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WHEN LEAGUERS COME—No. 18

AN EASTERN Oregon newspaper says it cannot understand what The Journal is attempting to do in the articles on the Non-partisan League. Everybody else understands. Every article has carried the explanation that the league has announced its purpose to invade Oregon, and that turbulence and passion will be the consequence.

Thus, the Non-partisan league will not be likely to make a great deal of headway in the vicinity of Salem. The Salem Commercial club has led in the organization of the Marion County Commercial Federation. The federation is composed of 21 affiliated bodies extending to the smaller communities of the county.

It is obvious that frequent meetings prevent misunderstandings and afford opportunity to adjust differences. Such homely subjects as the standardization of potatoes, the equipping of homes, the interchange of commodities between farmers and dealers, all, as a result of this contact, have a deeper significance in their power to establish friendly relations.

Another illustration of part of what The Journal means is at Bend, Oregon. There C. S. Hudson is president of the First National bank, and that bank has had a phenomenal growth from \$15,000 to more than \$1,000,000 in deposits, within a few years.

For years it has been encouraging farmers to breed better livestock. It has brought fine sires and dams into the Central Oregon country by its carload. It has given equal encouragement to seed breeding, by which is meant the selection of seed and the introduction of improved varieties, as well as the support of the experiment station devoted to adapting plants to the Central Oregon environment.

Beyond the matter of livestock and seed and improved methods of farming is the more delicate consideration of credit. Loan a farmer more than lies in his ability to pay and the bank will sooner or later own the farm. The farmer frequently needs sound advice as much as he needs money.

Mr. Hudson's bank has gone on the theory that to help the farmers was to help its own business. On the staff of its officials is a trained agriculturist, whose advice and assistance is available to every farmer.

Last September, under the leadership of this bank, a big get-together meeting for bankers and farmers was held on Tumalo island, at which there was an attendance of more than 1200 farmers and their families. The day was spent in visiting and discussion of mutual problems.

These are examples. The same spirit made state-wide would remove many a grievance. The trouble is that many a business does not see beyond its city limits. Government figures some years ago showed that the farmers of America got \$6,000,000,000 for their farm products and that the consumers of America paid for those products \$13,000,000,000.

That was the trouble in North Dakota. It is an agricultural state. The elevator trust and the milling trust were skinning the farmers and North Dakota business men ignored the farmers' protest.

admittedly superior to the domestic output. Now there is no question as to the leadership of America in supplying motors of unequalled endurance, reliability and speed. The United States now exports cars to eighty-one countries, and the output of certain single American producers exceeds the entire production of some foreign nations.

The automobile is a \$2,000,000,000 industry, and \$2,000,000,000 for gasoline. The industry is now in third place and is expected before the end of this year to pass to second when it will be led only by American steel, the premier industry of the world.

THE TREATY AND THE SENATE

Conclusion of the Summary of the Controversy Over Article X and Amendments. By Carl Smith, Washington Staff Correspondent of The Journal. Washington, April 21.—The discussion in the article preceding the present, develops the forces and limitations of the second half of Article X, without need for further elucidation.

Washington, April 21.—The discussion in the article preceding the present, develops the forces and limitations of the second half of Article X, without need for further elucidation. That part of the article dealing with the fulfillment of the obligation provided for in the constitution, is a most striking feature, in that it is the only part of the article which is not a mere repetition of the words of the constitution.

The labor movement has joined hands with the farmer; our interests are identical; justice and equal rights are the interests of all liberty-loving people. The state of Washington is very much awake; the triple alliance is fast running into winning form. Three months ago the old liners were giving us the rights of citizenship, and now they are treating us with contempt.

When Leaguers Come. Vancouver, Wash., April 18.—To the Editor of The Journal—In your editorial entitled "When Leaguers Come" a most striking feature is noticeable; that is, the fact that the farmers have shown in allowing the "big interests" to gobble up the cream of their products, for not until the worst kind of hoodlum imagination had been perpetrated, and after every conceivable excuse for the murder had been given, did they make their protest in the shape of legislative control.

When Leaguers Come. Salem, April 19.—To the Editor of The Journal—I have read with much interest your articles entitled "When Leaguers Come," also the many comments thereon. It seems to me the whole proposition resolves itself into this vital question: Are the distributors in North Dakota benefited to the extent that the producers receive a better price for their crops? In other words, what is the beneficial result to both producer and consumer?

Olden Oregon. Travel was a tedious, toilsome and costly matter in the '50s. Some idea of the lack of transportation facilities between Oregon City and Puget Sound in 1853 is conveyed by the correspondence of the Rev. Ezra Fisher, who, writing to the American Baptist Home Mission society, said that a tour of the principal settlements on the Sound would cost him about \$75 or \$100.

Curious Bits of Information Gleaned From Curious Places. A privileged party in being conducted through the state rooms of the White House, under the escort of the President's aide, the handsome clock upon the mantel of the blue room, presented by the French government to President Andrew Jackson, is a curiosity in itself.

Uncle Jeff Snow Says: Wavin' the American flag with one hand while you poke a gun in a man's face with the other and rob him of his earnings and his savior's ain't patriotism? It's the good Lord himself, when they're all aggravin' of Him—if anythin'.

WHERE IS IT END? WHERE is the production of motor cars to end? There are now 7,500,000 cars in the United States, the renewal demand is estimated at 1,000,000 a year, and the year's output is expected to be little less than 2,000,000 automobiles.

NOT IN VAIN ABOVE the signature of the International church World Movement the following advertisement recently appeared in a national publication: One of every 14 persons in the United States owns a machine. There is a car for one of every eight persons on the Pacific slope, one for every nine in the Rocky Mountain region, and one for every 10 in the mid-west.

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COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE Our idea of a way-up job would be that of traffic cop on an aerial highway. A New Yorker remarks that there is no night on Broadway's lights all these days. Guess he's right, at that.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE At least the Beavers must feel at home on this stage. It isn't the kind calculated to raise hopes in the heart of a baseball fan. If you don't get a letter, or if the expected package doesn't show up, or if your freight shipment is delayed, or if the cost of living goes up again, blame it on the railroad strike—and you probably won't be far off at that.

MORE OR LESS PERSONAL Random Observations About Town There was a home-coming party at the Multnomah hotel Tuesday when the management entertained at dinner the Orpheum theatre act in which Warren Jackson, a Portland boy, is a star. Jackson made his public debut in Portland when the Arcadians were in remembrance of those merry days that Tuesday's party was staged. Jackson has more than made good since he left Portland, where he was reared, and his return triumphant was the signal for a happy gathering.

THE OREGON COUNTRY Northwest Happenings in Brief Form for the Busy Reader. The gasoline shortage at The Dalles has been relieved by motor truck shipments from Portland. Jackson county will be largely represented in the newly organized State Automobile Association. A model farm of 10 acres, to demonstrate how to grow fruits, berries and vegetables, will be established near Alsea.

THE OREGON COUNTRY (Continued) The concrete reservoir at Mt. Angel has been completed and everything is now being put for the mains of the new water system. The state council, Knights of Columbus, is arranging for a layman's three-day retreat at Mt. Angel college, beginning June 1. Rev. D. H. Leach of Eugene will be a representative of the Oregon conference in the general synodical conference at Des Moines in June.

THE OREGON COUNTRY (Continued) An extension membership drive is planned by the Grants Pass chapter of the Y. M. C. A. It is proposed to secure 200 active members. A large plate glass window of a Millon store was demolished when a large crowd of people, including a young lady from Walla Walla, ran into it. E. C. Dye of Oregon City, who filed for the nomination of delegate to the state convention of the "convention," has withdrawn his candidacy.

THE OREGON COUNTRY (Continued) The old Governor Moody residence at Salem has been sold to Thomas H. Kay for \$25,000. The building will be removed and five hangars built in its place. W. H. Ellis, school director of Baker, has resigned in conformity to the law. The board of directors of a school board can contract to purchase a building. Final decision is expected soon in the Klammath county courthouse suit. A county court case has been decided, but the house the old one is still being used.

THE OREGON COUNTRY (Continued) The infatuation of Arthur E. Lamb, 17, with a girl, is reported to be causing a furore in the Walla Walla district. A permanent improvement costing \$25,000 are being made on the state fair grounds. Mrs. Ernest Lister has been appointed secretary of the Democratic club. Stockholders of the United States Lumber company have decided to incorporate the Walla Walla plant this year.

THE OREGON COUNTRY (Continued) William Young, president of the "Imperial" hotel, is reported to be the man of the Yakima county triple alliance. A "kappa" society's delinquency tax has not met the county about \$1000. One of the taxes have been delinquent since 1914. A large copper still and 700 gallons of rice maw for making sake have been found at a Japanese farm house near Astoria. A special election at Buxtonport resulted in voting down by a vote of 200 the proposal to levy an extra 8 mill school tax.

THE OREGON COUNTRY (Continued) While potato prices remain stationary at Seattle, it is noticed that the demand for potatoes has increased as a result of the potato shortage. After searching for nearly a month, the body of Elmer Stray, a 12-year-old boy, who was drowned in Lake Union, has been recovered. J. C. Palmer, elevator operator, who was accidentally killed at Seattle recently, has been buried in Yakima. Mrs. Alice Walker of Walla Walla has filed a suit against a woman who had a Yamhill county farmer, for \$1000 damages for alleged breach of promise.

THE OREGON COUNTRY (Continued) Eleven Protestant denominations participated at a conference in Boise to discuss the proposed world movement, April 25 to May 2. The Idaho department of agriculture has entered a protest against a bill pending in congress fixing the unit of measure for apples at the dry bushel instead of the bushel. A committee representing several women's clubs has petitioned the legislative committee for the repeal of a law in cooperation with the county to guard the welfare of the young women of the county.

THE OREGON COUNTRY (Continued) The claim of officials of Idaho Falls that the state public utilities commission had no jurisdiction to impose upon the city power rate reductions to a city ordinance has been overruled by the utilities commission. With 100 employees' association reporting additional names to their membership and the teamsters and truck drivers union planning to break in the strike, the old element of the Boise strike seems far away. Marvels of Press and Paper Used in the Printing of The Journal

THE OREGON COUNTRY (Continued) If all the rolls of paper used in a single average edition of The Journal were unrolled and placed end to end it would make a pathway of paper more than five miles long. Each copy of the paper is folded in a way which you read this statement. It seems to possess almost no weight. Yet the average daily edition of The Journal consumes 18,000 pounds of newspaper.

THE OREGON COUNTRY (Continued) Now grasp one of the sheets between the thumb and forefinger of each hand. Note how easily it tears. Yet the "boss pressman" says that the paper is so strong that it could be used to make a net for catching the "web" of one of the rolls 72 inches wide. Three rolls of this size by sudden check of the swift revolution on the rollers of the big press in The Journal basement have been known to stop a 40 horsepower motor. One would expect the paper to tear and the fragments to fly, but under a straight pull it is phenomenally strong.



The wise to learn; 'tis God-like to create. —John Godfrey Luce.

SMELLING STATESMANSHIP

FOR months, the investigation of the Sims charges against the navy has been in progress before a senate committee at Washington. All the time there was before the committee and before the country and before the world, the undeniable fact that the American navy conveyed nearly 2,000,000 men across the submarine-infested Atlantic without the loss of a single man.

Why smell around for some miscarriage of petty detail, some minor mistake in a gigantic scheme of naval defense in the face of such a record? Especially why do it at a time when the need of the country is constructive action for solving critical domestic problems?

On top of the known and admired record of the navy in the war, here is the testimony of Admirals Mayo and Rodman, both in overseas service, in which they emphatically repudiate Admiral Sims' statement that the navy was unprepared when we entered the war. They say that when it was called into action, the navy was wholly and completely prepared.

And so they were. Else how could its work have been so effective that not a man was lost under American convoy while both ships and many men were lost under convoy of the widely heralded British fleet? Congressional statesmanship was never so cheap, never so inartistic, never so disgraceful as when it is shown in the hope of finding through violent treatment of patients, a new cure for similar cases of deafness.

Stone deaf for years, the under secretary of state of France recently had a rough passage over the English channel, while en route to England. The sea ran high, and he was pitched about in his cabin promiscuously. On landing at Dover, he was amazed to find that he had fully recovered his hearing. French scientists are now experimenting in the hope of finding through violent treatment of patients, a new cure for similar cases of deafness.

RAILROAD, steamship and forwarding agencies in Portland; exclusive agents in other ports; increase in local storage and transshipping facilities—these are elements of the business building program which the port bodies of Portland announce. Every item is practical. Every item is desirable. Every other successful port gains the same quality and kind of representation. Agency organization to direct freight and cargo is as great a necessity as a good harbor with port facilities of large capacity.

What for instance, is a mentally defective child? Is it a child that has failed to pass and is a year or more behind others of the same school age in school? If so, reliable authority has it that about 10 per cent of the children in Portland are defective. And yet it is well known that many children, both boys and girls, that have been slow in school have been successful in the practical affairs of life.

There are official agencies, such as the court of domestic relations, and eleemosynary institutions, such as the Public Welfare bureau, that probably have full, as well as expert, knowledge of the defectives, delinquents and dependents sought by the survey. The survey was ordered by the Oregon