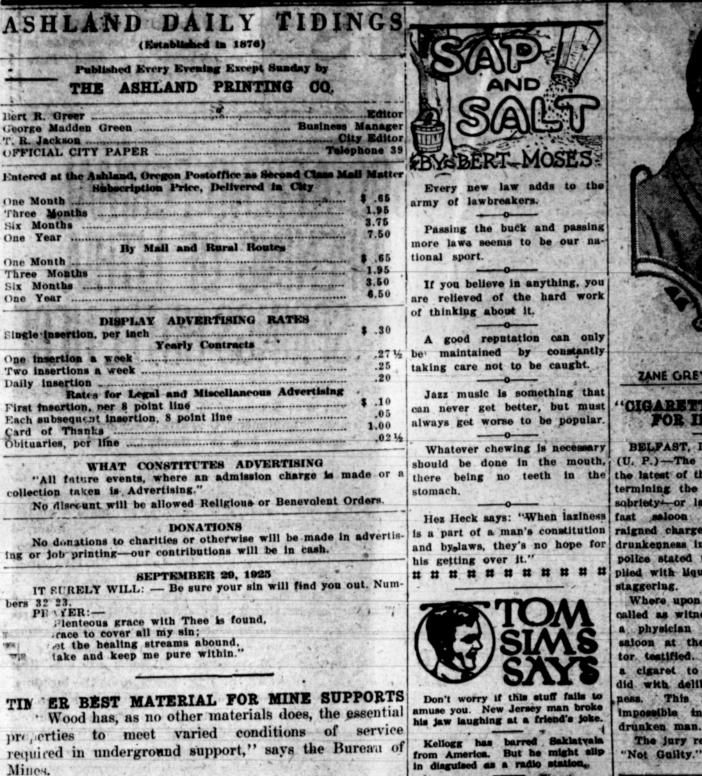
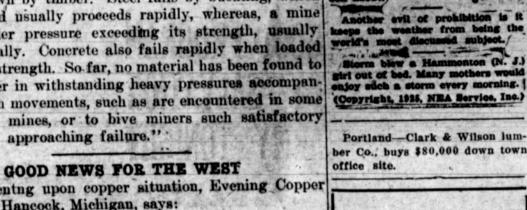
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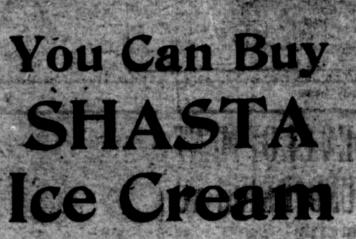
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The current price of commercial silver has passed 72 cents, the highest mark since 1923, when U. S. Treasury ceased buying domestic silver at \$1.00 an ounce as provided under Pittman act. The government is back in market for silver and is urged to purchase some 14,000,-000 ounces to take place of silver alleged to have 'cen bought from non-domestic producers under the act.

## A COURAGEOUS RECORD

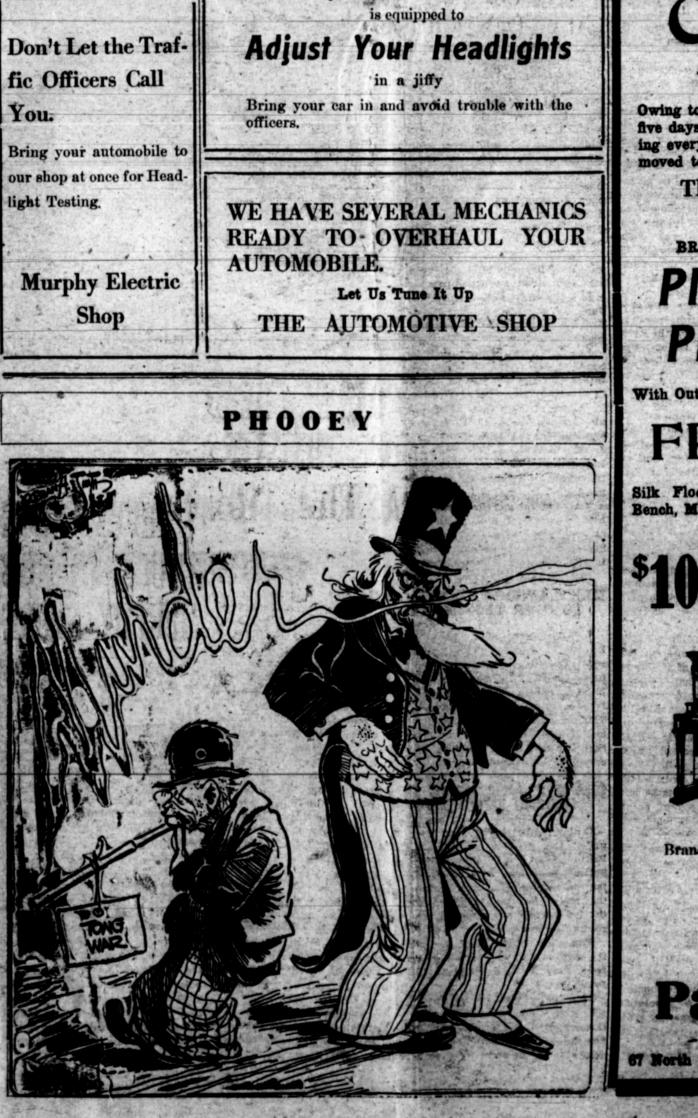
Of the \$480,000,000 net earnings of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, in the last five years, \$114,000,-000 was paid in taxes, \$165,000,000 was paid in dividends and \$201,000,000 was turned back into the property for improvements.

When taxes nearly equal dividends in a successful oil ompany, it is marvelous that the industry as a whole has he courage to go ahead in highly speculative undertakings involving great risk, in order to maintain the supply of gasoline and oil needed by this nation.

## BY PATHS OF LIVING

The careless or unobservant traveler is sometimes puzzled, in passing through the thronged center of a great city, to find within a few hundred feet, by streets, and nooks into which no throb of the metropolis is to be found. Or, within a few hundred yards of the city itself. there may be seen rural nooks that seem entirely unaffected by the ebb and flow of urban life. Much the same thing is to be found in nations. There are spots on main world lines of traffic that are perhaps seen, but never felt. And then something happens to bring them to notice. They will have a vogue, for a few months or years, and then slip back into the unaccounted for. Corsica slips in and out of the current news. Similarly it slips in and out of the attention of travelers. Only among the Dry-As-Dust scholars and literary people is it a subject for recurrent attention.

There are many such spots. The South Sea Islands have been given intermittent attention by the "Great World" for a century. There are places like Crete, that scholarship may draw to the attention some time in this decade, politics, again, war again. It is only with some accident that will bring special commercial value that can really "place" an unnoted spot. An exampe of a locality that was once noted and now is almost entirely forgotten is St. Helena, in the midst of the South Atlantic. It was ome of Napoleon as an exile. It has other char icteristics, but who knows them?



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