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#### THE MEASURES.

Next Tuesday, June 7, the voters of Oregon will pass upon five measures submitted to them by the legislature of last winter.

The first on the list is to increase the legislative term to 60 days instead of the present 40-day term, and to increase the legislator's pay from \$3 to \$5 per day.

The Tribune opines that Oregon now has too many laws, many of which conflict with each other simply because the lawmakers were ignorant of statutory laws already on the books. A better plan would be to submit the proposed law of one session to be finally passed upon at the session two years later. By that time any confliction or deficiency of the propsed law will be ascertained. The pay increase is a mistake. Just as good material can be secured at \$3 per day as at \$5. Anyway a legislature can do harm enough in 40 days. A 60-day session will only make a bad matter worse.

he second measure submitted is the soldier bonus act. The soldier boys who went from Oregon were enlisted by the United States government and all pay, bonus, or other emoluments, should be drawn from the general government. The world war veterans do not claim anything is due them from the state of Oregon other than the gratitude of the people. Yet they are trying to exploit this gratitude. Our state has provided for the education of all the soldier boys, or such as wish it, at a large expense. They simply are trying to get while the getting is good. They are not willing to wait a few years until taxpayers get over or have become reconciled to the road bond propositions because, as one of these vets said at the legislature last winter "We can't get it then."

Both of the above cited measures will increase taxation and every taxpayer will say "We have already reached the limit in that respect.' To add \$30,000,000 more of bonds for this purpose simply means practically a cessation of bond issues for road building and a general closing down of state improvements. both of these measures self interest dictates the taxpayer to vote "No," just the same as the veteran and his relatives will vote "Yes."

The third constitutional amend- purpose. ment, if carried, will enable the governor to veto the emergency clause President Harding authority to in- plans to can the fruit and pay growwhen attached to a proposed law vite disarmament delegates from ers picking money. The fruit growwithout vitiating the rest of the England and Japan. This action almeasure. It will enable the people to referend a measure, whereas the emergency clause would prevent the ence of war jingoes. The republireference to the people. The Trib- can masses will have to select new une thinks this amendment should leaders.

The measure 304-306, known as nations of the world. Unborn chil-

The women jury proposed law, out of war. No. 306-107, may be worthy in purpose, but would be so easily abused that it should be defeated. Female suffrage gave women the same rights as men. It should carry the same Day," was probably more generally responsibilities. Let the women get observed in the U.S., also in France excused by the presiding judge, the and England, than in any year since same as men. A reasonably fair ex- General John A. Logan issued the cuse will always be granted.

The soldier bonus law is responsi- inois in 1868. ble for the special election of Tuesers' burden will be increased fully \$1,000,000, or \$11 or more for every man, woman and child in the state the day was styled "Decoration

The burden is far too heavy now. Let us not make it any heavier. In curred on Sunday and May 30 was self defense we will have to sit down selected instead. on these tax-increasing schemes if we would save our homes from the ances were by the ex Civil war vetsheriff's hammer, and now is a eran and his immediate family. But mighty good time to begin.

#### Is the Republican Party for War?

Is the republican party in favor of war, is a question that the thinking man cannot readily answer. While we know, or think we know that the masses of that party who must fill the ranks of the army and navy, can we say as much of the

When Woodrow Wilson succeeded n getting 29 nations of the world to unite in a league the purpose of which was if not to prevent war, to make war more difficult, he could not wield influence sufficient to cause our U. S. senate to ratify the league. Why?

If we sift the opposition to ratification of the league to the bottom, under the leadership of Senator Lodge, about the only objection tenable was, Mr. Wilson as a democratic president, would reap too much glory and honor in being the originator of the league and which would reflect great honor to the democratic party.

A separate peace with Germany was proposed by the senate. Germany construed this proposal as a great victory. She thought to gain by diplomacy what she could not win by war and which has kept the world in an unsettled condition for more than a year.

Now the senate proposes a sort of alliance with England and Japan to bring about a disarmament agreement. Senators Lodge, Borah and others refused to join twenty-nine nations in a league to accomplish this purpose. Yet Senator Borah proposes an entangling alliance such as Washington-advised against, to reach the same end, with but two

At the same time Congress is rushing work on warships and appropriating money for a huge navy. Does this indicate that the United States is making an honest effort to bring an end to wars between nations? Now congress is about to authorize President Harding to invite England and Japan to send delegates over here to agree upon a plan of disarmament. If these delegates should happen about where

But the senate has refused to give most confirms the idea that republican leaders are still under the influ-

THE SCIO TRIBUNE the hygienic measure, is most worthy dren, even if they live to old age, if not abused. The too many de- will not see the end of the war debts fective children born into the world nations have now acquired. And all to be supported by the people at was caused by the jingoes of the valarge should be controlled if possible. rious nations men who make money

#### MEMORIAL DAY.

Last Monday, May 30, "Memorial first order for its observance in Ill-

General Logan was the first suday, otherwise there would be no preme commander of the G. A. R., election held. Even if all should though the plan of the order was elect to take the loans the taxpay- originated by an ex-chaplain of an Illinois regiment.

> Previous to General Logan's order Day," to be observed the last day of May. But May 31 of 1868 oc-

> The first few "memorial" observsoon the citizens in general joined in the observance with their presence. Then only the veterans of the Civil war marched behind the flag at half mast. Now the veterans of the Spanish war and the veterans of the recent world war join in with the old gray headed and tottering G. A. R. boys as a sort of guard of

Only a few years more and the veterans of the Spanish and world wars will have to take complete charge of observing the day.

Memorial Day will live as long as humanity exists. It is a melancholly though pleasant duty, and as long as gratitude inspires the human mind this one day of the year will find the people visiting the graves of their loved ones, and to decorate the graves with flowers.

It is a beautiful custom. And where is the man or woman who is not inspired with good and holy thoughts after communing with their loved ones in thoughts on this one day of the year? Where is the man or woman who does not feel the father, son or other relative gave up his life in his country's service?

We of the G. A. R. are rapidly answering the final rollcall. This editor, one of the youngest of these veterans, is now 74. It is 55 years since the blue uniform was direarded for citizen clothes. But comparatively few men and women are now alive who tearfully bade goodbye to the father, husband or son as he marched away to the bloody battle-

The Civil war soldier fought to preserve a united country; the Spanish war veteran to give liberty to the neighboring island of Cuba: the World war veteran to preserve democracy from the encroachments of aristocracy. All are worthy of the gratitude of our nation. All bared their breasts that our country might live. All did their duty.

#### Canneries Cannot Get Orders.

Canneries are in a quandary and are not bidding on fruit as they still hold large quantities of last year's pack. Wholesalers are not placing work was being rushed to complete orders for the 1921 pack for the huge warships they will have just simple reason that they cannot get cause to doubt America's honesty of money to finance orders. The situation is very uncertain and the canning industries are trying to make ers are to take the rest of their pay when the goods in tins are placed on the market, less cost of the pack.

It is whispered around that several weddings are scheduled for this Wars have almost bankrupted the month, but we don't dare mention

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