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A straw showing the direction of the wind; in fact, a whole bale of straw, was the action taken by the Oregon Drug Clerks' Association at its meeting in Portland on April 25, endorsing the candidacy of Governor Withycombe for renomination and re-election. There were about 150 members present, and the action was taken by resolution, and it was decided to wage a lively campaign. This is rather strong, for a non-partisan organization. The action was based upon patriotic motives. A. W. Ruth, president of the association, who is with the Owl Drug Co. in Portland, was a Salem visitor yesterday, and called at the office of The Statesman with the information given in the foregoing. The druggists want to continue the War Governor in the position of authority in which he has been a powerful factor in keeping Oregon at the front, and "over the top," in every war activity, to the signal honor of this state in the eyes of the people of the United States and of the whole world battling for democracy and decency. The druggists do not want to swap horses in the middle of the stream—with the chance of getting a mule or a balky mount.

The third Liberty Loan will be over the top by midnight tonight, and there should be a billion or two to the good.

The "peak lood" of the resistance of the British and French and American troops was reached and passed last week. The danger of the Germans being able to break through has grown smaller and beautifully less since then. And they will not be able again to make as great an offensive as the last one. And, if General Foch thinks best, the Germans will be on the defensive from now on till the end of the war.

If the rest of the primary campaign in Oregon cannot be made decent, let's hope it may be made as decent as possible. There is the election in November yet to come, and there should be as few open wounds as may be.

Berlin has nothing to report. But Paris has something.

The French are going back. Good luck to them.

Kaiser Bill is troubled about Russia. We should worry.

The French say is guerre. That is, they make war feminine. But that is an old term. This war is a man's war.

Things are clearing up as the war demands are taking shape. The American people do in any measure lack fiber or courage.

Some folks are poking fun at Secretary Baker because he sought refuge in a Paris wine cellar during a bombardment. Wonder where William Jennings Bryan would have gone?

Spain has sent another note to Germany. There will be still another when the U-boats sink another Spanish ship. There is about as much spunk in King Alfonso as in the heel of a goat.

What a Grand Army of the Republic we shall have in another ten years? By that time the victory-crowned soldiers will again be among us, those who have escaped the gun of the Hun and disease.

That old couple who spent \$100 they had saved to pay for their funeral for a Liberty Bond, saying that the dead could wait to be buried but the men at the front needed the money now, had patriotism developed to the highest power.

In spite of the increase in prices, the American dollar stands firm. It is worth one hundred cents. Marks, rubles, francs and pounds sterling may depreciate, but the dollar retains its full value. It has the prosperity of a great nation behind it. The dollar has not shrunk; prices have swelled.

Go west, young man, and blow up with the country is the Hindenburg Greelygram to the German soldier. They have obeyed, and are obeying, at the point of the bayonet. But the supply of cannon fodder that may be sent west by Hindenburg is growing smaller.

FUTURE DATES
May 4, Saturday.—Eugene High School and Salem High School play baseball at Salem.
May 5, Monday.—Thrift Stamp day.
May 17, Friday.—Primary nomination election.
May 20 to 27.—Second Red Cross war fund campaign.
May 22 and 23.—Wednesday and Thursday—War conference in Portland.
June 4, 5, and 6.—State Grange convention in Salem.
June 15, Friday.—High School commencement exercises.
June 20, Thursday.—Renion of Oregon Pioneer association, Portland.

right we fight for our women, our country and our God." The Beast of Berlin cannot conquer those Dutchmen.

SONG IN WAR TIME.

Speak low, speak little, who may sing
While yonder cannon thunders boom?
Watch, shuddering, what each day may bring;
Nor "pipe amid the crack of doom."

And yet—the pines sing overhead,
The robins by the alder pool,
The bees about the garden bed,
The children dancing home from school.

And even at the loom of Birth
The mighty Mother weaves and sings;
She weaves—fresh robes for mangled earth;
She sings—fresh hopes for desperate things.

And thou, too; if through Nature's calm
Some strain of music fouch thine ears,
Accept and share that soothing balm,
And sing, though choked with pitying tears.

—Charles Kingsley.

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Some welcome showers.
Primary campaign entering third stage.

The candidates ought to remember that there is a hereafter—the November election. And they will need the support of their present opponents.

The Germans are going south.
Ypres does not look good to them.
But they will finally go east.

In the meantime, the British and French are taking back some of the hills and strategic points.

They are getting ready for the waves; if Hindenburg feels like sending any more.

Zeebrugge is still bottled up. And perhaps there are other surprises being plotted for the Germans by the allied navies.

General Foch has had his authority extended to the Italian front. Never in the world's history did any one man have authority over such a great and splendid armies. His is a colossal responsibility, and a colossal task is before him; but opportunities for victories that will carry the name of Foch down the pages of history in words of appreciation.

The May flower or trailing arbutus has been selected as the State flower of Massachusetts and the Black-eyed Susan has been similarly honored by the Maryland legislature. The other would have been the thing for Maryland.

American girls are reported on the battle line doing Salvation Army work. God bless them! Florence Nightingales are needed there as much as men with guns.

You may have noticed that there is not so much call for dyspepsia tablets since Herb Hoover is on the job. The conservation of food has been a fine thing all round.

The statute of Frederick the Great now reposes in a Washington cellar, which probably is a much more comfortable place than the real Frederick occupies.—Dallas, Texas, News.

If Russia did know what she wanted she wouldn't know how to get it. What Russia needs is a little red schoolhouse in every township. They have a wonderful effect.

It is claimed that the lord of the barnyard is crowing at the usual hour these days, in spite of the laws of congress declaring that he must let loose an hour earlier than formerly.

It is reported that the navy-blue serge and the khaki are taking the place of the "conventional black" at weddings. The improvement is much remarked.

IN THE LAND O' COMMON SENSE

Says it is suicide to cut corns, and tells how they lift right out

You simply say to the drug store man, "Give me a quarter of an ounce of freezeone." This will cost very little but is sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn from one's feet.

A few drops applied directly upon a tender, aching corn should relieve the soreness instantly, and soon the entire corn, root and all, can be lifted out with the fingers without pain.

This new way to rid one's feet of corns was introduced by a Cincinnati man, who says that while Freezeone is stick it dries in a moment, and seems to simply shrivel up the corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue or skin.

Don't let father die from infection or lockjaw from whitening at his corns, but cut this out and mak him try it.

"Cured!"
Mrs. Gus Griffith, of Everton, Mo., writes: "I suffered for three years with various female troubles. My life was a misery. I was not able to do anything... bearing down pains in my back and limbs, and headache... weak and nervous. Dr. — recommended Card-u-i."

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All Druggists

Seven Fatal Accidents Are Reported for Week

Seven fatal accidents out of a total of 551 were reported to the Industrial accident commission for the week ending May 2. The fatal cases were: Lulu Gavin, Talent, trespasser, killed by train; John Manan, Astoria, sawmill; Lloyd Rundle, Bandon, sawmill; Frank Todd, Portland, shipbuilding; David Bradley, Astoria, sawmill; H. E. Olinghouse, Mill City, sawmill; Harry Walker, Willamina, lumbering.

Clever Scheme of Paroled Boys Forestalled by Board

A clever scheme of some boys paroled from the State Training School to escape authority of the institution was nipped in the bud by the state board of control yesterday when it ordered Superintendent L. M. Gilbert to execute agreements with boys who are paroled to enlist in the army or navy, that their paroles cease if they are discharged from the service within a certain time. The case of one boy who was paroled to enlist was cited. He purposely got himself dishonorably discharged so that automatically he might escape jurisdiction of the school. For this reason agreements made with the boys are to be made more binding.

LAW TO AFFECT SURETY FIRMS

Attorney General Makes Ruling at Instance of Commissioner Wells

Surety business in Oregon must comply with the insurance laws and service may be had at any time upon the insurance commission being made designated as its attorney in fact. Attorney General Brown holds in an opinion prepared yesterday for Insurance Commissioner Wells. The question placed before the department was whether the bonds of those companies who have withdrawn from the state should be cancelled or continued until expiration and whether service can be secured upon any company after its withdrawal.

YOUNG SOLDIER TO BE HONORED

Memorial Services to be Held for Benjamin Hill at Rickreall

DALLAS, May 3.—(Special to The Statesman.)—Memorial services in honor of Benjamin Hill, the Rickreall soldier and member of Company L of this city, who passed away in France on April 25 with spinal meningitis, will be held at his home town Sunday afternoon. Plans are being made for an open air service if the weather permits and Governor Withycombe has consented to be present and make a memorial address.

Pension Bill Endorsed by House Republicans

WASHINGTON, May 3.—The Smoot-Bland omnibus pension bill proposing a minimum of \$30 a month for Civil War soldiers and sailors, was endorsed by house Republicans at an executive conference last night.

YANKS ANXIOUS TO BE AT 'EM

Sergeant McAllister Describes Americans When on Way to Front

The nearer the American soldiers get to the front the happier they are and the more anxious to have at the Boche, according to a letter that Sergeant Joe McAllister has written to Percy Cupper, assistant state engineer. McAllister believes there is a chance that the present year may be decisive in the great conflict. He writes in part:

"I was much interested in your description of things politically, also of the affairs of the office in general and particularly of the newlyweds. It would seem that some of those of your department have taken seriously the advice of some of our noted writers who advise all girls to marry their sweethearts before letting them go abroad, because chances are good for all single ones losing their hearts to some French or English nurse, if they live through it here. While chances never were better for a young man than here at present, I firmly believe that a very large number of our boys will return to claim those dear little American creations who are willing to await their return.

"Yes, I certainly would have enjoyed Shriner's day in Portland with you. I am anxiously awaiting the opportunity of seeing you—poor devil travel the route that is soon mine.

"I have seen a few Salem men in this vicinity, although the majority of them are in other parts.

"Under separate cover I am mailing a complete file to date of our regimental paper, The Spiker. These have been censored and probably do not contain much news of interest to you. However, you will gain some idea of our work and life in general, at least as much as can be given out. When everyone has read them please lay them away for me. I'll try to send you future numbers we may get out.

"We are having beaucoup pluie (much rain) now and from all appearances we are going to have another rainy spell. However, it is not so cold now and a little wetting does one good once in a while.

"This year has already witnessed some of the worst scares of the war and it bids fair to be the most active one and we hope it may be decisive. I only wish we were one year in advance with our preparation. We sure could strike a blow that the Boche never would recover from. Our work of preparation is progressing nicely and we expect to be called up to replace some of the organizations that have been shot up now any time.

"A long train is just now passing, carrying a large number of our boys to the front. You should hear the noise—worse than when we left home. The nearer they get to the line the more anxious they are to get at 'em."

SAMUEL M'BRIDE DIED YESTERDAY

Passes Away at Home of His Daughter, Mrs. W. H. Boot Near Salem

Samuel B. McBride, a former well known resident of Portland, who has been making his home with his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Boot, near Salem, died yesterday at 4:15 o'clock following a protracted illness. He was the grandfather of Mrs. Asahel Bush. Mr. McBride was 82 years old.

LABOR AGENT TO BE NAMED

Committee of Local Men Will Hold Conference at Commercial Club Today

An agent whose duty will be to supervise the farm labor situation in Salem and vicinity will probably be appointed today at a conference of Salem employers who are to meet at the commercial club rooms at 11 o'clock. Several men have been mentioned as suitable for the position.

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St. Helens Woman Visits at Home of Her Parents

PRATUM, Or., May 4.—Fifteen farmers from this neighborhood had a meeting with Roadmaster W. J. Culver in Salem recently, trying to persuade him to put more gravel on the roads in this part of the county.

Peter J. Blinn Suddenly Dies at Room in Hotel

While sitting on the edge of his bed yesterday morning at his room in the Leonard hotel, Peter J. Blinn, apparently well and in good health, fell over and suddenly died. He was 63 years old and had lived in Salem for about thirty years.

WANTS TO HELP OTHER MEN.

M. W. Taylor, Calvert, Ala., writes: "To Whom It May Concern: I recommend Foley Kidney Pills, the best I ever used. I tried different remedies, but none gave me relief like Foley's." They restore regular action of kidneys and bladder and relieve backache, rheumatic pains, stiff joints, sore muscles. J. C. Perry.

CAN'T CALL THE "COOLIES."

ANCON, Canal Zone, May 3.—A recent decree of the government of Panama makes it illegal to apply the term "coolie" to East Indians or Chinese within the Republic of Panama.

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