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Portland, Saturday, Jan. 12, 1907. Preparation for politics: President Hadley, of Yale College, gives his views upon 'Intelligent Preparation for the Public Service'.

Hadley is not himself what is usually called a practical politician, still he has passed through a career which did not lack important features.

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Presidential prospects: The recent unkindly stroke of fate has eliminated Mr. Hearst from the Presidential race and left Mr. Bryan as the sole available candidate upon the Democratic side.

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not in general an orator, but his power over men is of the same kind, and Mr. Hadley is entirely right in saying that it cannot be taught.

FREE WATER. Of course, the title of the Free Water Association is not a technical one. It must pay for 'free' water. The water cannot be conveyed from Bull Run and distributed through Portland mains without an expense in the aggregate very large.

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any expense to import new seed. Beyond question this movement could be promoted by the employment of a state inspector of seed potatoes, whose duty it would be to see that farmers renew their seed at proper intervals.

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be worth considering, is there any excuse for still erecting the four, eight, twelve and sixteen-story school buildings, except the trouble of getting out of a rut?

Judge Mohr, of the Philippines, says that the Americans are losing some extraordinary opportunities for business in the islands. He speaks in glowing terms of the wonderful resources of our new possessions, but says that the business men of the United States are paying no attention to them.

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IN THE OREGON COUNTRY. Trouble in Judge McFadden's Honour. Philomath Review. One of the largest owls ever seen in Benton County was shot one night last week. The morning, called out by measures about four feet from tip to tip of wings. The honorable Judge, hearing a clatter among his fowls about 10 o'clock on the morning, called out in his robe-de-nuit with his shotgun, and observed the cause of the disturbances perched in the top of a tree among the chickens.

Ministers and Members. Salem Journal. Some of the members may now be religious men, but they need reviving and a re-awakening when they come to Salem. Many of them seem to forget their early training when they assemble in their robes-de-nuit with their shotguns, and observed the cause of the disturbances perched in the top of a tree among the chickens.

Mr. Snyder and Babe Steele, of Buena Vista, doped five skunks last week. Their operations were perfectly successful. When these little animals are robbed of their odoriferous glands they make the most agreeable pets imaginable. One doped skunk will rid a house or barn of more rats and mice than a dozen cats.

Nothing like Senator Depew's automobile has ever been seen in Washington. The Senator and Mrs. Depew dashed up Pennsylvania avenue in it on a recent afternoon about 3:30, and the crowd upon that thoroughfare stopped and stared in admiration. It is of the latest French model, and its movement indicates tremendous horsepower. The chauffeur is a thing of beauty, and the Senator is a thing of beauty, and his whiskers are patterned somewhat after the famous whiskers of the New York statesman.

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MRS. EDDY AND HER CRADLE. She Doesn't Remember Anything About the McClure Story. PORTLAND, Jan. 11.—(To The Editor.) Under heading, 'Rocking Mrs. Eddy's Cradle,' there is published in The Oregonian of this morning an extract from an article in the current number of McClure Magazine, and as Mrs. Eddy, over her own signature, has made correction of this article since the issue of the magazine, it is believed you will be glad to give space to the following brief extract, pertinent to the item in question, from her published letter:

Who or what is the McClure 'history' so-called presenting? Is it myself, the veritable Mrs. Eddy, whom the New York Tribune Magazine, in its issue of the 14th of last month, has alleged to be a double or dummy before described? 'If indeed it be I, allow me to thank the interesting historians for the testimony they have given, and to thank you for your kind attention to me and women in our own and other countries, and all this because, the truth is, I have promulgated a separated the loved lives of millions of the good men and women who love truth; because truth divides between sect and science and reveals the heavenly impulse; because I have, by my own efforts, awakened the nations, causing men to love his enemies; because 'blessed are ye when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.'

Plans for 40-story Skyscraper. New York Dispatch. A tower is to be built on the northwest corner of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company building, which will mount 657 feet 6 inches from the curb. It will be 44 stories high and part of the big marble building that occupies the corner of Broadway and Twenty-third and Fourth avenues and Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets.

Uncle Joe's Private Office. Baltimore News. 'No, this is the office of Representatives,' an elderly man said with awe as he walked up to the main door of the House. 'This is the place we are representing,' a page boy said. 'This is Uncle Joe's office. There ain't no 'ouse of Representatives no more.'

Seattle, Wash., and Washington, D. C. The Portland Oregonian has an editorial headed 'Getting Out of Seattle.' The writer thinks it is to avoid getting into Seattle in the first place.

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OFFICE FOR WALLA WALLIAN. Statter to Be Assistant Secretary of Treasury. WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Arthur F. Statter, of Walla Walla, Wash., is present private secretary to Secretary of the Treasury Shaw, will be appointed Assistant Secretary of the Treasury to succeed Charles H. Keep when the latter retires on February 1, to become Bank Commissioner of the state of New York. In asking the President to make this appointment, Secretary Shaw did so with the understanding that Postmaster-General Cortelyou, who takes the Treasury portfolio March 4, should fill the office whenever he desired to do so, and First Assistant Postmaster-General Hitchcock will later on be made Assistant Secretary. Mr. Hitchcock will not leave the Postoffice Department with Mr. Cortelyou, but will do so about July 1 or perhaps later.

Will Authorize Big Battleship. WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Chairman Foss, of the House committee on naval affairs, expects to have the naval appropriation bill ready to report to the House in a few days. It is practically assured that the bill will not carry an appropriation for an additional battleship, but it will provide for the construction of the proposed Dreadnaught, which is to be the result of any vessel afloat. There is some doubt as to whether that ship was properly authorized at the last session. In the opinion of the members of Congress, the bill was so juggled between the two bodies of Congress that merely the drawing of plans was provided for.

Bourne Working for Oregon. WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Jonathan Bourne is continuing the good work for Oregon that he has been doing in touch with the river and harbor committee, and is preparing to aid Senator Fulton in securing increased appropriations for the improvement of House falls to provide as liberally as desired. Yesterday Mr. Bourne called on the President and had a long, confidential talk about Oregon affairs. He expects to remain here until the end of the session.

Delay Rivers and Harbors Bill. WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The rivers and harbors bill, as now announced, probably will not be reported to the House of Representatives until the first of January 15. Subcommittees are engaged in discussing projects assigned to them and are preparing reports. The various subcommittees, Mr. Burton and his associates hold firm to their decision not to have any hearings in Oregon, excepting constantly because of the shortness of the session.

Confirms Oregon Postmasters. WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The Senate confirmed the following Oregon Postmasters: Thomas L. Amber, Mount Angel; Henry Procter, Elgin; Finley E. Roberts, Springfield.

Revert to Public After Death. LONDON, Jan. 11.—An article by Andrew Carnegie in the Review of Reviews, regarding great fortunes, is attracting attention here. In Mr. Carnegie's article he expresses the belief that a millionaire ought to share his wealth with the poor, but with the limitation that his fortune should not be divided before the millionaire's death. From the comments should exact a large share. Further discussing the question, alarming our equal distribution of wealth arising from the great industrial conditions of our day, he said: 'We shall ultimately have to consider the adoption of some such scheme as that which I have just mentioned, and a certain amount either in life or death, or at death so that it would be impossible for the owners of enormous fortunes to leave behind a certain amount to any individual.'

Held For Abducting Boy. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 11.—David Burns and Edward Thomas, charged with abducting Harry Berkowitz, a 10-year-old boy from Baltimore, and were held on \$100,000 bail from the court. The men claim they found the boy.

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