd get his needin's at the front-But one there was who pleaded in his sh

At last it came. The very earth, it said,
Was ripped and riven by the screening shell—
An' there between the lines they found him,
dad—
He'd stopped to drag a comrade from that
hell

Ah, we who sit so smugly in our case:
Who preen our feathers in a prudish way;
Who call our crimes by softer names than hisWhat gift do we, beside his great gift, lay?

hal today shows a bridge on the Colum- While this case was being threshed out his river highway over it. bia river highway over it. it did not touch a vital point which is Now why is it that we have two now being brought up by Mr. Ostrander streams within a few miles of Portland and Mr. Watson. Their mission here is of the same name? It causes lots of to explain the discrimination between to explain the discrimination between the haul to Portland and the haul over by the P. R., L. & P. company's line, which crosses it at Cedar Brook on a layman, and it is admitted by any fair-steel bridge 114 feet high. some reason the rate-making powers have never been convinced. phase of the matter and proper steps will be taken to make sufficient noise to attract attention in the future. Growers from different parts of

> Curious Bits of Information For the Curious

Gleaned From Curious Places

valley were in attendance.

Admiral Mayo told at a dinner in Washington a story about slang. "It is all very well to decry slang." he began," but I know a case where a Peking during Boxer days will read knowledge of it would have saved a man's life.

man's life.

"The man was a German spy. Disguised as a major of the Australian forces, he penetrated the Australian lines. His English was perfect, but not so his Australian slang. Australian slang, by the way, is the weirdest in the world. 'Fair dinkum' in that lingo "Well, the German spy fraternized with the Australian officers, and all seemed to be going well, when a blond

Say, look here, are you fair dink-"The German spy nodded and smiled.
"Yes,' he said, I am Major Fair

Olden Oregon United Brethren Were Among First

Among the church colonies that came o Oregon was the United Brethre Missionary colony. In 1852, according to Horner's History of Oregon, Reverend Thomas Jefferson Connor of Hartsville, Ind., was delegated by the United Brethren conference, then in session at Canal. O., to organize and conduct a Canal, O., to organize and conduct a missionary colony to Oregon. Five hundred dollars had been contributed by the church for the project. The party of 28 persons from various directions gathered at Council Bluffs and began the journey to Oregon under the leadership of the Reverend Mr. Connor. Leaving Council Bluffs early in May they im Council Bluffs early in May they Ragtag and Bebtail

Fortunate for Farm DURING a debate on the farm ten antry resolution in the Kansas legislature, one orator sought to callet all of the farmer members on his side.

"Every member of the house who was raised on a farm please raise his hand," he pleaded.

All of the members, including law
yers, held up their hands.

"How many of you still live on farm?" he asked. About half of the members raised their "How many of you who left the farm want to go back?"

Not a hand went up.
"The farms are in great luck," he

"Twas Ever Thus

I've never known it yet to fail.

Whene'er I take my rod and hook
And shirk my job and steal away
Until I find some river nook.

Where rumor bath it, fishes are—
And fish from early morn till night.

With not a thing to eat and drink,
And nover get a single bite—
It never fails that someone's there.
Bome smiling chump, who's sure to say;
"I guess there's nothin' dain' here—
You ought t' been here yesterday!"
—Buffalo Nows.

Uncle Jeff Snow Says: The Prohi chaps uster be considered luney oranks a few years ago, and harmless at that. Then the friends and follerers of John Barleycorn woke up to their bein' dangerous, and also somewhat respectable. Finally them Prohis got one state after another and it was oo late to put all the Prohis in the luney houses. First thing we knowed Uncle Sam had kicked John outer the White House entirely and outer the Cap-itol buildin' next. Now he is goin' to his own funeral hollerin' "murder" at every step. John was as over confident that nobody could ever do him up, say about ten years ago, as a whole lot of our land

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

A cloudburst at Ravenna, Neb., Moray caused damage estimated a

Former Governor Gorte of New Jersey has been elected chairman of the federal trade commission for the term of one year.

It is announced that the \$54,000,000 federal 4% per cent land bank farm loan bonds allotted to New York have all been sold. Bids for the sale of 15,884,453 cans of vegetables bought for the army were opened at Chicago Monday by the government quartermaster's department.

After an all night debauch, John Sowersby of Oakland, Cal., went home and began beating his wife, when the woman whipped out a revolver and shot him dead.

time partner on the East Oregonian, a little poem he had recently written, entitled "The Black Sheep." There is so much truth in it that I am going to quote it. Here it is:

The navy department has placed or-ders with West coast concerns for suf-ficient gasoline and fuel oil to supply the demands of the large naval force recently ordered to the Pacific. Permission to appeal without cost to the United States court of appeals had been granted American citizens among the 35 L. W. W. convicted in Chicago last August for violation of the espionage law.

Departure from Ellington field, Hous-ton, Tex., shortly of four De Haviland battle planes for a flight alor Pacific coast and thence poss transcontinental trip, is announ

NORTHWEST NOTES Voting machines have been purchased for all of Seattle's 277 precincts, at a cost of \$900 each. Heavy snow drifts still blockade Mc Kenzie pass, and it will be some time before autos will be able to get through The cherry season in the Lewiston valley has reached a close. The value of the crop will reach more than \$50,000.

All infant weight records were broken at Bend Monday when a 14 pound gir-was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Green of that city. of that city.

All the large restaurants in Astoria are closed as a result of a strike called Monday night by the cooks and waiters for an advance in wages.

Shishaldin peak on Unimak island was in cruption throughout the day of June 23, according to reports of Alaskan travelers reaching Seattle.

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Thirty men of Camas, Wash, who were in the service, met Monday night for the first time to organize a brand of the American Legion there.

The Holmes school building in Spokane was damaged Monday to the extent of \$100,000 by a fire caused by hot air balloon which hit on the roof.

Henry O'Bryan, 18 years old, was killed by a falling tree at the Crans logging camp on Coquille river. He had worked but two weeks when he met his death. One of the largest rural Sunday school gatherings ever held in Linn count; was that at Waterioo last Sunday, when 1500 persons gathered to enjoy the day's

The strike of more than 200 employed of the Spokane packing plants, which began Monday morning, terminated with the geturn of the employes to work Tuesday morning.

As a result of a public meeting being held in a city park by alleged radicals, an ordinance has been passed in Spokane making public speaking in city parks a misdemeanor.

Lincoln county will enjoy two novel celebrations on July 4, one at Siletz which will be held by Indians, and the others at Waldport, where the girls' athletic club will have charge.

Rapid increase in farm land values

Rapid increase in farm land value in the vicinity of Bend is shown in the sale by A. E. Peterson of his f60-acr ranch for \$16,000. He purchased the property three years ago for \$8000.

A reunion of four generations representing several states will be held July 4 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Kizer near Eugene. Mr. Kizer and his wife crossed the plains by ox team by years ago.

Roy Fultz, aged 10, and Marvin Wal

Roy Fultz, aged 10, and Marvin Walden, 13, confessed at Bend that they had stolen five bicycles and had interchanged the parts so carefully as to make recovery of the wheels virtually impossible.

To stop the jitney business betwee Chehalis and Centralia, the Chehali city commission has passed an ord-nance forbidding jitneys or for nire car making trips over National avenue of ener than two trips each 24 hours.

Thrift Really . Is Only Intelligent Saving IStories of achievement in the accumulation of War Sevings Stamps, sent to The Journal and accepted for publication, will be awarded a Thrift Stamp.]

Thrift is simply the application of

intelligence to expenditure, says Frank Crane. It does not mean of life. Thrift means intelligent ape