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A GOVERNOR OR A CLERK!

There will be a man named for governor soon, Apparently his name will be Bowerman. It might be West but if such should be the case it would be a surprise to even West's strongest supporters. The people have it in mind to elect Bowerman because they want a man fresh from the people who is big and strong enough to be governor. Bowerman stands for something and through the smoke of every battle he has been in, the tall form of Jay Bowerman from Condon could be seen standing erect. He justified his stand and he never ran. The mere fact that he has been tried and found able to stand hitched when such remarkable influences approached as the normal school lobby and many corporation lobbies, while he was president of the state senate, indicates beyond a doubt that he is able to stand for what is right when he filled the governor's chair.

His opponent, Mr. West, is a pleasant little man personally and really believes he has absorbed enough of the Chamberlain handshake to go out and win this fight. Everyone but West seems to know there is but one Chamberlain and but one Chamberlain handshake. It is a sort of an electrically charged handshake that makes people remember and George has always received the benefit of that recollection on election day when he was a the Portland Jeurnal, sprung regardcandidate. But this strange influence ing fees and mileage and Bowerman. that Chamberlain possesses can't be transferred to an other. If it could be Chamberlain would soon be a mil- show that West exacted fees that were lionaire by setting up a tent and offering to teach politicians how.

West is a clerical man. He makes a good clerk; knows the banking business very well, and all that, but his inability to cope with larger subjects has been demonstrated in the office of holds through appointment.

Oregon cannot afford to elect anyone for governor who does not stand straight up and be counted. In the next few years this state will receive many new people. There will be railroad building and corporations will endeavor to do many things that will need restraint. Bowerman will be found capable of holding all of these things down to the extent of benefitting the entire state of Oregon.

LAST STEP WAS WRONG ONE.

When Colonel Theodore Roosevelt was in Africa hunting big game he

was the most popular man in all the world; when he returned to America he was the people's idol and would have remained so indefinitely had he not let his desire for further political favor take possession of him agains his better judgment. He stood for the flattery and entered New York state politics which we believe will be the agency of the Colonel's gradual decline. Every act in the last few days indicates people are awakening to his inconsistency in the business world. He is all right as a moralist and an agitator for right, although even then he sometimes rewards rather than punishes men who need punishing. But as a business advisor, as a safe man at a time when this nation needs judgment and cool headedness he is not in the same class with Taft and never has been.

If the people would continue to have prosperity and if they prefer the nation to continue this remarkable advancement they will not follow the lead of Colonel Roosevelt as he now expresses himself in eastern speeches. He cannot fit his speeches to the Eastern demands and make the western people believe his utterances when in the west were sincere.

The charge that the Pendleton East Oregonian sold its editorial space has been pretty well threshed out and there is nothing to indicate that such is the case. Dr. Wilson must have been badly misinformed to make may have been skinned up a little in such a statement, and it is to be resome conflicts, but his position always gretted that he so far stepped across the line. The East Oregonian is one of the cleanest newspapers in the whole northwest and has stood the test of time. Its editor, E. B. Aldrich, is a man of honor and the men with would approach him to pay for an editoral utterance would meet the same reception that should be accorded if a man approached a reputable minister and offered to pay for a certain kind of a sermon from his pulpit. In answer to Dr. Wilson's attack Mr. Aldrich said some harsh things-even harsher no doubt than he desired to say, had not the occasion demanded strong and immediate action,

That was a hot little boomerang that Oswald West's personal organ, Like all dirty deals it came home to roost and now the federal records unjust and Uncle Samuel forced him to blow back the money. West and the Journal should remember that it pays to be fair. This federal case would never have been used against West probably if the Journal had not set its smut factory to work in an endeavrailroad commissioner which he now or to discredit Bowerman with the people.

> No more commendable measure could have been placed on the ballot than the High School Fund measure. It means doubling the high school, enrollment in the county in three years, and it means further that every town in the county with a high school is greatly benefitted.

> "Football may be fatal," is a familiar headline in all of the newspapers at the present time. Football is fatal in many ways. If the player escapes physical injury he usually gets the football bee buzzing so badly in

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TWENTY-FOUR MILES OF BAL-

Heavier Steel on East End of Main Line is Now in Sight Evidently.

Preparations for displacing the present 80-pound steel on the main line between La Grande and Huntington with 90-pound steel-such as is used on the Kamela hill, have advanced rapidly during the past few weeks. Ballasting the roadbed, which precedes the laying of the heavier steel, has been worked to a point four miles west of Durke, meaning about twenty four miles out of Huntington. Conductor A. W. Leffel has a crew hauling the ballast and the road bed crew has been at work for some time. It is planned to reach Telocaset before the snow flies. The ballasting is of a substantial sort and paves the way for laying the heavy steel.

Material for this work is now on the grounds at Huntington and in La Grande both. Just when the relaying will commence is not announced but that it will be ere long is indicated by the rush attending the last work on the East end.

COLONEL TROUNCED AGAIN.

Ormsby McHarg Free With Criticism of Colonel Roosevelt.

Atlantic City, Oct. 21-Colonel Roosevelt came in for an indirect attack by Ormsby McHarg in an address made today before the American Hardware Manufacturers Association. McHarg formerly was assistant secretary of commerce and labor. He declared federal control of the country's resources meant putting it is best to be prepared. American business in hobble skirts. He said. "It was left for one man to to discover the laws of ancient moral- For the Ambitiousity and the laws of conservation. It was left to him to discover constitutional checks on headstrong rulers. All these are crystalized into new nationalism."

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Said sewer to be laid according to the plans and specifications now on file in this office and under the supervision of the City Inspector. All bids must be in before 8 o'clock p. m. Wednesday evening October 26th, and must be accompanied by a certified check of five per cent of the amount of the bid. The council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By order of the Council, October

D. E. COX, Oregon. Oct 20 to 26

Prepare for Aerial Meet.

New York, Oct. 21-Aviators of all nations are tuning up their machines | counted for something." out on Long Island today in preparation for the great International Aviation meet, which begins tomorrow at Belmont Park. The meet will continue until the last of the month. with daily flights whenever weather conditions permit. The demand for seats in the grand stand at the park. which is one of the largest ever built, took a great boom today and immense crowds will witness the flights.

Interest of the aviators appears to be largely centered upon capturing the \$10,000 prize offered by Thomas Fortune Ryan for the fastes flight from Belmont Park to the Statute of Liberty and return. The air line distance of the round trip is thirty-three miles. Mr. Ryan's purse is the largest single prize offered at the meet.

School for Chefs.

London, Oct. 21-A school to teach boys to become expert chefs was opened in London today as a branch of the Westminister Technical Institute. The school starts with fifteen pupils but the number will be greatly increased if the course promises to be ?

Be sure and take a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy with you when starting on your trip this summer. It cannot be obtained on board the trains or steamers. Changes of water and climate often cause sudden attacks of diarrhoea, and

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HELPING HUMANITY.

Father and Son Viewed Conditions From Opposite Standpoints.

Twenty years ago, says the Chicago Advance, a discouraged young doctor in a large city was visited once by his old father, who came up from a rural district to look after his boy.

"Well, son," he said, "how are you getting along?"

"I'm not getting along at all," was the disheartened reply. "I'm not doing a thing."

The old man's countenance fell, but he spoke of courage and patience and perseverance. Later in the day he went with his son to the free dispensary, where the young doctor had an unsalaried position and where he spent an hour or more every day. The father sat by, a silent but intensely interested spectator, while twenty-five poor unfortunates received help. The doctor forgot his visitor while he bent his skilled energies to the task, but hardly had the door closed on the last patient when the old man burst forth:

"I thought you told me that you were not doing anything! Why, if I had helped twenty-five people in a month as much as you have in one morning I would thank God my life

"There isn't any money in it. though," explained the son, somewhat abashed. "Money!" the old man shouted, still scornfully. "Money! What is money in comparison with being of use to your fellow men? Never mind about money. You go right along at this work every day. I'll go back to the farm and gladly earn money enough to support you as long as I live-yes, and sleep sound every night with the thought that I have helped you to help your fellow men."

SHREWD VICTOR HUGO.

Quiet Way In Which He Bullied the Theatrical Managers.

Here are the methods which Dumas the elder and Victor Hugo employed when they had a new play to offer to the theater. Dumas would write to the director of the Porte St. Martin: My Dear Friend—I shall bring you on Monday a play in five acts. I shall need Mile. Georges, Mme. Dorval, Bocage, Lock-roy, Provost and five new scenes.

This extravagance would alarm the director, who would put off the production of the play till better days.

Then Victor Hugo would appear and shyly draw a manuscript out of his pocket. He would agree to everything. The stock company would play his piece admirably, since all be wanted was a good ensemble; no new decorations would be needed nor any change

So the piece would be read, and as the roles were distributed Hugo would say musingly, "Dieu, how fine Frederick would be in that part!" "That is true," Horel would murmur, and a few days after be would announce that Frederick was engaged. Hugo would then remonstrate that this destroyed the equipoise of the cast, and Raucourt, Laferriere and Mile. Georges would be engaged. Then Hugo would attack the stage setting. Old scenes that the public had tired of were almost an insult to these great artists. If Horel showed reluctance at this, Hugo would threaten to withdraw his piece. And so the game would go on till. little by little. Hugo had obtained everything he wanted, even to the changing of the paper hangings in the stage boxes

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