

What the Editors Say

Just think of it! Twenty-five thousand industrial accidents in Oregon each year. Is it not possible for all of us to look before stepping and cut this in half in 1920? Every industrial or other accident that puts one person out of the ranks of producers for days at a time costs each individual so much. There is no known way of getting away from the responsibility. The next best thing is for all to join the "safety first" movement and reduce the number of accidents.—Polk County Observer.

Here is something significant, Lady Astor has been elected to a seat in the English House of Commons—the second lady to be elected to England's legislative hall. Another lady, the Duchess of Malborough intends to become a candidate for the first suitable vacancy in parliament, has, since her election to London's City Council last year, taken a great interest in London's poor. These two ladies are of American birth and parentage. Lady Astor was a Virginia girl, Nannie Langhorn, and Duchess of Malborough was formerly Consuelo Vanderbilt of New York.—Williamina Times.

Glaring headlines in the Portland Journal tell a succession of cold-blooded murders reminds us that the sob sisters and sentimentalists who filled the editorial page while abolition of capital punishment was pending, Os West, are mainly responsible for the fact that Oregon is today unable to deal properly with these red-handed murderers and protect itself from a repetition of their crimes when they are turned loose a few years hence, as they surely will be. If anyone doubts this latter statement, there is the testimony of Judge McBride that of nine felons he sentenced for life while he was a circuit judge not one died in the prison.—Independent.

Wage fixing by statute is a new innovation to be tried in Oregon if the promoters are successful. There is a bill proposed fixing \$4 a day as a uniform minimum wage for the entire state and \$40 a month minimum wage for women. It is also being voted by the teachers to make \$100 per month the minimum wage for their profession. The matter of wage has always been a matter between employer and employe, and will always remain so. One thing seems certain, that if wages are fixed at the proposed figures, it will greatly increase the number of one-man businesses. If this thing goes through the State will later want to say whom you shall or shall not employ.—Telephone Register.

"On account of the recent raise in the price of news print paper from 7 to 13 1/2 cents per pound, it will be necessary for us to raise the price of advertising in the Telephone Register 5 cents per inch with the issue dated Dec. 5th," says the Telephone Register. Other papers, will be compelled to do likewise to preserve their existence. With the present cost of news print there is little or no margin left even on two dollar subscriptions. And with office labor just double what it was there is no margin at all on advertising at the old price. With all other commodities advanced from 100 to 300 per cent on subscription and only about 25 per cent on job work. This still leaves the country publisher in the hole, and to assure them of a continuation life all advertising rates must necessarily have to be increased.—Sheridan Sun.

The Merry-Go-Round.

If you have \$8, you can, if you are lucky, get two seats somewhere in a New York Theatre, and have enough change to tip the hat boy with. There are a number of excellent shows on and about Broadway. But that is not the significant fact. Second-rate shows do almost as well. Third-rate shows do well enough. Anything goes this year. For there is a fresh and unending mob of Americans storming every place of amusement this year, and values and merits and traditional rates have gone aglimmering. In saner times, most Americans would think it a crime and a stupid one to squander \$8 on three hours entertainment for two people. No so the present spenders.

It is the same when one is traveling. The high rates have discouraged the pleasure-seekers not one whit. They flock forth the country over; tourist cars are scorned. Pullmans are none too good for anyone. Everybody is doing it, and you are lucky if you can get an upper berth and a seat in the dining car. Every few weeks somebody builds a new hotel in New York in an effort to kill the goose that lays the golden eggs for hotel-keepers. But the geese keep right on coming. Rooms jump in price every little while, and are just as hard to get. One-night stands are running on the same basis. Waiting lines of transients gather at the hotel desk and a room cannot be had for love or money, unless you have telegraphed ahead.

Luxuries? What is a luxury, in the first place? Evidently not jewelry or automobiles, judging by the people that buy them. Any shop tells the

same story. The old customers are buying less. But new ones have arrived that more than make up for all the squandering of the past. Tax high priced clothing, tax silk stockings, tax anything, and the crowds will still flock to buy. If anyone thought that a luxury tax would discourage spending, he has another guess. The merry-go-round was never spinning faster, money was never freer (with those who have it at all) living was never so luxurious (for those who can afford anything more than necessities).

And the movies go on paying Mr. McAdoo we forget how many thousands of dollars a week.

It's a wonderful life!—Harvey's Weekly.

Lloyd George on Prohibition.

Lloyd George told a visiting delegation of anti-saloon workers that while he never had thought prohibition in Great Britain possible he was watching the American experiment sympathetically, with a mind free from preconceived opinions. Prohibition is not on trial alone for this country. It is on trial for Christendom, and that big fact should inspire American peace officers, courts and juries to vigilant and unflinching enforcement of the law. Sustained success of prohibition in this country will turn on public sentiment. If public sentiment is sustained there will be no question about the success of what the British premier terms the "American experiment." The saloon will pass into the limbo of evils, but faintly remembered by this generation and unknown to the coming generation. Moonshining and bootlegging will be reduced to an inconsiderable minimum in most states of the Union.

Lloyd George's utterance is of deep significance, for no statesman of modern times has shown a keener talent for feeling the first faint pulsings for reform movements.—Spokesman Review.

Political Railroadng.

(From the Sioux City (Ia.) Live Stock Record.)

Here's a state of things under government operation of railroads: There has been a whole lot of report of shortage of cars—men waiting weeks and weeks for cars in which to ship live stock to market; government railroad managers giving out reports that cars would be rushed to market before they starved to death. Some days ago there arrived at a Milwaukee station in South Dakota, west of Moberg, from twenty miles northward, several stockmen, driving their stock to the railroad for shipment. They arrived in a snow storm, after the long drive through deep snow. They asked for cars in which to load. They were told that there were no cars to be had—and the prospect looked blue for the stockmen. There were many empty cattle cars standing on side tracks in the yards. They asked why they could not have some of these cars, and were promptly told that the cars were for Montana. I'll give \$25.00 to have these cattle loaded out tonight," remarked one of the stockmen. "Make it \$30.00 and I'll see what I can do," said one of the railroad men. "All right" replied the stockman. The \$30 was handed over and in short order the cars were loaded and the cattle moving east. The same man who related this as his experience told of a number of other cases that occurred at the same time. Is that the kind of work the railroad administration is endorsing? There is not much chance that Mr. Hines, nor Mr. Ashton, will want to pay any attention to this. But the name of the station, also the name of the shipper who related the experience, can be had by inquiry at this office.

TAILESS AIRPLANE.

New Invention Will Be Entered In Race for Safety and Reliability.

A tailless airplane has been designed by J. A. Corry, of Burley, Yorkshire, England, who intends to enter it in the recently announced government competition for safety and reliability. In a statement of the London Daily News, Mr. Corry claims for his machine that it is the safest and most flexible ever built, and can be run at speeds varying from 10 to 200 miles an hour. According to Mr. Corry, in the present-day machines the flexibility of the engine is mostly used to secure variations of speed, but in his machine no additional and violent structural stresses can take place even in the case of flattening out after a volplane; and as the machine has no tail, this could not be broken in climbing. He states that it would be absolutely impossible for his machine to corkscrew, overturn, or loop the loop. His design is said to involve a radical change in all known types of construction, but it still remains a true airplane, with planes of the kind now in use, and any of the aero-engines or propellers already adopted.

The Germans were not whipped with a six hour day and a five day week on the field of battle, and they will not be in the field of industry. Nor will they be overcome by hundred percent profiteers whose exactions help account for the restiveness of labor.

Sales Costs and List Prices— The man selling the six thousand dollar truck must be a good salesman. His hardest job is to justify his price to the prospective buyer. He sells comparatively few trucks through a year. His commission per truck must be high. The list price of the six thousand dollar truck includes that sales cost. Also it includes the high overhead resulting from low production. What proportion of the price of the six thousand dollar truck is margin? What proportion is value? Bethlehem Motor Trucks are neither overbuilt to justify a price nor underbuilt to meet a price. They represent the middle ground. That point where quality and price combine in greatest value. Bethlehem Motor Trucks are ready to be judged as motor trucks should be judged—on their ability to transport and the cost of that transportation. Buy your Motor Truck on Facts. 1 1/2-Ton Chassis \$1965, 2 1/2-Ton Chassis \$2365, 3 1/2-Ton Chassis \$3465. F. O. B. ALLENTOWN, PA. BETHLEHEM MOTORS CORPORATION ALLENTOWN, PA. Buy Safely Buy Bethlehem Sunset Garage, Tillamook, Oregon.

A Xmas Suggestion! Buy Early! At Koch's Drug Store. For the Men: Smoker Sets, Cigar Cases, Pipes, Holders, Shaving Sets, Razors, Auto Strop, Gillette Gem, Military Hair Brushes, Collar Bags, Traveling Sets, Desk Sets. For the Women: Real Pyralin Ivory--Look for the name "Pyralin", Hair Brushes, Combs, Mirrors, Puff Boxes, Hair Receivers, Manicure Sets, Box Candy, Picture Frames, Trays, Photo Albums, Buffers. Come In. To Look is to Buy. Come Early. Get Your Pick First. This Notice is Worth 5 per cent on all above Listed Goods. Bring this with you and get your discount. E. E. KOCH, Druggist, Tillamook, Oregon.

A WADE does 10 mens work Saws 25 cords a day! A money-maker and hard work saver for land clearers and wood-cutting contractors. One man can move it from cut to cut. Simple and reliable. Hundreds in use all over the U.S. When not in use for wood cutting, the 4 H. P. motor will run mills, feed mills, feed cutters, pumps, etc. Quick deliveries from every 100 points throughout the United States. Sold by Standard Feed Co., Tillamook, Agent. When President Wilson declares that he expects to put his covenant through without changes the Senate majority has publicly declared essential to its Americanization he seems to overestimate the cowardice and lack of self respect to those whom he hopes to drive from their positions. The time will come when everybody will understand that the discouragement of productive industry by the confiscation of profits contributes not to prosperity but to paralysis in industry; not to the welfare but to the oppression of the consumer. The man who deserves discouragement is not the one who puts his money in a productive enterprise, but the one who hides his cash in a sock or puts it where it will do no one but himself any good. Labor isn't the only element in the country that wants more for less. The disease is a more general epidemic than the "flu."

COAXING YOU TO SMILE. Not In His Way. The young farmer was showing his city cousin around the farm and incidentally was rapidly falling under the spell of the fair cousin's eyes. "Now, that's a nice scene," he said, pausing beside a paddock fence to point to a cow and a calf rubbing noses in bovine love. "The sight of it makes me want to do the same thing." "Well, go on," said the sweet young thing placidly. "It's your cow, you know." Kept Him Dry. "He's perfectly quiet, ladies," remarked the liveryman to the two girls who were about to hire a horse and trap, "only you must take care to keep the reins off his tail." "We won't forget," they replied. When they returned the liveryman inquired how they had got on. "Splendidly," they exclaimed. "We had one rather sharp shower, but we took it in turns to hold the umbrella over the horse's tail, so there was no real danger." A Double Explanation. One morning a woman walked into a village grocery store with a majestic stride. It was easy to see, says The Argonaut, by the sternness of her expression, that she was somewhat disturbed. "This," she sarcastically explained throwing a package on the counter, "is the soap that does the washing itself. It's the soap that makes washing a pleasure. It's the soap—" "That isn't soap madam," interrupted the groceryman, examining the package. "Your little girl was in here yesterday for half a pound of cheese and a half a pound of soap. This is the cheese." "U-m, that accounts for it!" said the woman as the light of understanding began to glow. "I wondered all night what made the Welsh rabbit we had for supper taste so queer." Unabridged. Apropos the death of the Rev. Dr. Joseph H. Twichell of Hartford, friend of Mark Twain and original Harris in the letter's "A Tramp Abroad." Dr. F. P. Perkins said the other day: "Some years ago Dr. J. M. Buckley, the noted Methodist editor, took some clerical brethren severely to task for their tendency to draw on the ideals and even the language of Joseph Parker without due acknowledgment. While the discussion was at its height Mark Twain attended Joe Twichell's church and heard one of the latter's finest efforts. After the sermon he came forward, grasped the preacher's hand, and said: "Joe, that was a good sermon, but I have a book at home that contains every word of it." Dr. Twichell, was taken aback, and then he waxed indignant. "If you can show me the book I'd certainly like to see it," he rejoined. I gave a great deal of brain sweat to that sermon. The next day Mark Twain sent him a copy of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary."

Teachers' Examinations. Notice is hereby given that the County Superintendent of Tillamook County, Oregon, will hold the regular examination of applicants for state certificates at the Court House in Tillamook City as follows: Commencing Wednesday, December 17, 1919, at 9 o'clock a.m. and continuing until Saturday, December 20, 1919, at 5 o'clock p.m. Wednesday forenoon—U. H. History, Writing (Penmanship), Music, Drawing. Wednesday afternoon—Physiology, Reading, Manual Training, Composition, Domestic Science, Methods in Reading, Course of study for Drawing, Methods in Arithmetic. Tuesday forenoon—Arithmetic, History of Education, Psychology, Methods in Geography, Mechanical drawing, Domestic Art, Course of Study for Domestic Art. Thursday forenoon—Grammar, Geography, Stenography, American Literature, Physics, Typewriting, Methods in Language, Thesis for Primary Certificates. Friday forenoon—Theory and Practice, Orthography (Spelling), Physical Geography, English Literature, Chemistry. Friday afternoon—School Law, Geology, Algebra, Civil Government, Botany. Saturday forenoon—General History, Bookkeeping. G. B. Lamb, County school Supt. Ornamental Fire Places Built of Brick and Stone, All Fire Places absolutely guaranteed not to smoke or money refunded. Brick work of all kinds done on short notice. We make a specialty of repairing smoking Fire Places. RALPH E. WARREN, TILLAMOOK, ORE. Wheeler Garage Agent For PAGE AND ALLEN AUTOMOBILES Write For Demonstration And Prices.