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The Telegram says "The Willamette is going down!" Well, you wouldn't expect it to go up, would

the matter will receive our attention.

Idaho's State funds earned \$18,226 in interest within the past year. Such a system should bring fair returns in

Republican National convention.

The sugar trust is charged with having robbed the government for years by a scheme of short-weighing cargoes of foreign sugar. And this is one of what Mark Hanna classed as the "good trusts," too.

In Kansas the authorities are supplying assessors with Bibles, to swear people on as to their taxable possessions. Such a step would do no good and sustained all the demurrers in in Oregon. The better class of citizens can tell the truth without a Bi- ing about 50 prominent defendants ble to test them, and the worst ele- from ment would only be frightened with quashed the indictments for alleged a shot gun.

The desire for a "dry" Sunday in Boise has become so strenuous that the proprietor of a bath house was arrested for violating the law in permitting persons to bathe at his establishment. He demanded a jury trial, and the jury disagreed. Boise is all torn up over whether or not one has a right to bathe on Sunday.

Taft suggests free trade in sugar they wished the islands annexed, and now that they are a part of us let's be fair and treat the Filipinos right, even if a few who were so anxious that we have colonies must pay the price.

and cry about President Rosevelt S. P. This will cause a general howl this number are many who make loud disturbing the business interests of all along the line. Besides this, the professions of their Christianity. The the country, instigated, probably, by road will have no more stations than present method of handling the saloon endeavoring to expose and punish, re- makes any better time. Just now the nue for political purposes. The presif thee doesn't quit thy peeking, thee will make trouble in the family."

ford Tribune, was arrested for contempt of court recently. George has time to pull himself together he should load up his political gun and go after the thin-skinned judge and take his scalp. These judges who are so thin-skinned they must hide behind the imaginary law of

The Governor of Nevada has called in the State. an extra session of the legislature to

long settled,

Senator Fulton is under too deep land frauds to permit United States District Attorney Bristol to retain more Spring, and Heney may join him. It else, to be sure. may become decidedly interesting for wishing to go back on his friends, regardless of the good name of Oregon. Woodburn Independent.

Two moves among the financial inweek will ald in bringing about a Senator Fulton picks Taft as the agrees to pay the liabilities of the dewinner of the Presidential nomination, funct Title Guarantee & Trust Co., and predicts that Taft will have a while the German-American bank has solid delegation from Oregon to the decided to take over the business and assets of the Oregon Savings & Trust Co. and settle all claims against that institution. This will be good news to creditors of the two institutions and serve to abate the natural fear of financial institutions which those two failures some weeks ago engen-

> from Denver reads: A dispatch "Judge R. E. Lewis, of the Federal Court, today quashed all indictments coal land fraud cases, thereby releasprosecution. Recently timber frauds, and today's action brings to naught the work of the special grand jury called last May." Does any one think this judge did this dirty a dozen or so judges, would do much coffee and tea go free? to clear up the atmosphere in any lo-

The Eugene Guard asks: "Big why is this not done? things are expected from the new Or-An exchange says: "All this hue has been announced, the same as the

> Chances are that the S. P. owns the new electric route. That's the way a few. the railways of the East settle the matter of competition.

A SENATOR FOR OREGON.

it is high time they were up and doing. If the Democrats make a sysa good man and organize in a way to analysis, poll all the votes that party controls

try and settle the labor troubles dis- that Senator Fulton compromised him- answer it in our own way. Because Roosevelt has not given them a square

turbing that State. If an effort is self in the land frauds in Oregon; but the long-haired crank and the short deal. We think that they are right made to settle the contention honora- many people think he did, and not a haired crank can't win any fame in at least in part. Their deal has not bly, we may hope to see conditions few of those so minded are Republi- trying to do right; fame-of the char- been square thus far, and it will not bettered; but if the effort is made to cans. To get these men to vote for acter that these cranks want is won care for the interests of the rich mine. Fulton as his own successor the party by doing something grotesque or out lodged in jail. owners as against the poor miners, lash will need be used industriously, the settlement that may be forced by and even that is not likely to whip fails to win the applaudits of the mul- referred to must have cost a tidy bit the power of the State will not stay into line hundreds who are against him on general principles.

obligations to those connected with read them will be loth to think Sena glory. tor Fulton innocent. And even if entirely inocent-which, to us, looks ter class make the most noise. that position. It must be some one doubtful-it will be a hard matter to in sympathy with the land convince the masses of that fact these things, for we would prefer to fraud ring. Bristol will doubtless What, then, is the wise course for the have time to take the stump next Republican party? Name some one line of things needed, and let it go

It is time that any man who acts Fulton, who cannot be blamed for not suspiciously be relegated to the rear. It is not necessary that we cut our friendship for a man just because he is under suspicion; in fact, we think that would be unneccessary cruelty, a protest. But when it comes to making choice stitutions of Portland within the past the smell of smoke on his garments better feeling in that city. Mr. Ladd There are enough good men to fill all should be called to serve the public. offices without chocsing those under

suspicion of wrong-doing. And it is high time that the Republican party cast overboard all its Jonahs if it hopes to come to the frontand to stay there.

REV. PETERS AND HIS HOBBY. There are many men of good intentions who get astride a funny hobby in an effort to ride into a safe harbor. Rev. Madison C. Peters, a popular New York preacher, now comes to the front with the proposition that the wife in cases where husband persists in his purpose to drink intoxicants, buy it at wholesale and dispense it to hubby at retail. He says this will keep a large part of the present waste in the family exchequer.

But why adopt half-way measures? Why not save 90 per cent instead of 30 per cent?

Why should not intoxicants be sold work "without money and without on their merits, the same as coffee price?" Is anything short of a coat and tea? Why should the man who of tar and feathers and disgrace for drinks whisky be made to pay an ablife to be meted out to such a man? normal sum in support of his appe-A prescription of that character for tite and the man or woman who likes

Why does not this good pastor go cality. There are judges who are to the root of the evil and grub it out above price, and to them all honor, from the bottom? Take off the Nabut to a man of the stripe the dispatch tional tax, the State tax, the county and tobacco between this country and in question would indicate his par- tax and the city tax, and the profits ness when he eliminates their chance THREE-CENT FARE ON ELECTRIC. main in the home exchequer. And patient effort to build up?"

There are several reasons. One of as if the road was in a combine with the man with the appetite is paying the S. P. A tariff of 3 cents a mile part of their taxes, and they wish him to continue so to do. And among

key is three times the first cost of When the President began to interthat beverage. The collection of that fere with the with the appetite pay a large part of competitors, ruining everybody that not always the impulse of officials of If the Republicans of Oregon wish the National taxes. Is it fair? Is it opposed it, debauching public officials the same party not to antagonize each to elect a successor to Senator Fulton, Christian? If not—and we take that and swindling the people, naturally other; for does not each expect aid ground-why is not an effort now be- Mr. Rockefeller and his satellites, and comfort from the other in attaining put forth to "force" the poor fel- sycophants and hangers on set up a ing office later? On the contrary, it is tematic can ass they can defeat Ful- low with the appetite put forth to frightful yell that they were not getton, hands down, and the indications save the robbery of his family-for it, ting a square deal. No deal whatever

We are going to answer the question ourselves, and we asked it to get merate the different cases which the We are not in a position to say an opportunity to answer it, and to plutocrats cite to prove that Mr.

of the ordinary, and any other kind titude; for it is along the line of a of money. Some say the expense man's duty and none but fools crave could not have been less than \$200,-Lincoln Steffen burned his charges for it. Paul Jones was a patriot; Ben- 000. Who paid for it? Was the cost in quite deep, and many who have edict Arnold sought only personal assessed pro rata upon those whose in the temperance army, and the lat-

We are sorry to call attention to say what we have to say along the at that; but past experience tells us that such a plan brings forth little good-it goes in one ear and out the other; if one would call a halt in these days he must go the full length and sting some one in order to call forth

Rev. Peters wants to do good, we are satisfied of that from what we know of him. But either his eyes are only partially open, or seeing he dare | several departments. not cry out as to what he sees, but must take a stand on half-way ground for fear of losing standing or popularity. Temperance work that is to win must be on broader lines than any in the past, for every temperance movement thus far has been a drag, and in a short time it has fallen by the wayside and been choked out by more vigorous plants,

### WHO PAID FOR IT?

Certain plutocratic magnates are terribly afraid of landing in jail unthe President's hold upon public con- shall be open to prospectors and othndence. Their schemes devised to ers. Other rules and regulations are this end are multifarious, running the provided regulating scope of lands full gamut from a panic to a common and methods of proportioning them partisan faleshood. Their latest invention is a huge newspaper advertisement headed, "Theodore Roose velt, Destroyer," which is inserted wherever money will place it.

The plutocratic advertisement accuses the President of every crime under heaven; but, of course, his worst offense is that he has tried to put an end to the robbery of the public by the syndicates. They can forgive him everything else, but not this, To their system of theft on a great scale they give the pleasant name of "business," and then shrick wildly the Philippines. Why not free trade in everything? If certain of the "inpublic punishment at the hands of the be sold at a small fraction of what screams the plutocratic advertisement cial, or furnish a test of his qualificathey now cost a man, and the rest in type a foot high, "when he tears could—and in many cases would—re- down industries that took years of

That depends upon what the industries are. If the President should egon Electric road, but it looks now them is that many people imagine that break up a nest of counterfeiters, nobody would think the deal was not lain was under no party obligations haps consent to some show of enforce square, even though it had taken to "stand in" with other state offimany years for the counterfeiters to cials. His critics say he played poliperfect their combinations. Some people thought it was not a square deal when Mr. Roosevelt broke up the it ended so happily for the State and corporations whose corruption he is the S. P., and it is doubtful if it makes it possible to collect much revel system of plundering the public lands minds me of the old Quaker whose company is waiting for the proper ent plan gives people with a tendency few millionaires; but the people were wife discovered him kissing the hired ballasting to the road before running to "force" others an opportunity to inclined to believe that a millionaire mainder secure and drawing 5 per they would have him go unpunished in the West to swell the fortunes of a over \$100,000 worth of money out of or at least a 'leading citizen,' in other legislate for the "other fellow's mor- has no more right to steal from the als," which is a pet delusion of not Government than has a poor man, had been a Republican, would be not penalty about as formidable as burnand they decided that this deal was have felt that, for the sake of the ing with a cold iron." The internal revenue tax on whis- reasonably square upon the whole,

privilege of tax is one way of making the man Standard Oil to harry and raid its contempt are not fit to sit in judgment now are that the Democrats will name is the family that suffers in the last would suit them except the continued privilege to commit wholesale robbery. So one might go on and enu-

be until a goodly band of them is

The plutocratic advertisement above We have both these stripes swag is threatened by the President's enforcement of the law.-Oregonian,

> Our local contemporary says that the holidays are over and there is a "good demand for dried fruit." The club, Chicago, uttered a significant usual swearing-off leaves people no note of warning which gave evidence other alternative but to take their of being inspired from the White fruit with the juice extracted.

Clackamas county has a good force of efficient officials at this time. The reports from the several officials show marked increase in business done and the present officials are noted for painstaking, careful work in their

A bill to provide Government control of grazing lands has been introduced in Congress and is known as an administration measure. The President is authorized to, from time to time, establish by proclamation certain districts of unreserved and unappropriated public lands to be used as grazing land and be protected by officers of the Agricultural Department. Governors of states may appoint a committee to act jointly in making apportionments of grazing privileges. The land shall be subject less they can in some way break down at all times to homestead entry and from various states.

#### WHY POLITICIANS WAIL. The Portland Journal goes after

Oregon politicians as follows:

"There are still walls and tears because the Governor of Oregon is a Democrat. The ululations are not from that vast array of tillers and producers who produce Oregon's wealth, but from those who live by politics, and who seek to organize the State, not for the public welfare, for political purposes. but clothing never did, nor never will tions? Does it have any more to do with it than does the marking on a cast-off collar, or a tag on an ancient sheep pelt? "Late events have demonstrated it

to be a happy fact that Mr. Chambertics at Treasurer Steel. Was its people? Did not the State get party, and to save it from being scanought 'stand in. which event, would not the result not the impulse of an official of different political faith, especially if strong and courageous man like Mr Chamberlain, to turn on the spot light if irregularities occur, as in the Steel affair. Who profits from the turning on of the spot light, but the great plodding body of burdenbearers, so often victimized on the altar of parti-

"The Secretary of State recently returned nearly \$1,400 in fees to the State, fees that a partisan legislature of his own label created for over and against the plain, unmistakable mandate of the flat salary law. Not many days preceding, in published interviews, Governor Chamberlain publicly declared the taking of the fees to be illegal, and without authority of law. Without questioning or insinuating for one moment as to the Secretary's motive or original purpose in accepting the fees, it remains a patent and powerful fact that here was another case where the Governor would not and did not 'stand in,' and to that extent Oregon is the gainer. If those fees had been allowed to pass unquestioned into the hands of the Secretary, a precedent would have been established that would have re sulted in a renewal of the practice by future legislatures, until in this and other state offices, the abuse would have accumulated and the old regime that cost so enormously under the late fee system would have been restored in a new form. The making by a partisan legislature of these fees of nearly \$1,000 on the side of the Secretary of State illustrates the 'stand in' tendency, and opposition to it by the Governor exemplifies the tendency of a courageous man of opposite party not to wink at the transaction. It was, as a matter of fact, a happy episode for the Republican party itself, as well as for Oregon, when Mr. Chamberlain was elected, because it is human na ture, it is unavoidable, it is inevitable, it is fate, for a party, no matter what party, when it is unantagonized to do foolish and inexcusable things just as the late legislature did in voting illegal fees for Secretary Bensan, The tears and ululations of those who lament because of Mr. Chamberlain, are those of job-hunting and professional politisians, and not of the great body politic who want clean, economical government, and do not give a whoop as to how officials are politically labeled."

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## **BONAPARTE STANUS BY** PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

THINKS THE AMERICAN PEOPLE NEED A WISE SHEPHERD AS LEADER.

Attorney-General Bonaparte, in a speech before the Illinois Athletic

"The great sheepfold, the American Union," he exclaimed, "is beginning to turn its thoughts to the problem of choosing a head watch dog to guard it for four long years. What ever applicant for the job is viewed with particular favor by the wolves may be well left in his home kennel. Wolves can be trusted to know what they want and to want what the sheep don't want. In plainer language, no man can be safely trusted to 'take care that the laws be faithfully executed' if his selection be longed for and urged by all or many of these who have obstructed faithful execution of laws in the past and whose influences and resources are formidable obstacles to their faithful execution today."

He openly charged that the people are being hoodwinked as to prosecutions of "rich malefactors."

"I believe," he exclaimed, "that a widespread, persistent, systematic and unscrupulous attempt to deceive the people as to these things has been in progress during the entire official life of the present national administration and is in progress today."

He said criminals of influence and standing had no objection to the government pretending to punish them but thought the government should end right there

"In the Eastern States," he exclaimed, "the enforcement of federal statutes forbidding conspiracies in restraint of trade is greeted by walls of unsettling business and breeding panies. In certain Western and Southwestern States prosecution of men who acquire vast tracts of public land through fraud and perjury is fiercely denounced as persecution of public-spirited citzens.

"Finally, in some Southern States attempts to punish under the laws forbidding peonage those who virtually enslave helpless negroes and ignorant foreigners provoke a like outery.

"In all these cases the idea under lying the complaint is that laws are not really intended to be obeyed by some people. These critics might pering such laws. After a tedious and expensive inquiry has shown clearly not that a wrong had been committed, the the 'politics,' then, a good thing since culprit may be called to answer, but when he shows he is a 'captain of industry' or a 'generalissimo of finance, cent interest? If Mr. Chamberlain or, at the worst, escape with a sham

Attorney-General Bonaparte told the leaders of the Republican party in Illinois what kind of men they should select for their candidate for President. Coupled with his sugestions he made a prediction that the nomwhoever he might be, would be elected. Mr. Bonaparte's word picture of the man might apply as readily to President Roosevelt as to Secretary Taft. It was taken to exclude Governor Hughes and all others who are not the avowed champions of Roosevelt's anti-trust policy. Mr. Bonaparte, in a heart-to-heart talk at a luncheon with the financiers and fo liteal leaders at the Hamilton club, Chicago, said:

"The nation needs a man who will carry out the principles of the present administration. The affairs of the nation demand a strong and sagacious leader, who will curb, without destroying the great interests, and at the same time promote remedial legislation to meet the demands of the peo-

"The ideal candidate will be one who will execute the plans already fully stated by President Roosevelt. If the nation should elect an executive having any other principles, it will make a mistake when mistakes may become grave blunders."

Mr. Bonaparte refused to say whom he had in mind. He promptly replied to all inquiries:

"I came here with the express determination not to make known the name of the man who is best fitted to fill the next term as chief executive."

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