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WHEN LEAGUERS COME—No. 7.

The organization of the Non-partisan league is perfection itself. More than any other organized political movement...

Moreover, the league organizer is on the ground. He eats and sleeps at the farmer's house, and is himself one of the farming class...

When the league holds a rally the recollection of the old days of oppression by the elevator and grain trust brings the farmers together in numbers...

At a recent Non-partisan league meeting at Ridgefield, Wash., a collection was taken for the advancement of the work in Clarke county...

The latest reports are that there are 2500 members of the league in Clarke county, Wash. Yakima county is said to have an even stronger membership...

Portland's business men and port authorities are variously estimating that our foreign commerce this year will range between \$75,000,000 and \$100,000,000.

Rapid expansion of port business is used as one of the arguments for a more generous allocation of shipping board steamships to this port.

It is an evidence of the profitable returns on the \$10,500,000 port terminal program which the people of this city already have authorized...

In Washington, as has been the case elsewhere, after the farmers have become perfectly organized, the business, distributive and financial interests...

The day's news announces that the Japanese and the Californians as the result of a five-day conference in Tokio, have agreed to cooperate.

SATURDAY night, a motorcycle race on Sixth street with a racket that caused everybody to turn and look.

Not was his an isolated or unusual case. Though there is a strict law against driving a motorcycle with the muffler open there are drivers who pay little heed to it.

Street noises are bad enough at best. The rackets that are necessary and unavoidable are all that average human nerves can well withstand.

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The police also have a duty in the premises. Here is the law: "No motor vehicle shall be operated with an exhaust or with muffler open."

The French government has imposed a 10 per cent tax on old bachelors and old maids, which in their opinion would doubtless be considered an infernal revenue provision.

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ern times he cannot as mayor live upon the \$4000 annual salary incident to his office, so that his statement is undoubtedly true.

Letters From the People... [Comments sent to the Journal for publication on any side of the paper, should not exceed 500 words in length and must be signed by the writer...]

THE WETS AND DRYS OF 1920... Newport, March 25.—To the Editor of The Journal—W. H. Miller in yesterday's Journal says: "I am not a seer, neither a spiritualist medium, clairvoyant or seerist. But he seems to see a good deal, and is something of a prophet. The treaty failed. He said, 'One did not have to have anything but honest words to know the treaty would fail.'"

WOOD'S CANDIDACY... Portland, April 2.—To the Editor of The Journal—I have read the editorial of the Republican party credit for having better judgment than to think General Leonard Wood can safely be selected as the candidate for the presidency. This is a day of specialists. People recognize as never before that one who has devoted his energies along a particular line, or to some special occupation, will be a specialist in that line.

HOURS AND WORKERS... Portland, April 1.—To the Editor of The Journal—The city council did the right thing when it turned down the daylight saving idea. It is just as easy for workmen and clerks to go to work at 7 o'clock as it is for the city by special law. I am 76 years of age, and nearly 30 years of that time I have gone to work at the call of the whistle, bell or clock at 7 o'clock and worked 10 hours. In those days you never heard of a man who worked at 7 o'clock, and there was always time enough in the evenings to work the gardens, or devote it to pleasure, before night came.

HOOPER AND THE PEOPLE... Boardman, March 31.—To the Editor of The Journal—I believe the time has come when the people of Oregon should be able to select a candidate for the presidency who has the backbone to stand for justice to the masses, whether or not he bows to the conventions.

But the offspring of the original stock manifested degenerative tendencies which were most apparent among the hens. The mother pheasants began shirking their maternal duties. They often sought the nests of quail, ruffed grouse and sooty grouse, leaving their eggs to be incubated by the warm bodies of other birds, leaving their young to be reared by foster mothers.

Oregon's biologist also observed that the hen pheasant leading her covey from the covert of the night into the dewy fields of morning, would adopt a pace so fast and center her attention so exclusively upon her own pleasures that the chicks were left to stray and perish. Only a short time would elapse until by this secondary process of race suicide the family would be reduced to a very small brood.

Strange and unwonted ways of life were adopted by the pheasants. They sought the shadows of the forests. They began roosting in trees. They became easier prey for their enemies, both human and animal.

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TOMORROW'S THREAT... A FRENCH inventor has patented and sold to the French government a new long range cannon which, tests have shown, can hurl its projectile from 100 to 120 miles, twice the range of the Big Berthas with which the Germans bombarded Paris.

TALE OF A PHEASANT... NOT a little allegorical value is contained in the description which Biologist William L. Finley gave the American Game Protective association in New York of the deterioration of the Chinese pheasant hen.

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COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE... Wonder if Debs will be out in time to run for president... King Christian doubtless thinks there's something rotten in Denmark... The primary purpose of the primaries seems preliminary to the prime purpose.

MORE OR LESS PERSONAL

Random Observations About Town... "S a funny world," quoth a friend of Sigurd H. Peterson, B. A. Peterson, E. A. is one of the big men in the department of public speaking at the Oregon Agricultural college and the personal friend for life of any colleague who has the unbending nerve in his junior year, to face the public of his schoolmates, to face the audience of his schoolmates, to face the audience of his schoolmates.

IMPRESSIONS AND OBSERVATIONS OF THE JOURNAL MAN

By Fred Lockley... [The story of the life of Mr. A. B. Millican is concluded by Mr. Lockley today. It is a story of unbroken industry, representing the making of the great West.]

Curious Bits of Information For the Curious

Cleaved From Curious Places... St. Kilda is the most remote island of the Hebrides, the nearest land to it being Grimshin point, 40 miles away.

Olden Oregon

Catholic Church Dedicated by Father Blanchet January 6, 1849... Vicar General Blanchet took up his residence at the Canadian settlement on the Willamette river, near the mouth of the Willamette, in 1849.

Uncle Jeff Snow Says

I see Will Daly in Portland hasn't got no office to carry on his high trust bustin' job in Now that the weather's fine, he don't need none. A second-hand coat and a pair of shoes would do, and when he heard told of a professor he could turn on the juice and run him in. In Silver City, New Mexico, in early days, there was a school where the principal was a man named Jeff Snow.

The Oregon Country

Northwest Happenings in Brief Form for the Busy Reader... A two plane system fire department is being considered at Astoria... Contracts for machinery to be installed in the new Columbia school work will be let at Eugene in a few days.

WASHINGTON

The Hoover club of Spokane will continue a non-partisan organization... A snowfall of 15 inches in Snoqualmie valley is reported as the clearing of the highway for travel... Members of the Puyallup and Sumner Fruit Growers' Association will distribute a million leaflets...

The Journal Exposed Crime in Heinous Case Which Officials Ignored

On August 29, 1909, Mrs. Edith Pepon, who had been Edith Wolcott of Portland, was found dead in a lonely corner cabin, near Northport, Wash. There was no explanation of the crime, and the case was closed without further investigation.