

west's scenic, industrial and agricultural resources.

It appears that Mr. Riley even at this late day, when his lecture tour should have been booked and well under way, has not been obligated to serve the association.

Explaining the overflowing insane asylums of modern times a Paris authority says it is due to the prevalence of degeneracy, the ultimate product of ancestral alcoholism.

THE charges by the Walsh committee relative to certain alleged operations of subordinate officials of the shipping board are serious.

There is enough in the charges to warrant a full and searching investigation. Unlike many of the former "smelling committee" reports this one is not made in the campaign for political purposes, because the election is over.

Unlike the waste and extravagance complained of during the war these transactions were all in time of peace when there was no particular need of haste in disposing of materials.

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RILEY SHOULD GO EAST

WITH all respect to the Pacific Northwest tourist association, its arrangement with Frank Branch Riley should have placed him here in the East and Middle West there to deliver the message of the North-

that he was the only means by which American entrance into the league could be assured?

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WHAT THEY FOUGHT FOR



Zeitung. "We shake hands in spirit with President-elect Harding," says the Tageblatt. "We are pleased with a United States president who is against the League of Nations, an anti-German instrument," says the Kreuzzeitung.

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE: Genius is too often only as deep as the figures on its pyck check.

SIDELIGHTS

The lowered price of wheat seems to affect all commodities except flour and bread.—Salem Capital Journal.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

ACCOUNTING FOR IT: Portland, Nov. 8.—To the Editor of The Journal: Now that we are reading the surface after being snowed under by an avalanche of mud and clinders, we are wondering how it all happened.

NO FARM LOANS AT PRESENT

Hillsboro, Nov. 5.—To the Editor of The Journal—Can a farmer at the present time obtain a farm loan? If so, to whom should he apply?

German Comment on the Election

From the New York World. Press comment in Germany on the result of the American election is a remarkable resemblance to the utterances of our own Republican newspapers before and since the event.

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CONFLICTING EMOTIONS IN RURAL KANSAS

From the Horon Headlight-Commercial. From the Horon Headlight-Commercial. A man who lives in the country is unhappy. He has the hay fever badly and he has a lot of corn.

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The Oregon Country

Northwest Happenings in Brief Form for the Busy Reader. Since September, 16 inches of rain has fallen at Coquille.

Business men of Klamath Falls have decided to push the proposal for a local home building association to deal with the city's housing problem.

The Inland paper mills at Millwood are now employing 275 men.

Washington. The first company, O. N. G., at Ashland has been entered by the public from the government, in the way of uniforms, rifles, shoes, etc., to the value of \$20,000.

Howard Shriver, a farmer living near Moscow, has sold 145 spring lambs for \$75.

Complete returns from all Idaho counties show only seven Democrats elected to the state legislature.

Meridian business men have subscribed one half of the \$45,000 quota of the needed \$90,000 to construct the proposed powdered milk factory.

Uncle Jeff Snow Says: Little Tad Schlagger tells the story of Dan's in the lion den must be so, because he will never get out of a movie show in Portland.

Good Reason for Portland's Being the Northwest's Livestock Center. There is a reason why Portland is the livestock center of the West.

The weight per car was placed at 26,000 pounds, Ontario to Kansas City, and 28,000 pounds, Ontario to Portland.

The allowance for freight rates was 94 cents per 100 pounds to Kansas City, and 54 1/2 cents per 100 pounds to Portland.