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KEEPING US IN TURMOIL

TYPHY doesn't congress end the uncertainty?

sion. The debate is merely obstruct- classified traffic. ing passage of reconstruction legislato have a formally ratified peace or New bridges at the Morrison and

single senate opinion is being changed cern to both city and county authoriby the interminable debate. If the ties, and the public at large. treaty is to be ratified it can better | The planning commission has given country will know and make its solid worth. preparations accordingly.

Every indication is that Lodge and his growd are beaten. They never risen 800 per cent, there is but a six- to inter the mutilated victims. were in full agreement. A small day food supply and several million sroup of about 15 are against any league. Others are for textual league. Others are for textual league of Nations fully organ
of these stark and mute dead for be ready to fight.

There is scarcely a higher call to at all times and at all cost and at out first considering them in connection the American people than the appeal all sacrifice of our young men to with its means. The king had already sufficient undertakings in hand of certain the appeal of these stark and mute dead for be ready to fight. Some of the more pronounced are playing partisan polilies, trying to make an issue for the

1920 campaign. Unable to present a solid front, the obstructionists are merely playing for delay in the hope that something may turn up to their advantage. The Shantung vote, so propouncedly against them, was a staggering blow to their plans. The thing that came out significantly in that vote was a marked sentiment in unexpected quarters against changes that would send the treaty back to the Paris conference. If those unexpected senators were unwilling to send it back to men in the force. conference on the Shantung issue, they will also be unwilling to send it back on other textual changes. When men like Hale of Maine took that ground, Lodge was repudiated. Of all the provisions in the treaty. the Shantung arrangement is probably the most objectionable. President Wilson himself declared that \$2.59. he did not like it, but that, with war treaty to let Japan retain the vanced 220 per cent. German concessions for a certain period, he was powerless to change now \$60. If the obstructionists could not secure textual changes in the Shantung provision, if proposal to change men under double platoon system that provision was beaten 55 to 35, voted by the people. there can be little chance of suc-

on any other provision. Were the truth known, it is proba-Lodge group is in hopeless confusion. It is very probable that their strength disintegrating. Johnson has canvote is beginning to tell.

In any event, there should be defiite action and at once. The country is the same as it was in 1914 when wants the unsettled status to end. If the treaty is to be rejected, reject If it is to be ratified, ratify it, and put the country in position to 1914 when cement was \$1.25 against m back to the security and tranquil-

Portland police did good work in he capture of the two yeggmen who we confessed to some of the 20 or more burglaries committed during past two months in the Irvingon district. What did the burglars ake out of their enterprise? Is it peril of the game that is the ure? Certainly, it is not the profit!

A PLANNED PORTLAND

municipal zoning, the ta, the coordination of play- to see how to avoid the rule in pubestablishment by school and lie matters. shortlies, and the replacement | If the increased levy is und

Zoning, in the definition of the ommission, divides the city into areas which are to be subdivided into groupings of industries, resi- is government, not by a kaiser, but dences and business structures. Thus by Austrians. It is the thing the each zone becomes an independent president of the United States urged unit where neither industries nor in diplomatic notes when he was enbusiness will be permitted to en- couraging peoples to break away croach upon residence districts but from kingcraft. It is the kind of where each will have its own latitude government the Declaration of Inand boundaries.

to the admission of air and light so it would be to these people to have part of the whole through natural expansion and merging of boundaries, a zoning ordinance such as the planning commission proposes might be impossible unless it provided machinery for the complete rebuilding of the community. Such a purpose, it may be assumed, is not a part of the program, but rather a govern- of war would, laid side by side, make fight any number of nations leagued Past Drawn Upon By a Satirist to Illuminate Today as will gradually and reasonably bring about the desired result. There the only suitable method.

congestion. Truck, automobile and day. street car operation might well be segregated so that ponderous and in- was hideous, what are the accident shores. flexible vehicles will be as little inmassacres with more than deuble the lif our career is to be military, inattempt to cross the Sea of Darkness will terfered with as possible and in order toll of victims? Bearing in mind stead of under a pact of peace, we serve as a stimulus to all those who are Why keep the country in that lighter and swifter vehicles may that, if interred as the soldiers were must have universal and compulsory military training. Under no other reverse direction, They will draw courbate on the treaty? Not a senate through promiscuous jumbling of unditch 48 miles long and in the botton a situation in which we are de-

tion already long overdue. The main carry its travel efficiently so the If not, what about the rapid rate other nations. reason why conditions remain un- narrowing of residential streets of at which accidents are increasing? Compulsory military training and he made against the high cost of certainly to be unity in playground sion? living is the interminable delay of location for all the agencies involved

be done now than later. Then the its preliminary study to subjects of

the Nazarene say about it?

THE CITY TAX LIMIT

Here is a tremendous query: If random, between the cost of what the city bought in 1914 and in 1919:

Wood in 1914, \$5, now \$9. Brass goods, formerly 31 cents a pound, now 60.

Police salaries, then \$85 to \$100. now \$115 to \$140, with 75 additional Unskilled labor, in 1914 \$3 a day,

now \$4.30. Gasoline, 13 cents, increased to 221/2. Piping, \$30.20 per ton, advanced to \$70 per ton.

Sand and gravel, 70 cents a yard, 4925? now \$1.50. Cement, \$1.25 per barrel, raised to

The average cost of building ma-France and England pledged under a terials for public works has ad-Are light fixtures, formerly \$35,

Pay of firemen in 1914, \$100, now \$140 per month, with 75 additional

Things the city buys have increased cessful attack by the obstructionists the same as things bought by individuals. Any citizen knows whether or not he is paying more, and knows ble that, back of the scenes, the further about how much more he is

The Items of increase cited above are intended only to give a general celled his New York speaking en- idea. They are but a drop in the gagement. Doubtless the pressure of bucket. The list of articles increased he country upon the senate for a could be extended indefinitely. The tax rate to raise money with which the city may buy wood, for instance, wood was \$5 a cord against the \$9 that it now costs. There is no power to levy a larger rate now than in

the \$2.59 that cement costs in 1919. Meanwhile in 1914, revenues from saloon licenses, interest, premiums and on bonds and other miscellaneous sources totaled \$739,147. In 1919 this revenue is reduced to \$158,756, nearly portland. \$600,000 less. It is a very great shrinkage in income.

Meanwhile, as a conservative measure, few improvements were made during the war. In that field the city has remained at a standstill, in spite of a large growth in population. The lapse has created an in-ECOMMENDATIONS which will creased need for improvements and public attention are in betterments in many lines and made the first annual report of the it important to do now that which ity planning commission. Among was left undone during the war. In private life we are compelled tion of heavy traffic streets, to buy what we have to buy in spite narrowing of purely residential of the high prices. It is impossible

of the Morrison and Burnside bridges ble, some other means of raising with high level spans better calcu- revenue, such as occupation taxes or lated to carry rapidly increasing otherwise, would seem to be inevi-

The national assembly in Austria has ratified the peace treaty. That dependence declared for. It is the Zoning also relates to the height kind of government that was at and size of buildings with reference stake in the late war. What a boon ment of, for and by the people?

A GHASTLY RECORD

F BURIED as American soldiers were interred in Flanders, the people killed in accidents in the United States during the 19 months

In the period, the number of service men who fell in battle or died of is little doubt that the growth of wounds was 58,167. In America dur- war is on to begin preparations. the city must be intelligently guided ing the same 19 months, the numand practicable zoning seems to be ber killed by accident in the home, in the street and in the industries There is much to recommend the was 126,654, more than double the the arsenals. The battleships, great been eternally set down as a barrier proposal for directing of heavy traf- number killed in the war. The killfic along streets that will reduce ings by accident averaged 240 per

the automobile killings were at the into military service. rate of 21-3 persons in every 100,000. should be rejected at once. Not a and their building is a matter of con- 100,000. What must have been the doom. rate of the killed in 1918, when the rose to 6,000,000?

tuted for the chaos throughout Eu- measures to save others from their rope, these starving people could be fate. If their appeal is not enough: delivered from their misery. Would then there are the orphaned children it not be worth while? What would left without support and care, the widowed women thrown upon their own resources and the families whose breadwinner has been taken away.

Here is a tremendous query: If 21-3 to 91-6 per 100,000 through increase of automobiles from 400,000 surely will in the near future? The paved roads are a bid to every family to own a machine. The mood of the time and the drift of the social order impel people to have cars. Multiplication of machines to an extraordinary degree is as certain as doom. If we go on as now, what will be the death rate in 1921 or

Accidents can be checked. By effort to do so, the steel industry has greatly reduced the number of accidents in its plants. In the United States Steel plants, the company estimates that, in the 12 years which their anti-accident work has been pursued, 23,815 lives have been saved. It asserts that by these results it has saved in compensation for industrial accidents more than \$1,000,000 a year over and above the cost of the life saving work. The intelligent and effective use of safety appliances and educational propaganda by the steel companies has caused the insurance companies to now classify the steel industry as a "non-hazardous" instead of the "hazardous" activity under which it was formerly

grouped. A great organization is operating in all the states of America to reduce the number of accidents. It is the National Safety Council whose regional field secretary is W. H. Rasmussen, now in Portland and to remain here a month. Its plans include schools for foremen of industrial plants, the introduction of instruction against accidents in the public schools, and numerous other intelligent processes. Among other things, Mr. Rasmussen has organized local division of the council in

There could scarcely be a more purposeful and deserving enterprise. The mute and mutilated dead, the miles and miles of scarred bodies. all luckless victims of preventable accidents, are a challenge to all people to cherish and support the or-

one out of every three persons in reward for his service. America. The sum is more than it It is not proposed to discharge the cost to run the government before less efficient, but to teach and train the war. In 1914 congress appro- them to greater efficiency. Every

year. As the interest on the war sibility on the basis of his or her debt cuts nothing off the principal, record. By placing in authority only and as there are enormous war taxes those who know what to do and to pay in addition to the bond inter- how to do it, the arbitrary control costs huge sums. Why not a league industry be managed by those who pact to end war and this terrible are trained for the job, it is claimed,

READY TO FIGHT

American Bankers' convention

We are told that Great Britain is plotting against us, that France is that healthfulness as well as ef- the moral support of America, as a plotting against us, that Italy is plotthat healthfulness as well as efficiency may be conserved. In a
what would that support be, but efcity such as Portland, composed of
fort by America to help the Ausa people anywhere but has designs smaller communities that became trians retain and live under govern- on us, not a nation or a people anywhere that is not ready to turn against and destroy us, if the speeches of anti-league senators are to be believed.

They demand that we efter no pact to preserve the peace. If we follow them and if their speeches are true. we must be ready at any time to against us.

Then, we must be prepared. We cannot, as in the past, wait till the

The armies must be ready. The men must be trained in advance. The guns must be in the forts and in harbors or on the high seas, ready for immediate service. We cannot will be made by all good and true men It is a gory record. If the war wait until the invader lands on our more than an occasion for vain regret

tom a solid sidewalk of human bodies, scribed by anti-league senators as affairs with the dread uncertainties that As a street should be planned to does the situation not give us pause? the object of hatred and design by all lay beyond the seas. They were over-

uncertainty and why no progress can terferes with utility. There ought multiplying in an ascending progress the fair method in raising and main- history. taining big armies. It is the only Thus, in 1910 the number of auto- way in which every mother's son in the wild and dangerous dream of the

whether we are to reject the treaty Burnside street crossings of the In 1917 the number of automobiles defeat of the league of peace leads. tugal by the heroic efforts of a few of and begin all over again the negotia- Willamette are already recognized as was 3,000,000 and the rate of killings if the Johnsons and Borahs manage tions for a separate peace with a necessity and they should represent 9 1-6 per 100,000. The increase in the to keep America out of the league, an advanced type. Their economy number of automobiles raised the compulsory military training for the the court of Lisbon. A council of digompulsory military training for the consider his lift the treaty is to be rejected, it will be measured by their efficiency, death rate from 21-3 to 91-6 per United States will be as certain as nitaries was convened to consider his

number of cars and power trucks now than there was at any time, overseas: Nobody yet knows. It makes one war. The act that started the late divide the power of the nation. While shudder to think of the death rate. unparalleled conflict is infinitesimal the forces were thus scattered abroad on remote and unprofitable expeditions. It is appalling to think of the long in comparison with what is now go-In Austria, the cost of living has burial ditch that would be required ing on in Russia. If we do not their active enemy, the king of Castile. join the league we shall be compelled In the Portuguese nation it would t

> Congress apprepriated a billion would be between the world's wheat But man proposes and supply and foes. demand disposes. The Northwest be when the automobiles number cent of the billion dollars is likely twelve or fifteen million, as they to be used. In most European countries the wheat price is \$3.50 or more

THEIR NEW PLAN

NEW formula for reconciling labor and capital on a basis of equity, has been submitted to formidable to the other nations session in Washington by a group of industrial engineers.

The prevalent unrest in industry, it is declared, results from a system which permits the acquisition of ate so religious as the bishop of Ceuts wealth for which no adequate service should oppose this undertaking; the ultihas been rendered and tolerates spe- mate object of which was to augment cial privilege with the resulting ex- pole to pole. He dared to prognosticate, ploitation of men, women and chil- with a voice and spirit as if from dren. To correct this condition and heaven, to whatever prince should remove our industrial evils the following declaration of principles is been obtained by sovereign the most submitted:

First, eliminate all unfair privimake business and industry fulfill whirling words. The Portuguese council their responsibilities to the community.

Second, free all industries producing socially necessary commodities or supplying public service, from selfish or incompetent autocratic control. In other words, it is said in this declaration of principles that no permanent peace is possible so long as which Spain had prospered, in favor of one man is able to exploit the serv- a round earth such as Columbus advoices of another for his own benefit were right it would only mean that the and that there must be placed in Spanish people "would be embroiled in charge of all industries producing the affairs of strange peoples who have the ability to run them spoke uncouth languages such as"democratically and efficiently.

responsibility to the community. The French, Hungarian and Czecho-Slavic." industries should not be run by those whose only claim to authority is ownership.

There is no intention of disturbing who owns the plants and tools so into the mad enterprise. The perform adequate service. The im- 2.345.878 to 2.346.987, the Spanish portant thing, it is explained, is to and their government in the same

printed \$684,757,278 for the expenses man and woman is to be rewarded

est, it is made apparent that war of ownership will be eliminated and and by rewarding only for services rendered the lowering of costs be stimulated and cost of living be reduced.

Not only is a change in the method indorsed compulsory military but also a change in the system of cost accounting.

Under the present system every article is made to bear not only the expense of producing it, but is charged up with a share of the expense in maintaining parts of the plant which are unproductive. This gives an excuse for high prices, making possible the claim of idle capital for a reward for which it performs

ANNIVERSARY OF A.TRAGEDY

From the New York Evening Post, October 12 This year's Columbus day carries a warning of peculiar polynancy for all thoughtful citizens. Every October 12 before this has, no doubt, brought home the lesson of that fatal enterprise of the Genoese visionary and mariner, who reover what happened 427 years ago. The who fought for the maintenance of a reason why conditions remain and great tradition; but their devotion to an settled, why business is pestered with fers an economy that in no wise ingreat tradition; but their devotion to an

> Not all of those who stood out against bringing upon the Spanish nation was This is exactly the end to which warded off from the neighboring Porher sons. Six years before he succeeded in victimizing the Spanish monarchs Coproposals. In that council the patriotic doom.
>
> and far seeing bishop of Ceuta raised
> There is more fighting in Russia his voice against all mad adventures

> They tended, he said, to distract anywhere, in 10 years before the late the attention, drain the resources and tain advantage, without engaging in others of a wild, chimerical nature. he wished employment for the active dollars with which to pay the differ- valor of the nation, the war in which h ence that it was then supposed there was engaged against the Moors of Barbary was sufficient, wherein his triumphs were of solid advantage, tending price and the American basic price. to cripple and enfeeble those neighboring

The force of this argument will b better understood when it is realized price of hard wheat today is 40 cents that the Portuguese were accustomed to above the government's basic price. speak of the Castilian peril, and that The clamor that the government was the Moors of Barbary lay due south of to 3,000,000, what will the death rate favoring the farmers is dead. Not a Portugal and occupied a country rich in minerals and grazing lands.

> Yet even in Portugal there were visionaries who yielded to the seductions of the Genoese adventurer. Thus it is related that Don Pedro de Meneses, count of Villa Real, attempted to reply to the bishop of Ceuta. He argued:

It would be the greatest glory for Portuguese valor to penetrate into the secrets and horrors of the ocean sea, so the industrial conference now in world. It was an affront to the Portuguese name to menace it with imaginary perils, when it had proved itself intrepid in encountering those which were most certain and tremendous Great souls were formed for great enter prises. He wondered much that a prelachieve this enterprise, more happy success and durable renown than had ever valorous and fortunate.

unflinching patriotism of the bishop of lege of employer or employe and Ceuta prevailed over such wild and refused to ratify Columbus' proposals and he was sent about his business; but only to make his way into Spain, which soon fell a victim to his fatal designs.

Not that there were lacking brave the dread menace. In a great council at walked on their heads amidst trees and socially necessary commodities men vegetation that grew downwards and Here there is a gap in the manuscript, These men should appreciate their but scholars have restored the text to

Unfortunately for Spain, the saner counsels did not prevail. Under pres-sure from the government and the Pinzon brothers, who were the feading reppresent ownership. It is not cared of the time, the Spanish nation plunged long as they are properly used and was that while Portugal within the next increased its population from eliminate autocratic control from in- were driven pretty close to distraction dustry which is the cause of profiteering, industrial unrest and of economic disorganization in general.

The suggestion is made that every

plant and industrial transport and industrial trans government is this year paying out plant and industry should be so or seas has bitten into the consciousness of \$810,000,000 to the great army of sanized as to induce every man to mankind, October 12 is now observed in bondholders estimated to include do his best by giving him adequate parts of the United States as a general

Contentment

THE SIERRAS

By Joaquin Miller

IKE fragments of an uncompleted world, From bleak Alaska, bound in ice and spray, To where the peaks of Darien lie curied in clouds, the broken lands loom bold and gray; The seamen nearing San Francisco bay Forget the compass here; with sturdy hand They seize the wheel, look up, then bravely lay The ship to shore by rugged peaks that stand. The stern and proud patrician fathers of the land,

They stand white stairs of heaven—stand a line Of lifting, endless and eternal white; They look upon the far and flashing brine, Upon the boundless plains, the broken height Of Kamiakin's battlements. The flight Of time is underneath their untopped towers; They seem to push aside the moon at night, To lostle and to loose the stars. The flowers Of heaven fall about their brows in shining showers.

They stand a line of lifted snowy isles, High held upon a tossed and tumbled sea-A sea of wood in wild unmeasured miles; White pyramids of Faith where man is free; White monuments of Hope that yet shall be The mounts of matchless and immortal song. I look far down the hollow days; I see The bearded prophets, simple souled and strong, That strike the sounding harp and thrill the heeding throng.

Serene and satisfied! supreme! as lone The mantling wings of night are crushed and curled They look as cold as kings upon a throne; The mantling wings of night are crush'd and curled As feathers curl. The elements are hurled From off their bosoms, and are bidden go, Like evil spirits, to an underworld; They stretch from Cariboo to Mexico, A line of battle-tents in everlasting snow.

IMPRESSIONS AND OBSERVATIONS OF THE JOURNAL MAN

Curry county coast," said William Pack-

wood, in telling me of the early day

"In June, 1854, a party of miners,

while going through to the big bend of

the Rogue river, camped on a creek and

dug a hole near the trail. A man named

Johnson had organized the party. They

panned out \$95 in coarse gold from that

hole. They named the creek Johnson

eferred to as 'Coarse Gold' Johnson.
"Abbot and I had about decided to

business, but when Johnson found coarse gold and lots of it we changed

our plans and decided to stay. Johnson

persuaded us to pack what goods we

had on hand and come over to the creek

he had made the discovery on, and start our store there and also take up claims.

We followed his advice, and did well,

for during the summer several hundred

"One of the young chaps I met here

named John Hailey. Later he became

a stage contractor and ran the stage be-

tween Umatilla and Boise and still later

ran stages from Portland to Kelton. He

Idaho and is now state librarian of

Idaho. Hig son, Tom Hailey, became

two other young chaps. They came into

our store and told me they wanted to

prospect but had no money for sup-

plies. Abbott and I had made a rule by

which we would outfit a man for a

week, furnish him tools and grub, and

if within a week he made nothing he

and it would be all right with us. Some-

times they couldn't pay anything. Fre-

quently they were able to pay the bill

in full. The margin of profit was suf-

ficient so that we did not mind losing

claim and send the money to us. I fixed

out. That very day they struck a claim that was good. John came in that night

and paid the bill for their week's supply

come in and want to get hold of nug-

gets or coarse gold I would always take

or his partner, Billy Royal, would sell

me the nuggets. Royal didn't leave this

mining district until 1862. He went from

there up to the Auburn mine, near what

is now Baker."

Whenever strangers would

credit would afterwards find a

one of Oregon's supreme judges.

a liking for was a man

By Fred Lockley

["Findin's is keepin's" is a good working rule, and into the hills to prospect for hidden at any rate in Kindoland, the world over. Although that theory is unquestioned among men, who seek hid treasure, in practice the exceptions become the rule. Mr. Lockley today lists a line of great findem who were also great losers of auriferous wealth. He then quotes from an old miner who once told him some good stories of the placer days in Oregon.

Some years ago I had a most interesting talk with Death Valley Scotty, the man who would disappear in Death Valley and come out a few weeks that has been worked out, after a winlater with money enough to charter a ter's storms, will frequently pay to rethe senate in letting the country mobiles in America was 400,000, and America can be reached and be forced calamity which he was instrumental in valley Scotty it was certainly a case of They found a back beach there as well as on Sixes river. easy come, easy go. When he was as on Sixes river. flush he scorned to give a bellboy a tip smaller than a \$20 gold piece.

> In Nome, in Butte and in many other mining camps, I have run across men who were hanging around the bar waiting to be invited to take a drink, who in their day have made fortunes, and lost

Some time ago I visited the Treadwell mines, near Juneau, Alaska. The "glory hole" had caved in and the mine was not being worked. A few years ago John Treadwell, discovered of the Treadwell mine, was adjudged a bankrupt. His liabilities were about two and a half million. His assets were of unknown John Treadwell and his brother on Douglas island and went to San Francisco. Here they managed for a while the California Safe Deposit & James Treadwell had a hand in its wrecking, and he was tried for this offense. These two brothers could discover a mine, and even operate it sucbessfully, but when they got into the realm of high finance, they were easy marks. They fell victims to oil promoters, mining stock salesmen and all others who live by their wits. They invested in a system for the briquetting of enal and in various systems for extracting values from ore, but the only values these systems were able to extract were easy money from the pockets of the unwary.

Marshall, who went to California from Salem, Or., and who discovered gold in the race at Sutter's mill in 1848, died Comstock, who brought untold was to bring the tools back, pay the wealth to Nevada, could not keep any of bill if possible, or whatever he could, gold in the Clearwater country in Idaho, poor. Tabor, who made millions by his discovery of ore at Leadville, Colo., lost his health, his happiness and his wealth and died in poverty. John Sil- out occasionally. Strangely enough, in verthorn, to whom Montana owes so the long run we lost very little, be-much for his mineral discoveries, was cause the men to whom we extended unable to keep any of the wealth he discovered. A. J. Pritchard, one of the early settlers at Spokane Falls, who dis- up John Halley and his two friends with E. P. Dunlap to B. L. Bradford of 50 covered gold in the Coeur d'Alenes, let a week's supply of grub, and they started acres three miles east of Twin Falls for his wealth sift through his fingers, and out. That very day they struck a claim \$28,700, or \$535 per acre. died as poor as the poorest prospector Three Fingered Smith, who in the early days of Florence rocked out over \$3000 of grub. They worked that claim all a day on his ciaim, kept none of it.
Phil O'Rourk, who accidentally stumbled
upon the wonderful lode of the Bunker Hill and Sullivan mines, was too open handed to keep any of the \$50,000,000 that these mines have produced. No matter whether they can keep the money or not, the lure of the unknown will always draw men into the desert

Letters From the People

Portland, Oct. 8 .- To the Editor of

Calls for Rest Showdown

The Journal-After every war there has been a spasm of price boosting and busiinflation. This period of expanhas invariably be crash and consequent hard times, during which the masses suffer, the middle classes lose much of their savings and monied interests take their profits. We to make the world safe for democracy: to make it such. Men will never go hungry again in this country and the chance to work for their board. They must have a square deal, for the with exposing a few petty profiteers on Yamhill street. Don't let us be content with a "confidential investigation" of master bakers. Bring the books of our large food and clothing jobbers and wholesalers into court. Let us know the earnings of our millers and grain dealers and our cannerymen, and above al let us know how those leeches, the brokers, have fared. Let us be fully informed where the earnings of our interests, and results of same

sharing; enforce the right of collective bargaining. Give the people of the United States a square deal and they are loyal to the last ditch, but beware [Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 300 words in length, and must be signed by the writter, whose mail address in full must accom-

Gambling at the Fair From the Aurora Observer.

Clackamas county fair countenanced a beautiful array of fake concessions this year-from the "Happy Canyon," with its painted vampires, lown to the "kewpie" grafters, who raked in the money on turns of where the operator stood a 20 to 1 chance to win. The "Happy Canyon" was rank a fake that many demanded their was fought money back-and they got it! "kewpie" graft received a setback when that is, for the masses. It rests with us the sheriff stopped one Thursday afternoon, which was fleecing the public the worst. The operator of that game is said to have taken in \$100 without giv ory. Don't let us stop are a positive injury to any fair.

> The Easiest Way From the Boston Transcript. Following the line of least resistance what makes rivers and men crooked.

Uncle Jeff Snow Says:

Down in Arkansaw a friend of mine dollars he would like to of tuck to heaven with him, but couldn't. Uncle Sam and the state of Arkansaw come in given the widest publicity. And we want for about a million and a half of it not investigations by fossilized and 'thout askin' him a thing about it. I politically petrified senators and con-reckon it would of been better fer the reckon it would of been better fer the heirs and worse for the lawyers if the state of Arkansaw had of tuck anothe two or three millions. It would of beer enough to run it 'thout taxes fer quite a phases of pushess they are investigated ing. Such men in the employ of the department of justice could do untold good, even if prosecution falled. Crucify our profiteers and robber barons on the cross of public opinion; foster cooperative marketing; encourage profit good roads a pienty besides.

The Oregon Country Northwest Happenings in Brief Form for the

OREGON NOTES It is reported that there are 16 cases of smallpox in Weston.

Bend's night semool has an enrollment of 63, the ages ranging from 16 to William Kennedy, aged 45, was thrown from a truck load of lumber at Fossil Saturday and instantly killed. The Commercial club at Cottage Grove now reaches a membership 100, the highest mark in its history.

Cider and vinegar manufacturing con-cerns at Hood River will crush 21,000,-000 pounds of apples this fall and winter. Since spring the state veterinarian's department has supervised the dipping of 300,000 head of sheep in the southern tier of Oregon counties.

Concrete work on the new 759 barrel Collins flouring mill at Pendleton is nearly completed, and the mill will begin operations January 1. In search of rare forms of plant life, members of the O. A. C. botany faculty climbed Mary's peak, the highest mountain near Corvallis, recently. Three buildings and machinery of the logging camp of Elmer Russell on the logging camp of Elmer Russell on the Coos Bay branch of the Southern Pa-cific burned to the ground Friday.

Aibert Asher, senior in agriculture from Portland, has been elected editor of the Oregon Countryman, a periodical published at the Oregon Agricultural

Mrs. Mary Catherine McQueen, sister of the late Supreme Judge Robert Eakin, died at Salem Friday, aged 64. Mrs. McQueen had lived in Oregon all her life. After burning over 800 acres of yellow pine timber, fires which have been raging in the Pringle Butte section of

Deschutes county were under Saturday.

A disease known as the Kansas horse plague has broken out in Central Cregon. George Rodman, a Jefferson county farmer, has lost 22 out of his herd of 30 horses. Every county in Oregon; 33 other states and territories and seven foreign countries are represented in the enrollment of more than 2800 students at Oregon Assistational and Students at Oregon at Oregon at Oregon at Oregon and Students at Oregon at Oregon

gon Agricultural college. At a meeting of the teachers' institute of Coos county, each teacher was pledged not to accept a position at less than \$1000 for nine months, to be paid in 12 equal installments.

M. J. Garrison came all the way fre "Sixty-five years or so ago there was a stampede of miners from all over the coast to the mines of Jackson county, Oregon, and the beach placers on the found that the man wanted was his

WASHINGTON beach was very rich. Heavy storms seem to renew the beach, and the place that has been worked on a few places the tax rate in Tacoma will be 70 mills for 1920, as compared with 58 mills for 1919.

According to Polk's directory for 1919, just compiled, Seattle has a population of approximately 420,000. An examination will be held at Che halis November 19 to provide a l'eligibles for postmaster at Vader. Free night schools will be opened in Aberdeen November 3 for the purpose of teaching foreigners the English lan-

Otto Myland, who will have about 10,-000 boxes of Delicious apples on his Selah ranch, has sold his entire crop at \$4 a box.

Captain Herbert J. Flagg of Seattle has been appointed to succeed D. F. McCurrach as chief engineer of the pubcreek, and Johnson was ever afterward From March 1 to September 30 Yakgive up the store and go over into the ima county collected and turned in to the state treasury \$130,114.30 in auto-mobile and truck licenses. Willamette valley to go into the cattle

Growers around Elberton are getting \$50 a ton for their prunes, by which they are realizing from \$300 to \$500 an acre from this year's crop.

The South Bend Canning company put up 43,000 gallons of blackberries this season, and 10,000 gallons were lost because of a shortage of cans. men camped along the creek and we A civil service examination will be heid at Win successor to Miss Wing, who recently resigned as Toledo postmistress.

The trolling launch Last Chance is a wreck at Chinook. The crew were washed overboard, but were rescued after spending a night of peril clinging Entries for the Western Royal Live became a delegate to congress from Stock show, which will be held at Spo-kane November 3 to 7, include more than 500 head of pure bred horses, cat-

tle and swine. The W-2, the second concrete ship to be built at Vancouver, was given a trial trip down the Columbia Friday. Aside from defects in the steering gear, the trial was satisfactory.

Alfred Bachtold, a well known resi-lent of Walla Walla, was found dead in a berth in a sleeping car in that city Friday morning. He had just returned from a trip to Canada. The total shipments of Yakima prod-

ucts to and including October 11, as compiled by the transportation com-panies, shows that 12.781 carloads have been shipped to market. J. W. Merrill has filed his resignation as county judge of Clearwater county and W. H. Gillespie has been appointed

to fill the vacancy. Announcement is made of the sale by

The Idaho Fire Insurance company, capitalized at \$200,000, has been approved by the secretary of state. Its headquarters will be at Pocatello. Don De Shirla is held by Pocatelle authorities on suspicion of being impli-cated in the killing of James Adkins at

that place during a moonshine raid, More than a dozen of the larger umber camps of northern Idaho are shut down because of a walkout of tim-ber workers affiliated with the L. W. W. Seven carloads of sheep were dis-patched to markets this week by Boise valley ranchers in cooperative shipments from Caldwell, Meridian, Nampa and

With only 12 acres more of apples to pick from an orchard containing 46 acres, A. J. Miller of Buhl has already picked and marketed \$80,000 worth, a little more than \$1000 to the acre. Mines of the Wallace district which were closed for three months on account of the strike, are fast recruiting their crews and mining operations are now under way with the men available.

GENERAL The steamer Pocahontas is en rour rom London with 100 English wives American soldiers and sailors. A strike of electrical workers has shu down the power station that sup the greater portion of Berlin with

For the third consecutive President Taft has been elected president of the general conference of the Unitarian church societies at Baltimore. A formal statement from the shipping board regarding its policy for disposal of the government's merchant fleet has been requested in a resolution adopted

by the senate. Industrial women workers of the new Polish republic will be represented at the international congress of working women in Washington by five young women from Poland.

In a statement issued from the head-quarters of the United States Mine Workers of America, the rise in the price of coal is "plain every-day profi-teering." The statement adds that there teering." The statement adds that is absolutely no reason why coal s

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