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It will soon get so that only plutocrats can afford to eat pork. We note a new record price this week—23 cents a pound live weight.

A lot of those little nations of Europe are like a lot of little boys, who, after they are all nicely washed and dressed to go somewhere, always go out and get dirty again before it's time to start.—Oregon Journal.

Speaking of Mr. Bryan the Oregon Journal says that "he is the only American to have been three times nominated by either or the great political parties."

How about Grover Cleveland?

A Clackamas man boasts of having made $3,300 off of seven and a half acres of strawberries this year and says he expects to make $5,000 next year. Great guns, does he expect prices to be 50 per cent higher next year?

The St. Helens Observer, the only paper published on the little island which the "little corporal" made famous, has its lines out for another subscriber. Speaking of former Kaiser Bill, now Mr. William Hohenzollern, it says, "send him here."

Most democratic speakers are lucky if they find any one to hear them, even if they hire a hall; but Bryan is a wonderful exception. Men and women go a long ways to pay a round dollar for the privilege of listening to him for an hour or two.

Thirty billions of dollars is what the World War has cost this country so far, and the bills are not all in yet. The income tax, though, is said to have paid six billions of that and ought to be good for the rest of it in time.

Portland had unusual weather Sunday the thermometer getting up to 100 degrees at 6 o'clock that afternoon. That was the hottest for three years and within two degrees of the highest temperature ever recorded there.

Reedsport, a new town started since the completion of the railroad into this country, is growing rapidly and with its mills, bank, hotels and other industries, is how going to add a Community Church, in which people of different denominations will find a religious home.

The Pacific Northwest, comprising Oregon Washington and Idaho promise a crop of 73,790,000 bushels of wheat this year, of which Oregon is fest down for 21,325,000. At the government guaranteed price of $2 these three states will receive very nearly $150,000,000 for this crop. Coos county doesn't produce much wheat but furnishes butter enough for a lot of bread made from that crop.

Since LaFollete went bad, several other progressives in the Senate have notably failed to live up to expectations—Johnson and Borah and Poindexter for instance. We used to think these men were far in advance of their times and had the making of great leaders, but the stand they are taking on the peace treaty and the league of nations indicates that they lack vision and are among the blind leaders of the blind.

The Aero Club of Portland asks the Sentinel to co-operate in trying to arouse an interest in the establishment of Airship Fire Patrols in Oregon. It is thought millions of dollars can be saved in this way, as fires can thus be detected before they have begun to make much headway. Every one interested is asked to write to our congressmen and senators urging that the war department be asked to plan for such service.

The only serious effort ever made to end war has been given the endorsement of 31 nations. It is generally conceded that the League of Nations has little chance of success without the participation of the United States. The participation must be with the approval of the senate. Is it within the bounds of possibility that the hostility of a few senators, inspired by [illegible] is going to defeat the plan to end war?—Dallas Itemizer.

This year's Rhododendron present an unusual date it is proposed to present the event next Fourth of July. This notwithstanding the pledge the Myrtle Point people made to Coquille a month or two ago that they wouldn't celebrate in 1924 if we would call off our proposed celebration this year and give Myrtle Point the right of way.

Isn't Myrtle Point's pledge anything more than a scrap of paper?

We are going to have daylight saving and keep an hour ahead of time for another summer, as it appears now. The rider repealing it which was attached to the agricultural appropriation bill led to the veto of that bill by President Wilson, who is a strong partisan of the new time plan. When it came to trying to pass the bill over he veto the vote in the house was 247 to 135, lacking 23 of the necessary two-thirds. There is undoubtedly a very strong sentiment in favor of the bill in the cities and one equally as strong against it in many of the country districts. Probably it will stand, however, for two summers more, and by that time the opposition may diminish. The plan is very popular in Europe.

When it came to volunteering for the World War, the Oregon boys took the first place. More than half of those who entered the army from this state were volunteers—to be exact 58.07 per cent of them. The next state in rank was Massachusetts and 51.26 per cent of her soldiers were volunteers. These two were the only state who had more volunteers than drafted men in the ranks, though Washington and California held fifth and sixth places. Georgia and Alabama stood lowest in rank with 18 and 19 per cent respectively. Both in furnishing men and money for the conflict Oregon has a record to be proud of. Nor must we forget that Coos was one of the Oregon counties where the quota first called for was filled entirely by volunteers, no draft being required.

Increased wages, increased profits, increased cost of living and all the other increases make life resemble a puppy chasing his tail. He goes round and round in a circle, but gets nowhere. A cotton broker who had been on the bull side of the market had a little lesson on this truth recently. Rejoicing in the profits he had made in a market that had advanced over 1400 points since the first week in March, he started on a little vacation. At the Grand Central he remembered that he had forgotten to get a bathing suit, and went out to get one. He found one all cotton that he thought would do and should sell for about $1.50. But the price was $7.60. He paid the price and then figured out how much better off a man would be if expenses are inflated as rapidly as his profits. It's a problem in mental arithmetic as entertaining as a Chinese puzzle.—Wall Street Journal.

Whether the fixing of the price of wheat at a rate from $2.20 a bushel up has resulted in bread being made cheaper of dearer for the American consumer may be open to question. In view, however, of the world shortage and the increased production of grain in this country due to the government-fixed price we are inclined to think that fewer people have starved and more have been well fed. Still for the future, unless a universal grain monopoly which would boost prices without limit should result, it certainly would be better to leave the grain busines to private initiative. And that is what the government and practically everybody else has concluded it was best to do with the railroads, telegraphs and telephones. There is no doubt whatever that after the experience we have had of government ownership in this country during the war, sentiment in its favor has grown less.

IT'S COOL IN COOS

The Oregonian on Wednesday devoted considerable editorial space to a labored apology for the recent warm weather under which Portlanders have been sweltering, and a comparison of climatic conditions there with those which often prevail in Kansas, giving Kansas the worst end of the deal as used to be always the case.

Now we have no defense to make of Kansas when it comes to summer weather; that was the one fly in the ointment that caused us to turn our back on the Sunflower state. But Oregon certainly needs no apologies simply because the thermometer made a lapse on a single day and touched the century mark.

And most assuredly Coos county and the Coquille Valley have no occasion to take any huck talk from anybody about uncomfortably warm weather. Twice during this midsummer week we have lain down for our postprandial nap covered with a thick comfort, and it took a little time for our hands to get warm enough to go to sleep. And this at high noon in mid-summer, with abundant sunshine. If any part of the country can boast summer resorts that are cooler, we have no use for them. We have no thermometer records to furnish—no one has any use for a thermometer here to keep tab on the heat, for we never have it hot. And even as to the Willamette valley, while the mercury did occasionally get into the nineties it was never hot enough to pheaze a man who had been seasoned, yes dessicated, in Kansas.

"WITH THE NIGHT MAIL"

The R-34's round trip from Europe to America and back by air recalls Kipling's "With the Night Mail." Here is an extract from that prophetic tale we read with intense interest when it was published sixteen years ago, which points to the possibility of even greater wonders:

The engine room is hot and stuffy; the clerks in the coach are asleep, and the Slave of the Ray is ready to follow them. Tim slides open the after-colloid and reveals the curve of the world—the ocean's deepest purple—edged with fuming and intolerable gold. Then the sun rises and through the colloid strikes out our lapms. Tim scowls in his face.

"Squirrels in a cage," he mutters. That's all we are. Squirrels in a cage! He's going twice as fast as us. Just you wait a few years, my shining friend, and we'll take steps that'll amaze you. We'll Joshua you."

Yes, that is our dream: to turn all earth into a Vale of Ajalon at our pleasure. So far, we can drag out the dawn to twice its normal length in these latitudes. But some day—even on the equator—we shall hold the sun level in his full stride.

THE BANDON LIGHT PLANT

Some years ago negotiations were in progress for the purchase of the Bandon Light and Power plant by the Oregon Power company and they bade fair to materialize. But the Bandon company, feeling sure of their customer, put up their price to a prohibitive figure and the scheme was abandoned by the company which serves the upper valley and would have served the people along the river from Coquille to Bandon if the change had been made. Since then, for one reason or other the Bandon company has failed to pay expenses and last year it ran $4,000 in the hole. By discontinuing day service the deficit might perhaps be overcome, but the people there are unwilling to do without powr at the time they need it most. So the state public service commission has been asked to provide a way of relief by permitting increased charges or diminished service. After a hearing there last week, the commission reserved any decision until the Community Club there should take up the matter and arrive at some solution.

Of course, a company that serves five or six towns and the intermediate country ought to be able to give cheaper service than one which provides only for a single community, and when it has an enlightened management that does not proceed on the theory of charging "all the traffic will bear," it usually does.

The business, like railroad transportation, is a national monopoly that lends itself very readily to abuse, but a small town does not afford a large enough field for an individual plant or one owned by the muncipality.

As it looks now everyone interested would have been better off if the Oregon Power company had taken over the Bandon plant years ago; and certainly the ranchers between here and there would have got light and power, which there is no prospect of their getting now.

HOW TO SPEND BILLIONS

You would be surprised to find how many people have got the idea that all the country needs to insure its safety and prosperity is to spend vast amounts of money in a way that will benefit them. After all the billions of debt we piled up during the war, there is no thought of beginning to pay it off,—simply of adding more billions. In a recent article in the Saturday Evening Post, Booth Tarkington condenses some of these opinion as follows:

Admiral Borderwood, U. S. N., said: "What we most vitally need is a strong naval program—say, sixteen new battleships and eight new battle cruisers a year. A billion a year would do it."

Lieut. T. S. Jones, U. S. N., said: "What we need for the absolutely vital protection of this country is a strong naval program—say, roughly, some hundreds of new destroyers and about the same number of submarines annually. The cost would probably not reach a billion a year."

Maj. Gen. Forrest Crole, U. S. A., said: "We have had our lesson and now we know that we should have an enormously increased Regular Army. West Point should be expanded—quadrupled at least. In addition we should have universal military training under direction of the Regular Army. The cost would be negligible compared to the protection afforded."

Ex- Adjt. Gen. Horace M. Sotiffle, of Wisconsin, said: "What the country needs is universal military training under supervision of the National Guard. A large part of the cost could be met by the obvious economy of abolishing West Point."

Ex-Congressman Homer U. Flint operating five thousand acres of the best land in Illinois—said: "The one need of this country to put it on a solid economic basis is government guaranty of product prices. The cost would be nothing compared to the benefit."

Mord Hathaway—author of several novels and a book compiled of magazines articles—said: "The country simply needs a bureau with broad executive powers. This would not interfere with a strong military and economic program and the added cost of such a bureau would be negligible."

Ex-President Walter F. Daly, of the C. D. & P. R. P., said: "What is needed for reconstruction, to restore the country to a sound business basis is the return of the railroads to their former owners with a minimum profit secured by the Gov ernment to the stockholders. Though the cost at first sight might seem considerable there is no other just way out of this quagmire."

HOME GROWN TRUCK

At one of our grocery stores one day this week we noticed a big lot of peas and onions and beets from Barnholzer's garden, some head lettuce from Colvins' on Rink creek and a bunch of carrots from Hooton's. They were all excellent of their kind and in every way far superior to the vegetables shipped in from California. If some one would put the necessary funds into a green house in this neighborhood we could get a great many fresh vegetables during the winter where we have been putting up with stale ones from California that wither about a week between the market and the table. Why the Coquille valley with its rich soil and splendid climate should ever have come to depend so largely on garden stuff that has to be shipped nearly 500 miles by sea is something we have never been able to understand. Of course, some things come a little earlier that way but fresh home grown truck is so much better as to make it well worth waiting for.

To Save Corn in Feeding Poultry

Where poultrymen purchase cracked corn, feeding this grain in the litter, there is always a loss of about 20 per cent of the finest grain, which is wasted and thrown out with the chaff. United States department of agriculture specialists advise poultrymen to sift all cracked corn they purchase or prepare at home in order to remove the finest ground material, which they can mix with pinhead oats and cracker wheat in order to make an ideal feed for young chickens or use in the mash for laying hens. Where cracked corn costs about $3 a bag, a loss of about 60 cents' worth of the very finest grain occurs. Practice of the sieving method recommended will minimize this loss.

Try This Coffee Substitute

Melville Pendleton gives a Portland paper the following recipe for a coffee substitute. Try it and let us hear how you like it. It sure won't give you a headache to quit it:

Take rice and parch it nicely brown, grind it, and boil it well. A lump of butter added while boiling improves the flavor. The flavor is almost identical with coffee except that it is richer and more delicious. It is far ahead of postum. The grounds also are edible, making fine dessert or pudding, so there is nothing wasted.

Two Farms for Rent

Fat Elk Creek dairy farms, 4½ miles southwest of Coquille, are among the best in the valley. Can be had this fall on long lease to the right parties. Write C. A. Pendleton, Escondido, Calif. 17t10p

THE PROPER COURSE

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How to act in an emergency is knowledge of inestimable worth, and this is particularly true of the diseases and ills of the human body. If you suffer with kidney backache, urinary disorders, or any form of kidney trouble, the advice contained in the following statement should add a valuable asset to your store of knowledge. What could be more convincing proof of the efficiency of Doan's Kidney Pills than the statement of a nearby resident who has used them and publicly tells of the benefit derived?

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Serious Auto Acc

"Let the shoemaker last," was an old Latin thousand years ago. put it a little differently "Every man to his trade, "Jack of all trades, mast The following story told in the Rock creek canyon day night, at least, shows boy is much safer riding broncho than running an

Harry Wise, a member round-up company that Myrtle Point, was serio and five companions sli when their auto ran off t the canyon seven miles ea late Saturday afternoon. turned turtle, going over half and finally hanging before it reached the bot sixty-foot embankment.

The accident occurred o narrow roadway with a st They swung out to pass Jo man, who was driving in Point. Mr. Bateman picke and rushed them to Myrtle medical attention.

There were four men, a a child in the car. The one of the riders in the ro suffered a broken collar b and Wise were the most hurt. That no one was kill tle short of marvelous.

He Gets Life Imprisonment

A Roseburg dispatch on as follows:—Mike Zelock, of the Scottsburg bandits, day sentenced to life imprisonment entering his plea of g heard in the circuit court. fered no apologies for his taking all the blame and he regretted involving the bers of the gang. In passing Judge Hamilton stated the tutes provide for a sentence ten years to life and the circumstances the extre ty must be inflicted. Juri not guilty. Although the cou yet definitely decided, the ju ated that a jury will be c to hear the case of the other

Eli Wuinovich, alias Mik John Karis, Joe, Juvich a Kramer, all implicated in t burg robbery, were today the grand jury and arraign circuit court. Zelock is know gone under the name of while in Portland, but when gave Zelock as this name

Retail Merchants' Co

On August 5th, 6th, and Fifteenth Annual Convention Oregon Retail Merchants A will meet in Portland. Sessi held in the Green Room of land Chamber of Commerce. of the determination of the to get down to business, the but one address on the prog ing the three days, the themselves will consider the lems through "Discussions" by qualified retailers.

The State Association is ed in this district by many merchants.

The Convention is being ing Northwestern Bureau W it is estimated there will be 2 chants in Portland. All in this county are cordially i participate in the Convention the many entertainments provided.

Convention arrangements charge of State Secretary L. rick, of Portland.

To Remove Fresh Pa

The sign "Fresh Paint" times seen too late, and the the question, "What will take An engineering magazine gi answer:

To remove paint from clo pad of blotting paper on the the material on which the pa and rub the other side gently soft piece of flannel dipped in form or benzol, both of wh paint solvents. As the paint it naturally passes into the sorbent material ni contact w which is the blotting paper— the adjacent cloth. Deep stains completely removed by this m

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