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The attention of the Oregonian is called to the fact that there is less danger to human life in Eugene "the university town" from its water supply than to the citizens of Portland from thugs and murderers.—Eugene Register.

Dispatches from Indianapolis, Ind., announces that Ezra Meeker, the old pioneer of this state who left on the back track of the old Oregon trail nearly a year ago, has arrived safely in that city, which was his point of destination.

J. H. Ackerman, state school superintendent, is framing a law that will make compulsory attendance at school compulsory. That is what Oregon needs. There are too many boys and girls in this state who fail to put proper value upon acquiring an education.

The Northwest Fruit Growers Association meets this month in Seattle. (It met in La Grande last year.) Here is an opportunity to bring Grande Ronde Valley fruit to the attention of thousands of Seattle people in addition to prominent fruit growers from all portions of the Northwest and Canada. Who will take the lead to make this possible?

An open river to the sea is the battle cry of the Inland Empire. This would have been brot about many years ago had not Oregon persisted in having United States senators who were under the absolute control of the railroads. Under the new system of electing senators this will not be as easy in the future as it has been in the past.

The fear of special rebates which the large packing houses in the East were supposed to enjoy has prevented men of limited capital from embarking in this business in La Grande and other sections of the Northwest. For years we have shipped our live hogs East where they were manufactured into cured meats and then shipped back to this country. A packing house here would have the advantage of the freight both ways. Now that rebates are to be a thing of the past many small packing houses will be spring up in many localities. La Grande offers exceptional advantages for such an enterprise.

Poultry shows are to be held this month in Seattle, Olympia, Portland and Walla Walla. These meetings are good for any community in which they are held. In a county where poultry raising is so profitable as it is in Union county the industry should be encouraged. The mines of Eastern Oregon aside from our local markets assures the highest prices. For several months in the year our dealers import Eastern eggs. This county should export instead import poultry products.

A movement is being made which will doubtless result in a bill being introduced in the legislature to abolish the office of county recorder and merge it into the county clerk's office. At the present time there are but twelve counties in the state having separate recorders, these counties are: Benton, Clackamas, Douglas, Jackson, Linn, Malheur, Yamhill, Marion, Sherman, Umatilla and Union.

The last session of the legislature abolished the office of recorder in Baker county.

Hon. Frank C. Baker, who died in Portland recently, left an estate valued at \$250,000. The will leaves \$2500 each to the Portland Baby's home, Boys and Girls Aid Society, the Children's Home, Florence Crittenton Refuge Home, Patton Home for the aged, the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A. and Salvation army. There is also set aside \$15,000 to \$25,000 for a monument to the memory of Oregon pioneers, and \$1500 each for eight drinking fountains also \$50,000 for beautifying the park. The balance of the estate is to be placed in a trust for the benefit of the McKings ranch 3 miles south of Seaside, W. R. LEBETTER, Alice, Oregon.

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January 2nd 1905	627,543 18	859,016 86
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