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S EATTLE seems to have a faculty of electing mayors who shock its moral, patriotic or other sensibilties. The strange part of it is that Seattle goes into the business of electing such mayors with its eyes wide open and then shouts with anger when the expected hap- be a change of phrase-the style | Women over 20 years of age are pens. There was the ease of Hi Gill. Mr. Gill entered the municipal should be, "rule of a minority of not to be permitted to work over 10 campaign in the Puget Sound metropolis pledged to give the people an "open town." He was elected on the issue. He carried out his other anomalous result in the nom- keepers, factory hands, waitresses or policies, he shocked moral Seattle, and moral Seattle recalled him.

It need not be disputed that reformed Seattle acted properly, in of Mr. Ben Selling for the United under 16, it is proposed, shall be pershowing its regeneration by cleaning up the town and cleaning out States Senate, as against Senator mitted to work for hire except in harthe mayor's office, but it was to be expected that the voters, after Jonathan Bourne. Mr. Bourne is vest time or with parent or guardian the experience with Gill, would show stronger inclination to look into the procilivities of its mayoralty candidates. It was a faint hope, gon idea. That is to say, Mr. and not realized. Just now Scattle is shocked again. It finds that in Bourne is a progressive of pro- bill, except that a minimum wage of place of a mayor who condones the red light, it has one who condones gressives. He stands for all the \$1.65 is established, and where board

During a parade, May 1, of I. W. W. members and Socialists, a group of patriotic citizens of Seattle became incresed at the display further than Mr. Bourne. Yet, in Ing \$4 per day or more and those enby the marchers of the emblem of anarchy side by side with a masted a primary election in which two- gaged in occupations, governed by flag of the Union. They tore down the red flag. The marchers then turned on the Stars and Stripes. They dubbed it a "damned rag" and attempted to trample it under foot. The American flag was rescued and borne to safety. In a signed statement Mayor Cotterill difficult to account for this result deplores the outburst of patriotism by spectators of the parade; he on any theory not fatal to the concondemns the publication or public discussion of the incident, and he sistency of the people of Oregon. asserts that the red flag is 'an international emblem of a peaceful political education and evolution toward universal human brotherhood.

It is not remarkable, in view of these remarks, that the Industrial | The more the operation of our Workers of the World hail Scattle's mayor as benfactor and patron, modernized "rule of the people while 700 veterans of the Spanish-American war denounced him as neither American nor patriot. Yet it was a stand that might have and less by the guidance of conbeen expected by the present denunciators, among them are those sistency and reason. The most obwho put him in office. George F. Cotterill is a man of many attain- vious fact is, that the new system ments. He is a polished public speaker, and is personally clean. He of "rule of the people" is in fact has served several terms in the Legislature and has been a candidate of adroit and self-seeking polifor Congress and other offices. But though outwarldy a Democrat, he tician. We have yet to see one inhas persistently and continuously advocated the adoption of experi- stance under the new order of mental governmental vagaries, policies, isms and theories. The pres- things, so loudly exploited as ent order of government, state and national, has not been good "rule of the people," in which enough for him. He has not preached gradual improvement, but upsettings and revolutions. His mental looseness was, or ought to have been, known to everybody. No one should be surprised that to where even our Hiram came into impracticable and theoretical Cotterill the specious plea of the an- office by the will of much less archists that the red flag signifies universal brotherhood should appeal, while he remained blind to actual and open desecrations of the American flag by the frowzy "brotherhood."

In Union Park Square, New York, on the same day as the Seattle incident, the same aggregation tore down the Stars and Stripes with denunciations and hoisted the red banner in its stead. In Portland these advocates of "universal brotherhood" have turned a peaceable meeting into riotous disorder and insulted one of the city's and Nation's noted guests. The speakers of the rabble that call themselves workers have stood in the shadow of the soldiers' monument in the plaza and reviled by name the men who lost their lives while fighting for their country. They have torn the American flag to pieces and stamped upon the shreds. They have jeered at passing president of the Portland Show funeral corteges and otherwise abused and spat upon American liberty. All this for the honor and glory of the red flag of "universal brotherhood."

some present-day Captain Kidd should ravage the Probably if seas and then plead that his skull and crossbones stood for universal brotherhood, Mayor Cotterill and other parlor Socialists would defend the emblem. It would not be much greater perversion of sound landers arrived night before last and righteous thinking. The red flag, to the American people, is as as advance guard of Portland's clearly the insignia of anarchy, lawlessness and sedition as is the Ad Club delegation which folblack flag the emblem of piracy. The actions of its followers proclaim everywhere what their words attempt to conceal. We know for what it stands and should act accordingly

In spite of their failure to study beforehand the men they put in office, some of the people of Seattle are to be commended. It requires some such action by red-blooded men somewhere to start the wave that will engulf the maleontents and disrupters who have invaded America. It was good example and Seattle ought to be proud of having given it. As to the other weakness, a few more recalls will

#### MORE U'RENISM.

MR. U'REN is a grea lawgiver, no doubt. He is great on giving laws, certainly. He gave us the Oregon system, including the direet primary, the initiative, recall and all. Now he has an entirel new scheme for turning our state and county governments inside out and upside down and he will submit it to the voters at the next election. It proposes to do away with pretty much everybody and everything we now have in the way of public officers and public offices, and to substitute about everything we do not have. It includes a Governor's cabinet, a state business manager, county "directors" and a business manager, abolition of the State Senate, first, second and third choice of candidates, abandonment of the direct party primary, and so on

Mr. U'Rren tried a similar stupendous scheme before and it was voted down. Now we are to pass on it again. Evidently the people, who never make a mistake, according to the Bourne-U'Rren lexicon, here will commence work in a few are to be given another chance.

Mr. U'Ren is an innovator not a statesman. If one system does west extension of the Umatilla project. degree, at Marshfield, disagreed. not suit him, his method is to tear it down, and try another. We are Contracts for water rights will be not by experimentation or trial to discover the faults of present meth- made, and as soon as this work has lishment of a star route from Burns bank of Vale, has been convicted of ods, and correct them; but we are to destroy, and create some other been completed it is expected con- to Bend and from Canyon City to getting away with trust property and

We have had too much of agitation and revolution in Oregon and too little of patient and careful development of our present governmental scheme

#### PERHAPS.

ERHAPS the Portland city council is right.

should be public regulation for public utilities.

Perhaps the managing director of the Portland streetear systion in the franchise of the Portland street railway, or in any other franchise

"Perhaps it is better for a franchise to be indefinite in its terms so doubts and litigation may arise later over what was intended. "Perhaps sthe managing director of the Portland streetear system was wrong and did not know his business when he said in Portland, March 15th, that the history of the country shows that there

# THINK OF US.

"Rule of the people" worked its usual miracle in the Oregon prim-The delegation which goes to Chicago was elected by the customary thirty per cent (or thereabout) of the total poll. In spite of the fact that practically twothirds of all the votes polled were Roosevelt gets the delegationunder the plurality principle, less than \$2.50 has been prepared by "Rule of the people" is truly a direction of the state federation of the sake of precision, there should in the November election. the people.'

ination in the Republican primary at hotel or laundry work. No child the pre-emient champion of what for less than 15 cents an hour or more has come to be known as the Ore- than six hours in one day. novelties, all the isms, all the and lodging is included in the pay, ft quackeries. Mr. Roosevelt in his shall not be charged for at a greater C. J. WILSON maddest moment goes no whit sum than \$4 per week. Those receivthirds of the votes polled were fon laws of congress are not affected. Roosevelt and La Follette, ultraprogressives, Mr. Bourne is decisively defeated. It would be Apparently the voting body has company, eight miles from this place, gotten itself in a state of mind so confused as not to comprehend the plain significance of anything. the plain significance of anything.

is observed, the more it appears marked by the vagaries of chance the final result has not been at. tained by a minority vote. It is so in Oregon. It is so in California, than half the total vote. It is so everywhere. In other words, the "rule of the people" is not rule of the people at all.—S. F. Argonaut.

# TWO OF THE **BIGGEST SHOWS**

SEATTLE, Wash.-"The Rose Festival will be the biggest show on earth," said Mr. Ralph Hoyt, tion, which, as interpreted by the sup-"The Golden Pot-Association. latch will also be the biggest vote at a municipal election, whether two biggest shows on earth, chimed in Dr. Drake, vice-presi- ages. dent. These three hustling Portlowed yesterday afternoon to zine, devoted to the state-wide interparticipate in the Seattle club's ests of the Democratic party, was opportunity to bost the Rose Festival. Visitors will be met by a full delegation of local ad men and they will have the greatest time in the history of the Seattle Ad Club.

### OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

Hermiston Work Moves

Hermiston. - Government officers days signing up the lands under the struction work will be ordered. The Prineville. few months' delay was caused by legal technicalities, but these have forward will become more active.

#### Concern to Prospect for Oil.

pany, recently organized with a capilin the state of Oregon. talization of \$1,000,000, has secured the land leases and other assets of county has filed a statement of his pany now holds leases on approxi- spent just 60 cents to be re-elected. mately 6000 acres of land in what is Another effort is being made to have known as the Lacomb district, and Baker desert commission form of gov- opposition to the confirmation of Lesannouncement is made that active ernment, a new petition to that effect lie M. Scott as United States marshal

RULE OF THE PEOPLE' in work of drilling will be in progress OREGON—WHAT OTHERS within 60 days. within 60 days.

#### LABOR HAS WAGE BILL

State Federation Will Ask Voters to Help Regulate Salaries.

Portland.-A minimum wage bill, which will permit no man over 20 years of age to work as a clerk, mechanic, railroad man, bookkeeper or east for other candidate, Mr. factory hand for more than 10 hours a day more than six days a week for beautiful thing in theory. But, for labor and will be placed on the ballot

hours, more than six days a week, or The Oregon election supplies an- for less than \$1.65 as clerks, book

Farm work is not affected by the

#### Two of Engine Crew Die

Columbia City.-The logging engine of the Peninsula Lumber company, of on the logging road owned by the ran away down a moderately steep man Brettan, the latter a resident of Deer Island, were instantly killed.

#### Co-Ed Athletes Meet

Eugene.-Safely hidden from all masculine eyes, the women of the Uni versity of Oregon held their first offi cial track and field meet here in the men's gymnasium. The class cup was won by the sophomore women with of scoring was used.

#### MAN SUES ELECTION JUDGES

Asks \$1500 Damages Because Vote Was Refused.

Roseburg.-Denied the privilege of voting at the election held in the city of Glendale on April 1, of this year, because he was not the owner of real estate, F. C. Ladd, a merchant of that city, has filed suit in the circuit court against the three precinct judges, demanding \$500 damages from each of them for the "humiliation" which, he says, he suffered. The complaint recites that the action of the judges was based on a provision of the city charter that no nonfreeholder shall be eligible to vote at a city election. This provision, the complaint declares, directly contravenes the state constitureme court in a test case several years ago, gives a citizen the right to show on earth," added George he owns real estate or not. The court Hutchins. "All of which makes also held that the election judges would be amenable to actions for dam-

#### Democrats to Have Weekly

Salem.-What is designed to be a permanent Democratic weekly maganstallation of officers and annual started at a meeting of the county high jinks. They are losing no central committee. The magazine will be published at Salem, and the first issue will be out about June 1.

#### Coal is Struck in Excavation.

Oregon City.-While workmen were excavating on the Farr property, Seventh and Monroe streets, a few days ago, a vein of coal was struck. From indications it appears that it is rich.

#### BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Crop conditions throughout Oregon are the best on record.

Lafayette is to have a fine new choolhouse, costing \$12,000.

district met in annual convention at Eugene Friday.

Plans are being considered to make Buli Rnn forest reserve a wild bird treasury, Oregon is better off financiand game refuge.

charged with murder in the second Senator Bourne is urging the estab- dent of the United States National

The Presidential Postmasters' Asso-11, 12, 13 and 14.

The thriving little town of Dayton is to have the honor of establishing fully. Albany.—The Linn County Oil com- the first automobile street car service

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having been flied with city officials. Three big Columbia river salmon, frozen in blocks of ice, will be dis-The Epworth leagues of the Eugene played this week in show windows at Dallas, Tex., to advertise one of Oregon's many resources.

With \$1,600,000 on hand in the state ally today than ever before in its his-The jury in the case of W. R. Foote, tory. The state has no bonded indebtedness and all debts are paid.

Charles W. Thebaud, former presiconverting it to his own use.

The strike situation on the Albany ciation of Oregon, Washington and extension of the Oregon Electric conbeen now overcome and the movement | Idaho will convene in Portland June | tinues about the same, the company working a number of men, and the strikers conducting themselves peace-

County Judge Bushey at Salem has signed a temporary restraining order Assessor C. P. Strain of Umatilla enjoining Secretary Olcott from calling a special recall election against the Valley Oil company. The com- campaign expenses, showing that he District Attorney Cameron of Multnomah county.

Senator Bourne has withdrawn his

for Oregon, and the nomination was ordered favorably reported by the senate judiciary committee.

George and Charles Humphrys, on trial for the killing of Mrs. Eliza Griffith at her home near Philomath on June 2, 1911, have been found guilty of murder in the first degree, and sentenced to hang on Friday, June 14. Government land must produce gold

in paying quantities, and cannot be characterized of mineral value by a showing of merely blend mineral colors, according to a decision handed down in the Roseburg United States land office.

Postal savings banks will be opened June 1, at the following fourth class postoffices: Banks, Bay City, Brooks, Coburg, Cornelius, Dayton, Dilley, Florence, Gaston, Gervais, Halsey, Lafayette, Linnton, Monroe, Scappoose, Scio, Troutdale, Turner, Wil-

#### Much Easier.

It is much easier to agree to what you know isn't so than to argue with the man who doesn't know anything about it .- Puck.

Wealth may seek us, but wisdom must be sought .- Edward Vonne