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OREGON PARAGRAPHS.

Fossil-The Assessor of Wheeler County has just completed the totals of the taxroll. The 1909 roll shows an increase of \$1,636,301 in the amount of taxable property over the 1908 assessment.

Billamook In the wreck of the steamer Argo, which occurred at is a total loss.

The Dalles-Richard Clubine, who says he is agent for the O. R. & N. at Biggs, is in jail here charged with obtaining money under false

Gold Beach-George D. Wood, of Appleton, Wis, assisted by local capitalists, will open a state bank in Gold Beach, to be known as the Curry County Bank, the first bank to be established in the county.

who brutally butchered his wife near Timber, North Washingtotn County, early last Summer, because she gave him milk instead of cream for breakfast, was Saturday arraigned to plead the Pacific Coast states will under- straight in every respect. She could to an indictment charging him with take, during the session of congress, spot a regular gambler and would novmurder in the first degree.

Mrs. Etta Grissan, 24 years old lands in Alaska. Boise, Idaho, led to the deed.

which will be planted entirely to in the mountains of Alaska. apples and conducted under the management of the union. Experts will be secured to take charge of the orchards and an attempt will be made to produce the finest brand of apples in the valley.

Wallowa-Wheeler Southwick, of Joseph, is in jail at Enterprise, charged with kidnaping his own child. When he took the child, he is said to have shot at his wife, grabbed the little one and to have gressional investigation. fled on horseback across the country beyond Enterprise, where he was finally caught. Southwick and his wife have been living apart for several months past.

the state requiring every teacher tent newspaper writers and lobbyists those creations pened in the state requiring every teacher tent newspaper writers and lobbyists those creations pened in the state requiring every teacher tent newspaper writers and lobbyists those creations pened in the state requiring every teacher tent newspaper writers and lobbyists those creations are the state requiring every teacher tent newspaper writers and lobbyists those creations are the state requiring every teacher tent newspaper writers and lobbyists those creations are the state requiring every teacher tent newspaper writers and lobbyists those creations are the state of the in every district school to have a thorough training before she starts her work in the school, Superintendent of Public Instruction J. II. officers' convention in session here. came out flatly in favor of normal

Pendleton-The so-called "new" board of the Umatilla Water Users' Association won a decided victory at the annual meeting of that organization in Herminston, when members of the "new" board, or men entirely in sympathy with it. March 4. The sentiment of nearly said to the dealer: Give me either were elected to every position. This will probably end the litigation which has been in progress between the rival factions of the associations since the last annual meeting.

submitted to the people at this

Pendleton-An enthusiastic meet- however. ing of the citizens of Umatilla and Morrow Counties was held in Pendleton Saturday evening for the purpose of urging upon the Government the importance of reclaiming about 70,000 acres of land in the western end of this county and the northwestern corner of Morrow. The proposed project, commonly known as the West Umatilla project, lies just across the Umatilla River from the present Umatilla project.

Portland-Portland will entertain the 24th annual meeting of the Oregon State Horticultural Society December 6 to 9 inclusive. The meeting is expected by its promoters to prove # tremendous success for several reasons, chief of which are the unusually large and valuable premiums to be awarded in the various classes exhibited, the cash prizes amounting to more than \$1000. Officers of the society anticipate that the display of fruit will far excel anything ever before attempted here.

Salem-The names of 92 wellknown members of the Oregon bar are attached to the brief filed in the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court in support of the validity of chapter 50 of the laws of 1909 of the State of Oregon, proof the Supreme Courts. The principal point of contention, as outthority to do anything not specifically prohibited by the constitution, minal yards,

NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

DOINGS OF CONGRESS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST.

MONEY TO PAY SETTLERS

Actual Work Performed on Irrigation Projects Will Be Fully Compensated.

Washington, D. C .- Secretary Balinger, following out the recent ruling of the controller of the currency, is making arrangements to reimburse in cash all settlers who performed work on federal irrigation projects, persons are dead, and the vessel but who have not yet been compensated by the government for their were speaking. The fourth, Tom Durlabor. The long-pending controversy ham, was a prominent clergyman. over the redemption of water-users' certificates is about to be adjusted, without resort to further legislation. Every settler who performed work at Laramic, following the Union Paor furnished materials, and who has been unable to procure a settlement of his account, will be recompensed, dollar for dollar, and that in the very near future. For the directors of the reclamation service has declared there is ample money in the Hillsboro-John Dirk Rosclair, reclamation fund to discharge this indebtedness.

Develop Alaska Coal Lands.

to frame and pass some practical er play with any of them. Portland-Rising from the gaiety law which will permit the entry and of a Thanksgiving dinner table, development of government coal

and married, dumfounded her guests Until the Cunningham entries were by seizing a bottle of carbolic acid brought into the limelight, little atand committing suicide before them. tention had been paid to Alaska's Despondency over separation from coal possibilities. It was known in her husband, James Grissan, of a general way that coal was there. Salem-The Salem Fruit Union coal on the Pacific Coast, and the has completed arrangements to open only American coal on the coast ing to win big. But the boys persuad-100 acres of fruit land near Salem. adapted to naval use, is stored away ed her, and she took a sand.

Charges Corruption of Press.

against ship subsidy which have been made in various American newspapers and periodicals, are recounted in a resolution introduced dy, of Texas, who demands a con-

three opposed to ship subsidies and take a hand, but Phoche wouldn't go able to make the voyage from Portthree favoring it, be named to learn In unless he stayed out. So the banker land to Aberdeen without once bravto what extent money has been Salem-Deelaring that laws must spent by those favoring and opposbe placed on the statute books of ing ship subsidy, and to what ex-

Change Inauguration Date.

The oft-discussed proposal from March 4 to a later date was stood pat. Phoebe said: before the house committee on election of president, vice-president and members of congress. It was presented in the shape of a constitutional amendment offered by Mr. Gaines, of West Virginia, at the in April is proposed in place of

a change in the date. Favor Homestead Exchange.

The senate public lands commit-Albany-The proposition to build tee discussed the bill giving to the it was the seven of spades. She had a City Hall in Albany will be sub- secretary of the interior the right mitted at the city election to be held to accept relinquishments of indi-December 6. The City Council has vidual homestead entries on lands submitted the question of issuing inside forest reserves and to permit \$40,000 worth of bonds for the pur- such relinquishers to take homepose, and if the people approve the steads elsewhere. The committee project, the long-needed structure took no action, but seems favorable will be crected next Spring. An to such legislation, if it is restricted that they can feel such presentiments ordinance prohibiting the sale of to individual settlers and not extendnear-bear in Albany will also be ed to railroads or other corporations. Lam alone made no comment. It is not proposed to cancel the law repealing the lieu selection act,

Minor Notes.

Wearied by pressure from political influences for the reinstatement of eadets dismissed from West Point military academy for hazing, the senate committee on military affairs will investigate the whole subject of hazing at the academy.

Senator Foster has introduced a joint resolution authorizing the war department to return to the state of Louisiana the original ordinance of secession adopted by the people of that time a professional gambler and taken upon the subject of Louisiana, Phoebe Rush's, though I wasn't known secoded prior to the Civil war will crooked on cards, and her boarding request similar returns.

Senators Jones and Piles will take no action looking to selection of a new United States attorney and marshal for the eastern district of Washington until after the holiday recess Appropriation of \$150,000 for the onstruction and repair of wagon roads in Alaska has been inserted

in the army appropriation bill. Portland-His face concealed behind a black mask, a lone outlaw leveling a revolver, dashed into the Empire saloon, at Fourth and Glisan streets, compelled five men in the resort to throw up their hands and viding for two additional Justices as they stood in line he forced the street to consult a deatist." bartender to pour the entire contents of the cash register into a small canvas bag he tossed on to student of constitutional law, and the bar. The highwayman then tonce, The pen is mightler as the quoted by the authors of the brief, backed from the saloon, pulled the sword, is that the Legislature has the au- mask from his face as he reached should it be changed?"

A CASE OF

By GEORGE V. WILLIAMS.

[Copyright, 198, by American Press Asso-ciation.] We were sitting in a club at Washington tolking about life on what in the sixties were called "the plains," when the mitural state was strumillag against civilization, when the savage was not yet extinct there and when the buffalo was bucking against the locomotive. There was Tom Sherikle, Dave Beggs, Tom Durann and my-self. We had all fived beyond the Missouri river in these haleyon days. Some of us bad been worse than we States senate, another was a representative, while a third was a big land dealer in the region of which we

"Do any of you remember Phoebe Rusk?" naked Sherikle, "who kept a bourding house first at Julesborg, then effic as it made new terminals?" All owned to a remembrance of her except the Rev. Mr. Durham, who

maintained silence. "The blagest piece of blind fuck 1 ever heard of." Sherikle continued. "she furnished. You know how she used to play poker with the boys? She made money regularly at tavern keeping, but she made more by poker, She was a july, good natured, good hearted woman whom everybody Senators and representatives from liked and was considered perfectly

"Well, this is the story I heard about her great stroke of lick, and I got it way to violence, should any member from one of the men at the table, who had no interest in lying about it. A number of her boarders sat down to play one night in her parter and asked her to join them. She said she'd rather not. She didn't want to win their money and somehow she felt that but it was never known that the best she'd be awfully incky. She could always tell, she said, when she was go-

"Talk as you please, there's a lot in these feelings that some people have about something that's going to hap-Charges of corruption against pen, I've been there myself. When I members of congress and of the sub- was developing my claim at Deadwood sidizing of newspapers for and I knew the day before I struck the vein that made me rich that I was in for a strike. There was no indication of it any more than there had been when I begun to work with my pick. Nevertheless I knew it. I mention in the house by Representative Har- this to show you just how Phoebe

Rusk felt. "There were half a dozen of them in He asks that a committee of "two the party. A youngster of eighteen, Democrats and four Republicans, a tenderfoot from the east, wanted to is finished a small launch will be when the game was opened with a kept growing till at last Phoebe called a halt. She said she didn't want her to house to get the reputation of running hange the date of inauguration of such a big game. One man drew two the president of the United States cards, and the rest, all except Phoebe,

"'If I don't draw the card to fill my hand is worth nothing. If I do I'll win the pot. It's nothing more or less than a showdown, so I don't mind let-

ting you see my hand." "She taid her cards face up o. the taspecial session. The last Thursday and jack of speden and the king of diamonds. Throwing out the king, she all the committee is said to favor the seven or queen of spades, whichever you like. I'm dead sure you'll give me one or the other."

"The dealer dealt her the top card on the pap:. She turned it over, and a straight flush and won the pot. "That broke up the game. None of them would play longer against a woman who knew she would win and

did win." Those who heard the story were quite sure that there are people so delicately organized in certain respects acted toward his successor has gainas the one given. The Rev. Mr. Dur-

"What do you think, parson?" asked Sherikle. "Do you believe in such foresight?" "Not in that case." "Why not?"

The clergyman hesitated and at last

"We are all old plainsmen, and 1 know no one of us would do anything to injure the other, so I don't mind giving you my confidence. Besides, I make no secret that I was an unrighteous man before my conversion, though I don't like, after thirty years in the ministry, to refer to special in stances in that life I have since held in horror. I was, as you know, at that state. If favorable action is was a member of the poker party at it is expected that other states which there as a gammiler. Phoebe also was house was really a gambling house.

> get it, for I had dealt her the eards she had, knowing what they were, and had the seven of spades ready to complete her hand." "That's the way," I remarked, "that

presentiments usually come about if we could uncover the cause." Needed Repairs.

"Does your typewriter need repairs?" asked the meandering tinker as he en tered the office. "It would seem so," replied the employer. "She has just gone across the

"Tommy, you have written this senand it is incorrect. How

"Pen ought to be changed to type

THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT The Mist Lunch House COOK HAS NO PROOF IS

hagen appointed to investigate Dr. in the Frederick Cook's claims that he had discovered the North Pole, was submitted to the consistory of the iniversity, indorsed by that body

and given to the public. The report shatters completely, almost contemptuously, the American aplorer's title to such discovery and a officials and people of Denmark Imported Cheese: ith chagrin at the figure Denmark made to assume in the eyes of he scientific world.

The public was prepared for a verdiet of "not proven," but did not expect its recent hero to be branded should have been, but we made a fair as an impostor. Many still cling to a average sample of the population. One the belief that Cook seted in good of our number had reached the United faith, but has labored under a de-

> Daylight Saloon Law Hay's Aim. Spokane, Wash., Dec. 22.-Gov. Hay does not advocate state-wide prohibition. He believes at the next tession of the legislature the adopion of the Nebraska law for daylight saloons will be urged. These Office-Rooms 1 and 2, Lackey ignificant utterances were made by the governor at a local option rally and banquet at Davenport, in the Big Bend country, Monday night.

Men Go Armed on Range.

Spokane, Dec. 19.-War between the cattle and sheepmen of Central Idaho may break out at any time. For more than a year the situation between the cattlemen and the sheep owners has been growing more and more tense, until now an armed truce is maintained that may give of either party commit an overt act.

Five High Court Justices Legal. Salem, Or., Dec. 22-in a long ppinion by Justice McBride, the sureme court upheld the constitutionality of chapter 50 of the laws of 1909, increasing the membership of the supreme bench from three to

LONG CANAL IS PLANNED

Aberdeen, Wash., to Portland, Ore., by Launch.

Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 20.-It has een officially confirmed that work is to be pushed on the Portland-to-Aberdeen canal. Rights of way have been obtained and a holding company to conduct the preliminary work has been formed.

This means that when the canal wouldn't give him any chips. The ing the dangers of the ocean, sailcards had been dealt five or six times ing through a succession of harbors, canals and rivers and a chain of

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Spokane Officials Threatened.

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 19.-Nelson S. Pratt, mayor; S. A. Mann, judge of the municipal court, and John T Sullivan, chief of police, are "marked men," according to letters received by them from Chicago and other ble. There were the eight, nine, ten cities in the middle west. The writers say the officials are doomed to destruction because of their activity in breaking up the Industrial Workers of the World in their fight for free speech in Spokane.

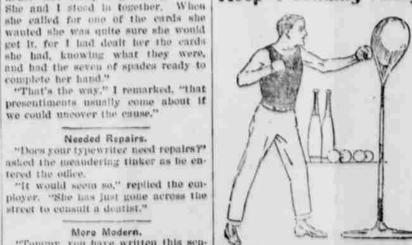
Mayor McClellan Acts Shabbily. New York, Dec. 21.-Ex-Justice Gaynor has practically completed arrangements for taking control of the city hall. He has selected the bulk of his cabinet and outlined his policy in a number of speeches. The shabby way Mayor McClellan has ed the latter much sympathy.

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