### CITY COURIER the prophetic snowstorm that herald-begun, more than 1,900,000 acres have the trial at all. And if the jury really begun, more than 1,900,000 acres have **OREGON**

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Likewise we see by the papers

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WHITE ALL OVER

The snow that sifted down from

### NEW LAW NEEDED

Three shocking attacks on women the first three days of last week in served that the Courier is getting lax the Portland Telegram, the great ally patented. The mere private own-city in the future by jury trials in the the northern part of the state—one in this matter of having stirring editorials on war and preparedness. Week that it was the "prohibition daily," remarked last ership of land does not insure successful use of it. In Oregon and wisdom of friend Bill Stone. Clackamas and one in Multnomah Somehow the editorial brains around were doing most of the eleventh hour Washington alone there are about again call unpleasant attention to the this shop don't seem to be paying the buying, and who were asking that 3,000,000 acres of logged-off land, prevalence of a certain form of de- attention to the great and burning packages be delivered after dark. generacy in the state of Oregon. The questions of the day that they should. northern section of the state has had And every now and then "Constant "snow white mantle of prohibition" speculative holdings of the land for threw an editorial fit about the coinmore than its share of these detest-able outbreaks, from time to time; In and tells us about it. Both of them and it may be possible that this is the wrote last week and wanted to know one-half of one percent alcohol may tation facilities. A settler may clear of North America," is lauded as a fitresult of the deterioration of human why we didn't say something about not be sold as beverages—but the law land and raise crops upon it, but he ting and proper "popular" name for of pioneer families. Mental degeneracy of some kind or other invariably to say something. Unfortunately if tain up to 20 percent alcohol, may not unused today on this account. In Esperantists, and is pleasing, euphon follows intermarriage between the we said what we wanted to, the post be sold as "medicines." The law says many sections near the National Forsame families for generation after office wouldn't permit the Courier to that druggists may sell ethyl alcohol ests pioneer conditions still exist. The

justice was more fortunate than World and in the New. usual. Two of the degenerates were caught soon after their attacks had as usual. We observe by the daily been made, and the third brute-man papers that passenger vessels are saved the state considerable trouble still being blown to Kingdom Come and expense by blowing out his brains. without any particular warning, and Unfortunately, the criminal records of that non-combatants are being killed the state courts do not always show every time it is done. Maybe it is all as happy a settlement as this. Too right, we don't know-but if anybody often have money-hungry attorneys around here were to submarine the found technicalities of the law that steamer Ruth just because they had made loopholes through which the de- a grudge against the Oregonian, we generates could escape-to remain at sort of reckon that there'd be somelarge constant perils to the safety of thing pretty close to a lynching bee when the submarine came to the sur-

It would seem that a change in the face to breathe. law dealing with crimes of this vile character might well be made. The that the United States is still calling degeneracy that leads to these crimes, on Austria and Germany to explain, or their attempt, is a species of in- and that the two explainers seem to sanity-dangerous insanity, at that have something like writer's cramp Yet under the present law men who when they get down to business. Of sink to these vile depths are treated course our Uncle Samuel knows his as are ordinary criminals, are given business—but we have also observed the benefit of bail—if they can secure in times gone by that he would ask it—and later have every possible for explanations just about so long, chance to escape punishment, provided and then act with considerable sudonly that they can persuade some at- denness. Maybe we are bum prophets torney to fight in the courts for them. but we think our Uncle is getting

Womanhood in Oregon would be ready to act. far safer were the law so amended as Otherwise about the war we don't to make degenerate crimes and degen- know much. We have been reading erate criminals subjects for the im- what Walter Hale, Edith Wharton and mediate investigation by physicians many other writers have been sayforming a sanity commission. Such ing about the war in the standard a criminal, upon arrest, should not be magazines, and we have been formadmitted to bail; but should be at ing our own conclusions. People we once examined as to his sanity, and have talked to have also been doing if found insane should be committed the same thing, and we find that the forthwith to the asylum. No injustice conclusions they have drawn coincide would be done by such a proceedure, pretty closely with ours. And this for the degenerate always shows trac- opinion is to the effect that both sides es of au positive insanity. Should it in the war are wrong, but that one appen that an innocent man be accused of such a crime, examination of the other. And we hope the worst of the prisoner as to his sanity would side will get unmercifully licked. at least reveal that he was not degenerate by nature-and then the ac- have had a touch of the grippe, and cused would have full benefit of a that we don't blame Henry Ford getting sick when he got close to Europe

But to release a man charged with and saw how things really were. If such a crime on small bail, to per- we can get the grippe at this distance mit him to further be at large and from the war, it is not at all surprismenace the community in which he ing that Henry got something worse lives, without first inquiring as to his than that when he got almost within mental condition, is not justice. It is earshot of the fighting along the coast not fair to the accused, nor to those of Europe. who accuse him, nor to the community In short the Courier hasn't got any at large. Crimes of a degenerate na- sympathy left with the war, and it ture are not the kind that are lied is fast beginning to think that one of about. People do not accuse their the best things that could happen enemies of being brute-men, merely to would be to have all the civilized part place them behind the bars. Human of the world join hands and pile in nature revolts so utterly against and knock the stuffing out of the the these crimes, that men are never uncivilized part that is now warring. charged with committing them unless We hope these few remarks will there is very considerable circumstansatisfy those anonymous writers who tial evidence against them. And the have been getting more and more man mentally capable of attacking hungry for our opinion of the war in women, whether he does attack them Europe. or not, is not a safe person to be trusted with liberty.

The law regarding such crimes should be changed; bail should be denied the accused until he has been ex- the skies New Year's Eve., and that amined as to his mental condition; and has kept on sifting more or less if he is found to be insane, he should since then, transformed Oregon to a be committed at once, and not given white state, just as it is on the cute the opportunity of escaping confine- little maps that the Ani-Saloon Leagment through a technicality of evi- ue puts out, to show the prohibition dence. The protection of womanhood territory. is more important than the feelings of

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guzzle before our children. And also established. From time to time it is to be ob- home in suitcases and satchels. Even have been opened to entry or actu- many \$7.80 bills are hung onto the

made a lovely cartoon—and been made available for the benefit of sponsible, it should have returned a

idea, we are now engaged in spoiling really adapted to agriculture are be- on the city.

sanctimonious professional prohi- within and near the Forests is to make corder's court is only called upon to bitionists, who all last week packed possible the successful occupancy and try misdemeanors, didn't vote for it. booze and bitters and other things development of the lands that already much of it agricultural in character, Quite a fine bunch of hypocrisy the now lying idle. In this condition

does not say that peruna and the car- is helpless if he cannot market them. our country. According to the Jour-Hence we suppose that we've got lous sarsasparilla mixtures, which con- There are great acres of fertile land nal "Usona" is a word evolved by the generation. However, the cause of circulate through the mails. Yet we under certain restrictions—but if the population is small and the task of why it will never be adopted in the these crimes is a matter for considera- will try and comply with the request tion elsewhere than in the columns of of "Anxious Reader" and "Citizen," be druggist is held to blame and is the residents. There is little or no Journal doesn't appear to know any and make a few temperate remarks prosecuted, and the purchaser goes demand for the timber, and the re- thing about. Esperanto may have In the three crimes of last week about what is going on in the Old scott free. The law says that no ceipts from the Forests which go to "Usona" in its vocabulary, but the

verdict of "not guilty," in which case "In short, lands within the Forests the \$7.80 costs would have been hung

ing occupied as homesteads undor fav- As an example of useless, uncalled The snow that ushered in the new orable conditions. While the lands for and needless amplification of the and dry year probably was prophetic, suited to settlement are classified and legal business of the city, the first at that. It covered the state with a opened to entry, those which are not jury trial was undoubtedly a success. mantle of white-it made Oregon a chiefly vafuable for agriculture are But as a model of judicial proceedure white smear on the map, just as the retained in public ownership. The it was a good deal of a joke-just prohibitionists have it. And the snow alienation of timberlands under con- about the kind of a joke that might covered up all the mud and dirt under- ditions that will lead not to settle- have been expected from a great reneath, too; just as the prohibition law ment but to speculation and to in-covers up the twenty-four quarts of increasing the holdings of private facile mind of the Hon. B. S. In the beer and the two quarts of booze that timber owners would defeat the very abstract the argument for the Bill any of us may have in our homes, to purpose for which the Forests were Stone amendment sounded logical; but people who really thought about the the prohibition law will cover up the "The real agricultural problem matter, and who realized that the re-It will be interesting to see how

### BACK TO THE WOODS

The Portland Journal last week

Maybe it is. But there are reason drinks may be bought or sold or given the community are small. The fact word wasn't invented by Esperantists, The war seems to be continuing away in the state, but the law pro- that the public property is not sub- It was first coined in Canada by head-

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yield of copper in 1914 was 39,248 pounds, while the estimate for 1915 is

inary figures are compiled by Charles

G. alYe, of the San Francisco Iffice of

It is noteworthy that such mater-

copper should be apparent when the

fact is considered that the number of

producing mines in Oregon has fallen

off fully one-third in the past two years. Those which have dropped

from the producing list, however, have

been mainly small placers of various

kinds where the ground has been

worked out, or has failed to pay. The

larger deep mines continue their pro-

ductive career, with few exceptions,

but not many new properties of mo-

ment have of late been opened. More

capital for mine development is need-

ed in the State, where there are few

Baker county continues to be by

far the most productive county of the

State, yielding annually fully 85 per-

cent of all the gold. The most pro-

ductive deep mine in Oregon in 1915,

as also for the preeeding two years,

was that of the Commercial Mining

Company, operating the Rainbow mine

in Cracker Creek district, Baker coun-

Of the placer mines in Oregon, the

most important enterprise is that of

the Powder River Dredge Company,

dredge in 1914, put another one in

son county; and the smalled mines

around Grants Pass, in Josephine

county. The gold yield from the

extensive properties in operation.

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SELLING THE ENTIRE

The soft flakes that fell softly and those tainted with degeneracy-the buried everything in a mantle of vides a way by which any family that ject to taxation makes such commun- writers on the Canadian papers, who protection of womanhood should be placed above the desires of hungry at
white, silently but effectively blotting out all other color, might have been under its own roof. It is a fine law— Forests are not contributing enough.

America" fit in a single line of disstance of the year is mainly due. little white ballots. In fact the Cour- to cover up in a mantle of white the to local development." ier is surprised that no brilliant news- muck and mire of deceit that under- In conclusion, the Secretary re- ries with it that degree of opprobrium Waldo district, Josephine county; the "Printing with a punch"-at the paperman in the state took up the lies all. chance to draw a cartoon-showing

### REAL CONSERVATION

be at an end, and no longer will fad-cultural and other resources." dists of the Pinchot variety "conserve" the public domain for us. A new era of sanity in the administration of the nation's great public wealth

a careful classification is being made.

Large tracts found to be valuable for agriculture or unsuited for perma-

Verily, Oregon is a white state- that "upon a showing of public neces- nadian allusion to anything that persity appropriations be made for a tains to the United States; and Amerspecific roads and similar improve- icans who have traveled beyond our ments, to be charged against the northern boundaries are quite familiar State's future share of receipts from with it and the perpetual sneer that The foolish reign of eastern bureaus the Forests. Such action would pro-in the affairs of the West appears to mote the local development of agri-

### THE WISDOM OF IT

is at hand, and a general sigh of re- for jury trials in the recorder's court been written. If the Journal was as lief goes up from the West and the in the county seat, which was passed "American" as it likes to pretend that Northwest in particular, as this is by a small majority at the last city it is, it would never suggest that this realized. As an example of this election, has had its first trial. The country adopt as a "popular" name change in the national policy, the jury trial cost the defendant in the for itself a term that has grown Secretary of Agriculture in his report action \$7.80, and the verdict returned weather-worn and trite in Canada for for the last fiscal year makes very by the jury is now one of the judicial a neighboring county that is feared plain the government's policy in re- wonders of Oregon City's legal an- more than it is loved. The Journal gard to agricultural lands within the nals. The verdict found the defendant might just as well suggest that National Forests. The report states: guilty of the charge, intimated that "Greaserdom" would be a good "popu-"It is the Department's policy to leniency was very desirable in the lar" name for Mexico. It would come make available for settlement all case because of the alleged mental just as near hitting the nail on the lands which are chiefly valuable for unbalance of the person at trial, and head if it did. farming. In order to open such areas was wonderfully and miraculously

nent forest purposes are eliminated. the mental condition of the person at During the last five years about 14,000 trial, the "Bill Stone jury" went away out of its province in offering individual tracts are classified and opened to entry upon application of of the matter—which didn't come into will pay you to come to the Courier.

play type one column wide. It car- Other placer mines are the Osgood, peats his recommendation of last year that is always to be found in any Ca- Layton, in Applegate district, Jack-If the bright person who wrote the

"Usona" editorial in the Journal had ever been to Canada, or had a smattering of learning that didn't come out of "The Journalist's Handy Bill Stone's amendment providing Guide," that editorial wouldn't have

It is wonderful how, every now and then, the Journal reveals how much

cess of that from all other forms of placer mining combined.

### Mining in Oregon Shows Increased

Kundig Bound Over Preliminary estimates of the out In spite of the pleas of his attorput of metals from Oregon mines in ney, the Honorable Christian Schue-1915, by the United States Geological bel, Edward Kundig was bound over Survey, show material increases over to the grand jury by Justice John N. the figures of 1914 in both gold and Sievers on Monday. Later Kundig copper, and slight decreases in yield received his liberty on bail. Kundig of silver and lead. The gold yield for is charged with having attacked the 1914 was \$1,591,461 and the estimate wife of a neighbor, and with having for 1915 is \$1,771,618 which is an inthreatened to shoot her if she did not crease of \$180,157 for 1915. The silaccede to his demands. ver output for 1914 was 142,552 ounc es, and the estimate for 1915 is 136,033 Gladstone, never having had a saounces, or 6,519 ounces less. The

loon in its midst, saw its first drunk 910,104 pounds, an increase for 1915 is of 870,856 pounds; and the yield of lead was 16,436 pounds in 1914, as compared with 6,650 pounds in 1915, or 9,786 pounds less. These policy the day that prohibition went into ef-

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