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ALBANY, OREGON, TUESDAY, JANUARY 20

WHY BERGER IS BARRED

Victor Berger, refused admittance to Congress again, declares:

"This is one of the worst attacks on representative government ever witnessed in this country. It is really a full denial of the right of the people to elect the citizen as their representative who is their choice."

Wrong as usual!

Berger and his defenders make the fundamental mistake of assuming that he has been barred from membership in Congress because he is a Socialist. This is absurd. He himself served a term in the House of Representatives as a declared Socialist, without question. So did Meyer London of New York. What Berger has been barred for is not Socialism, but crime.

Berger has been convicted of violating the federal espionage law, and giving aid and comfort to the enemy in time of war, and is out on bail, awaiting sentence. The House of Representatives, after a long and careful investigation, is almost unanimously convinced that he had a fair trial and deserves punishment. The House itself is constitutionally the sole judge of the qualifications of its members. The House decides, logically enough, that it cannot admit to membership a man who comes to it as a criminal, having deliberately broken one of the most important of its own laws, and glorying in the fact.

Berger's action has been in itself a denial of the "representative government" he professes to invoke. Representative government implies that the minority will obey the laws enacted by the majority. Berger, defying a law enacted by an overwhelming majority of the legislative body, belongs to, denies representative rule.

As for the people of his district, they have deliberately chosen to be represented by a man whom Congress cannot accept, and so have chosen to go unrepresented at Washington. Representative government wins, in the fact that the Milwaukee minority is not allowed to impose its will on all the rest of the country.

AIRPLANES IN THE WEST

An oil man from Tulsa, Okla., recently placed the biggest order for commercial airplanes yet on record. His bill will total \$2,500,000. The order includes 200 planes of the Oriole and Seagull type, three seated land machines and flying boats, and 247 training planes.

This large order brings to notice the fact that oil men have been heavy purchasers of airplanes during the past year. One salesman alone reports having sold 100 planes to oil operators. They give their owners a big advantage over competitors who still travel by automobile. Whenever a new "strike" is made, the fliers are the first operators to reach the new fields and stake out claims.

It is interesting to find the biggest use of commercial planes in America in the wide, open areas of the near southwest instead of as carriers between big cities in the east. Perhaps the sheep and cattle of the western plains will some day be herded by cowboys in whirring airplanes, and picturesqueness up-to-date will be restored to the cattle industry.

We respectfully suggest that the Republican and Democratic parties send representatives to Paris (Ky.) and negotiate a peace treaty.

Good Used Cars

FORD One ton Truck—Excellent shape, just overhauled, repainted. Electric lights, storage battery, a real bargain. Don't fail to see this one. Hurry.

CADILLAC Touring car—A real bargain, new paint, tires almost new, perfect mechanical condition, absolutely guaranteed.

BODGE Touring, new top, good tires, just being overhauled, a bargain for someone.

1917 CHEVROLET Touring—New tires, excellent mechanical condition. Car only run 3500 miles. A real buy.

Remember we tell you the truth about our used cars and are very careful to overhaul every one we have. Then we know what we are talking about. Don't forget to see the ones listed now.

Ralston Motor Company 7th & Lyon Sts

Comment of the State Press

Snappy Gleanings from the Press of the Valley

Cross of Gold—

With the bullion in a silver dollar worth five cents more than the bullion in a gold dollar the cross of gold does not look so yellow and the crown is not so thorny as it was, says Bryan's Commoner.

No Dictatorship Wanted—

The American government, naturally, does not want to be overthrown. The American business system does not want to be overthrown. What is more important, the public does not want them overthrown. And most certainly the American people do not want to live under a "dictatorship of the proletariat," like the Russians, instead of ruling themselves according to representative, democratic methods.—Baker Herald.

Our Executives—

"The Senate always has the last word."
"Our government differs from the other governments of the world. Other executives lead; our executives obey."—Ex.

Cloture—

The joy brought to the country by the invoking of the cloture rule in the senate ought to convince the senate of the wisdom of allowing a Majority to close debate. The present rule requires Two-Thirds; it puts the senate in the hands of a minority. That is not democracy; it is a survival of the aristocratic fear of the rule of the people.—Exchange.

Today's Calendar of Sports

Racing

Winter meeting of Cuba-American Jockey Club, at Havana.

Winter meeting of Business Men's Racing Assn., at New Orleans.

Shooting

Midwinter Handicap Target Tournament, at Pinehurst, N. C.

Boxing

Tommy Murphy vs. Mike O'Dowd 12 rounds at Boston.

Bob Martin vs. Jack Moran, 10 rounds, at Des Moines.

Rev McGhee Holds Revival Meeting at Mehama

Rev. W. V. McGhee assisted by Rev. W. H. Amos home missionary worker off Oregon report having just closed a successful meeting at Mehama, where Rev. McGhee is the pastor. The church has been reorganized and with a large number joining the church and others will join in the near future. \$1000 has been pledged to repair the church and place the work on a good foundation. Rev. McGhee has several points in the Eastern part of the county he is serving as minister and is doing a great work in a field that has in former times been largely neglected.

Must Ride Moose To Become Member

NIPISIGUIT RIVER, Canada—One of the most unusual sportsmen's associations is the Moose Riders of the Nipisiguit. To qualify a man must ride moose in the presence of a guide in good standing. He must get a photo and have this placed in the book of records there, together with the sig-

U. of O. to Have Gun From Old Fighting Ship

Before many days have passed the campus at the University of Oregon will be able to boast of a real man of war gun to place among its other attractions, according to news received in a letter to President P. L. Campbell from Rear Admiral H. A. Field, commandant of the Puget Sound navy yard. The letter states that in compliance with requests from the head of the University for a souvenir from the battleship Oregon, they are sending one of the smallest guns which that ship mounted in the Spanish-American war.

The piece, which is rich in historical interest, is to be suitably inscribed by the navy department and shipped prepaid to the University. No particular spot on the campus has been selected for its erection as the size of the gun is not known, and it was thought better to wait and see it before making any definite decision.—Register.

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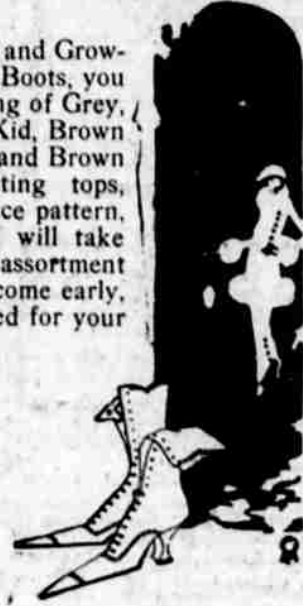
Half Yearly Clearaway of Shoes

GOOD NEWS OF WINTER SHOES

Most women have been expecting to pay exorbitant prices for shoes all winter. They'll be agreeably surprised at the fine footwear we now offer at prices which are only a little more than those charged last year. And the shoes themselves are every bit as good as any we have ever sold you—made of selected leathers in the newest and smartest models.

LOT NO. 1

In this Lot of Women's and Growing Girls Dress and Street Boots, you will find 209 pairs, consisting of Grey, Mouse, Brown and Black Kid, Brown and Black Calf and Black and Brown Kid Vamps with contrasting tops, Louis and Cuban Heels, lace pattern, up-to-date styles that you will take pride in wearing. A liberal assortment of sizes and widths. But come early, as they are Greatly Reduced for your advantage.



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15c Polish for 10c
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Sale Price
\$ 6.85

SHOES—LOT NO. 2

In this 150 pair Lot of Women's and Growing Girls Lace Shoes, you will find Shoes made of Brown side, Black Kid, Dull Calf and Black Kid with Grey Cloth Tops, both Cuban and Military Heels. They were priced considerably higher in the first place, and now considerably reduced in order to make a clearaway by the end of the month.



The Sale Price is \$5.45 A Pair

LOT NO. 3

Odds and Ends of Women's Black Kid Lace and Button Shoes, Leather Louis and Cuban Heels, sizes 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 Greatly Reduced in Price for this Sale.

SPECIALLY PRICED

\$2.95

WANTED!—63 Women with small feet to buy the above Shoes. You will surely get a bargain.

LOT NO. 4

Women's Black Kid two-strap Slippers for house wear, light weight soles, Military Heels. A real reduction.

SPECIALLY PRICED AT \$3.85

LOT NO. 5

Children's Gunmetal Lace and Button Shoes, Cloth tops, High cut and regular tops. 28 pairs in this lot. They have one piece leather insoles, leather counters and full length vamps under the toe cap, sizes 8 1/2 to 11 at an appealing price.

SPECIAL \$2.48

LOT NO. 6

This Lot of Misses and Children's Button and Lace Shoes, both in high cut and regular height tops. They come with Gunmetal and Patent Vamps with cloth tops, sizes 11 1/2 to 2. Reduced to—

SPECIAL \$2.95

These Shoes have leather insoles, and counters and full length vamps under the cap.



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HEAR
C. A. BOWEN
TONIGHT
METHODIST CHURCH
7:30