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In the past four years, the Columbia River has not cut much of a figure in the export lumber trade, and the advent of a big mill at the mouth of the river will be witnessed with pleasure by every business man in the state.

Laws denying to railroads the right to pool have the effect of driving them into vast combinations tending in the direction of a gigantic trust or monopoly.

The doctrine of consent of the governed is a revolutionary phraseology and as such well enough. If the revolution fails, it is vindicated; if the revolution fails, it becomes a poor excuse for the infliction of what seems a light sentence in such a case.

Senator Teller wouldn't hold the Philippines without their consent. Whip them completely, crush their power of resistance, and we shall have their consent.

A DEBT THAT SHOULD BE PAID. Captain John Mullan has a claim against the State of Oregon that ought to be paid.

This is no trumped-up claim for imaginary services. Captain Mullan long ago collected from the United States for the sum of \$105,498, and turned the whole sum into the treasury of the state.

The authority of the Secretary of Oregon, under the laws of the state to make contract for collection of these claims, was clear and undoubted.

There are two ways to lessen the friction between farmers and city sportsmen, and both are up to the latter.

La grippe is nothing if not impartial. President McKinley, Secretary Hay, Admiral Dewey and Secretary Root have shared its attentions with some thousands of others in Washington.

General MacArthur will report the obnoxious rebel leaders. Owing to the benevolence of our Constitution, we cannot do that with their American allies.

Jefferson preferred four-year Presidential terms.

In the acquisition of territory or the holding of territory we never have troubled ourselves about consent of the governed.

Cornelius L. Alvord, the defaulting note teller of the First National Bank of New York City, who embezzled \$890,000, was sentenced to only thirteen years' imprisonment.

The death of ex-Governor Mount, of Indiana, is an exceedingly sad event, in the manner of its latest hour, and the point in his life wherein he was ready to retire from his active duties.

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The Oregonian in Chicago Times-Herald. The rationing which has been most active in the demolition of the Army cantine is the jubilation over having won what its leading organ terms "a grand victory."

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