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PORTLAND, MONDAY, JAN. 9, 1965.

COST OF NATIONAL POLICY. The Monroe Doctrine, though not

very well defined, is a vital part of the policy of the United States. President Roosevelt's recent interpretations of it have been much misrepresented. The purpose of this policy is not to coerce or control the other states of America, but to protect them; that is, to allow them opportunity for development, free from the intrusion of the powers of the Old World. But they nust keep their engagements with those powers, and with all nations; for we cannot maintain a kind of protectorate over them, and yet when they bring troubles on themselves, through disregard of their obligations, go to their relief, against other nations with chom they have not kept faith. In his recent message President Roosevelt.

Our interests and those of our South our interests and these of our Southern neighbors are in reality identical. They have great natural riches, and if within their bor-ders the reign of law and justice obtains, pro-perity is sure to come to them. While they thus obey the primary laws of civilized modely they may see as supported by the support. they may rest assured that they will be treate by us in a spirit of cordial and helpful sym pathy. We would interefere with them only in the last resort, and then only if it became evithe last resort, and then only if it became evi-dent that their insullity or unwillingness to d. justice at home and abroad had violated the rights of the United States or had invited for edge aggression, to the definitent of the entir-bedy of American nations.

The spirit of this passage has been much misrepresented. Yet the meaning is clear. Our Southern neighbors mus keep their obligations. Their right of independence cannot be separated from the responsibility of making good They must behave themuse of it. selves and pay their debts. We can not allow them to invite foreign aggression, to the detriment of the United States, by refusal to do these things Yet just now there is imminent dan-

ger, in the case of Venezuela. That country is slow in meeting its awards Hague Tribuna pean creditors are becoming impatient. The government of the country is not doing what it agreed to do. Perhaps there soon may be concert between England, Germany and Italy to com-pel it. Then what of the Monroe Doctrine? Are we to see these nations take possession of Venezuelan ports, direct the administration of the coun-try and pay themselves? Or are we to go in, take possession there, collect the revenues and pay the debts? In a recent speech in New York, Elihu Root, not long since Secretary of War, foreshadowed this difficulty. "If." said he, "we are to maintain the Monroe Doctrine, which is vital to our National life and safety, at the same time when we say to the other powers of the world, 'You shall not push you remedies for wrong against those reublics to the point of occupying their territory,' we are bound to say that whenever the wrong cannot be otherwise redressed we ourselves will see that it is redressed." This, in a little more specific form, is what President Roosevelt said in his recent message to Congress. These are the serious features of the guardianship of the Western Hemi-sphere, which our regard for our own safety has obliged us to assume. The difficulty is no imaginary one. Within three or six months the pressure upor Venezuela from Europe may be such as to call for our interposition again. Venezuela, ten years ago, was about to be subjected to "treatment" by Great Britain, through a dispute over boundary lines, when the United States in terposed; and later Germany and Italy preparing to discipline her for her fail ure to keep her financial engagements have held their hands, out of consideration for the United States. But the government of Venezuela is utterly iresponsible, and shows hostility to the United States because we insist that Venezueia should keep her engagements. Now right soon the question ay come up whether we are to see European nations occupy Venezuela, o interpose again for her protection; and moreover, how we shall interpose. Monroe Doctrine anything We turned the French out of Mexico Are we to protect Venezuela, and how? Do we need a naval armament? Through problems like these we may see why President Roosevelt at this time expresses the opinion that in view of the depleted condition of the Treasury it would be well to postpone other appropriations, including a river and harbor bill, and to expend any available surplus in strengthening the Navy. Such situation is much to be regret-ted. It brings home to us in a most forcible way what the guardianship of America is costing us. But can we abandon it? And is it, or is it not. worth to us, in its results, what it costs us in preparation and in arma-ment, and in popponement of other we want? Costly as the guar-

dianship is, we probably shall not relinguish it. The nation that claims a great position in the world must pay money to maintain it. Slow as Russia is, she also finds it out, and now is preparing for expenditure of \$200,000,-000 on naval armament. And Japan must do the like. Yet the world is to be ruled through peace conferences and arbitration!

THE OREGON LEGISLATURE.

No Oregon Legislature ever had a the collector received a check, not a better opportunity to do creditable work for the state than has the Legislature of 1905. With no Senatorial con test to take attention from the more important work of lawmaking, the merchant emptied a slop-pail over with no strong partisan or factional strifes that supplant reason, there of a robuster day occasionally intro seems to be nothing to hinder careful and judicious enactment of laws. The people are in a mood to indorse and uphold progressive measures and will not would be a tenacious collector that would not be routed by such a bapcomplain at reasonable appropriations if the expenditures authorized are for tism-and presumably the scarlet suit was robbed of its pristine brilliancy. the general good. Oregon has entered on an era of developmnt and the As the Oriental War has shown the spirit of optimiant pervades every de-partment of our industrial life. Matformidable weapon, so the Baker City ters of large importance to the state engagement has proved the efficacy of the slop-pail. Possibly it has added are presented for consideration, giving the members of the Legislature work another terror to the life of the besiegthat is worthy of their best endeavors. The way is clear for the Legislature ing dun. convening today to make a record of which it may be proud and for which

the people will have no criticism. There has recently been talk

threats that the result of the contest fronted by the usual troublesome task over the organization of the Legisla⁹ ture will determine the action of some of selecting a United States Senator and it will be called upon to enact the mbers upon important subjects of customary variety of legislation. It aplegislation. It is to be hoped that such pears to be taken for granted that the threats, if made, were expressed in the great problem of railroad regulation, impulsiveness of a vigorous contest and have no permanent resting-place in the which has baffled the efforts of previous Legislatures to solve satisfac minds of men who are charged with the task of making laws for half a miltorily, will be approached at this sea sion in an amicable spirit and that an lion people. The exercise of legislative adjustment will be reached. In othe power is not a personal matter. Perwords, it is conceded that a railroad sonal interest should exert no more incommission will be created and the long fluence in the legislative branch of the battle of the so-called anti-railroad government than it should in the judi-(McBride) faction of the Republican party will thus have been won by surcial or executive. In principle, the render of the dominant powers in Legislator who permits his vote upon any measure to be determined by fa-vors to be granted to himself or friends party. It has been obvious to all Republicans, and to all members of all is as corrupt as a Judge who lets his parties, that the methods of the rajldecisions be governed by similar influroads in corruptly securing the defeat ences. There is no reason why a higher standard of honor and official conduct of legislation demanded so loudly and persistently by the farmers of Eastern should be established for the judicial Washington and their Western Wash-ington allies have simply fed fuel to department than for the Legislative or

executive. The three departments are the flame, and that there will be no co-ordinate. There is nothing more permicious in tried and the wisdom or unwisdom popular government than the practice of trading votes in order to secure the the experiment is demonstrated. A related piece of legislation will be a tax enactment of laws. Every measure fommission, which is to undertake adshould stand upon its own merits and justment of corporate taxation. Prenot pass or fall to pass according to sumably the powers of the commission the pressure its friends are able to will be general, but its cardinal purwield by supporting or opposing bills pose will be to secure equitable assess of another character and purpose. To ment of railroad properties in the vamake support of a normal school aprious counties. propriation conditional upon compen-In determining the powers of a railsating support for a coyote scalp-boun road commission, the Legislature will encounter a fruitful and vexatious ty law is an acknowledgement that the members making the trade are givsource of discussion; and in deciding how it shall be chosen-by the Govering or withholding their votes against the dictates of their sense of duty. If nor, the Legislature, or the people a member believes a proposed measthere may be, and will be, wide differare is wise, it is his duty to support ence of opinion. But the principle of a it even though all of his own bills meet commission having been accepted, these details, important though they defeat. If the proposed measure is unwise, it should not be supported upon are-indeed they are vital-will doubt any consideration.

less be worked out. The session of 1905 will probably be memorable for the number of impor-Foster is to be elected. Mr. Foster has tant bills considered. This Legislature will probably inaugurate the flat-salary served a single term of six years, and is Tacoma's first Senator. He is a system for state officers and require that all fees be turned into the State erate abilities, genial manners and ex-Treasury. It, is also likely that at this ceptional industry. He has served the session the plan of indirect taxation state with fidelity-so faithfully and acwill be extended so as to require exceptably that Pierce County and her press, telephone, telegraph and Pullman allies think he ought to be re-elected. companies to, bear a greater proportion Seattle thinks differently, and makes of the burdens of government. The war on Senator Foster largely because proposed bill granting to the United States title to all the lake-bed lands tle, as the metropolis of the state, be in Klamath County it may uncover in lieves it ought to have the Senator. In Its drainage and irrigation work will carrying out that notion it has put up doubtless pass, and thus one of the Mr. S. H. Piles, a corporation lawyer. greatest reclamation proje ots in the state be made practically certain.) An irrigation code will be enacted, promoting the economical distribution and use of water for irrigation in the arid region. It is also probable that juvealle courts will be established in populous countles and trial courts will be authorized to impose upon criminals Indeterminate sentences, both measures having for their purpose the enouragement of reformation. The measures here mentioned are of large importance and will have a lasting influence upon the affairs of the state. There is a multitude of minor laws proposed which have been given less discussion or which will be less permanent, if enacted. The game laws fishery laws, pure-food laws and election laws will call for attention at this session, as they have many times in the past and will many times in the future. Whether gambling should be made a felony or the regulation of this evil should be left to municipalities: whether a uniform system of public accounts should be adopted and state supervision of private hanks and fraternal insurance societies should be undertaken, are questions that will also be presented at this session and require consideration from future Legislatures as well as this. The work before the Legislature in extensive, and yet it would seem that within the forty days all business of importance can be transacted with such care as to have the laws enacted free from serious defects. If trivial matters are avoided and the busines of the state entered upon with that broad and liberal spirit which is now holds an enviable record. dominant in Oregon, the legislative session of 1905 will be productive of much good to this state, its people and its industrial welfare.

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and and New Jersey third. At only garb of Satan, who collects the bad its of us all, the Baker City man, six cents a can this double industry like the Devil a-wheel, rides up to the would represent an enormous amount dwelling of his victim. Naturally he of money is followed by an enthusiastic crowd,

any smaller scale than a Chadwick o

riety. The sight of the man in scarlet

bank check, but one of the Kuropatkin

duced into their stories with effect.

The method was efficacious in rout

ing the collector, on this occasion-it

old-time hand grenade to be still a

OVER IN WASHINGTON.

The State Legislature of Washington

asembles at Olympia today. It is con-

until a railroad commission is

The men who have been centering to the extreme discomfiture of the man their efforts upon securing places on who owes the money, for debtors on the ways and means committee don't know the trouble they are hunting. Humbert are usually averse to noto-Such a position confers some little power, it is true, but it also imposes a ide of a door produced something of the effect of the Scarlet Letter, and large amount of work. If it gives the all went well until Saturday last, when member a little more influence than his colleagues, it also places a large amount of responsibility upon his kind. The collector camped outside the shoulders. Many a man has been sorry door of a respected merchant of Baker in subsequent campaigns on the stump City, and remained immovable until that he had a record as member of ways and means committee of the Leghim, a method of defense that novelists islature. The figures at the bottom of an appropriation bill do not often look good to the taxpayers.

Among the desultory paragraphs of the late grand jury's report was this one:

We praise the activity of the pe bearing the venom and ridicule of a great daily jupper, are engaged in combatting the irregular conduct of the Portland police system, and who stand for higher and better standards in this, their chosen home.

"A great daily paper" should have some balance of judgment and some common sense. It should not be a sensational, pharasaical, cranky, cantankerous thing. Else it never would be or become a great daily paper.

Clairvoyants and spiritualists who are not above "trading their gift for commercial purposes" owe Dr. Heber Newton a handsome testimonial for publicly declaring that certain persons have power to communicate with the dead, and that clairvoyance is an established science. He admits that there is fraud, but faits to chilghten a creduus public on the distinction between faddists and the larger army who are willing to be the communicating agency for "Gents \$1; ladies 50c, open evenings and Sundays."

Cuba is also building up her mer chant marine. The first vessel launched under the flag of Cuba Libre was completed recently in Belfast, and is de signed especially to carry molasses in bulk between ports on the Cuban coast. This recalls Frank Stockton's story of the spotless American cruiser whose captain encountered a derelict in midocean and resolved to sink the danger to navigation by ramming it. As the derelict was loaded with molasses, the result to the gunboat was too frightful to contemplate.

The biennial report of the State Treasurer shows that there is now but \$200,000 of idle money in the comm school fund, whereas there was \$729,000 lying idle two years' ago. It is well that \$529,000 have been put out at interest, but it would be better if the remaining \$200,000 were also loaned out on good securities bringing 6 per cent. If it won't bring 6 per cent, it should be made to bring 5.

Colonel Thomas Wentworth Higginn, a man of "cheerful yesterdays and confident tomorrows." recently celebrated his 81st birthday. Congratulations upon the length of years achieved in his case are well placed, since Colo nel Higginson is still a brave, smiling and hopeful man, serene in reflection and fearless in anticipation, ready, as he has ever been, to go or to stay, as fate wills

A purist, who reads The Oregonian objects to Its use of the word "cantankerous." That word is not a very fairoking word, and the idea it carries is not among the most refined ideas. Nevertheless, a word that was good enough for Goldsmith and Thackeray, and many more, is a word The Oregonian may use, without serious question as to its propriety;

It is doubtless too much to expect that Missouri will appropriate \$200,000 r the 1965 Pair But knows the great benefit of adequate expositions, and it seems now to be con-vinced, along with the rest of the world, that the Lewis and Clark Fair will be worth all the money. The State of Washington will please take notice

NOTE AND COMMENT.

Several of the chorus were injured in New York opera-house by the collapse of a bridge in the street scene of The audience herolcally refrained from going into a panic and bore the sufferings of the injured with great

fortitude. Germany now says a good word for the battleship, which would be surprised, if it could do any thinking, to learn that its real purpose is the preservation of peace

The Pope is about to give the peoples of uth America some good advice in cou seling them to give up revoluting so fre quently. But its acceptance would be an other revolution.

General Miles will now dazzle Massa chusetts.

Russia will blow in \$200,000 on an other navy. That's as quick a way of getting rid of money as any other.

Washington has a new religious sect called the Unknown Tonguers, because its services are read in an unknow tongue. There's nothing very distinctive about that. In many churches the sons are read in what appears to the inits wervices are read in an unknown tongue.

Tom Humes formerly Mayor of Seattle. will be given a great public funeral. The old quotation might be twisted to read "Nothing good of any but the dead."

The tall robber and the short robbe have been at work again in Portland. They are a most industrious couple

Venezuela has not yet exhausted the nationce of the United States. But when tte does

A Baker City bill-collector wears a red suit to make his victims look blue.

"One of the chief embarrassments by which this country is now confronted is excessive riches," says the Boston Her-ald. We seem to have heard of an embarragement of riches before somewhere.

The courts are to be sicked on to Amalgamated. Everybody's can't do all the fighting alone.

Mrs. Corinee Brown, of Chicago, mays that women's clubs "are going to smash on the shoals of tea and wafers." They are pleasant shoals on which to go smash, however.

One of the American girls who have ac quired titles is known as the "children's angel" of Ireland, we learn from an exchange, because she gives much of her time and money to teach impoverished children in the west of Ireland the beauties of Nature. We should think the beauties of a beefsteak would appeal more to an impoverished child than the beauties Nature can offer, even in the west of Ireland.

Save the New York Sunt An exper sively gowned young woman in a Maiden-Lane jewelry store had selected a pair of handsome military brushes, which she said were to be a gift to her flance. "Would you like it marked with a leter?" asked the clerk.

"Yes, you might just engrave 'U. S.' or replied the purchaser.

"U. S.,' replied the clerk as he jotted the letters down on a card. "Yee, his name is Eugene Smith."

A judge in Chicago, deciding a case un der the child-labor statute, held that an office boy must be considered as actually working during the hours he is no employed. This should bring blushes to accustomed cheeks.

An American colored gentleman, says the New York Tribune, got into a poker game in a London club. His viz-a-viz, an Englishman, picked up three kings and

a pair of deuces and said: "I raise the pot one pound." The colored gentleman picked up four aces. His eyes almost popped from his head. He said, stam-

GREAT WOMEN OF MODERN TIMES

James was overthrown, William

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(By Arrangement with the Chicago Tribune.)

Charles II died in 1685, and the Duke of York, father of Princess Anne and patron of the Churchills, became King as James II. James was a Catholio and bent on making the nation Catho-lic. William, Prince of Orange, who had married Mary, James II's eldest daughter, invaded the kingdom in de-fense of Protestantism, and attorns those who described to him was Church-ill, now a Lieutenant-General in James' army. Princess Anne and Lady Churchill were at Whitehall when news came of his defection. To remain I hope in Christ you will never think you the least service, and nothing but death can aver make me part with you; for if it be possible 1 am every day more and more yours. -A characteristic motence in a letter of the Princess Anne, later Queen Anne, to the Duch-em of Marihorough.

of John Churchil, first Duke of Marlborough. He founded his immense Churchill were at Whitehall when main came of his defection. To remain might cost Lady Churchill her head. Anne could not endure the thought of separation from the object of her idol-atrous affection. She descried her fortune on £5009, which was given him by his admirer, the Duchess of Cleve-land, a favorite of King Charles II. His rise was largely due to the influence of his wife, Sarah, Duchess of Marlatrous affection. She deserted her father, and clad in dressing gown and slippers, field in the dead of night with her precious Mrs. Freeman to join the subslip borough, over the Princess, afterward Queen, Anne. From this Queen he and bis wife received most of their great and profitable offices. His fall came when another woman, Mrs. Marsham, Mary became king and Queen, and Churchill was rewarded for his perildy by being made Earl of Mariborough. His and his wife's lives were full of vicissi-tudes during the reign of William and

The beantiful, brilliant, ambition perious Sarah Jennings was ju and his write's lives were full of vicissi-tudes during the reign of William and Mary. But in 1765, on William's death Anne became Queen and they were raised to the height of prosperity and power Lady Mariborough became groom of the stole, mistress of the robes, keeper of the privy purse and ranger of Windson Park. The Earl was made knight of the curter contain-mersed of the foremerse the person to fascinate a good, stupid body like Anne of Denmark; and, despite her furious temper, she was also just the woman to be the wife of the imperturbable, able, avariations Church-ill. Had she been a little less haughty, a little less self-confident, a little less shrewish, she might have been the vir-tual ruler of England for 12 years, as, in fact, she was for eight.

Park. The Earl was made knight of the garter, capitain-general of the forces, may ter-general of the ordnance. Their com-bined incomes from the public treasur-were more than \$500,000 per year. The am-bitious Lady Mariborough married he daughters to the greatest and riches lords in the kingdom-to Lord Godolphin to Lord Charles Spencer, afterward Ear-of Sunderland; to the Earl of Bridge water, and the Duke of Montague. Sh was admired and courted on every hand The Queen did not make an appointmen or sign a bill without her approval. Sh The Jenningses were a good family The Jenningzes were a good family, but in modest circumstances. Richard Jennings was famous chiefly for the beauty and brightness of his daugh-ters. The eldest, Frances, became known in the court of Charles II., a court famous for its beauties, as "La Belle Jennings." The little Sarah, when about i2 years old, visited her sister at court. A playmate was found for her there in the Princess Anne, aged 5, daughter of the Duke of York. Sarah The Queen did not make an appointmen or sign a bill without her approval. Sh was, in fact, the real ruler of Great Brit ain. While she governed at home, Mari borough-soon become a Duke-won vic tories abroad - Blenheim, Malplaque Ramillies-which greatly strengthene their position and won him imperishabi renown. Gifts from the Queen and grant from Parliament made them the riches pair in England, and, as they both love money better than fame, power or erp life, this was most gratifying to them i daughter of the Duke of York. Sarah was a few years later appointed maid of homor to the Duchess of York. mother of the little princess. The two giris were thrown much together. Sarah was fast becoming a handsome young woman, with dazzling complexion, fair

minded Sarah, though beneath her station, rapidly became her idol, and got an ascendency over her which she got an ascende kept 30 years.

John Churchill, whose handsome face and figure and charming manners had made him a favorite with the painted beauties of the dissolute court. He was ambitious. He could have married a fortune; and no man ever coveted money more. Sarah Jennings was poor as she was beautiful. Despite his am-bition and avarice Churchill loved the fair maid of honor as soon as he saw her. The lady was con an an he saw her. The lady was con and quick-tem-pered. But the young soldier was in-vincible in love as in war. The kind-heated Duchess of York gave Sarah a dowry, and they were married in 1677. The groom was 27, the bride but 17. In an age of dissoluteness and conjugal infidelity, they seem, despite all their faults, to have ever loved and been true to each other. Churchill bore his wife's tantrums with meek re tion, and regarded her almost as resigna

In 1682 Churchill was created Baron Churchill, of Aymouth. The friendship between the Princess Anne, who was married in 1683 to Prince George of Denmark, and Lady Churchill grew apace

A CALL TO SELF-DEFENCE. Put Down the Sheep Murderers in

Eastern Oregon.

Crook County Journal. The latest slaughter of sheep, account of which is found in another column, should mark the closing act in the butch-cries which have characterized the past grazing season. The time has likewise It deals of Oregon in an exhaustive man and of the Lewis and Clark Centennial such an elaborate way as to attract the at tion of the people of United States. Western enterprise as never before. Thousands of copies of The Oregonian be distributed throughout the East, and natural result will be that the people of East will not only be astounded but amaze the monstrous undertaking by the people Oregon in exploiting the boundless resource the Northwest, and Oregon in particular. As a newspaper, The Oregonian easily all others of the Far West.

Sarah, Duchess of Marlborough

N ⁰ great man's life was ever more affected by women than was that

displaced his wife in the affections of her royal mistress

hair, and haughty manners. Anne, then as later, "when in a good humor," as Macaulay says, "was meekly stupid, and when in bad humor was sulkily stupid," and the fascinating, strong-thed. Good the second the strong strongmoney better than fame, power or e Unfortunately, the Duchess of Maribo

ough was not made to stand prosperit in her heart she despised the stipp Queen. Anne inclined to be a Tory. Th Duchess was a vohement Whig and si did not hesitate to rate the Queen rouse by when the latter showed symptoms of Tory tendencies. The Queen thred of he imperious tempor and scolding tongu The Duchess had got her cousin, Abig Hill, a place in Anne's household. It has pened that Abigail, who soon married Mr. Masham, was also a cousin of Hartley. About this time Sarah Jennings met Nr. Masham, was also a cousin of Har ley, leader of the Torias. In Hartley skillful hands Mrs. Masham, who w meek as Sarah Jennings was arrogar rapidly ingratiated herself with the Quee It had taken the Duchess many years rise. She fell in few, Swift accused h of stealing £12,000 from the privy pure in 1710 she was dismissed from all h offices. She refused to give up har key and, when her husband insisted upon h doing no, she threw them at his he and raved like a wild woman. Marib ough and the Whig party fell with her The Duke died in 1722. The Duche passed her 22 remaining years in a s les of deadly feuds. She quarreled wi all her children and had a Bitter affr with Sir Robert Walpole, long Prime M

perior being. with Sir Robert Walpole, long Prime M ister. Her physicians told her in she would die if she were not bliste

ace. At the Princess' suggestion she opted the name of Mrs. Morley, and dy Churchill that of Mrs. Freeman, and they "began," as the latter after ward wrote, "to converse as equals, made so by affection and friendship."

Baker Democrat. The New Year's number of The Gregonia

power and grandeur.

cial editions.

a great paper, collpsing all former atter

USING AN OLD WEAPON.

"I do not like that paying back," said Falstaff; "'tis double labor." And in efforts to have that double labor performed much effort has been expended since the first touch was made outside the Garden of Eden, and many doleful verses have been written concerning it. for your poet has ever had a shrinking from the balliff. The balliff, indeed, has been no inconsiderable figure in literature, and has been a popular character with novelists so diverse as Dick-ens and Lover. Foll a bailiff and the world laughs with you. It may be that all honest debtors thrill in sympathy with the hero in his garret, remember ing how melancholy is the step of a dun upon their own stairs. What a universal chuckle there is, then, when dun is routed ignominiously.

Baker City boasts a bill collector whose true place must surely be in a stage extravaganza. When ordinary methods fail, this Belasco of collectors puts on a scarlet suit and mounts a scarlet bicycle, which bears in large letters the legend, "Bad-Debt Collec In this attire, the traditional tor.

and a man otherwise of many attractive qualities. The Piles campaign is essentially and avowedly a Seattle campaign. Mr. Charles Sweeny, a Spokane capitalist and man of affairs, with fine social talent, has become a formidable candidate, not more through his own unusual personal energy and organizing capacity than through the disinclination of a great part of the state to award the Senatorship either to Seattle or Tacoma. It will all in all be an interesting and exciting fight in a state noted for exciting and interesting Senatorial fights; and the best man will doubtless win.

A successor to United States Senator

siness man of good character, mod-

from Tacoma, and because Seat-

The selection of Hon, J. G. Megler for Speaker of the Washington House of Representatives was a well-deserved recognition of a long and honorable career extending through nearly every Legislative session since territorial days. It was more than this, for the Speaker of the House at a session when a florce Senatorial fight is on can, if he so desires, wield a tremendous power. In passing the honor to Megler, with hardly a struggle against him, all par-ties in the Senatorial contest paid a high tribute to his fairness and judgment. It is generally conceded that the selection of Megier has but little bearing on the Senatorial matter, and this is made possible only because he will treat all parties to the contest with such fairness that none can claim any advantake over the other. As a business man, a parliamentarian, and a strictly honorable gentleman, the next Speaker of the Washington Legislature

It is popularly supposed, though er roneously, that the people elected Roosevelt President two months ago. As a matter of fact, he has not been elected and will not be until some time today, when the Presidential Electors meet at the several state capitals and cast their ballots. The people chose Presidential Electors at the election in November, and those Electors are le-gally free to vote for whomsoever they please. Morally they are bound to vote for the candidates of their respective parties. If Roosevelt had died yester day, the Presidential Electors in each of the states would be under the necessity of casting their ballots for some other person. The real Presidential election takes place today.

It is astonishing to what proportions the corn and tomato pack of the United States has grown. A report published by the Department of Agriculture at Washington estimates the tomato pack of 1994 at 8,675,053 cases

each case containing two dozen cans, or above 208,000,000 cans in all; while the corn pack exceeded 11,000.000 cases, or above 265,000,000 cans in all. is the great corn-packing state, with Illinois second. Maryland is the leading tomato-packing state, with Indiana

The Polk County Mohair Association will holds its annual goat show at Dal-las Thursday and Friday, January 19 and 20. Here's wishing the asso tion the greatest success. If the Willamette Valley had more goats it would have fewer fields growing up to brush and small trees and more fields producing grass for pasture.

An irrigation company in Harney Valley reports sinking a well 89 feet deep in which the water rose to within 20 feet of the surface, with every indication of an abundant supply. if wind power or cheap fuel for steam power will do the rest, there will be a splendid opportunity for many small irrigation systems.

All laws enacted by the Legislature will go into effect ninety days after adjournment, unless it is "necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health or safety" that they should go into force sooner. Now we shall learn what a multitude of dan-gers have been threatening the state.

Harvard's new enrollment, as shown by the catalogue just out, shows a shrinkage of 192 students from last year. That time-honored institution is not likely, however, to close for want of patronage, since the roll still contains the names of 5565 students.

----The settlement in Colorado is prol ably the best thing that could have been done. Now let the Legislature change the state's election laws so that frauds will not be so easy hereafter.

dertake enforcement of the Sunday jaws in this county? Because so many of its sanctimonious backers make money by violating them

One irrigation company in the Dechutes country, Crook County, is working a force of 450 men and 150 teams That is to be an irrigation system not

Washington County has levied a 10 mill tax for permanent roadbuilding purposes. Now Clackamas and Marion had better look out for their reputa tions as leaders. -

The mildest thing now to be said bout the grand jury system is that there are grand juries and grand juries.

As between the whipping-post and matrimony for wifebeaters, Philosopher Dooley inclines to the latter.

meringly: "I don' know much about de system of weights an' measures in dis heah country, but I'se gwine to raise you a ton!"

Possibilities in Language.

Hilnois State Journal. "Our language," said John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, the Demo-cratic leader of the House. "is certainly susceptible of much mutilation. I recall a statement made by one of the bands on my plantation that I consider the

words I ever heard. "I had sent for him to do something about the house. Half an hour later he slouched up to me and said: 'Mr, Williams, I'm so busy out yonder I

"Huh" put in Representative Clay-ton, of Georgia. "That's not in it with the remark a walter made to me in an Atlanta restaurant. I asked for some rare beef and he brought me a well-

ee here,' I said; 'I want some rare beef--underdone, you know.' 'Can't get it,' said the walter. "We ain't got none that's no underdoner.

Yet to Come.

Lippincott's. Blanche, Wilbur and Thomas were in the garden playing and making a great deal of noise, but small Jack sat in a corner very quietly, which fack was an unusual proceeding Af-ter watching them for some time, the mother's curlosity prompted her to ask, What are you playing?" "What are you playing."" "We are playing house." answered Wilbur. "Blanche and I are the mother and father and Thomas is the child." "And what does Jack do?" "Sh! sh! be isn't born yet."

The Future Hypnotic Household.

Chicago Tribune. (Dr. Quackenhos urges the establishment of an institute of byprotism, exying the general practice of the science would be beneficial to

Don't snap your fingers neat my ma Don't smap your Hingers next my ma; You'd change ber smile into a frown-She has been hypontized by pa, And thinks she's got a brand-new gown. Don't anap them, either, where pa is, Or else there'll be an awful clash-Ma new controls these thoughts of his And makes him give ber all his cash.

The partor's dark; pa went in there And hyphotized my eleter's heau Until he said: "Well, I declare, It's getting late and 1 must go." It's getting late and 1 must go." My sister-abs got angry then; Pa made ber anger disappear-He made a pass or two again. And now she thinks her beau's still here. My st

Pa's went around all smiles today Last night a hill collector cam Pa hypotestized him right away, And the collector signed his name And gave pa the receipted bill. Tou see, the other man obeyed My pa's intense hypotic will And thought at once the bill was paid.

i lead my claures at our school I lead my chasses at our school-Pa simply makes a parm or two, And then I know each word and rule And all the sums I have to do. Don't snap your fingers if you go Into the kitchen-make no fuss, Par hypostized the cook, and so Sho'il stay another week with us.

passed when this matter can consistently be handled with kid gloves. Facts, pub-licity and resolute action are necessary. Cattlemen and sheepmen alike are cry Cattlemen and sheepmen alike are cry-ing out against this wanton butchery which is doing no good, but is drawing a shroud of shameful crime over the head of the county. Hatred, such as has formed the nucleus of the Southern feuds, has been engendered, and its course, so far unrestrained and filinging vengeance with a maliaderment that masses the WEX. J. with a malicionsness that hounds of humanity, must be checked and

trampled under heel. The resolutions adopted by the Cattle ungrammatical combination of men's Association and the Stockgrowers Association have come to naught. In the very face of the efforts of these organ-izations this needless and inexcusable crime goes on.

It is time now for it to stop. Excuses and extenuating circumstances should no longer be offered, but in their stead measures taken so drastic, so far-reaching, so foreible in their scope that these violators of law and decency shall be speedily pun-ished for their crimes. It is not within the province of the

Journal to say to what lengths a contin-uance of these murderous and unpardon-able offenses will bring the community but a person gifted with only a small measure of foresight can readily see that

measure of forcedght can readily see that the future, burdened as the past has been with invisoness and mob rule, must of necessity carry diagrace and chaos and ruin to every industry that has been built up within the borders of the county. It is time now for a decisive move to be made. The matter has resolved itself into a reign of riot and senseless butch-ers and methods of extermination of this ery and methods of extermination of this curse must be equally as effective in bringing the lawlessness to a close as the perpetration of these crimes have made effective their manner of dealing with sheep. If the various stock associations, whose slogan during the past year has been "stop the range war" are incapable of dealing with this delicate question, and they have proved themselves to be, then the time has come when others will and must take the matter in their own hands. And this will be done. Crock County a stirred as it has never been before. Mob haw and inexcusable crimes may be smattered with sanction in districts where criminal negroes are the instigating causes, but here in Crook County condi-15 1005 tions are wholly at variance with those in regions referred to where crimes against humanity rouse hatred in men's breasts.

Speedy action and swift punishment for se merciless criminals is the only cure Let It come quickly,

Same Judgment Everywhere.

Morning Olympian. The Portland grand jury that in-dicted Mayor Williams, a man \$3 years of age, who has served his country as a Senator, as a Cabinet officer and who for years was Chief Justice of the state, on so frivoious a charge as the one stain linestratio haid, has shown that it has passed the stage of usefulness and is merely making mischief.

London's Unemployed.

London baily News. London Daily News. Yesterday a city firm received no few-er than 398 applications in response to destinement for a clerk. The salan advertisement for a clerk. ary offered was 30 shillings (\$7.50) per week. Salem Statesman

won't die, and I won't be blister

retorted the old termagant; and she,

live four years longer. Her avarice g with age. When she died her income

years before she was at the height power and grandeur. S. O. I.

A GREAT NEWSPAPER.

The New Year's edition of The Orego urpasses any similar effort ever made by paper. It is a full presentation of Or resources and an especially complete dis of the Lewis and Clark Fair. It should be means of bringing thousands of people to gon next Summer if property distrib throughout the Eastern States, as, no doub will be. No better number of any pa the United States was printed as a New T edition than that of The Oregonian,

which it is not necessary to wait for the rival of the Eastern mail.

Yakima Herald

As for many years past, The Oregon first-of-the-year special is far more compr sive than that of any other paper of

Echo News.

Eche News Year's edition of The Por Oregonian is a marvel of misligence a work of art. This valuable edition on work of art. nuch information which cannot be due We have lived in the Northwest for 20 and are well acquainted with the ma

Boise (Ida.) Capital News.

 Boise (ida.) Capital News. The Oregonian's annual eview number 1000 was devoted almost exclusively to Lewis and Clark Exposition to be held year in Portland, and illustrations were covering every phase of the gigantic to taking. It is a great publication and out fully what a magnification empiric people of Oregon are to inaugurate in of the employee of the Oregon Continue. of the explorers of the Oregon Country perunal of this special edition will give imperative desire to visit the Exposition, eduled to open on June 1. closing O

Scio News

Scin News. The New Year's edition of The Oregoni these days of special newspaper editio simply superh. Its special feature of it ting and describing the Lewis and Char is everything that could be desired. Fair is not a complete success it will because The Oregonian has not done it in pushing it to the front. The Ore has put out many special editions, but of them have surpassed its larest effort.

Ashland Tidings.

The Maxing Oregonian issued a s New Year's edition of over 50 pages, devoted largely to an exploitation of the and Chark Exposition, which it will wide attention to by reason of the di-details, illustrations and historical matter

Weston Leader

Weston Leader. Each year The Cregonian seems to sti-mark for its annual number, and to re The current edition of 54 pages, profumi-trated, is surpassingly good, and exc the oxoellence attained by the greates paper in the Oregon Country. It is es-valuable at this time, as the Lewis an Centennial is featured with much pror-and should be sent East by every lay contas.

Why didn'ts the late grand jury un

built entirely on paper.