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## FORTLAND, MONDAY, FEB. 11, 1997.

ern people to seek here a more agree-able climate is in error. The sugges-RECOGNITION OF THE COLUMBIA. A striking change in sentiment re tion was made and is repeated in all garding Columbia River improvement seriousness. has taken place within the past few years. Portland, alone and single-handfought for years for recognition and severe for this state, but it was of the value of that stream as a not a circumstance compared with the bighway for commerce. Idaho, drained prolonged storms in the East. The by two of the largest tributaries very fact that trains were delayed here 100 the stream, for years reshows that the storm was unusual, for mained mildly indifferent to the sitto means had been provided to guard nation. Washington, through the meagainst the blockades. dium of the Puget Sound Press, openly snow sheds and snow fences in the antagonized every effort that was made East, and rotary snow plows always in to secure money from the General Govuse, the roads are not able to keep in ernment. Even in some parts of Ore, operation in that part of the country.

gon there was hostifity. Astoria being We don't know what a snow fence is violently opposed to expenditure of in this country. Our railroada any money above Tongue Point, and in through cuts where no sheds are built this opposition affording opportunity and where a small snowfall will block for other communities afflicted with the road when there is but one plow to chronic jealousy for Portland to display clear several hundred miles of track. their ennity. But Portland continued This storm was as severe as Oregon to spend her own money, and, through has seen in years, but was any one frothe Port of Portland, has finally suc- pen to death or did any one suffer who ceeded in giving the three states had ordinary clothing and shelter? It drained by the Columbia and its trib- is true that some of our water pines

positions, the project should and un-doubtedly will have the best possible support from the Pacific Coast tier of states, and perhaps from all the others. History is making fast out here on the Pacific, and by 1913, if its commerce in-creases for another six years propor-tionately with that of the past six tionately with that of the past six years, the affair will have National The work was carried out by a com-

support on a grand scale. It is need-less to mention that Oregon and Wash-James Carroll, Dr. Jesse W. Lazear, all non-immunes, and Dr. Agrimonte 8.23 ington will reap good returns on any a Cuban immune. Dr. Carroll coninvestment they make in the enterprise. tracted the disease from a mosquite bite and recovered; Dr. Lazear was bit-OBJECTIONS TO THE PRIMARY. ten by an infected mosquito, acquired

The politicians of Washington are in the disease and died. Two private sol tremble of sorrow for party and for diers volunteered for mosquito experiments, both acquired the disease and date without money, if the proposed direcovered. These and further experirect primary law shall pass. They ments proved conclusively that yellow vant the convention system retained, fever is conveyed by the bite of a mosfor without it the Grand Old Party will quito that had become infected by havhe only a tender memory; they want ing twelvesdays previously bitten a pasomething heroic done for the small tient suffering from the disease, and very unsatisfactory conditions that ex-further, that yellow fever can be concounties, for under the proposed scheme the big countles will grab all the nomiveyed in no other way. It follows that nations; and they want some way dethe spread of this disease can be pre- selections. A board composed of busivised to keep rich candidates from spending great sums of money to corvented by the destruction of these mosguitoes or by otherwise preventing their bite. Of course these alarms are raised by Very little popular appreciation has

solicitous souls who want no primary at all, and who also want the delegate been given to the discovery and work in the palmy days of the text-book of Dr. Reed. Such service to humanity trust. system and boss rule retained. But seldom brings pecunlary reward. Dr. Reed died November 22, 1902, and upon this is not to say that there is no merit in their contentions. There ought his tomb is this inscription: "He gave to be a convention, or at least there to man control over that dreadful Cuba is to fight, it will be with Amer-scourge, yellow fever." Beyond this icans. Not until then will I accept the ought to be no objection to a convenu, which should have power only to the Government has allowed a very adopt platforms and do other things modest pension to his widow, while an spake the fiery General Loynaz del

for the good of the party; but it should effort has been made-as yet without make no nominations. Some candicomplete success-to raise by subscripdates spend much more money than tion a fund of \$25,000, the income to be given to Dr. Reed's wife and daughter prived of his services for all time. It sults, but it is nonsense to say that the direct primary is the rich man's opporfuring their lives, the principal to be used after their death to build a monutunity. It is not. If he succeeds, it. ment to commemorate his achievement ister an occasional spanking, but as for will frequently be in spite of his riches. in medical science. Fuller appreciation a "fight" between Cuba and the United In Oregon at the last election not a sinmay perhaps come later. It usually re- States, the fiery General was either gle candidate for a state office, so far mains for a future generation to take joking or had been drinking. as The Oregonian knows, had more note of the benefits that have accrued than very moderate means. Some of to the race from scientific research. them spent, no doubt, more than they should have spent; but that is hardly a In this view the achievement of Dr. Reed may in due time receive the and while in that condition shot and

matter for the law, since the expendiplaudits of mankind, as have Jenner tures are widely believed to have been and Harvey, Sir James Simpson and for another man. Of coarse when Mr. entirely legitimate. Under the priother pioneers in the realm of medical McManus comes to his senses he will mary the public sees and knows where and surgical science. the money goes; under the convention

There is no complaint in Oregon now THE MISUNDERSTOOD RACE PROBLEM. that the large counties have an advan-Frank P, Sargent, Commissioner of tage over the small, though there was Labor, in a lecture in New York Saturme fear of it before a practical trial. day expressed the belief that, in the It has not so far operated in that way. near future, the Chinese exclusion act The primary law has some obvious would be repealed, his reasons being defects, but it is essentially a satis- that "the increasing civilization and factory, honest and fair method of awakening spirit of the Chinese people making nominations. It is here to stay. will compel us to open the door freely. The people will not now tolerate any This expression is in keeping with suggestion of return to the old system. good deal of mischievous sentiment that is being created in the East by ersons who are not in close touch with either the subject or the Chinaman Our Kansas friend who thinks The

himself. Mr. Sargent's statement is in Oregonian was joking when it said the line with one which appeared in the people of this state should urge East-New York Journal of Commerce a few "The patriotic pride of days earlier. China is still only in process of being awakened," says the Journal. "China will, in due time, make it necessary for It is true that Oregon has just exus to readjust our treaty relations erienced a storm that was unusual with her on a basis conformable to her

new place among the nations." 'Tis said that "distance lends enchantment to the view," and the economic and race troubles in the Far West have always seemed to Manhattan Island to be too remote to be seriwith ous. The Journal of Commerce reassuringly tells us that "the direction of foreign affairs, neither in Japan nor he's forgotten Oregon. the United States, being confided to lunatics, and it being quite inconceivable that they ever will be, any talk of war, immediate or proximate, between the two countries belongs to the most contemptible variety of newspaper sensa-sion." Having thus eliminated all possibility of war, "immediate or proximate.'

' and rebuked the "narrowminded prejudice and mischievous demagogiem of Pacific Coast labor leaders and politicians," the Journal says that "it may be confidently ef-

manhood or wemanhood. Of the four RADICALISM IN THE U. S. SENATE omposing the average family, as as Former Has Received Impetus by Elecsessed by Dr. Woodruff, born in rural tion of Three New Senators. or sub-rural New England, and out Washington (D. C.) Herald. beyond in the great West, three on an average are added in due time to the

The struggling forces of radicalism in the Senate will be strengthened to an ex-This is a distinct tent not wholly negligible as a result of gain both for humanity and for the recent Senatorial elections. The Repub-Nation in economic lines. So why not lican membership has been increased by take the cheerful, enlightened view of four, and at least two of these accessions the matter and stop deploring the are publicly pledged to a radical course working of the natural law, which reespecially as to a more rigorous assertion quires an excessive birth rate only to ounter-balance an excessive juvenile by Congress of its power over interstate ommerce. Mr. Brown, who succeeds Mr. Millard, from Nebraska, owes his tri-The House of Representatives killed umph directly to the record he made as the bill which proposed to require the Attorney-General of his state in prosecuting railroads and other large corpora appointment of at least two schooleachers upon the State Text-Book tions for violation of the law. He is only Commission. This bill was introduced 40 years old, and his rise in politics has at the suggestion of schoolteachers. been rapid because of his outspoken op-The defeat of the measure shows that position to all forms of capitalistic com the people have not yet forgotten the binations. In the speech of acceptance. delivered befort the Nebraska Legislature, he declared that he would resolutely educators were in full control of the stand by President Roosevelt's advanced policies of all kinds. It is stated by ness men, including one educational rsons familiar with Nebraska politics leader, may make some mistakes, but that the railroad influences which have it is not likely to make so many as dominated that state for many years did the selecting board which served were earnestly opposed to his election. If this statement is true it doubtless indicates that Nebraska's new Senator will align himself with the radical element of "Every time I see an American I his party when he enters the Senate and' have a contempt for him. If some day remain with that element.

Delaware's new Senator, H. A. Richardicans. Not until then will I accept the son, has also talked like a radical since his election. Mr. Richardson for years Thus has been one of the largest packers and Castillo in an address to the Liberal canners in the East, and he has declared party at Havana. If the General is that he heartily is in sympathy with the eincere, the rural guard will be depure food laws recently passed by Con gress, and would make these enactments even more stringent. He also favors the take Cuba across the knee and admintaking by the Government of all interstate canals as a means of curbing the greed of the railroads. It is said that he will introduce a bill covering this proposition at the beginning of the next Con-Editor McManus, of Pilot Rock, vis-

Mr. Dubois, a radical Democrat, has ited Pendleton, became intoxicated, been succeeded from Idaho by a Republican, who talks like a radical-William killed a gambler, mistaking his victim A. Borah, of Bolse. Mr. Borah is only 42, and although a lawyer of large practice. It is said that he has never been be filled with regret, but that will not in the employ of corporate interests in restore the life he took. Tragedies of his state. While he has made no public this nature should serve as powerful declaration of his intended course as a warnings against the evils of intem-Senator, it is believed by persons who know him well that he will fight shy of becoming identified with the dominant conservative element of his party in the upper chamber.

### INTO THE MORMON FOLD.

Condition That Proposed State of Lincoln Would Face.

BAKER CITY, Or., Feb. &-(To the Editor.)-The proposed creation of the new State of Lincoln probably will not be seriously considered by any one of the three states concerned-Idaho, Washington and Oregon-nor by the United States. And yet the mooting of the question to change the boundary lines of the three states that would be affected has raised more than one serious ques-

Today Idaho is fully one-third Mormon. By outting off the Panhandle would probably leave it more than half Mormon Attaching to Idaho the Oregon countles of Baker, Malheur and Grant would not alter that status, as in each of these countles there are large Mormon colonies To say nothing of the infamy of turning the Gentile population of Southern Idaho and Eastern Oregon irrevocably into the swilltub of the Mormon priesthood at Salt Lake, the political conse-

quences to the Nation would be even more serious. Already the Mormon priesthood is

priesthood two sovereign states instead States Senators In

PERPETUAL FRANCHISES OF PORTLAND

State Granted Two Only (Both the Gas Company's), and All the Others Came From the City-Sweeping Character of the Freeman Bill-What the Coffey Bill Would Do.

MANY perpetual street franchises exist in Portland, all of them granted by the city except two, and these two by the Legislature of Oregon for gas service, one in 1859, the other in 1874.

These two would be repealed by the Coffey bill, which is now in the Senate of the Legislature, after passing the House by a vote of 50 to 3.

The city, granted the other perpetual franchises, and can repeal them, if such power of repeal exists. There is substantial judicial authority for the opinion that the city can repeal and that no street franchise can be vested forever in any person or corporation

It is doubtful if the Legislature can repeal the franchises awarded by the city, because the new Home Rule amendments to the Constitution, enacted by the people last June (Art. 11, sec. 2; Art. IV, sec. 1 a.) expressly forbids the Legislature to enact local legislation for cities

It is likewise doubtful if the city can repeal the two gas franchises, since they were enacted by the general law-making power of the state. Even if the Legislature should delegate the power to the city to repeal them, it is doubtful if such delegation of power would be valid.

The Freeman bill would revoke all perpetual franchises, everywhere in the state, by general act; also all perpetual rights and privileges held by any corporation or individual. The terms of this bill are so broad, that it is not clear how far they would go in revoking perpetual rights, privileges and franchises, The Freeman bill passed the House Friday against but one negative vote.

In addition to the perpetual Bireet franchises in Portland, are a number of limited-term franchises, the most important being for streetcars and telephones. These would be touched by neither the Coffey nor the Freeman bill.

All the franchises in Portland were given away free, yet are capitalized by their possessors at millions of dollars, and when sold are sold for millions. Yet the perpetual franchises pay no compensation to the public for use of the streets and the limited franchises pay little.

These franchises are assessed for taxes on but a small fraction of their capitalized value.

In June, 1905, the streetcar system of Portland Railway Company, together with franchises, sold for \$6,000,000. The value of the physical properties was but \$2,000,000, leaving the selling price of the franchises \$4,000,000.

This \$4,000,000 represented value given away by the public, yet the public must pay interest and dividends on it.

Recently the Portland Gas Company was offered \$3,000,000 for its properties and franchises, but demanded \$4,000,000. A few months before-February, 1906-F. Adams, president of the company, informed a special investigating committee of the City Council, that the value of all physical properties of the company was \$2,250,000

The difference between that sum and \$4,000,000 the selling price demanded. represents the value put on the gas franchises. That difference is \$1,750,000,

Should the Coffey bill and the Freeman bill pass, all the public-service corportations of Portland, not holding perpetual franchises, would secure new franchises from the city.

The new franchises would charge compensation, for use of the streets, and would give the city power to regulate quality and price of service-power now withheld.

The following is a list of street franchises in Portland:

### PERPETUAL FRANCHISES.

#### Granted by Legislature.

(Repealed	by	Coffey	bill.

YEAR GRANTED.	KIND OF FRANCHISE.	POSSESSOR.	
1859	Gas Gas	Portland Gas Company Portland Gas Company	

#### Granted by City of Portland.

City can repeal and as new home rule amendment to constitution denies to Legislature power to enact for cities, Legislature perhaps cannot repeal.

EAR GRANTED.	KIND OF FRANCHISE.	POSSESSOR.
, 1886, 1887, 1890, 1891.	Gas (East Portland) Electric Railroad, Fourth street Railroad E. First street Railroad, E. Second street	Portland Gas Co. Portland Gen. Elect. Co. Southern Pacific Southern Pacific Q. R. & N.
, 1888, 1899, 1902	Railroad, N. Front street Railroad, various streets in North Portland	N. P. Terminal Co. N. P. Terminal Co.
, 1881, 1887, 1803, 1899	Railroad, various streets Telegraph Telegraph	S. Pac, and O. R. & N. Western Union Am. District Postal
	Telegraph Elevator	Am. District Postal Port. Hydraulic Elev. Co.

#### LIMITED-TERM FRANCHISES.

Granted by City.

YEAR GRANTED,	Durat	KIND OF FRANCHISE.	POSSESSOR.	
	10m, 252	Streetcar	Portland Railway Portland Railway	
	( mm)	Considers (Madison at )	O TU P Co	

#### perance, but, unfortunately, they are too soon forgotten. Mr. McManus will hardly commit any more murdens, but me other fool with a gun and no con trol over his appetite will supply the periodical tragedy of this nature. The Russian famine committee has made an appeal to the American people for financial assistance in aid of the

chieftaincy of the rural guard."

necessary for Uncle Sam

starving peasants. The Americans will espond, of course-they always dobut those who are members of the American Society of Equity will perhaps have difficulty in restraining the wich that Russia had fed more of her wheat to the starving peasants and thus kept it off the foreign markets, where it played such havoc with the chances for "dollar wheat" in this country.

Mrs. Fish sat on the social aspiralons of Mr. Harriman's daughters and Mr. Harriman put Mr. Fish and his ree aristocratic supporters out of the Illinois Central, So goes the latest New York story. If Mr. Harriman is trying to break into the New York society he has moubles of his own. That's why

According to a Paris cable, Stanford White was more of a favorite in the French capital than was Harry Thaw, In view of some of the stories that are old of the wickedest city in the world, White may have found the company more congenial than it seemed to the hare-brained spendthrift who afterwards executed him.

tion of political and social importance.

clothed with state sovereignty in Utah. and has two representatives in the United States Senate and one in the lower house of Congress. The proposed crea-tion of the new State of Luncotn would completely Mormonize Idaho, give that

1593.

1582, 1882,

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1887

utaries a twenty-five-foot channel for were frozen, but if pipes were exposed more than 100 miles inland from the in the East as they are here they would have been frozen solid for the

The example which Portland set, 000 raised by direct taxation on Multnomah County alone, appealed to Vancouver, Wash., and a few years ago

the Port of Vancouver, with slight ald from the General Government, deep-William Thomas Councilman, professor of pathology in Harvard University ened the Columbia between Vancouver Medical School, has an article in a late and the twenty-five-foot channel which number of the Sunday Magazine in Portland had dredged to the sea. This which he asserts that the discovery by was followed two years ago by a heavy Major Walter Reed, a surgeon in the state appropriation by Oregon for con United States Army, that yellow fever struction of a portage railroad. This s conveyed to a susceptible subject by policy of self-help has brought its rethe bite of a mosquito which had preward, not only in increased assistance viously bitten a patient suffering from from the General Government assuring this disease, and that this justly dreadultimate completion of the various im ed scourge can be conveyed from one provement projects now under way, individual to another in no other way, but it has also appealed to our neighis the greatest achievement in a decade. Professor Councilman also declares that boring states. Idaho wheeled into line several years ago, and, since Repre it ranks with such great medical dissontative Jones has become a power in coveries as vaccination, anaesthesia, antiseptics in surgery and antitoxin in river and harbor work, there has been change in sentiment throughout diphtheria, Washington.

It is, of course, by the results that The demand from Eastern Washing ave followed the application of this ton for an open river has become so liscovery to the control and, relatively strong that practically all opposition speaking, the extinction, of yellow Western Washington has been Irom. fever that it is judged. Its intelligent eliminated, and today the three states application to the protection of a comare working harmoniously for the community against this malady has been The conference of legislamon good. instrumental in saving very many hutive committees held in this city Satman lives and in the furtherance of urday revealed a degree of interest and sommerce, the value of which is praca unanimity of feeling that augurs well ically incalculable. indeed for the future of the open river

from Lewiston to the sea. The appro-priation suggested by the three states, this period yellow fever has been prac together with the funds that could be tically subdued in its centuries-old secured from the Government, would haunts. be adequate to place the river between outbreaks in Northern cities since 1793. Riparia and Cellio in a fairly good In August of that year it appeared in navigable condition. With these im-Philadelphia, and by the middle of Sepprovements completed so that boats tember 4041 people out of a total of 40,144 inhabitants died from it. The could run through to Lewiston, dem-onstration of the value of the water records of that time tell of the awful route would be so effectual that it horror and suffering incident to the would undoubtedly hasten completion of the canal and locks botween The visitation. A repetition of the scenes Dalles and Celilo.

Our policy of self-help on the lower Memphis and New Orleans, the loss of life in those cities being large and the giver has already appealed to the Govpanic that attended it being both wild ernment, and there is no reason to be-lieve that it will not have an equally and pitiful. The financial burden imposed was also heavy. Dr. Hoolbeck favorable effect on the upper river estimated that the actual lose to the There was good logic in the remark of country was not less than \$100,000,000. Senator Whealdon when he stated at while Saturday's conference that "the best stricken cities aggregated \$4,548,703. railroad commission to govern rates that we can have in this state will b an open river between the two railroads down the Columbia." Aid to the grand project has been long deferred, but it now seems to be coming with a spirit that augurs well for the future of nature's own highway from the Inland Empire to the sea. speaks in detail:

The 400th anniversary of the discovery of the Pacific Ocean will occur in 1913, and California has already starte the ball rolling for a world's fair that is expected to eclipse any exposition that has ever been held in this cour try. The date set is still some distance in the future, but, in spite of increasing protests against the numerous ex-

firmed that Japan will assent to no arrangement under which her people may be condemned to occupy a position inferior to that of other classes of im-

The example which Portland set, stat three months. And did Kansas with the expenditure of nearly \$2,000,- ever see such a February as this we are now enjoying?

#### DR. REED'S DISCOVERY.

This discovery was made in Decem

er, 1900, just six years ago. During

f that time was enacted in 1878 in

direct contributions to the

This story, with added details of

There have been no serious

distant observers of this impending race trouble, it may be stated that there are a great many thousands besides "labor leaders and politicians" who will enter strenuous objection to any attempt on the part of the yellow hordes from across the Pacific being placed on an equality with the Angle saxon immigrants whose mating with our own Americans will produce no strain of yellow in our blood. Perhaps New York judges the value of men by poor standards. It will be freely admitted, even in the West, that the lowest Japanese or Chinamen that ever lived would be entitled to equal rights with a Stanford White or others of a cult like his, which seems adapted to the soil of little old New York.

nigrants to these shores.

For the information of the Journal of

Commerce, Mr. Sargent and all other

#### THE RACE-SUICIDE BOGY.

Major Charles F. Woodruff, M. D., U. S. A., has gotten in, through the New York Sunday Times, a word in regard to the diminished birth rate in the United States that disposes of the bogy of race suicide. Repeating the wellestablished facts that the birth rate diminishes in direct proportion to the growth in human intelligence, and that the death rate for infants has been s diminished by medical and sanitary science that it is no longer necessary to produce so many children in order to keep up the quota of population, he adds that it is of incalculable benefit that the human race in its civilized branches is gradually being condensed so to speak, in small families,

He finds that feeble children are now brought up to lives of usefulness who formerly perished; present types much feebler than the powerful prehistoric brute survive in obedience to natural law as being fitter for the purposes of the world than the stupid man of great strength. Supporting his argument by contrasting examples, he finds that in England and France the more intelligent children of the leaser birth rate survive; in Russia, with large families and an enormous infantile death rate the most robust and often the stupidest run the gauntlet of unsanitary conditions and grow to maturity.

leath and expense due to the growth Five births to a family, now ample, of the country in the intermediate would have "meant race extinction" a period, would without doubt have been thousand years ago. The average repeated in 1905 had not measures American family is now about four; based upon the discovery of Dr. Reed in two or three centuries, as computed been instituted to prevent it. Of these by Dr. Woodruff, if our death ipsees measures Professor Councilman thus continue to diminish at present rates, the birth rate will drop naturally, and

Reed's discovery, like all other discoveries, without eny cause for alarm, to a fraction or allow the solution of all end of the immediate problem. The extension of an epidemics such as mallpos, that the disease was probably conveyed by an insect. It was Reed's problem to show that the disease could be next, to ascertain what insect did this, and its life history; to ascertain what insect a second the second sec

which Portland fights appropriations for normal schools or any other improvements for the state that do not directly benefit that city?-Drain Nonparell.

What appropriations are to be made by the present Legislature for the direct benefit of Portland?

The purpose of a banking law is to protect depositors. Let that be kept in mind when the banking law is passed No bank at all is better than one that gets away with the depositors' money yet it is not necessary to make the terms of a banking act prohibitory.

The queer part of the Evelyn Nesbit Thaw testimony is that her story cannot be impeached by the District At-torney as false, for she is only telling the jury what she told her husband. But it all sounds had enough to be true

Cascade County has gone glimmer-Cascade County has gone glimmer-ing, but the sun shines and the balmy breezes blow and the soil yields of its ment, such as the President would have ing, but the sun shines and the baimy great abundance just the same in the will finally suffice to eradicate the Mor beautiful Hood River Valley. The ap- mon evil from the Am ples will never know the difference.

Mr. Jerome is going to send 'two or more Aldermen to Sing Sing because there have been none there for twenty "ears." That's certainly a long time between Aldermen, which is New York's word for Councilmen.

Mr. Rockefeller gives away \$32,000,000 in a day and Standard Oil raises the of oll so as to realize an extra \$40,000,000 before the year ends. Education comes high, but we must have it.

It is reported that one firm is setting out 100 acres of prune trees in Polk County. Certainly no lack of confidence in the future of the prune indus-try in that part of the Valley,

If any one arises from the back row and asks where Mr. Harriman got it, the Lane County shippers are ready to tell him. But it remains to be seen where he is going to get it.

John Sneed tells in The Oregonian every Sunday a lot of interesting things dog with his night stick and it was five about the "making of a successful wife." Yet it would be hard to beat the record of Evelyn Thaw, -----

We understand it now. Senator Balley appealed to the unwritten law. No written law appears quite adequate to the case of the man whose word is as bad as his bond

We really see no reason for the headline writers putting special emphasis on the word "only" in announcing that the Legislature" yet has two weeks

The Portland bakers have organized, but "not to raise prices." Organized to keep-prices down, no doubt.

As usual, the first thing asked for when the mails got in was The Orego-

stead of two, two Congressmen instead of one, and leave the new state of Lin-coln itself seriously affected with the the ancerous growth by having attached to It the Mormonized county of Union. The growing menace of Mormonism in the Pacific Coast States is quite as serious as that of coolie immigration, and in some respects even more so. By differ-ence in blood, the Western American instinctively understands the coolie immi-

ration question and the reasons for his bjections to same. But because its ad-erents are Anglo-Saxon he does not comprehend that Mormonism is treason-tible as well as allen in every fiber of its 1906. being, and is therefore an institious at LIFE IN THE OREGON COUNTRY.

well as an open onemy to free institu-tions and Christian civilization.

There is little need of hurrying the fr table. What the English sparrow is our native songbird, the Mormon is witable. to the remainder of the community where he settles. The end of the supremacy of the native is in sight. Under our political system no state is equal to the task

rican body JOHN C. YOUNG.

#### Boston Bull and Teddy Bear, New York Sun.

In the window of the jeweiry store beside the Broadway entrance to the Lincoln Square Theater there was a "Teddy bear." He was an automatic bear, and when the current was on he Myrtle Point Enterprise. The pussy willows are in bloom gooseberries, wild roses and other similar bushes are in bud. It will be at least two months before our Eastern opened his mouth and seemed to guip, and his head swayed from side to side. and his head swayed from side to side. Last night at \$:30 o'clock a fugitive dog-a folks can se anything like that. Boston bull of the feminine persuas 2710

ame and stood before the window oked and for a while didn't say a word. Late playgoers let the first act go to se

what would come of it. Bruin's jaw dropped and the dog barked. Bruin shock hig head and the dog growled. Bruin's paw moved and the dog jumped straight at him. She hit the glass and dropped, got up and jumped again, and again fell to the sidewals. Then she streaked it for the door through the legs of the crowd, steeplechased a showcase and flung herself straight at the bear's throat. Moritz Melsie, the feweler, grabbed her

and yanked, but that doesn't go with a Boston bull. Policeman Barlow got on the job. By that time bruin was down and being worried. Barlow whacked the

minutes, at that, before she let go. Barlow poked his finger under her collar and dragged her to the West Sixty-eighth street station. She was booked for dis-

orderly conduct and chucked in a cell,

Handy With the Rope. Vale Oriano.

A fine baid eagle was caught by a fasse thrown by Roy Clark on the Han-ley ranch. It measured 6 feet 8 inches from tip to tip of the wings.

Retrospection

Edwin L Sahin in the Smart Set. Sant Valentine knocked at my bachelor heart, Where Cupid, the sloth, had been idle; And bake me to take in sweet doings a part, And whispered of maid and of bridal.

quaint,
And here's to that maiden compelling.
And here's to that maiden compelling.
And here's to that bridle (and ne'er a complaint)
Though changed, it-may be, in the spelling.

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Something Doing in Kalama

ing on a rope, a butcher twisting

erously, but all to no purpose.

for a meal, but never of three.

cow's tail, and a dog barking vocif-

Table d'Hote in Scattle.

Municipal News. Jap restaurants have raised the price

of three-course meals from 10 to 15 cents. Too much. Their customers might sacrifice the price of two beers

Spring Is There Already.

A Douglas County Hog.

C. L. Willis in Roschurg Review.

big hogs. I killed a thoroughbred "Du roc Jersey" hog, the 23d of this month, that dressed 490 pounds. Douglas County has some big hogs almo. Cowlitz County News. A balky cow, a man with a stick, a woman with a bunch of hay, man pull-

More "Spies."

Medford Southern Oregonian. Forty-five Japanese have arrived in Ashland and will be distributed along the railroad north to work on the different sections. Only a few of them are able to understand English, Just how many more are coming is not known, but it is likely that the white laborers along the line will get "bumped" to make room for-these pestiferous little fellows.

#### Barbarous Joh. Echo Register.

Echo has a couple of new barbers that are working without licenses and thes authorities should look into the matter. The first customer they had is a man by the name of Oleson. It took both of them to do the work, for one of them cut his whiskers off with a pair of tin anips, while the other one shingled his hair with a pair of sheep shears. This will likely be their last I saw by The Oregonian that the shears. T Linn County farmers were killing some customer.

