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OREGON WEATHER

+ Rain in west; fair in east.
+ with increasing southeasterly
+ winds.

THE SAILORS' BONDS

There will be tales of the sea to
suit the imagination of everybody,
when the full story of the war is
printed. And the claims coming from
sea disasters will be among the most
difficult to settle, for the sea does
strange things.

Among the interesting questions
now before congress is the decision
as to what course should be pursued
with regard to \$100,000 worth of
Liberty bonds lost by the men of the
U. S. cruiser San Diego, when that
vessel was sunk off Fire Island while
engaged in convoy duty.

There is no provision of law au-
thorizing the issue of duplicates in
lieu of lost coupon bonds, and unless
congress makes some provision these
officers and sailors will lose the
money they have invested in the
cause of liberty.

They agreed to take the bonds
through a San Francisco bank, and
payment was taken from their sav-
ings. Then ensued a year of wan-
dering, and it was not possible to
deliver the bonds to the men until
the San Diego entered New York
harbor 12 months later.

Convoy duty is exacting, and the
men performed it so faithfully that
not one attempted to go ashore to
deposit his bonds. Nor could they
be mailed safely, for the ship had
no registration service. For six
months the bonds were carried on
board ship, and then came the theft
in the night. A submarine or a float-
ing mine got the San Diego. Down
she went. Six brave men paid toll
with their lives, and the rest lost all
their belongings, including the bonds.

Now, unless congress comes to
the rescue, it will have cost these
men \$100,000 for serving their
country well in her time of need.
Of course the necessary legislation
will prevent such a catastrophe, but
it should come soon. There is too
much talk right now about what the
nation owes its soldiers, and too lit-
tle concrete evidence of its intention
to pay.

MAUDE

The American army mule has been
mentioned in the British war records
and honorably mentioned, too. His
staying powers, his courage, his
phlegmatic performance of duty
though stormed at with shot and
shell, have all been commented upon.

There is an epidemic of awards
for faithful service, as there should
be, for this war has been character-
ized not by single conspicuous acts
of bravery but by thousands of them.
We honor our soldiers, our sailors,
our officers, our privates, our civil-
ians, our boy scouts, our airplanes,
our guns, our horses—for heaven's
sake, why not our mules? Why not
give these sturdy defenders of their
country's honor a decoration and a
title worth of the service they have
performed? A leather medal, say,

250 Cups of Tea

From 1 Pound of Our
Best Grade English Breakfast
Use It While Coffee Is High
Real Economy

KINNEY & TRUAX GROCERY

QUALITY FIRST

neatly stamped with a design of a
lifted hind leg and hoof, and embel-
lished with the motto "Nobody shall
pass," might be appropriate.

The mule has been derided too
long. He is considered the acme of
stubbornness, yet he shares that
quality with the bravest men in the
world, for at what point does cour-
age become stubborn determination?
Ask the Belgians, the French, our
own marines of Chateau Thierry.

The peace conference is to right
many an ancient wrong. Perhaps it
will rescue the noble mule from the
stigma of that ignoble motto "Hee,
Haw" which loads him with unde-
served derision, and bring him into
his own, where all the grateful na-
tions should point to him with pride,
and cry, "He Hauled!"

POTASH

Potash? Who said potash? Of
course the farmers need it, but the
blockade does not have to be raised
to enable them to get it. Utah and
Wyoming capitalists are going to get
it for them.

Near Green River, Wyoming,
their plant is located. An article in
the Salt Lake Tribune says, "A com-
bination of brains, money, material
and the spirit of enterprise cannot be
beaten, and if we are not mistaken
the United States will no longer be
under the necessity of buying potash
in Germany or any other country."

Here is good news indeed, and in
looking over the qualifications for
success mentioned in the above list,
it seems as if nothing was lacking.

The shortage of farm labor will
make small and intensive farming
most important for some time to
come, and this must depend for its
success upon an ample supply of fer-
tilizer. Here at our door is the sup-
ply.

If the war had lasted just a little
longer, our industries would have
been developed to a point where Ger-
many could have been completely
forgotten. The rise of the Ameri-
can potash aristocracy is one more
result of the downfall of German au-
tocracy.

OLD ROGUE RIVER FISH
BILL BOBS UP IN HOUSE

State Capitol, Salem, Jan. 25.—
An old friend bobbed up in the house
this morning in the shape of a
Rogue river fishing bill. This bill
is said to be directed at the Macleay
fishing interests at the mouth of
the Rogue and practically duplicates
former efforts which have shaken
legislatures and adorned initiative

and referendum ballots almost from
time immemorial.

The bill proposes practically elim-
inating seine fishing below the
mouth of the Illinois river, and pro-
vides for gear with nothing less than
a six-and-one-half-inch mesh in the
fall and eight-and-one-half-inch in
the spring. Nearly the same measure
was passed by the last legislature,
referred to the people by referendum
and voted down.

It also is understood that addi-
tional legislation relative to fishing
on the Rogue river is in contempla-
tion, although the exact nature of
the prospective bill has not been
disclosed as yet. The bill introduced
today came from the committee on
fisheries and the additional legisla-
tion is now being considered by
that committee. It is understood, and
will come out next week in the shape
of a bill.

Proponents of the measure assert
that seine fishing on the mouth of
the Rogue practically kills fishing
above, and that tons of small fish
are thrown up on the banks of the
river on the lower waters because
they are useless for commercial pur-
poses.

Other legislation along the fish-
ing line causing smaller local fights
includes a bill to close the Umpqua
river dam, still another to close the
Stuclaw to seine fishing, and yet
another to close the outlet of Sit-
coos lake between the lake and the
Pacific ocean.

If past sessions may be used as a
criterion, the Rogue river bill should
stir up a hornets' nest before the
session is very far advanced. Last
session it proved to be the rock up-
on which the house and senate split
for a part of the session, and for a
time virtually tied up legislation.

COMING EVENTS

Feb. 3, Monday—Annual meeting
stockholders of the Grants Pass
Fruit association at 2 p. m.
Feb. 3, Monday—Second semester
High school opens.
Feb. 26, 27, 28, Wednesday, Thurs-
day, Friday—State examinations
at the courthouse.

STOCKMAN IN KINGDOM
OF OWN ON AN ISLAND

Honolulu, T. H., Jan. 25.—If An-
gus McPhee, well known stockman
of Hawaii, had the usual dream of
adventurous boyhood, sole and un-
disputed possession of a tropical isle,
that dream has come to realization.

Mr. McPhee has leased, for a
period of 21 years, the entire island
of Kahoolawe, of the Hawaiian
group, from the territorial govern-
ment. The island contains about
30,000 acres.

For seven years the annual rental
will be \$600 and appraisals will be
made then and every seven years
thereafter to fix the rental for the
later periods. Mr. McPhee will run
livestock on Kahoolawe.

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THE BATTERY MAN

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ENLARGING QUARTERS

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and this will be added to the present
floor space of 50x125, making this
the largest and best equipped garage
south of Portland.

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tery plant and a competent man to
do the work. We will also do all
kinds of tire work and repair work
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cars, such as springs, axles, bear-
ings and gears.

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cash basis.
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JESS WILLARD SIGNS TO
MEET ALL COMERS

Chicago, Jan. 25.—A purse of
\$100,000 drew Jess Willard, the
heavy weight champion out of retire-
ment today. Tex Rickard, promo-
ter of the Joe Gans-Battling Nelson
fight and the heavyweight cham-
pionship battle between Jeffries and
Johnson, obtained Willard's signa-
ture 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. Wil-
lard will receive \$100,000, win,
lose or draw.

The champion came to terms with
Rickard after two days of argument.

TEACHER BEATS FLU
BAN BY USING PHONE

Montrose, Colo., Jan. 25.—The
closing of public schools because of
the epidemic of Spanish influenza
did not prevent the school children
of the Maple Grove school, near here,
from continuing their education. The
teacher seated in her room in the
boarding house, assigned lessons and
heard recitations over the telephone
and the plan worked nicely. The
only objection was that it interfered
with morning visits of neighbor
women.

AMERICANS USE BOX
CARS FOR RESIDENCES

With American Forces on the
Vologda Railway, Nov. 25, via Lon-
don Dec. 30.—(Correspondence of
the Associated Press.)—When op-
erating through this thinly populated
forest and tundra region along the
railway leading from Archangel to
Vologda, the American troops fight-
ing the Bolsheviks in the North Rus-
sian front are living, when free
from trench and blockhouse duty, in
tiny Russian freight cars.

In this they are imitating the Rus-
sian soldiers, who, since the revolu-
tion, have commandeered freight
cars wherever they found them and
remodeled them for dwellings.

When the box cars are fitted up
with stoves, they are known as "top-
luchkas." They are not particularly
warm in zero weather, but a wel-
come change from the cold trenches
in the snow.

The forests here are dotted with
small blockhouses, built almost on
the model of the blockhouse forts
of the old American wars with the
Indians, but have the added ad-
vantage of being fairly shrapnel
proof.

The fighting down along the rail-
way line from the north has been,
since its beginning last August, a
combination of modern warfare,
with trenches and modern arms, and
of bush fighting wherein surprise at-
tacks in the weeds figured promi-
nently.

Famous Wash
Heals Skin

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remove those skin afflictions that have made
your life a burden. That intolerable itching,
burning and discomfort will disappear under
the magic of this remedy. It has cured many
cases pronounced incurable and will reach
your case. We guarantee the first bottle to
bring you relief.

D. D. D.

M. Clemens, Druggist

Home the Conquering
Heroes Come!

My! but we're glad to welcome you
back again. There hasn't been a day
since you left that we haven't thought
of you and the manly, courageous,
"regular American" way in which
you stepped up to do your duty.

War and its effects will sooner or
later be forgotten. Time with its
changes will be calling you back to
the pursuits of civil life. As we
served you "Before the War" so will
we consider it an honor to again
await your commands!

Of course, you'll want to
begin civilian life again
with an entirely new out-
fit. Being so different
physically, the clothes
you wore before the war
are now out of question.
To secure that superb,
accurate fit which you so much desire, may we
suggest that you have us measure you, at your
early convenience, so that your new suit
and overcoat, tailored-to-order by Ed. V. Price & Co.,
will be right at hand the day you take off your
uniform for good?



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should want to help me work on your car I shall be glad to have
you and it will give you a better idea of how to take care of it in
the future.—Drop in and see me.

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