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John U. Smith has announced himself as a candidate for county commissioner but says he will first get his farm work done up, after which he will make a whirlwind campaign.

Apparently Olcott is losing in the contest for the nomination for governor, while Withycombe is gaining as the days go by. At least it looks that way to many we have talked with.

Voters who may desire to get a line on candidates who are seeking votes for the coming primary election will do well to take a look at the offerings made on the third page of the Graphic this week.

Fruit trees of all kinds are showing an abundance of bloom, giving promise of an abundant crop if favorable weather continues for the next few weeks while the young fruit is developing.

The people of Oregon will be glad to hear that Earl Withycombe, son of the governor, who has been dangerously sick in a military hospital at Washington, D. C., for twelve weeks is on the road to recovery.

Miss Margaret Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John U. Smith, who signed up for a Liberty Bond, went to Portland the first of the week to earn the money to pay for it by doing domestic work in the home of a well-to-do family. Young men who are "looking around" might do well to put this down in their note books.

The Oregon Farmer is putting out a farm service flag 9x22 inches printed on heavy enameled paper in full colors, which will be mailed free to any subscriber sending five cents to pay the cost of wrapping and postage. The central star in the flag stands for the farm, and small stars may be added to represent every farm worker in the family.

We are always anxious that those who advertise in the Graphic may receive good value for the money expended, those seeking the votes at a primary election as well as others, and consequently we call the attention of our readers to announcements made this week on page three. It is a case where all can't win, but our part is to put the names of candidates before the people.

People living on Chehalem Mountain say that on the night following the Southern California earthquake the foliage of the trees and shrubs on the mountain was covered by a fall of a gray, ashy, oily substance, which is causing much speculation as to where it came from. Some think that the disturbance in the bowels of the earth may have caused Mt. Hood to give a few extra belches of smoke and cinders that blew this way.

Nearly the whole front page of the Telephone Register of last week was devoted to illustrations of McMinnville's new water system, of which the city has reason to be proud. McMinnville has spent a lot of money for water in the past without satisfactory results, but it appears that the money expended in this last effort will give the city good service. The Telephone Register is to be congratulated on the well executed pictures of scenes about the dam and along the pipe line.

USELESS FRIGHTFULNESS

The Scientific American agrees with other authorities that the German long range gun is merely a political cannon. It asserts that the Germans have done nothing save give to the world another demonstration of their love for frightfulness, for the principles underlying the spectacular gun, or guns, in the forest of St. Gobain have long been known to the artillerists of Allied countries, but have not been put in practice for the simple reason that no military purpose is to be served by such a weapon.

Building a gun that will shoot a projectile 70 miles—or even much further—is a comparatively simple matter, the Scientific American points out. It is only necessary to provide a muzzle velocity sufficient to insure the range, and providing the required muzzle velocity is merely a matter of a large powder charge, length of barrel sufficient to subject the shell to the pressure of the gases for a long enough time and a gun sufficiently strong to withstand the pressure of the gases. There is no reason, it thinks, why guns of even greater range cannot be constructed.

Making such a weapon effective, however, is another matter.

Its range is so great that the result of its shots cannot be "spotted," for airplanes would not be permitted to hover over Paris and watch the result of the bombardment, nor would their wireless operate at that distance even if they were. The gun must be merely aimed in a certain general direction and the results left to chance.

The American thinks that if the gun could be visited by Allied observers it would be found that it is mounted at a fixed angle—probably supported throughout its entire length by concrete emplacements. This is for the reason that its great length and weight would bend the barrel if unsupported, and the results of the bombardment of Paris seem to confirm this suspicion. The shells have been falling very nearly in the same spot, with only such variation as might be expected in a projectile traveling such a great distance. Years ago the plans were drawn for a cannon that would shoot 50 miles but the idea was never developed because artillery experts recognized the fact that such a weapon would have little military value, and other nations than Germany do not look upon frightfulness as a military measure.

Such a gun as this might have been of some real importance on the eastern front in the days when Russia was a real fighting power, for the Russians might have been impressed by such an achievement. The nations that are fighting on the western front, however, are not to be frightened into submission. The German gun was one of the surprises of the war, but it will also prove to be one of the war's fizzes—Oregon Register.

A PROOF TO THE CONTRARY.

"The Germans appear to have taken all the starch out of the Russians."

"Why, I have just been reading where the latter are making a stiff resistance."

PITHY OLD CHINESE FABLE

Might Have Some Application to the Conflict Which is Desolating the World Today.

The army of the king of Chow set out to invade the kingdom of Yen. A messenger was dispatched from Yen to the king of Chow for a conference. At the interview with the king the messenger said:

"When I, your humble servant, came by Ye river, I saw an oyster drying itself on the bank. A crane drew near and picked at the oyster's flesh; but the oyster caught the bird's beak and held it fast."

"No rain today, no rain tomorrow, and there will soon be a dead oyster," said the crane.

"Stay in here today, stay in here tomorrow, and there will soon be a dead crane," retorted the oyster.

"And neither was willing to yield, until at last a fisherman came by and caught both."

"Now, your honor is sending troops to Yen, and Yen will undoubtedly fight to the end. But I am afraid that powerful Chen will seize this opportunity to take the role of the fisherman."

"Well spoken," declared the king of Chow, and he withdrew his troops.—C. Y. Tang, in China Students' Monthly.

ANXIOUS TIME FOR ENGINEER

Reputation of Builder of Famous Bridge for a Few Minutes Was Trembling in the Balance.

An anxious quarter of an hour was endured by the late Sir John Wolfe-Barry during the construction of his masterpiece—the Tower bridge at London, England, when the two huge levers were being swung into position. Each of these fascinating "gates" weighs 1,000 tons, and the slightest error in measurement might have resulted in a disastrous deadlock as they came into position. Thanks to Messrs. Armstrong's accuracy the halves settled down, and Sir John's heart resumed its normal beat.

The Tower bridge was one of the first structures in England in which a steel frame "camouflaged" with masonry was employed. Engineers were aghast at the deception, but artists rejoiced in its esthetic effect, and the Tower of London escaped the blow to its picturesqueness which must have fallen upon it had the famous bridge flouted its steel skeleton after the manner of the Hungerford monstrosity.—Tit-Bits.

CANADA AS PAPER PRODUCER.

Canada will undoubtedly become one of the world's greatest sources for the supply of pulp and paper. This industry has grown by leaps and bounds during recent years, and further large developments are pending, both in the East and West. This will mean a constantly increasing strain on the forest resources of the Dominion, and must lead to careful consideration as to whether large areas, in which the heaviest cutting is being done or is to be done, are not in danger of depletion. The commission of conservation has entered on an inquiry of these problems. This investigation will have for its objects the determination of the extent to which cut-over pulp woodlands are reproducing valuable species in commercial quantities, the effect of fire on reproduction, and the rate of growth of the reproduction.

VIEWS CHANGED.

"I'm afraid some bad fortune is in store for you. I see a large number of dark objects lying in your path."

"Well, it will be darned good fortune if they're the ton of coal I ordered today."

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PATRIOTIC COLONY HONORED.

One of the brightest pages in the history of the British colonies is that dealing with the heroic sacrifice of Newfoundland in the present war, and in recognition of that service this, the oldest of the British colonies, has been given the title of the "Dominion of Newfoundland." The sturdy people of this land have given more than 10,000 men to the war, including those in the Newfoundland regiment, the Royal Naval reserve, and the forestry corps. It is said that the new name will not materially alter Newfoundland's government, which has been very liberal in form.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

DANGER IN COMMON COLDS.

Dr. Eugenia Valentine of the New York board of health reports to the Journal of Experimental Medicine that in two instances of common colds, with no known contact with cases of pneumonia, she found the bacilli of pneumonia as the predominating organism of the nasal discharges.

This, she says, strongly suggests that this was the cause of the cold, and if this be so it means that "common colds must be looked upon as a possible source of contagion in the development of lobar pneumonia."

ON THE BATTLE LINE.

Representative Medill McCormick says that at the battle of Chemin des Dames there were three artillerymen engaged for every two infantrymen, over 100 miles of railroad were laid before the battle, 110 freight trainloads of ammunition were brought up, and that there was a gun for every three or four yards of front attacked.—Leslie's Weekly.

A COMPLICATION.

"Are you going to do any gardening next summer?"
"Yes," replied Mr. Crosslots. "Although it's dangerous. If the man who comes around with a truck wagon sees me trying to raise my own greens he is liable to boycott me, and I may not have any vegetables all season."

JERUSALEM SURVIVES.

It is customary to speak of the tragedy of Jerusalem and the Jews as the most complete in history. But is that true? A daughter Jerusalem is in British hands today, and millions of Jews survive to return. Where are Carthage and its people? Carthage fought for the mastery of the entire world. It lost, and was destroyed far more thoroughly than Jerusalem. Not only was every single structure in it demolished; the entire site of Carthage was passed under the plow. Where are the Carthaginians today? And where are the Saracens who vanished after eight centuries of dominion in Europe?

Jerusalem has changed hands some five-and-twenty times, but the last was the first bloodless conquest of the city, for even when Ezra and Nehemiah returned by permission of Cyrus they were compelled to rebuild the broken walls, each man holding a trowel in one hand and a sword in the other—a feat that inspired Rev. C. H. Spurgeon with the title of his famous magazine, The Sword and Trowel.—London Chronicle.

QUESTION OF COURTESY.

"Are you going to keep a pig?"
"I don't know," replied Mr. Meekton. "I have so much trouble treating Fido the way Henrietta thinks I ought to, I don't know whether I could get along with a pet pig or not."

ECONOMY.

"Are you economizing on tobacco?"
"I don't know. Somebody is. I pay 10 cents for a cigar, but it isn't as good a cigar."

THE PROOF.

"The Germans must be taking to our national game."
"How so?"
"I notice they are continually looking out for bases."

CONTRARIWISE.

"I wish I had a sunny lot in life."
"Great goosh! it is hard to please everybody. Here I am planting shade trees all over mine."

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