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"No, Mr. Bones, I cannot. Will you tell us why?"

"Because there is not a single person in it."

"Good, Mr. Bones. And what have you to say this evening, Mr. Tambo?"

"Can you tell me how many eggs a man can eat on an empty stomach?"

"No, Mr. Tambo, I cannot. Will you tell us how many?"

"One. Because after that his stomach wouldn't be empty."

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### Costs Two Cents to Feed Governor of Washington.

University of Washington, Seattle.—Governor Ernest Lister was a guest recently at the practice cottage of the home economics department, and the trio of young women living in the cottage entertained him with tea. When the students figured up the expense of their hospitality (as they are required to figure all expenses) they found they had served the state's chief executive with tea, candied orange peel and wafers at a cost of two cents.

The same girls found their breakfasts, for a period of nine days, cost 8⅔ cents a plate; luncheons 8½ cents and dinners 17 cents.

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### Patriots Change Their Minds.

Patriots can change their minds, too. Senator William Alden Smith, one of the bravest of the belligerents on the floor of the upper house, wired a young friend who was going to Europe that he ought to sail on a neutral ship. —Pittsburg Dispatch.

### You Bet!

A book of jingles underneath the bough,
A little grape juice now and then, and thou
Beside me sitting in the wilderness—
Oh, that beats booze a hundredfold, I vow!

### Soothing.

Editor—Your jokes are good dope, old man.

Contributor—That so?

Editor—Yes, they put me to sleep twice.—California Pelican.

### Do Him Good.

"I've got to sit up with a sick friend tonight," he said.

"Well," she retorted, "I hope you do him good," and from the way she said it he knew that he hadn't got by. —Detroit Free Press.

### The Aspect.

"My family has a very high descent."

"Yes, I understand it took a big tumble."—Baltimore American.

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# EUROPE ASKS BIDS ON TRENCH STAKES

## Allies Want 8,000,000 Feet Fir From Portland Mills.

## SEEK SPRUCE TO BUILD AEROPLANES

### Railroads Buy Material for Thousand Freight Cars—Order Must Be Filled in Three Months.

Portland—Lumber mills have been asked to bid on an order for 8,000,000 feet of trench posts and pickets for use by the allied powers in the war zone.

The posts are to be 2x4 inches and four feet long, sharpened at one end, and will be used for stringing barbed wire along the trenches. They are to be used on the fighting front in France, and delivery will have to be made from Portland within 90 days. This will insure them reaching Europe, barring marine accidents, by September. The order may be for all or part of the 8,000,000 feet.

A large domestic order for lumber for railroad cars has been placed with the Douglas Fir Lumber company, of Portland. The order calls for 2,000,000 feet of fir.

The European governments are also in the Portland market for as much high-grade spruce as can be obtained, it was learned on good authority here. This spruce brings $30 to $100 a thousand, and is for building areoplanes.

The allies' agents for trench posts have been authorized to ask for bids in Portland and British Columbia. It is presumed by local lumbermen, ship owners and agents in Portland that about 4,000,000 feet will be taken from Portland. The posts would be cut from Douglas fir and tied in bundles of 10 to 20. The cost would be around $15 to $16 a thousand feet, bringing to Portland, if the order is placed here, between $50,000 and $75,000 for the 4,000,000 feet.

The local river mills could turn out the order within less time than the specifications now in Portland hands require. The lumber posts could be handled easily by two of the large steamers, and the canal route could be taken.

The domestic order which has been placed with the Douglas Fir Lumber company of Portland calls for 2,000,000 feet of Douglas fir to be used in the construction of 1000 automobile cars and 500 stock car for the Chicago & Northwestern railroad. The order was placed by the Western Steel Car & Foundry company, of Chicago. It will take 80 cars to carry it East.

E. B. Hazen, vice president of the Douglas Fir Lumber company, said that the order has been put in the hands of local and Bridal Veil mills and would be finished in about a week. The order represents about $50,000.

The European powers, it was established beyond reasonable doubt, are actually seeking large spruce orders in the Pacific Northwest, principally Oregon. Local lumbermen admit that they were unable to fill the orders as fast as they were being received. The spruce required is of a fine grade and brings from $30 to $100 a thousand feet. In the last two years about 10,000,000 feet has been taken out of the Northwest for the construction of aeroplanes for the European powers.

This confirmation lends considerable credence to the report from Marshfiled that the Russian government was seeking 50,000,000 of spruce in the Coos Bay country.

### Blame Denied by Berlin.

Berlin—No German submarine could have been in the vicinity of the spot where the Dutch liner Tubantia was sunk, and no German mines had been laid in this region, the German admiralty announces. The official statement says: "A German submarine is out of the question in connection with the sinking of the Tubantia, as the place where the accident took place is less than 30 miles from the Dutch coast, which means that this place is within the territory declared to be not dangerous for shipping by the manifesto of February 4, 1915."

### Hospital Ship Is Sunk.

Berlin—The Austro-Hungarian hospital ship Elektra was torpedoed Saturday in the Adriatic sea by an entente allied submarine, according to the Overseas News agency. One sailor was drowned and two Red Cross nurses were seriously wounded. "Vienna reports that the hospital ship Elektra, of the Austro-Hungarian Red Cross, was torpedoed in the North Adriatic by an enemy submarine. The steamer stranded. The Elektra was not unkown to the enemy as a hospital ship, and was provided with visible marks."

### Two in Counterfeiting Net.

Seattle—John Ryan, alias J. E. Murphy, and a man giving his name as Jim Ryan were arrested by the police Monday and held for investigation by Federal officers in connection with the circulation of counterfeit Federal reserve bank notes in Pacific Coast cities. Captain Foster, of the United States Secret Service, said John Ryan had served a sentence at Walla Walla. The local Secret Service office received word that the plates with which the counterfeit notes had been printed had been found in San Francisco.

### Auto Kills Bridal Pair.

Dubuque, Iowa.—T. J. Fitzpatrick, an attorney, and his bride of two months, were killed, and Mrs. Margaret Morrison, mother of the young woman, and Mrs. David Hack, daughter of President Gorman, of the Rock Island railroad, were injured when their automobile left the road and fell down a 10-foot embankment near here. The occupants were pined under the car. Mr. Fitzpatrick is believed to have lost control of the machine.

## CARRANZA FORCES NOW MAKING SUPREME EFFORT TO CAPTURE VILLA

Washington, D. C. — While there were indications in official dispatches from Mexico Wednesday that the de facto government was making a supreme effort to capture Villa and his bandits with its own forces, there was no sign that General Funston's orders to proceed on the same errand had been modified in any way.

Word that American troops had crossed the border was still lacking, the War department itself not having been advised as to when the movement would begin.

Congress took active notice of the border situation for the first time. The house adopted a resolution late in the day authorizing the recruiting of the mobile regular army to full strength.

This means the addition of approximately 20,000 fighting men to the infantry, cavalry and field artillery. The senate is expected to concur, and the necessary orders will be issued immediately to fill up regiments on border duty.

The step was suggested by the army general staff. It is urgently desired now, because of the weakening of the border force by the expedition after Villa, but ever since the patrol of the border began the army has been greatly handicapped by the skeleton organization of regiments, companies, troops and batteries. The force that occupied Vera Cruz had similar difficulties, some of the companies there being less than 40 men strong.

### GEN. PABLO GONZALES

General Gonzales is a Carranza leader who is active in capturing Villa.

## U. S. Troops Will March Into Mexico in Light Order

Columbus, N. M.—The commanding officers of the expeditionary force gave orders Wednesday that the men should take with them only such equipment as they could carry on their backs or saddles. Extra clothing and the equipment known in the army as the "surplus kit" will be left behind.

These orders were intended to limit carrying facilities to the essentials of the expedition—food and drink for the men and horses and ammunition for the guns.

Large quantities of ammunition for the mountain howitzers and field guns has been distributed. Cabmat wagons, which carry ammunition for the soldiers' rifles, were loaded and the engineers, signal and hospital corps were supplied with the final details of their equipment.

### Villa Suspect Arrested.

Columbus, N. M.—Alfredo Aregon, who for several weeks has been a waiter in the Columbus Hotel, was arrested charged with having in his possession goods looted from stores during the Villa raid. He is suspected of being one of the men who guided the Mexican bandits into the town. Aregon was taken to Deming by Federal officers. Aregon had a United States army uniform. The suspicion that he was one of Villa's guides rested mainly on the fact that he was not at the hotel for several hours before the raid.

### French and Greeks Clash.

Berlin—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—Reports have been received here from Athens of fighting on the Greek island of Mytilene between Greek and French soldiers. It is said one French soldier was killed and another severely wounded. French reinforcements were bought up and imprisoned the Greeks. The commander of the French forces, the reports say, has prohibited further mingling of French and Greek soldiers. The Greek government is reported to have protested against the arrest of the soldiers.

### New Hands Like Claws.

Paris—Two new types of artificial arms with hands are shown at the Academy of Sciences. One is for heavy work, with fingers like claws of a lobster. The other has artificial fingers, enabling the hand to reproduce closely the action of natural fingers. Successful experiments were made in the presence of members of the academy by two men, each of whom lost an arm. One sawed through a beam of wood and the other played a violin.

### Army of 120,000 Proposed.

Washington, D. C.—Chairman Hay, of the house military committee, Wednesday prepared for immediate introduction of the resolution to permit the President to raise the fighting strength of the standing army to 120,000 men at once.

Republicans and Democrats worked in perfect harmony for the adoption of the resolution, depsite that fact that their learders on the military committee disagreed as to the meaning of it.

### Inspection Day at O. A. C.

Corvallis, Ore.—Military Inspection Day, one of the really big days of the college calendar, has been set for May 16, 1916. Review of the cadet regiment and inspection of equipment and military efficiency will be in charge of Captain Ross of the General Staff of the U. S. Army.

Military exercises will occupy the entire day. In the forenoon will be held a regimental review and general inspection. In the afternoon there will be individual and competitive drills held for the benefit of privates and officers. Upon the character of the work done in these exercises will depend the classification of the college cadets for this year.

Because the college cadets represent almost every portion of the state of Oregon a great many visitors are usually present on this day to witness the exercises. Leading state officers, including the governor of the state and distinguished military leaders of the state and national divisions of the army are usually in attendance. Groups of Portland visitors and delegations of other nearby places are expected to attend.

This is Captain Ross' first inspection at O. A. C. Heretofore, during the last two years, inspection has been performed by William T. Merry, also of the General Staff. Captain Ross will have charge of the inspection of the military departments of twenty-two colleges, universities and other schools. He will come here from inspection of the San Diego Army and Navy Academy, and after finishing the work at Corvallis will go to Seattle, Washington, to inspect the cadets of that university.

### University Offers Tested Trees.

During the coming spring the Department of Forestry will again send to Idaho citizens a limited number of tested shade and forest trees approximately at the cost of growing same.

A bulletin giving the size, age and cost of each species, as well as the number which may be sent each person, will be mailed on request to C. H. Shattuck, Moscow, Idaho.

### Fortunes of War.

First Recruit—What do you think of the major, Bill?

Second Recruit—'E's a changeable kind o' bloke. Last night I says to 'im, "Oo goes there?' An' he says, 'Friend;' an' today he hardly knows me."—Punch.


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The Vicar—Hullo? What's all this?

Tommy—The funeral of the mole, father.

The Vicar—But I thought you buried Mr. Mole last week.

Tommy—Yes, but we dug him up, 'cos we've got friends to tea.—Passing Show.

### Confused.

"Do you admire Raphael?" said the young woman.

"I should say so. He's better than Sherlock Holmes."

"I said Raphael."

"Excuse me. I thought you said 'Raffles.'"—Washington Star.

### School Candy.

Bobby—Won't you give me some cough drops, auntie?

Aunty—Why you haven't a cough, child.

Bobby—No, but I'm going to school, and that's the only kind of candy we can eat there.—Boston Transcript.


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### Penalty of Carelessness.

Mr. Flubdub—I lost my umbrella today.

Mrs. Flubdub—That's just like you, John Henry. I told you when you left the house this morning to take one of the borrowed ones.—Puck.

### Progressing.

"I've taken up a course in memorizing."

"When does the class meet?"

"I've forgotten whether it's on Mondays and Thursdays or Tuesdays and Fridays."

### Accommodating.

Her Father—The fact is, I can not give my daughter a dowry—just at present.

Suitor—That's all right, sir. I can love her for herself alone in the meantime.—Boston Transcript.

### For The Schoolboy.

Wise—I'm glad I won't be going to school after this war.

One—Why is that?

Wise—Just think how much more history there will be to learn.—Siren.

### His Natural Bent.

Grubbs—Do you believe that Mr. Bryan is sincere in his opposition to preparedness?"

Stubbs—Certainly. He is sincere in his opposition to everything. —Richmond Times-Dispatch.

### Obliged to Leave Early.

"Daughter, your new beau doesn't remain very late. The last one used to hang around until the milkman called."

"Well, you see, dad, this one is a milkman."—Louisville Courier-Journal.


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The advantage of these efficiency methods and detailed saving possible has been strongly emphasized by conditions prevailing in this country at the present time. For instance the scarcity of aluminum has placed what was once a common metal now almost in the semi precious class. Prices on many manufacturing metals have in many cases doubled and quadrupled over the ordinary rates prevailing before the opening of the European war.

By the use of electric magnets, scrap, which was formerly wasted, is now carefully gone over and the iron and steel fragments automatically lifted out. In fact the automobile industry in the United States gives keener attention to details than is bestowed in any country.

### Both Unnecessary.

Former Speaker Cannon tells this story of his early impecunious days:

"One of my friends was a struggling physician. Neither fame nor fortune had come to either of us, but we were always hopeful. The years had weighed heavily upon my friend, however, for he soon lost his hair, being quite bald.

"One day I greeted him with a beaming countenance and exclaimed:

"What do you think, Henry? I have just bought an office safe.'

"Then, Joe,' he said with the utmost gravity, 'I shall buy a hairbrush.'"


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## NORTHWEST MARKET REPORTS; GENERAL CROP CONDITIONS

Portland— Wheat — Bluestem, 98c; fortyfold, 90c; club, 90c; red fife, 90c; red Russian, 90c.

Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, $20@21 per ton; valley timothy, $16; alfalfa, $20.

Millfeed — Spot prices: Bran, $23@23.50 per ton; shorts, $25.50@26; rolled barley, $31.50@32.50.

Corn—Whole, $37 per ton; cracked, $38.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 75@90c per dozen; tomatoes, $4@4.25 per crate; cabbage, $1.25 @ 2.25 per hundred; garlic, 10c per pound; peppers, 17½@20c; eggplant, 22½c; sprouts, 8@9c; horseradish, 8½c; cauliflower, $1.15@2.25; celery, $4.50 per crate; lettuce, $2.25; cucumbers, $1.25@1.50; spinach, $1@1.15 per box; asparagus, 15@17½c per pound; rhubarb, $2.25@2.75 per box; peas, 12½c per pound.

Potatoes — Oregon, $1.40@1.50 per sack; Yakimas, $1.50@1.75; sweets, $3.25@3.50 per hundred.

Onions — Oregon, buying prices, $1.50 f. o. b. shipping point.

Apples—Spitzenbergs, extra fancy, $2.25 per box; fancy, $2; choice, $1.25@1.50; Yellow Newtowns, extra fancy, $2; fancy, $1.75; choice, $1.35@1.50; Rome Beauty, fancy, $1.50@1.60; Winesaps, choice, $1.15@1.35; Stayman, choice, $1.25@1.35.

Eggs — Jobbing prices: Oregon ranch, candled, 19½@20c per dozen; uncandled, 18c per dozen.

Poultry — Hens, 16@17c per pound; springs, 17c; stags, 12@13c; broilers, 25c; turkeys, live, 18@20c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 24@25c; ducks, 13@16c; geese, 10c.

Butter — Prices from wholesaler to retailer: Portland city creamery prints, 60-pound case lots, standard grades, 35c; lower grades, 32c; Oregon country creamery, prints, 60-pound lots, standard makes, 32@34c; lower grades, 31@31½c; packed in cubes, 2c less. Prices paid by jobbers to producers: Cubes, extras, 30@31c; firsts, 28@28½c; dairy butter, 15@19½c; butterfat, No. 1, 34c; No. 2, 31c.

Veal—Fancy, 9½@10c per pound.

Pork—Fancy, 10½c per pound.

Hops—1915 crop, 10@13c per pound; 1916 contracts, 11½@12c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 20@30c per pound; valley, 27@28c; mohair, Oregon, 28@29c.

Cascara bark—Old and new, 4c per pound.

Cattle — Prime steers, $7.50@8.10; choice, $6.50@7.50; good, $6.75@7; medium, $6.50@6.75.; choice cows, $6.50@6.75; medium, $5.25@6; heifers, $4@7; bulls, $2.50@5; stags, $3@5.25.

Hogs — Light, $8.50 @ 9; heavy, $7.50@8.

Sheep—Yearlings, $7@8; ewes, $6@7; lambs, $8@9.25.

## Wool Season Opens.

The new wool season is getting under way in the Yakima country, where shearing has started. The few sales already made, which range in price up to 27 cents, are in line with quotations elsewhere for this class of wool.

Shearing will not begin in Eastern Oregon until about the middle of next month, and in the meantime it is not thought that much business can be put through, as buyers and sellers are apart in most sections. Isidor Koshland, of Portland, has contracted for 50,000 fleeces in Baker county at 20 to 21 cents, and also secured 10,000 fleeces at Condon. This and the Stanfield sale already reported is the extent of the business done in Oregon to date. There has not been as much contracting to date in Western Idaho.

The London market continues irregular, and for this reason the feeling in the trade is still rather nervous.

Fine reports are received from the first lambings east of the mountains, there being practically no loss.

More than 80 per cent of the wool clip of Utah has been contracted by buyers from Eastern houses and prices paid for 11,200,000 pounds under contract range from 21 to 28 cents, according to Dr. S. W. McClure, secretary of the National Woolgrowers' association, says the Salt Lake Herald-Republican.

## Apple Storage Stocks Declining.

Portland—The office of markets has issued its report of apple holdings on March 1, showing that on that date there were 2529,238 barrels in 411 storage houses in the country. The same storages reported 1,767,214 boxes of apples on the first of this month. On February 1, 407 storages reported 3,457,999 barrels and 2,651,908 boxes, or a reduction of 928,761 barrels and 883,994 boxes during the past month. The holdings of barrel and box stock are about 750,000 barrels more than this time a year ago. Present holdings of actual barrels are more than last year, while the stock of boxes is some less.

Total exports of apples to March 4 were 223,958 barrels, against 97,924 barrels the same week last year. Total exports for the season up to Saturday of last week were 1,196,838 barrels, against 2,431,902 barrels the same period a year ago.

### Grain Bags May Be Cotton.

Pendleton, Or. — If a satisfactory quality can be furnished and the price is agreeable, it is probable that many of the Umatilla farmers will use cotton sacks this year instead of the jute bags which have been exclusively used. The situation was discussed thoroughly at a recent meeting of the Inland Grain Growers' association. The farmers' grain agency had about decided to construct elevators to take care of the crop, but many are loathe to go into the proposition because of the expense.

### 15,000 Sheep Contracted for.

Baker, Ore.—Not only is wool being contracted well in advance of the clip this year, but wool-bearers are also being spoken for in large quantities, as was evidenced here when George Densley, of this city, reported having contracted for 15,000 head, June delivery. Of the total 5000 are wethers from the A. H. Hampton flocks, 3000 are lambs owned by M. F. Cundiff and 7000 are lambs from various flocks in the John Day country. Mr. Densley was reticent as to the price paid, but intimated the lambs brought $4.50 to $5

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### State's Coal Resources Reported to Government.

University of Washington, Seattle.—The United States Geological Survey will shortly publish a comprehensive bulletin on Washington's coal resources, bringing together in one report what has heretofore been printed in fragments. The bulletin is being prepared by Dean Henry Landes, of the college of science, during his year's leave of absence.

New fields, such as the Whatcom county anthracite and Lewis county lignite beds, will be the subject of discussion in the report, in addition to the better known King, Pierce and Kittitas county fields.

Washington coal operators are feeling the competition of the California oil fields, according to Dean Landes, but the mines are nevertheless fairly prosperous.

The hard coal of Washington will draw only conservative comment. Dean Landes describes it as in the prospective stage, and says only development work will tell the story of quantity and quality.

### Some Job.

The man in the next flat was pounding on the wall.

"Look here," he cried. "I can't sleep with that kid yelling like that. If you don't make him stop I will."

"Come right in," said the baby's father. "You'll be as welcome as the lovers in spring."

"Some of these juvenile court enthusiasts are carying matters a trifle far."

"Huh?"

"Seem to think it would be a good thing for every boy to start life under a suspended sentence."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"Sadderman seems to be always worrying about something."

"Yes; he is generally troubled with three kinds of trouble at the same time—all the trouble he has ever had, all he has now and all he ever expects to have."—Puck.

### Retort Courteous.

"I suppose there's nothing doing for a live wire like me in this stupid town of yours?"

"Well, I don't know. There are several live wires like you doing time here."—Baltimore American.

### Liked the Eats.

"Did the new cook come this morning?"

"Dropped in at 12."

"How do things seem to suit her?"

"Well, she liked the lunch I gave her so well that she has agreed to stay for dinner."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"He was on fire with love when he called on her."

"Well, what happened?"

"Her father put him out."—Baltimore American.

### Including Himself.

Wife—What do you say to taking baby to church with us this morning?

Hub—No, no; she might wake people up.—Boston Transcript.


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