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Tammany is said to be very angry over Josiah Flint's revelations in regard to the dishonesty of its New York government. Yet there's nothing new about this.

Aguinaldo has pained his anti-imperialistic friends, who strive in vain, to imagine his prototype, George Washington, advising the colonies to surrender as soon as he was caught.

The circulation of the Commoner in the east has fallen to nothing. Every book store has piles of unsold copies; but few take the trouble to order new ones. So with all freak publications.

Southern democrats declare that the next nomination must come east though they are willing to take a middle west man in the second place. Still when the candidate, whoever he may be, will be so soon done for, it seems a question what he is to be begun for.

Possibly Aguinaldo's capture was of little value and could have been accomplished by anybody, as General Corbin says. Yet the government evidently thinks it of great importance, and, as Columbus once said, anybody can stand an egg on end—if one knows how.

Another term of County Court will soon be in session and it will have the problem of county bridges to solve. It is an ever recurring one and one in which the whole country is interested. The nature of the mountain streams of this county is such as to render any but the best work wholly useless. What bridges are put in should be built in the best possible manner, regardless of cost, as the money spent on good bridges is not thrown away and will not have to be expended every year. Whereas if a bridge is not constructed properly it is very likely, to be washed out by the first freshet that comes and then will have to be rebuilt making the bridges a constant drain on the resources of the county. Our county judge has progressive ideas on this subject and we believe the Commissioners will second him in the matter of good bridges. Yet there are always a number of gumbler who will kick at the expenditure of public funds no matter for what purpose they used. It is well and good that the people look well to the interest of the county and state in such cases, but they should be liberal when it comes to a matter of so great importance as county bridges. The work should, and we believe will, be placed in the hands of competent individuals in order that no useless expenditures be made. All such matters will be let by contract and the Court should examine the work thoroughly before accepting.

The past winter and spring have been very bad on the bridges and a large number of them have been washed out, necessitating an unusually large expense on the county, but don't let us do as a sister county has done build a free bridge and then make it a toll bridge in order to keep it in repair.

Some men make their way through life as they do through a crowd—by hanging to the coat-tails of some bigger man.

During the next few weeks many people will arrive in the camp looking for claims and they will be no respecters of person owning claims which are open to location from neglect. If your claim needs work on it and you want to hold it, go to work.—Ashwood Prospector.

In commenting on an extract, in our columns from the Salem Journal, Judge Wills stated that the law regarding the poll tax would be considered constitutional until proven otherwise and that all supervisors will be required to collect the full amount of three dollars.

This trust question will solve itself sooner or later. When the present consolidation mania has gone so far as to organize the universal trust—and few can doubt that it will go that far in time—who questions that the people will simply confiscate the whole thing and run it as a co-operative company?

The report comes from Boise that an Oregon editor almost drowned while taking a bath in the Natatorium at that place recently. This should serve as an awful warning to all Oregon editors when they go away from home not to fool around water but to stick to something they are used to—cocktails for instance. As to bathing, it may be all right for people who are accustomed to it but the uninitiated had better let the new fad alone.—Condon Globe.

A Timely Warning.

It has come to our notice that some persons have been violating the game laws of the state with references to the taking of trout from neighboring streams by other means than those prescribed by statute. A note to the game warden, if the practice of using traps, nets, gunny sacks, etc., is persisted in, will doubtless have the effect of convincing some people that the game law of the state is not by any means a dead letter. The trout is probably the most beautiful freshwater fish on earth, and while it is also valuable as a food fish, this fact does not justify its wholesale extinction. The legislatures of the various states have done their best to prevent the fish from dying out and it is a shame that open violations of these protective measures should occur. Everyone is more or less fond of fishing. But if you want the trout, by all means get a piece of string and a hook, and go about it in a legitimate manner.—Shaniko Leader.

No doubt of it.

Hon. H. W. Corbeth who was a candidate for the United States senate, declares that on the first day of next January he will start in and make a fight for the election at the next session of the legislature. He will see that clubs are organized in every county in the state, and he proposes to make a hard fight and commence early. His friend, Joseph Simon's term will expire at that time. Mr. Simon will also make a fight, and with a few dark horses in the field the next session of the legislature promises to be more tropical than the last.—Oregon Mist.

Yes they will make a fight but we predict it will end about like the last one made by Uncle Henry—peace to his ashes. What a pity our legislative assemblies cannot rise to something higher than to beg the butt of every josh in the country.

New Quarters.

We have purchased the W. Bolton & Co. store building, and will move same to our own property, where our former store stood. It is our intention to be installed and ready for business in our new home by May 1.

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