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desired was to safeguard American interests voted by senators like Borah, who publicly declared that he would not vote for the treaty even if it were presented by Jesus Christ.

The millions in Europe who have been looking to the United States for succor from imperialism and subjugation, will now sink back into dependency. The newly formed republics like Poland and Czechoslovakia, already alarmed by the designs of imperialism France under the new militarist party, are likely, with America's influence withheld, to break up into fragments.

The junkers of Germany and the militarist satellites around every chancellery in Europe will rejoice at the senate's action. Politics in the senate has pulled down a great structure of peace that has been offered the world. A pettifogging partisanship by a group of American Junkers has robbed the nation that turned the scale on the side of humanity in the war, the right to use its influence for a better world and compelled the American people to knock at the door of Germany in suit for a separate peace.

A Roman emperor, a Russian czar or a Prussian kaiser could never have hoped for action more suited and sustaining to the purposes of world autonomy.

There is a place in Portland where 300 pairs of old shoes are repaired every day. In the more than 300 working days, it means approximately 10,000 pairs repaired in a year. Remembering that there are repair places all over Portland, even in the suburbs, you get some idea of how people are wearing old shoes and probably old clothes to avoid present high prices.

PORTLAND has garment making industries that are nearly half a century old and whose payroll approach the million dollar mark. It has others established so recently as 1918 that are ten to thirty times as large as when they first started and are still expanding under the influence of insistent demand for their product.

Portland records no failures of industries that were properly organized and that have engaged in the manufacture of articles for which there is need. Millions of dollars are spent in paying the wages and salaries of thousands of workers in local garment making factories annually. The dresses, suits, hats and fabrics manufactured in Portland and in Oregon are in use in rigid Alaska, in the Orient, in metropolitan New York, as well as throughout the full breadth and length of the Pacific coast and the Northwest. High standards of manufacture, the utilization of wools from Oregon sheep, the employment of skilled workers and excellent marketing methods account for successful expansion. But more fascinating than these outward facts is the story, in almost every instance, of a man with a vision, courage and energy, whose business judgment commended Portland to him and who is now building successful industry for himself and the community.

As President Huntington of Associated Industries of Oregon said at the Ad club's home industries exhibit last week, a successful manufacturer who is also a good citizen is a million dollar asset to Portland.

IN ONE OF the laboratories of the Oregon Agricultural college there are 21 gas burners. By concentrating the flow of gas into one burner a pint of water can be brought to the boiling point in 17 minutes. If all the burners are put in use at one time boiling heat can never be reached. This condition has been revealed by a committee from the American Association of Engineers who went from Portland Thursday to make an inspection of the institution's facilities. Not only does this condition exist in the laboratories, but it is typical of the whole college equipment, which is not sufficiently up to date, due to lack of funds in modernizing the plant. This is not only true of the laboratories but of much of the equipment. Students in departments are not centralized, but for lack of adequate floor space, are scattered through various buildings. This results in much loss of time in passing from one class room to another at a distance on the college campus.

Moreover, class rooms are congested and in some two or three classes are trying to proceed with recitations at the same time. It is all a serious handicap to Oregon young people in the acquiring of the education needed to fit them for effective service in after life.

It is unthinkable that the people of the state will fail to approve the new millage bill in the May primary election.

ARE WIDOWS especially long lived? Any way, 80 widows are still drawing pensions for the war of 1812, a war that was fought more than a century ago.

to establish tombstone works in residential districts, or to thrust within a district an establishment not wanted by a majority of the people in that district.

Zoning as majority rule of neighborhood property has an invitingly democratic aspect.

Now various estimable citizens of that thriving municipality are pressing for a settlement of sundry unpaid obligations of imposing amount. He made the local commercial club a present of \$1000; he offered to buy the city a \$4500 combination chemical fire truck for its fire department; he offered to donate \$7500 for the improvement of the city park; he entertained the leading citizens at expensive "stag parties" at the local club, and he got the goats, financial and otherwise, of a portion of the population. Then he beat it.

It is a sad story, but how he ever put it over with Pat Gallagher as one of the leading citizens of that town is a conundrum. It must have been while the legislature was in session and Pat's attention was diverted from the affairs of his home town by the worries of legislative statesmanship.

The national foreign trade convention at San Francisco, May 12 to 15, gives the Pacific coast opportunity to furnish the entire country with an authoritative interpretation of the puzzling economic situation. It will attract the attendance of statesmen in finance, commerce and business. It will furnish evidence of the place foreign trade will occupy in the fortunes of Western ports. It is a good meeting for Portland business leaders to attend.

TIME was when owners of apartment houses in Portland eyed the tenants of their competitors with the temptation of flatterings, favors, and inducements in an effort to keep their places full, or even partly so. They would renovate, they would tint, they would clean things up generally and do almost anything from washing the windows to reducing the rent. What they wanted and needed was tenants.

Now times have changed and owners of the city's cliff dwellings seem to desire to do nothing for their tenants except to raise the rent. Probably it would be more in point of fact to say that they seem more desirous of doing something to their tenants than doing something for them.

We read that the Apartment House Owners' association has issued general notification to the effect that from now on "a charge of \$2.30 and upward, depending upon size, will be made for cleaning apartments when vacated."

It is a very interesting notice but somewhat indefinite in its terms. It does not intimate just what it means by "and upward" but in all probability the sky's the limit with the joker wild and the ace up the landlord's sleeve. Nor does it say, in terms at least, whether the fellow who goes out or he who comes in is destined to be stuck for the new article. Maybe the notice has been worded that way so that the thrifty landlords can catch them going and coming, as the exigencies of the case may determine. It might even be possible that a supercilious financier could sock 'em both and get away with it. With things as they are they seem to be able to get away with almost anything they want to start.

This is the time when they are shearing the goats, but it does seem as though they had nicked the skin a little with this last slip of the shears, unless they are now going out to get the skin as well as the fleece. Someday the sweat of the shearers will drip on a raw spot and some tolling fleeces remover will get kicked in the abdomen, a common occurrence in the shearing pens but provocative of profanity and future caution.

Someday, too, if we are to believe what we have been taught, the Lord will temper the wind to the shorn, about the only thing left to hope for, but a circumstance to be appreciated unless too much of the skin has gone with the fleece before that day dawns.

THE city council is to be commended and, doubtless, the city of Portland is to be congratulated upon the method used to dispose of the zoning ordinance.

Hoover takes sides with the Father of his Country, and says that he stands upon the prerogatives of an American citizen in the same manner as Mr. Hoover is not a fraction of the distance from the ancient Greece I fear Mr. Hoover would be accused of impiety to the gods and, like Socrates, would be required to drink the fatal hemlock. "In union there is strength." "A House divided against itself cannot stand." So say we all of us. That Mr. Hoover is considered a right and proper party man is quite a recommendation. We have tolerated partisan politics almost to our wreck. Give us a true, unadulterated, unbiased and unpartisan party. There is nothing the matter with Herbert Hoover.

There will be three candidates for president, as in 1912. These will be: Hiram Johnson, representing the "Irreconcilables"; Elihu Root, who will be nominated at the Chicago convention and who will be the nominee of the Republican party, who will favor the Lodge amendments; Woodrow Wilson, that champion of human rights, that Gibraltar of democracy, who will be nominated at the Democratic convention at San Francisco, and who will be elected.

This campaign will witness the beginning of the greatest spiritual awakening the world has ever known, and when these things come to pass you will see that a prophet has risen among you and that God has again "visited his people." John L. Schuylerman.

CHANGING THE TIME
Portland, March 15.—To the Editor of The Journal—The new day of 10 hours a day work commenced at 9 o'clock a. m. and no one complained about it. When the nine hour day was started at 8 o'clock the time of quieting, or one commenced at 8 o'clock and quit at 6 o'clock. And to go to work at 8 a. m. when the sun was up and hot, looked as if it was all out of order—and it is. It hurts no one to commence at 9 o'clock and it is much better to commence when it is cooler. Seven o'clock should be the legally established hour, but in the short days it is better to quit at 6 o'clock, and light up at one end of the day. It is better for the workmen, as they do not have to turn out so soon in the morning. If they want to tend their gardens, it won't hurt anyone to rise early to do some of the work, and to get up, instead of lying in bed until breakfast is ready. Workman.

TOO MANY CITIES COUNTED IN CAFEARE LIST
Portland, March 17.—To the Editor of The Journal—The new day of 10 hours a day work commenced at 9 o'clock a. m. and no one complained about it. When the nine hour day was started at 8 o'clock the time of quieting, or one commenced at 8 o'clock and quit at 6 o'clock. And to go to work at 8 a. m. when the sun was up and hot, looked as if it was all out of order—and it is. It hurts no one to commence at 9 o'clock and it is much better to commence when it is cooler. Seven o'clock should be the legally established hour, but in the short days it is better to quit at 6 o'clock, and light up at one end of the day. It is better for the workmen, as they do not have to turn out so soon in the morning. If they want to tend their gardens, it won't hurt anyone to rise early to do some of the work, and to get up, instead of lying in bed until breakfast is ready. Workman.

NO PRIVILEGED CLASS
From the Penitentiary East Oregonian
Democracy means rule by the people. It does not mean rule by the proletariat nor by the patricians. The government is justly and rightfully the property of the people, who are entitled to it in the form of a republic and who would set up in this country, if they could, a duplicate of Russian tyranny and demoralization. The people approve of the anti-Bolshevik campaign and they are entitled to it. They should not have privileges that are not granted to other men who have less money and fewer lawyers under fee. Whenever a man of wealth or prominence is given special treatment by a court, discontent is aroused and people tend to question the workings of democracy.

Changes in Cabinet Under Roosevelt Outnumbered Those Under Wilson
From the Albany Democrat.
The president's opponents try to create an impression that the changes in the Wilson cabinet have been more than ordinarily numerous. The comparison of the number of men holding each cabinet post under Roosevelt and under Wilson will tell the tale:

Olden Oregon
Spokane Falls and Cheney in a County Seat Fight in the 80's
The original county of Spokane, in Washington, was abolished in January, 1864, and its territory annexed to Stevens county by the territorial legislature. On October 30, 1873, a law was enacted recreating Spokane county and placing the county seat temporarily at Spokane Falls, but providing that the seat of county government be at the city of Cheney in the next general election. Cheney became a rival of Spokane Falls for the county seat in the election Cheney obtained the most votes, but lost its county seat to Spokane Falls because the precinct was thrown out on an alleged irregularity. While the Spokane people were celebrating their victory at a dance the Cheney partisans stole the official records. They were taken to Cheney and kept under guard for six weeks, until the excitement subsided. Another election, held in 1887, Spokane easily won.

Curious Bits of Information
Gleaned From Curious Places
The principle upon which the storage battery operates was discovered by Planté in 1860, but it is interesting that it took two plates, one of pure lead and the other of lead peroxide, were immersed in dilute sulphuric acid, electric current would flow through an external circuit. After a time the surface of the plates became charged, and the current fell to zero. Upon sending a current through the cell in the opposite direction the plates were recharged and the current again flowed. This process is the foundation of the storage battery industry. The title "electric storage battery" is a misnomer, for it is really a transformer and a store of energy. The chemical energy given to the battery during the process of charging is transformed into electrical energy, and is available in that form.

Portland's Census Ranking
Due to Action Taken
by The Journal
What will be the 1920 census report on the population of Portland? The questions are more exacting just now than this. Portland was credited in 1910 with a population of 207,214. In 1900 with about 90,000. A gain of 100,000 in the decade would allow Portland now a population of 300,000. There can be no doubting that the city has grown, and perhaps it has to this extent. A correct report of any city's population is exceedingly important to it. Its rank in commerce, business, trade and industry is largely governed by the population credited to it. The Chamber of Commerce took action, calling for a recount. As a result a recount was credited with 160,000 people. In 1910 it became apparent that slipshod methods might invalidate the census. The Journal reviewed the method, and the results that were being secured by the census taker. As a result a citizens' committee was created. Volunteer enumerators were selected, and the efforts of persons officially employed. Many thousands were counted who would apparently have been otherwise overlooked. Improved methods and organization permitted the census of 1920 to be taken very quietly and, it is hoped, with complete accuracy. In that form.

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF
SMALL CHANGE
It would take more than a reduction in the price of milk to persuade us to live in Seattle.

TRAVEL REPORT FROM SOUTHWEST
Travel report from Saturday's Bend Bulletin: "On its first southbound trip of the season, the Klamath stage left this morning, with a full load. The stage, which arrived yesterday, made the trip in 24 hours by way of Crescent, and drove over passenger roads in unusually bad condition."

BIRD NOTE FROM THE WESTON LEADER
Bird note from the Weston Leader of last Friday: "Bluebirds, those gentle little creatures, have been making their appearance in our city last week. The soft notes and refined air of the little creatures lead some authorities to regard them as the most beautiful of North American birds."

INCREASE IN BUILDING COSTS AS ILLUSTRATED BY THE REEFSHOP COURIER: "A carload of blue steel shingles was shipped from here this week to Roseburg. The lath brought \$18.00 per thousand and the shingles \$1.00 per thousand. The difference in the price of these articles now and what they were a year or so ago."

TRAFFIC IN DRUGS AT SPOKANE IS TO BE INVESTIGATED BY FEDERAL AGENTS
Income tax payments are expected to exceed all records at the Spokane office. On the opening day of the army goods store at Yakima the sales amounted to \$100,000.

THE WEEK OF MARCH 22 HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS "MORNING WEEK" BY Mayor Fleming. The Montana city council has authorized the purchase of a motor fire truck at a cost of \$10,000. John Herman Mommukiewicz of Vancouver has petitioned the court to change his name to John Herman Mommukiewicz. The first pile for the first unit of the new port of Tacoma has been driven. The cost of the first unit is estimated at \$600,000.

THE SPOKANE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE has invited the Seventh Day Adventists to hold their annual convention in Spokane next June. For fishing out of season G. T. Greenleaf of Spokane and H. L. Lousignea of Vancouver have been arrested for poaching. The fishing season does not open until April 1. The workers from California, Oregon, Washington and Idaho are in attendance on the convention of the Loyal Order of the Moose and Lumbermen, in session at Spokane.

IDAHO
The assertion that flour mill operators are correct in their refusal to pay the Commissioner of Agriculture Cannon. C. S. Meek, former superintendent of the Boise schools, has been elected president of the public schools of Madison, Wis. Boise high school basketball team won the championship in the Southwestern League, defeating Caldwell by a score of 24 to 16. Twin Falls high school wrestlers outclassed Boise high school grapplers in a local match, defeating Caldwell by a score of 24 to 16. The board of education of Fruitland has voted to close teacher and janitor salaries at \$1000 per month. The board of education of Miller for two years at \$2400 a year. Organization of the Idaho state fair, a non-profit-earning stock corporation, has been organized. The fair will have an authorized capital stock of \$30,000. The first protests of Idaho farmers against the proposed change from Pacific to mountain time has been filed with the state public utilities commission. Timber lands in North Idaho aggregating 2233 acres have been cleared under the state by the federal government. The Alene district and many of the tracts are heavily timbered. According to an opinion by Attorney General Clegg, the state of Idaho may call upon the state for railroad lands if it is found that the state has a right in the lands.

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