LA GRANDE, UNION COUNTY, OREGON.

quirements.

Our System of Taxation.

"New occasions teach new duties,

known for years that our general

property tax was "uncouth" but for

some unknown reason have never, un-

steps to remodel it. The first good

of 1905 when it provided for the ap

pointment of a board of commission-

ers for the purpose of examining and

reporting on all matters of assess-

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or under direction of, one board and this can bo done without the creation of additional boards or commissions and with but little added expense to the state, and state treasurer, and it should be given authority to employ a chief clerk who should be a man well fitted for the important position he would be called upon to fill. It should he made his duty to visit each state institution at regular intervals and after learning its needs assist its ofthoughtful attention must be given to future needs as well as present re- ficials in preparing an estimate for a certain ensuing period. From these several estimates he should prepare for the use of the board a statement showing the total needs of all insti-Time makes ancient good uncouth."

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tised for and the supplies purchased The taxpayers of this state have from the lawest bidders.

The Oregon Penitentiary is one of the best managed and most humanetil within the last few years, taken ly conducted penal institutions to be found in the United States. This fact move was that made by the legislature is admitted by every student of prison reform who has visited the state. There are approximately 430 prisoners now confined in the state penitentiary. Many of these prisoners are employed as helpers around the institution, others in the state's brick-

with the Lowenberg & Going Co. The state receives 45 cents per ten-hour day for their labor and the contract calls for the employment of not less than 150 men and as many more as the company requires providing they can be spared without depriving the

institution. Objection has been made to the employment of convicts in competition with free labor, and there is merit in the objection. But common decency and the consideration which we should have for the unfortunate make it-imperative that the convicts be given employment of some kind. Until some unobjectionable system of employment is devised it would be most inhuman to condemn these men to forest from the doorsteps of the THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN OR. idleness and to thus deprive them of the God-given blessing of useful occupation.

Washington, Jan. 10-Senator | purchased them and knew something Crawford of South Dakota bitterly so completely antagonistic in the theory that they were honest votes cast in Lorimer's favor that I cannot eshim. He said he personally believed cape the conviction that these men betrayed their honor and state for He reviewed the testimony of Rep- paltry dollars and permitted themresentatives and Senators who con- selves to be sold like pawns."

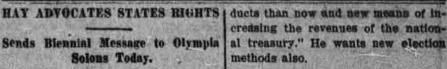
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OF RITTER ATTACKS ON HIS

OUALIFICATIONS AS SENATOR

Continuous assault on Lorimer's charges and said. "The strength of qualifications to sit in the senate dethis testimony is not broken by its spite the majority report of the invesassociation with Representatives tigation committee which exonerat-White, Beckemeyer, Holtslaw and ed him, that the incident is now prov-Link, the self confessed criminals. Ing itself to be the biggest bone of They, are contemptible people, I read- | contention in congress. It is freely aly grant, but there is nothing so admitted that Lorimer himself is



Seventeen Men Drown.

Provincetown, Mass., Jan. 10-Seventeen men were drowned today when three barges belonging to the Philadelphia & Reading railroad sunk near rights obneerning the conservation here today. The barges were towed by of natural resources saying, "The nat- the tug Lukenh. Life savers attempted ural conservation as advanced by its to rescue the men but failed. There most ardent advocate is designed to were seven on the first barge and five

NEW GOVERNOR TAKES OATH OF OFFICE AND PET MEASURES ARE INTRODUCED IN Solom Ore. Jan 10-Recommend- | whose duty it was to do everything

CAPITAL PINISHMENT IN

ing a number of progressive meas- in my power to promote the public ures, Governor Oswald West sent his good and advance the general -prosfirst message to the legislature this perity of the state. And I desire to afternoon which mad met in joint promise them now that throughout ated.

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Among the laws he urges for ad- trial, highways.

His message says in part: Gentlemen of the Legislature:

or necessary.

But before passing to the discussion towns. New railroads are binding the of these matters in detail, I desire to state closer and closer together and express to the people of this great on every hand the hum of industry Snow Falling In Oregon, Montana

ment and taxation. This board made a session to inaugurate him. The mes- my term of office I will keep this sage was read after he was inaugur- fact ever before my mind as a guiding nor and prepared and recommended yard, while a large number of them star and/a stay in time of stress and for passage a number of bills and option is the abolishment capital pun-| Of the people, I intend by my every ishment, conservation of natural re- act to serve the people. Just as their

sources, creation of an able policy of good is my good, and their prosperity of taxation. forest protection and improvement of my own, so would their misfortune be a cross and a sorrow to me, and I

Many bills were introduced in sen- pledge them now my vow and my oath institutions should be purchased by, ate today, one providing for the abol- that, with the help of Almighty God, ishment of capital punishment and I will be a faithful keeper of their providing for rotation of names on trust so that at the end I may be givthe election ballots. The house mere- en that greatest econium possible for ly went through the routine. a public official-"Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

Oregon is now well entered upon Under the Constitution it becomes an era of wonderful progress of demy duty as Governor, and I deem it velopment. Great industries and coma high honor and privilege, to in- mercial enterprises are bringing adform you, insofar as I may, of the ded people and comfortable homes to conditions in the state and its insti- broaden the limits of our cities. A tutions and to make such recommen- flood of immigration is peopling the mendations or suggestions concern- rural districts wth prosperous farms ing legislation as I may deem fitting and still farther pushing back the



ANGES SAVED BY RAIN.

and Eastern Washington.

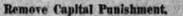
most exhaustive report to the goverconstitutional amendments, which in their opinion would give the people a more efficient and equitable system **Purchasing Supplies.** The supplies for all of our state,

attacked Senator Lorimer today. charging he must have known of cortutions. Bids should then be adverrupt practices employed in electing Lorimer knew what was going on. Oregon State Penitentiary.

fssed to connection with bribery

are employed in the stove foundry in accordance with a ten-year contract made by the state November 20, 1907

state of necessary help around the in-



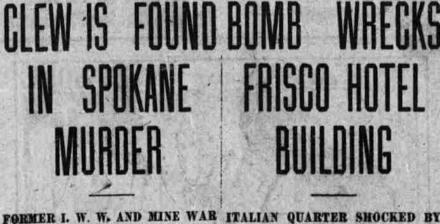
consistent in the theory that Lorimer much worried over the matter. Sends Biennial Message to Olympia Solons Today.

Olympia, Jan. 10-Governor Hay this afternoon sent his message to the legislature. He declared people favored public wharfs and harbor improven ents. He declared for state

more to benefit the consumer of pro- I on each of the other two.

ed representatives, my all-embracing cess. and deeply sincere thanks for the high me.

get that I was their public servant, state government, are growing and



FEATURE WANTED.

"Red" Applebee Thought to Have Kil- Police on Trail of Man Who Lost Hat led Captain Sullivan.

Spokane, Jan. 10-The police are searching for "Red" Applebee so prominent during the Coeur d'Alene mining troubles and the I. W. W. war at Spokane last year in connection with the assassination of Captain Sullivan. Applebee, the police assert, made threats against Sullivan. He left Spokane Monday. Detectives wont talk concerning the case but they are working overtime. It is believed Applebee went into the British Columbla country.

Another Big Earthquake.

Taspkent, Asiatic, Russia, Jan. 9- man and is being held as evidence. A violent earthquake, even more se- The bomb let go shortly after 1 o'clock vere than last week's which killed and was heard for blocks. many and heavily damaged property, fish trust workmen have been fighting occurred today. Reports say it occur- bitterly. J. Bull, owner of the hotel red in the same districts. Telegraph is a part owner of the independent lines went down and there is little fishing launch. The bomb was made information.

state, through you, their duly elect- shows progress, prosperity and suc-

I mention these well-known condihonor which they have conferred upon tions in order to doubly impress upon

gon had confidence in my sincerity ure as well. The public institutions and my integrity and believed that I, of the state are in good condition but as their governor, would never for- they, with all departments of the

HEAVY EXPLOSION.

in Running Away From Police,

San Francisco, Jan. 10-A Dyna-

warring Italian fishermen, wrecked

Hat Held as Evidence.

A brown felt hat was dropped by a

For months, the independents and

the so called fish trust.

of lead pipe,

Portland, Ore., Jan. 10-The cold

downpour.

you, gentlemen of the legislature, the to last several days in the northwest, connection I desire to urge that spec-I consider that this honor was serious fact that we are building not was ushered in today with a snow ial and particular attention be paid shown me because the people of Ore- for the present alone but for the fut- storm in eastern Washington, parts to the restriction of the pardoning of Oregon, Montana and Idaho with power for such cases. I hold that a the rain on the western coast. Reports show the temperature has dropped from 10 to 40 degress since yesterday. The wave came from Alaska and

is working east. Snow will probably save crops and I contend that the substitution

from damage. California Oranges Saved. Los Angeles, Jan. 10-Rain has been falling since last night and it is believed five or six millions in or-

anges were saved as a result of the

With weather that has resembled April breezes, La Grande and Union county has been basking in balmy weather. A flurry of snow last evening accompanied by a very slight drop in temperature was followed this morning by the usual warm temperature and though it may be too early to gloat, evidence points to an easy and mild winter for January the customary wintermonth is speeding along without signs of a real snap. mite bomb hurled, the police say, by

SHAFFBOTH INAUGURATED

the entrance of the hotel Bimbo, in the Latin quarter early today. None Simple Ceremonies Attend Return of of the thirty-five lodgers were injur-Former Governor to the Chair. Denver, Jan. 10-Governor Shaffed. A part of the front wall was torn away. The police saw the would be roth was inaugurated for the second ka, leader in the fight for a reform in assassin running away and shot. He term with little ceremony. In the in- the house rules, and who created the yelled and escaped and probably is auguration recess the governor de- precedent that the amendment of the shot. The house was occupied largely manded a ballot without party emb- rules is a matter of constitutional by fishermen who have beenfighting lem on the bank guarantee law, ef- privilege, and was overthrown yesterfective railroad commission and the day by Speaker Joseph Cannon, de-

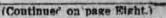
Beveridge Leads Fight.

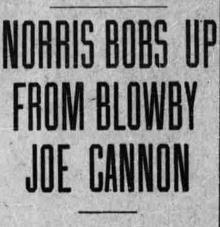
recall.

Washington, Jan. 9-Senator Bevclocted rightfully to the senate. Senator O. Weus of Illinois, also introduced a resolution attacking the so

torial committee.

Believing as I do, I therefore recommend to you gentlemen, that you take, steps to do away with capital snap which was predicted to arrive punishment in this State But in this sentence to life imprisonment for murder should mean what it says, unless post-trial evidence should bring to light some glaring injustice or very potent reason for change.





RULING ADMINISTERED YESTER-DAY IS NO SERIOUS SETBACK.

"Beaten This Time But We Will Win Yet", is His Position.

Washington, Jan. 10-In a special article for the United Press newspapers, Representative Norris of Nebrasclared today that the speaker's new

ruling does not nullify the reforms already gained. He admitted he was

beaten yesterday, but only temporeridge today introduced a resolution arily, and said the regulars are filideclaring Senator Lorimer was not bustering with a view of discrediting things accomplished by the Insurgents last spring.

Norris says yesterday's ruling, was called "white washing by the sena- brought up by lieutenants of Cannon, and makes it look like a "frame up."



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JUDSON HARMON, PRESIDENTIAL PROSPECT.

VIRGINIA used to be the mother of presidents, but that title has descended to Ohio. Governor Judson Harmon would like to give the new presidential mother another offspring of the name of Judson Harmon. He thinks the next president should be from Ohio and from Cin-cinnati, as the present president is, but that the next president should be a Democrat. A great many friends of Governor Harmon throughout the country are of similar shades of opinion. Harmon, they say, would harmonize the party. A harmonized Democracy a la Harmon, it would seem, should insure some degree of harmony. Mr. Harmon has been elected governor of Ohio twice hand running, with a bigger plurality the second time than the first. He is a man of wide experience in public office and in piscatorial pastimes. He is not on record as having told about the big fish that got away.