

found to be "out of order" by various of his colleagues who hailed from apparently seedless districts, and who want to do their own seeding.

Then Mr. Walsh of Massachusetts, the broad and somewhat abandoned, acres of whose native state do not seem to yearn for political planting, moved to strike out the whole paragraph carrying the seedful appropriation.

This motion threw the monkey wrench into the proceedings until it was discovered by some parliamentarian that the house was in committee of the whole where roll calls are not recorded, whereupon the Walsh attack on congressional privilege was voted down with but two votes in its favor.

Then Mr. Blanton tried to have the appropriation down \$400,000, which attempt found but two supporters. Mr. Walsh and the mover of the motion, Mr. Blanton.

And so the seeds will continue to be sowed, broadcast over the country to grow their biennial crop of votes; and the mail service will continue to be cluttered up with unremunerative mail sacks.

Speaking of the refusal of the telephone company longer to tell subscribers the time, is a reminder that under a competing service in the recent past the telephone girl told the result of the ball game, gave you the exact time any time and called you if you wanted to get up early Sunday morning to go fishing. And that was before the advance rates made telephone service a luxury.

Public Salaries. There can never be anything but disputes over the adjustment of city salaries.

In public, as in private employ, there are always workers who are conscientious that the faithful and effective service they are rendering is worth more than the time server who works, not to effectively serve, but for the salary as the chief aim.

tion to trying a new one? In all other things we have adopted new plans, and by that process we have greatly advanced in civilization. It is only in the resort to war that we stick by the old idea. And the longer we stick the worse it gets.

His Depressing View. What is the essence of Senator Johnson's opposition to the League of Nations? The words of the old Quaker tell it directly: "All men are liars save thee and me—and sometimes I have my doubts of thee."

Senator Johnson made it clear in his Portland address that in his opinion America should stay out of the League of Nations because we can place no trust in the other contracting nations. We cannot believe that Italy, whose sons fought magnificently in the crags of the Alps, could have aught but selfish motive.

France, of whom it was said that if her men were all killed the women would take their places, if the women were all killed the children would take their places, and if all were killed the dead would rise to fight on. France had only greed in the peace conference, according to Mr. Johnson. And Great Britain, to whose splendid marine we are indebted for the fact that our boys reached the fields of glorious victory, Great Britain, if you listen credulously to the senator from California, used the peace conference only for the purpose of adding lands and peoples to the wide domain of English dominion.

Are the objects for which America entered the war so quickly forgotten? Is the faith that cemented the alliance of war so easily broken? Can the nation accept Senator Johnson's sordid and depressing view that America is a China and all our late brothers in arms mere bandits and buccaneers?

Some men seem born with backbone; others acquire it, and many pass through a neutral existence without it. An old motto advises the individual hesitating on the verge of imminent decision, "To escape criticism, do nothing, say nothing, be nothing." The clod, the clam and the spineless human can take such counsel and not feel its irony. The Nazarene pronounced an eternal judgment on those that are neither hot nor cold. Both the positive and the negative types of men have complete contempt for the irresolute who woo safety by covering. The fighter may win opposition by his choice of a cause out by his courage will command admiration.

The individual, the community and the nation lacking aggressiveness born of conviction attach themselves to the lists of the unfit and forgotten.

In these days there has come among the peoples of earth issues that disturb and perplex. The paths of the future lack the signboards of precedent and experience. Human welfare is in the balance. The ideals to which countless generations have committed their strivings seem almost within the grasp of bravery and devotion. The dead weight of those who lack vision and purpose can prevent achievement even more than the strife created by others who follow a false ideal.

One feature of the Fall amendments vote which is not generally appreciated is the notice of the country is the position taken by Senator Lodge. He voted every time with Fall, Knox, Brandegee, Borah and Underhill. Nothing was to be gained for him to swallow. If any evidence still were needed as to what Lodge really wants to do to the treaty it was supplied by these roll calls.

Incidentally, they had left some thousands of dollars along the line of their tour.

The people of the United States are just beginning to awaken to the wonders of the Pacific Northwest. In times to come they will crowd the trains, the automobile highways and even the air lanes.

Irving dock on the East Side just below the Broadway bridge is to be repaired. May be the movement to rebuild the whole Portland waterfront is on, with this as a beginning.

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Washington, Oct. 11.—One group of Republican senators finds a favorite form of amusement in offering resolutions calling upon the president, the secretary of state, and other officials to furnish information about this and that. Scarcely a day passes but some member of the group introduces a resolution of this variety. Occasionally it is pertinent, but more often it is only pertinent as an excuse for making a speech assailing the administration. Frequently the resolution is dropped as soon as it has served this purpose.

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It is significant that the police reported a score of wild burglars prior to the day on which the city for a flat increase in salary?

New York theatre managers have raised the price of seats because the actors went on strike. That strike was surely worth the "what to do" to them.

A snapshot picture of King Albert "at ease," shows him wearing suspenders, and from the same picture we take it that he has the sort of hips that go to make a "best" pair.

Reading that someone took a couple of shots at an American prisoner reminds us that in the olden days we used to believe that if a missionary escaped holding alive he had nothing further to fear.

A United States government commission reports that undue profits are being made in shoes. We knew that, anyway, but the mere telling of it on government authority isn't going to help us keep the baby's feet warm and dry this winter.

Impressions and Observations of the Journal Man. [Here are some stories of great shots by great shooters—temporarily great, that is to say. One of these celebrated marksmen is Mr. Lockley, who is a member of the club which will be with us for good and all.]

Several years ago at Brownsville I happened to meet Morris King. Morris King is a typical Westerner. He can ride a bucking horse, throw the diamond hitch and speak Spanish, though he does not do any outdoor work, though he prefers to do the kind that can be done on horseback.

Looking back at it, I can see there was no real harm in me, but a heap of it was done in the Willamette valley. I had driven some stock from Central Oregon to Huntington to be shipped to Omaha. We had been paid off and were headed for our home on the Willamette valley, and we were 20 miles east of Baker, just as we were unloading to go into camp, a couple of well dressed fellows drove up with a good team and buckboard, and stopped at the entrance to the camp.

Small Change. Germany has balked long enough in the Baltic.

Letters from the People. [Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on one side of the paper, should not exceed 300 words in length, and should be signed by the writer, whose mail address in full must accompany the communication.]

A Critic Answered. Portland, Oct. 7.—To the Editor of The Journal: In your issue of October 7 against Senator Johnson comes exceedingly close to being mere defamation and vilification, uttered in something approaching hysterical indignation.

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From the Man Who Pays. Portland, Oct. 8.—To the Editor of The Journal: I have been reading in the official of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company fail in their loyalty to the shareholders by using other means of transportation than those which are provided for the use of the public.

A New Note. A new note at labor meetings was sounded by L. W. Buck, secretary-treasurer of the Washington State Federation of Labor, in an address before the Oregon federation at Bend. He characterized the resort to strikes as a waste of energy and productive of personal antagonism. It was detrimental to progress, he said.

Johnson Forgets. From the Pendleton East Oregonian. Many of those named on the committee to receive Senator Johnson on his arrival in the state are declining to serve. They mean no personal dishonor in the matter, but they do not want their names used in connection with the campaign he is waging.

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COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF. RATIONING. The United States Shipping board steamer Yanklok is totally disabled and drifting in the Atlantic, according to wireless dispatch received at Halifax Friday.

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Clark Appreciates The Journal's Editorial. A. G. Clark, manager of the Associated Industries of Oregon, has written The Journal an editorial, made in Oregon, of the 7th, to pass without acknowledgment from this office would show a lack of appreciation.

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