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most of all excuses, and absolutely immoral. Calhoun and his associates were under no compulsion to deal with Ruff and Schmitz. All they had to do was to denounce the official thieves and appeal to the public.

The greatest good of these exposures is that they will have a tendency to curb secret and corrupt deals. The object of Calhoun and his associates was to get a secret advantage over the public, just as it is the object of those who make secret deals for seats in the United States Senate with those who want offices, or "influence," or "protection" against violation of the law.

AN INSTRUCTIVE DILEMMA. The present dilemma in which the Park Board finds itself is not without a lesson to those who are seeking some method of improving municipal affairs.

It should be evident by this time to men seeking advancement in political life that the methods which have prevailed heretofore are no longer.

THE MISTREATED PHILIPPINES. The attitude of Secretary Taft toward the Philippines has always been favorable to the people, who were endeavoring to work out the commercial salvation of the islands.

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SILHOUETTES. BY ARTHUR A. GREENE. The whisper of a pretty woman carries farther than the bugle-call of duty.

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Without discommodating the others, who pay. My geography's poor, but can anyone tell Of a more remote place than—say Kalspell?

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WOULD ELECT TAFT AND HUGHES. Reader of Oregonian for 50 Years Gives His Political Preferences.

POOR SHOWING AGAINST PRATT. Friends of Glendale Cashier Hopeful of Exoneration in Court.

TILLAMOOK JAIL IS CROWDED. Sheriff Makes Raid and Lands a Bunch of Young Toughs.

WASHINGTON LUMBERMEN DON'T PROPOSE TO COMPROMISE. SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—When Presidents Elliott and Lewis...

HARTMAN ELECTED MANAGER OF SEATTLE ELEVEN AFTER SHARP CONTEST. SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The hottest political fight ever known in the Washington High School athletic circles...

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SUPREME COURT DECISIONS. Damage Suit Affirmed in the Case Against Lumber Company.

DESERVED BY CARLISLE BRAVE. NEZ PERCE MAIDEN DEMANDS DAMAGES ON CHARGE OF SEDUCTION.

WILL PAVE ELEVENTH STREET. Eugene Council Calls for Immediate Bids for Mile of Work.

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WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The temporary stockade and watch-towers have been completed and work will begin tomorrow on the building of the new jute mill at the penitentiary here.