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ABUNDANTLY SATISFIED—How excellent is Thy loving kindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Thy wings. They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of Thy house; and Thine shall make them drink of the river of Thy pleasures.—Psalm 36: 7, 8.

SELF-INTEREST FIRST.

In Pembroke, Wales, the good citizens have enlisted the aid of Lloyd George in efforts to retain their navy yard, which the British government has decided is no longer essential to the national defense and in the interest of economy should be dismantled.

The patriotic people of the little Welsh town do not deny that there is need of retrenchment in governmental expenditures or that the Pembroke navy yard is unnecessary to the country's protection. Their impassioned plea for continued maintenance and operation of the yard is that it is their principal source of employment and that its abolition would mean a virtual evacuation of the town by its residents.

If the British government abandons the yard great hardship will be worked upon the town and its people. If the yard is preserved the government will have ignored an opportunity to reduce the burden of its overtaxed people. Which should the government serve—a nation or a village?

At Pembroke two good reasons for actions directly opposite are in conflict. But such conflicts are not uncommon. Even the United States is never without them. Everywhere the "pork barrel" is an object of denunciation by everybody except those getting the pork.

PROVIDING LOW-COST EDUCATION.

The effort that is being put forth for an Eastern Oregon normal school to be located in La Grande represents one of the most important activities of this section during the coming year. But we must bear in mind that it isn't so vital a matter where the school is located as it is that it be provided for when election time comes round. Broad-minded citizens are more interested in securing this means of giving adequate low-cost education than they are in simply working for the benefit of a state educational institution established in this valley.

With existing facilities for higher education Oregon is graduating only about a fourth of the number of potential teachers required by the schools of the state each year. We should provide our own teachers to a greater degree than that, but we should also provide a school where many boys and girls of Eastern Oregon could get an education at reasonable cost and within a reasonable distance of their homes. Many young people of this territory are now denied the advantage of more education because their parents cannot afford to send them four or five hundred miles away to attend a state school where expenses are not in keeping with the standard that could well be established in a normal school here. These young people deserve a chance at this additional education. And we, the citizens of the state, owe them that opportunity. The cost, although of some size in the aggregate, would be an amount unnoticed by any individual taxpayer and can be easily afforded in view of the advantages it will make possible for our young people and the incidental savings it will put within the reach of parents.

Of course La Grande is the logical location for a normal school in Eastern Oregon. This city is the geographical center of 90 per cent of the population of Eastern Oregon. It has adequate railroad and highway facilities. It has adequate residential features and is not handicapped by the presence of any demoralizing atmosphere at certain periods of the year that might prove undesirable for young students. The location of a normal school here would mean much to La Grande—a building program, a permanent corps of teachers, 250 to 350 students, etc. Yet that is, after all, an incidental matter. The primary thing is to see that the state provides this better educational facility for our boys and girls. It will come up for the voters to decide at the next general election.

OUT OUR WAY

By WILLIAMS



HEROES ARE MADE - NOT BORN.



OFFICE CAT
 TRADE MARK REG.
 By Junius

Women like to wear their age like their gowns, as low as possible.

Blueberries seven-eighths of an inch in diameter have been produced by experimenters in New Jersey. Now you tell one, California.

The word "supper" is derived from the practice of sopping bread in gravy. We've seen some "suppers" ourselves.

The original income tax, a La Grande husband relates was buying her candy for getting home so late.

Who's white heghorn pullet laid 215 eggs in 2 consecutive weeks.—The Vancouver Evening Sun. Up in the great open spaces where hens are hens.

Nature lover (reading at picnic table): "Oh, wonderful, magnificent oak, if you could speak what would you tell me?"

Gardener (staring): "Come me, mum, but 'e would probably say: 'If you please, I'm not an oak, I'm a spruce.'"

THESE POLITICIANS.
 "The publicity agent was interviewing the politician.

"And what shall I say regarding your birth, senator," he asked. "You know it should be mentioned."

"Oh, yes, about my birth," replied the senator, "tell them that I consider my birth one of the most important events of my life."

"Are you the man who cut my hair last time?"

"I couldn't be, sir, I've only been in La Grande a year."

Two ran after her on love's

soak their old love letters in water and sell it for syrup.

If one is fat and slow and thick, And slim would like to be? Just cut a single candlestick; It makes one light, you see!

Health hint: Don't pile the wood up before Halloween if you have rheumatism.

In closing: Here's to the woman who won't let men guess! She puts on a doe-dad and calls it a dress!

South Dakota Will Start Political Pot Boiling December 1

PIERRE, S. D. (AP)—The opening salute of the 1926 national campaign will be fired here December 1 when the political parties of South Dakota assemble to designate their candidates for the 48th states senate, congress and state officers.

Few outstanding issues are galed between the republicans, democrats and farmer-laborites, but the republican party itself—which for years has dominated state politics—is divided into factions on participation by the state in private industry.

The progressive wing of the republican party was responsible for the rural credit act, the state cement plant, the state coal mine and state participation in the refilling of gasoline. There is little doubt but that Senator Peter Norbeck and Governor Carl Gunderson, both of whom will seek re-election, will support the state's past record in these activities.

Another wing of the republican party in which Sam H. Elrod, former governor, stands out as a leader, expressed itself as irrevocably against participation by the state in the field of private enterprise.

This faction resolved it would seek to nominate candidates "who will be true to republican principles and who will give support to a republican president."

On November 12 the people will

gather in the precincts to choose their county delegates. These delegates will attend county meetings November 17 when three propositionmen will be selected. Then on December 1 the county propositionmen—195 in all for each party—meet in Pierre.

The vote of the three county propositionmen depends on the number of votes cast for the party's candidate for governor in the last general election.

The party meetings then select their candidates. If five or more propositionmen disagree they may hold a meeting of their own and name a "minority ticket." The tickets and platforms are submitted to the counties for ratification on December 22 and individual candidates may file on platforms different from either the majority or minority stands, until January 1, 1926.

The primary election is held March 23, 1926, at which each voter must designate his party affiliation and is given a ballot which contains only the names of



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the majority, minority and individual candidates in that party.

Optimistic Financial Outlook
 Taken by Belgian Minister

BRUSSELS (AP)—An optimistic view of the Belgian financial situation is taken by M. Janssens, minister of Finance. In an interview he declared that far from being in danger of devaluation, the franc is bound slowly but surely to improve its position.

No loans would be issued during 1926, he said, to cover new expenses, and although a foreign loan would have to be floated, it would be used to "consolidate" the franc.

to make reimbursements to the Bank National, and to build up a strong cash balance that might be the means of steadying effectively the financial market.

Costa Rica Appoints Consul

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—Costa Rica appointed its first consul-general to New Orleans in Dr. Ramon Botaya, author and lawyer. Dr. Botaya is a graduate of Columbia University, and practiced law in Costa Rica. The Costa Rican business here was transacted by an honorary consul but an increase in trade caused the appointment of the consul-general.

Cast Off Bobbed Hair Brings Profit For Charitable Work

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Bobbed hair that formerly was thrown away, the Goodwill Industries now turns into a profit.

This charitable organization in one week received more than 10 pounds of hair in contributions. It was made into wigs and wigs sold, and the proceeds devoted to work among the poor.

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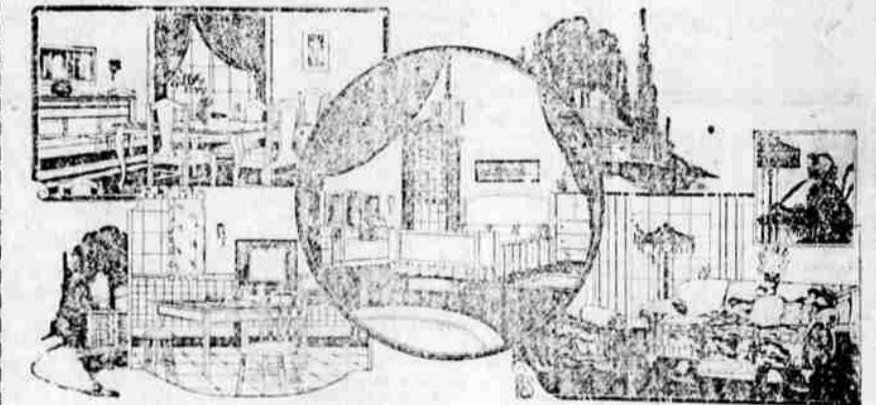
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