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THESE BILLS SHOULD BE KILLED.

All citizens of Oregon interested in such a military establishment as the Federal Government will recognize are asked to examine closely three bills introduced by Senator Howell of Multnomah county in behalf of the Multnomah Guard of the city of Portland, and incidentally such other home guard units as may still exist in the State.

One of these bills is submitted for the purpose of placing the control of the Multnomah County Armory in the hands of the county commissioners instead of the state military authorities who now control it. Obviously the passage of this bill would mean the destruction of the provisional National Guard now existing in Multnomah county and, therefore, deprive Multnomah county of any and all Federal appropriations.

The second bill introduced at the instigation of the Multnomah Guard, which organization elected Senator Howell, completely abrogates the existing legislation whereby the Governor of the State is empowered to draft men into the services of the State in a military organization when a grave emergency arises.

The third act completely abrogates the entire military organization of the State of Oregon, a condition existing in only one other State in the Union.

In place of the recognized military establishment, which has Federal recognition and will receive from the Federal Government Federal funds in an amount sufficient to fully equip a regiment of infantry, amounting approximately to \$175,000, together with all Federal pay for both officers and men, this bill substitutes a heterogeneous mass of civil units incapable of any recognition, support or equipment from the Federal Government. These units act in a purely civilian capacity under the charge of their respective sheriffs and their authority as deputy sheriffs extends only to the limits of their own counties. This act provides that if occasion should require their presence in some other county the Governor may request them to go and if they consent then he is arbitrarily directed to commission them as special agents and send them to any county. Owing to the fact that the Federal Government, for obvious reasons, would never recognize such an irresponsible group of civilians, the entire bureau of their maintenance and equipment will of necessity fall upon the counties wherein they exist, or upon the State which will be called upon to maintain this force, whereas a National Guard regiment will be fully equipped and paid by the Federal Government.

The viciousness of these bills is most skillfully camouflaged so that the casual reader of them might be favorably impressed. There is no liability practically that attaches to any member of one of these home guard units. By destroying the power of the Governor to draft men into the service of the State in case of an emergency, and also by providing that the consent of the members composing the units must be obtained before they serve, any liability for service or value to the State is rendered nil.

The promoters of this bill appear to contemplate not only the destruction of the recognized military establishment and military forces of the State but the creation of a disjointed, irresponsible organization whose only value is political.

In the light of the splendid history the soldiers of this State have made in the past years, every man and woman in Oregon who has ever had a son or relative in service should oppose most vigorously through their Senators and Representatives this plot of a few men to destroy the military traditions and military institutions of this State and to create a political machine for their own selfish interests.

Congress has indicated that no legislation will be enacted until the next session of Congress, looking toward a reorganization of

the military policy of the United States. Therefore, until at least a year has elapsed the various States will have to depend upon their National Guard for protection; in the event that the same becomes necessary, and they are preparing accordingly.

Why the burden of maintenance of approximately forty separate units, all independent of each other, should be laid upon the respective counties or the State when the Federal Government will fully provide for one regiment of infantry, which is all Oregon needs, ought to be a matter of great interest to the taxpayers.

LEST WE FORGET!

The tumult and the shouting dies—
The captains and the kings depart—
Still stands Thine ancient sacrifice,
An humble and a contrite heart.
Lord God of hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

Buy home made goods.

Patronize home industry.

Whatever happens, build the roads.

Food prices drop hard in Chicago. But it is a long way yet to the bottom.

The way to build up your town is to patronize the people of your town.

President Wilson may be the first president of the league of nations. That would be a signal honor.

Strength to the arms of the Oregon delegation in congress, fighting to prevent fruit juices from being taxed to death.

Russian Bolshevik army defeated again. Getting to be a habit. Pretty soon, there will be no more Bolshevik army than a rabbit.

Representative Elmore has introduced a bill prohibiting the sale of "bitters" in Oregon. Showing that there are degrees of bone dryness.

Congressman Hawley has introduced a bill to give captured German cannon to twenty towns in the First Oregon district. Salem is in the list, of course. Let them come.

February 9 will be commemorated in every city and town in the United States in memory of Colonel Roosevelt. It is an honor that has never been paid to an American citizen. "T. R."—To Rest.

The peace conference is now getting down to the brass tacks. The world is out of joint. It is time to do something about a peace treaty besides making speeches. The eyes of the world are upon the historic gathering.

Women have been named to represent several states on the Republican National Committee. How long will it be until one of the sex is nominated for president? And if she is, we should like to see the mere man who could beat her.

The legislators find the Oregon penitentiary is a death trap and a fire trap. That is what The Statesman has been saying, for a long time. And it does no particular good to keep rubbing it in. There should be a new, modern building. If the legislature can find a way to secure the new building, well and good.

Possible Republican candidates for

the presidency are popping up here and there, but it is quite a spell until the summer of 1920 and there is likely to be considerable shifting about before public sentiment settles on any aspirant for the great honor. For the nominee in that year of grace will be the next president.

Aches and Pains of rheumatism are not permanently, but only temporarily, relieved by external remedies. Why not use an internal remedy—Hood's Sarsaparilla, which corrects the acidity of the blood on which rheumatism depends and cures the disease?

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Flu ban off Monday.
May it stay off; with the flu banished.

The reporter could not get the report of new flu cases for yesterday, if there were any.

Salem has many home enterprises that should have Salem support; and more coming. Still more will come, if Salem will be absolutely loyal to her own.

There is the Marion Creamery and Produce Co., for instance, employing twenty people, and paying \$20,000 to \$30,000 a month to our farmers; and making Marion butter—the best butter made in the United States or any other old country. Buy Marion butter, of course.

The peace council has wisely given warning to the little embryo nations, that they must not take territory by force. If they do, it will be counted against them and will be regarded in the nature of flaws upon their claims of title. So the peppy little powers in the infant class would better put up their guns and try to be good.

The big nations in the league of nations will keep their big sticks, for a long time. And it is to be hoped that they will be obliged only to keep them in plain sight.

William Hohenzollern will not attend the meetings of the peace conference for reasons over which he has no control.

Men, look out! 1920 is leap year.

POISONOUS WASTE CAUSES SICKNESS.

When the kidneys are well they filter waste matter from the blood. When sluggish or overworked, the kidneys fail to clean the blood, and poisonous substances lodge in joints and muscles to cause aches, pains and soreness. Foley Kidney Pills strengthen, act quickly and relieve kidney and bladder trouble. J. C. Perry.

TO ONE WHO HAS HALTED

Nay, yield not your citadel to care—
The gifts you made you gave not for
Nor mourn because the bread you did
toss

On stormy waters proves a seeming loss.

Your own you gave; gave with princely hand

To those who famished in a teaming land;

Your treasury undraind, give not the gain—

Not even the zest of stubborn war with pain.

You found the spots where sorrow hath its birth,

The lonely places of unheeding earth;

Lit by the passing sunshine of to-perist.

For those whom mercy in her round hath missed,

Below the running billows' snowy spray

Lit by the passing sunshine of to-day,

The gifts you scattered reached in depths below

The shrines of purport joy, of dearest woe.

Claudius Thayer.

MOTHER! GIVE CHILD "SYRUP OF FIGS" IF TONGUE IS COATED

If Croup, Feverish, Sick, Bilious, Clean Little Liver and Bowels.

Children love this "fruit laxative," and nothing else cleanses the tender stomach, liver and bowels so nicely. A child simply will not stop playing to empty its bowels and the result is, they become tightly clogged with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour, then your little one becomes cross, half-sick, feverish, don't eat, sleep or act naturally, breath is bad, system full of cold, has sore throat, stomach-ache or diarrhoea. Listen, Mother! See if tongue is coated, then give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the system, and you have a well, playful child again.

Millions of mothers give "California Syrup of Figs" because it is perfectly harmless; children love it, and it never fails to act on the stomach, liver and bowels.

Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

JESS WILLARD IS AGAIN OUT OF RETIREMENT

Purse of \$100,000 Bait to Draw Fighter Back into Limelight

RICKARD TO MANAGE

Opponent Not Yet Picked; Contest to Take Place Next July

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—A purse of \$100,000 drew Jess Willard, the heavyweight champion out of retirement tonight. Tex Rickard, promoter of the Joe Gans-Battling Nelson fight, and the heavyweight championship battle between Jeffries and Johnson, obtained Willard's signature to a set of articles to fight any opponent selected for him. He agreed to box any number of rounds up to 40. The match will be decided next July, probably the fourth. Willard will receive \$100,000, win, lose or draw.

The champion came to terms with Rickard tonight after two days of arguing. Rickard said that either Georges Carpentier, the French heavyweight, or Jack Dempsey, who has been clamoring for a match with the champions would be Willard's opponent. Rickard reserved the right to wait until March 25 before making the selection. The place for holding the battle will be named 60 days before the contest.

The fight will be Willard's first since he met Frank Moran of Pittsburgh in New York in March, 1916. Rickard was the promoter of that match. The champion agreed to deposit \$10,000 with a Chicago bank at once, this sum to be forfeited to Rickard if Willard fails to carry out his promises. Rickard agreed to deposit \$10,000 in Chicago tomorrow \$15,000 60 days before the date of the contest and \$75,000 48 hours before the day of the battle. Provided Rickard fails to make the second deposit of \$15,000 he agreed to forfeit the first \$10,000 to Willard, and if he fails to post the \$75,000 Willard will receive \$25,000.

The Kansas cowboy agreed not to make any other engagements or to appear in any exhibition contests and also agreed to be at the place designated for the battle 60 days in advance to finish his training. It was decided that Rickard should name the referee.

"I haven't any idea where the contest will be decided," said Rickard. "The laws of the state in which the battle will be decided will, of course, govern the situation. Wherever the battle is fought, it will not be in a baseball park. I plan to build an especially constructed arena with a seating capacity of about 50,000 persons. This will cost close to \$35,000. The prices of admission probably will be from \$10 to \$50, although these details have not been worked out."

Frank C. Flournoy of Memphis, Tenn., Rickard's business partner, will be associated with Rickard in promoting the battle.

WARNING TO WORLD

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ian generalissimo, representing the high military command on all fronts and the generals of the Versailles war council, including General Wilson for the British, General Bell for the French, Major General Tasker H. Bliss for the United States and General Robilant for Italy. General Diaz accompanied Premier Orlando of Italy and the occasion was one of the very few on which he has been absent from the Italian army.

BRITISH PLAN FOR LEAGUE OUTLINED

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which international law now impose on warlike nations would not apply to the league which would have a free hand. Provision would be made to cover the matter of expenses for aid given by one member of the league to another in connection with belligerent action and protection from resources of hostile action because of compliance by any state with the covenants of the league.

Publicity Called For.
The plan looks to the cancellation of treaties incompatible with the tenets of the league and calls for a provision regarding the publicity of treaties, as well as reconsideration of obligations on occasions.

The question of disarmament is held to be difficult although more or less complete disarmament is considered necessary to peace. It is suggested that there might be some step toward the abolishment of conscription as one measure of disarmament.

The plan would prohibit any nation having forces or armament sufficient for the purpose to indicate an intention of employing them aggressively. Disarmament is one of the earliest problems to be dealt with by the league, according to this plan, in case the question is not settled by the peace conference.

RATES AGAIN SUSPENDED

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 24.—Increased telephone rates in Washington, asked by Postmaster General Burleson, were again suspended today by the public service commission to give time for filing of briefs by cities and companies, and for consideration. The suspension is effective February 24.

Read the Classified Ads.

Home Industry Is An Home Interest

WHATEVER is made in Oregon is made from Oregon materials and by Oregon labor. Therefore, give such products the preference.

Just as the United States National Bank is interested in promoting the welfare of the community—so have YOU cause to do likewise.



United States
National Bank

Salem Oregon

TRUSTS TARGET OF SENATE BILL

Lachmund One of Leaders in Fight Just Launched Against Monopolies

With an emergency clause attached, the anti-trust bill of Senators Lachmund and Thomas was introduced in the senate yesterday and it is predicted that it will precipitate a battle royal in both committee and on the floor, for while primarily directed at the cement trust its language is general and strikes at every form of monopoly.

The measure was drafted by Attorney General Brown, is patterned after the South Dakota anti-trust act, and its provisions and penalties are drastic. Decision to introduce such a measure was reached by the two senators following a session of the highway commission here, at which members of the commission and Representative Dennis, chairman of the house road committee, declared that the cement trust was exacting excessive prices for cement in road construction.

Combinations Defined.

Defining unlawful combinations of capital or skill, the bill says: "Section 1. Within the meaning of this act, a trust or monopoly is a combination of capital or skill, by two or more persons, firms, corporations or association of persons:

"First—To create or carry out restrictions in trade.

"Second—To limit the production or to increase or reduce the price of commodities.

"Third—To prevent competition in the manufacture, transportation or the purchase of merchandise, produce or commodities.

"Fourth—To fix any standard or figure whereby the price to the public shall be in any manner established or controlled."

Besides inflicting heavy fines and prison penalties for violations of its

HE KNOWS WHEREOF HE SPEAKS

J. F. Harper, 416 Navarre St., San Antonio, Tex., writes: "I consider Foley's Honey and Tar absolutely the best cough remedy on the market. I know whereof I speak, having tried it in my own family. Your remedy acts quickly and relief is permanent." Good for colds, coughs, croup. Contains no opiates. J. C. Perry.

Stop That Cough With Mountain—Balm Cough Remedy. Satisfaction or your money back. At nearly all drug and suburban stores.

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SALEM'S FUTURE

The days of reconstruction are at hand.
Capital

Now being freed from the needs of war is looking for new fields for investment.

This City

Has already been selected as the tentative location of a number of new projects.

If shown a proper reception, and carried out these will mean big things for the community.

Therefore let us show that we are interested in Salem's future and growth. Patronize our local merchants, and other industries; keep our money here, and encourage the new capital to come.

Cherry City Baking Co.
Peerless Bakery

EXTRAORDINARY Fruit Sale

EXTRA SPECIAL SWEET ORANGES
30 cents per dozen

EXTRA FANCY ORANGES AT
40c, 50c and 60c

FANCY CALIFORNIA GRAPE FRUIT
4 for 25 cents

Extra Large Florida Grape Fruit
2 for 25 cents

Extra Choice Large Bananas
40c and 50c per dozen

FRESH VEGETABLES

Choice Celery, Head Lettuce, Cabbage, Brussels Sprouts

Special Today Only

Onarga Corn, 25 cent seller,
\$2.00 per dozen

SOLID PACK TOMATOES
\$2.00 per dozen

Baking Specials

COFFEE CAKE, Prune, Nut, Angel and Coconut Cakes,
Lemon Sugar Cookies, Oatmeal and Ginger Cookies

GENUINE HOME MADE DOUGHNUTS, 20c per doz.

ROTH GROCERY CO.

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