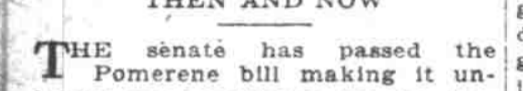


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Children generally like to be idle, all the care then is that their busy hour should be constantly employed in something to use them.—Locke.

THEN AND NOW

THE senate has passed the Pomerene bill making it unlawful for candidates for the federal senate to spend more than \$10,000 in the general election and for candidates for the house to spend more than \$5000.

American commissioner says he can't. So those editors who were foolish enough to believe that he can do wrong are soon to find out from a military court that he can't. The commissioner knows. He is a naval officer. What naval officers say to those under them is law. Free speech is not permissible. The Haitians are to learn that now, whether the instruction is approved by the American public or not.

Washington's poll tax has proven so unpopular that in some counties not over half have paid. There is remarkable unanimity in the sentiment for repeal of the law. But repeal shouldn't permit the evaders to get away without paying their share.

IF MR. HALL? THERE is a gloomy outlook for the taxpayer in Oregon. The religious debate persists. It will not reduce taxes. We cannot get over a 16th century question and get anywhere in lowering the tax burdens.

THE two talked, then, of life's vicissitudes. They developed the philosophy that what a man isn't happy in doing is apt to be a calling missed. The listener argued that a break in the routine is frequently essential to mental vitality. He told of the chap who boastfully reminded his boss that he hadn't taken a vacation for 15 years, only to be told that probably such a blank fool policy accounted for what was wrong with his work.

THE tax super-load. Union County's Total Farm Output, Less the sum of the taxes insufficient to lift this load, Assorted. La Grande, Sept. 8.—To the Editor of The Journal.—The tax levy for state purposes in 1918 was \$2.24 million.

UNCONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT. Portland, Sept. 11.—To the Editor of The Journal.—Since the present nationwide conflict between capital and labor began, represented by a vast army of men on one side and the powerful financial trusts on the other, the undisputed fact has developed that the first step to be taken is to bring about a cessation of the warring factions. It has long since become common knowledge that the writ is not between railway managers and the public, but between the public and the state.

OBSERVATIONS AND IMPRESSIONS OF THE JOURNAL MAN. The story of an Oregon family of 1848 is told in a book that is being published by the University of Oregon. The book is a history of the pioneer phase of this history dates back to the year 1842 when a party of emigrants headed by the late General Daugherty. This drastic action will compare favorably with the opening guns at Fort Sumter that produced the American Civil War.