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DEMOCRATIO ANARCHY,

It is scarcely humane any longer to sk a Democrat why he is a Democrat. The attempt to dissect from his conused consciousness the reasons for the colitical faith which he thinks is in him resembles vivisection too closely o be agreeable, and yet it sometimes happens that one has to do unpleasant things for the advancement of exact knowledge. It is a matter of some concern to the country to know whether the Democratic party is a political organization honestly striving for the promotion of a set of princies or is simply a band of disorganized freebooters with no common purpossible and hold them at the cost of any sacrifice as long as possible. Inquire of any Democrat what his party principles are, and he will glibly reply that they are those of the immortal and ever glorious Jefferson. Push the investigation a step farther and ask him just what ones among the multitudinous principles of Jefferson he especially adopts for his own, and the chances are that he will respond with a dumb stare. Your rank and file Democrat adores the founder of his party in much the same way as the Flathead Indians formerly worshiped the delty. They knew his name and nothing more,

But if he does happen to cherish any of Jefferson's political ideas these two will certainly be found amongst them: First, "That government is best which governs least," and second, "All unnecessary taxation is unjust taxation." The first of these principles is particularly dear to the Democrats, because it authorizes them to disregard their party pledges. Obedience to a pledge is a species of government. Applying Jefferson's idea, it best when it exercises least control. Hence the more pledges a Democrat can break, the more faithful he is to his party and to his great exemplar. If anybody can distinguish between the logical result of this principle and the anarchy which Emma Goldman reaches, it would be delightful to see him do the stunt. Necessarily a government would grow better and better the less authority it had, if we are to follow Jefferson, and it would reach the acme of excellence when it had no authority at all. The full beauty of this political precept in practical application can be seen in the conduct of the Democratic members at the special session of Congress. They have obey Its beexactly what one would expect. They accomplish nothing except to add now and then to the broken promises which are the only recent treasures

their party has accumulated. The other Jeffersonian principle that Democrats in every one of their platforms since 1868. In 1876 they demanded a revenue tariff. In 1892, to as a fraud." In 1904 they "denounce protection as a robbery of the many form they favored "the immediate revision of the tariff by the reduction ber." All this looks very fine. No words Let us see how it works out in deeds. facts as well as millions behind him." When the Payne bill was on its final passage in the House, there were eight roll-calls, as the Evening Sun reminds us, which gave the Democrats the for it even if honesty could not. Neither shame nor honesty, however, proeed any such result. Out of the 171 Democrats in the House enough voted against free lumber and in favor of "unnecessary taxation" and "robbery of the many to enrich the few" minority to keep the duty on. This is following Jefferson with a vengeance. It looks amazingly like Mr. Rockefeller's way of following another much praised individual. More than that, the Democrats cast

many votes for protection on hides. The members from Texas, Arkansas, to continue this detestable outrage on the people and it was finally put to gress casts his vote without the slightest regard to the chimerical principles of his party and solely with reference to the petty interests of the district he represents. The befuddled Democratvoters of Oklahoma imagine that the duty on hides puts money in their pockets. It does not put a penny in their pockets. Neither does the Fedfor the beef trust. But the Oklahoma cattlemen think the duty is a good Carter, Congressman from Oklahoma, smears himself with dishonor. What is to be the future of a party whose members habitually act without regard to their pledges? What is the

ries in its lack of principle? Scriptures warn us that hell itself must fall if the devils were divided against themselves. which Jefferson taught bids fair to bring his party to destruction.

WHO ARE THE ACCOMPLICES? The Oregonian fancies that, if the

whole truth about the Reinstein excursion to the City Hall should be known, it would vastly interest and stir the public. It is inconceivable that one person, or two persons, alone arranged and carried out the scheme for the mutilation of the McKenna Excise Board petitions. Why the McKenna petitions? Why not the petitions of that proposed great reform, the Gothenburg system, which purposes to create from the saloon business of Portland a great and profitable monopoly?

It has not escaped public attention that the attack of the record-mutilators was made entirely upon the Mc-Kenna signatures. Can it be possible that the conspirators had no fear or concern about the passage of the Gothenburg ordinance? Or did it just merely chance that they were interrupted in their secret work at the City Hall, and had not got around yet to the Gothenburg papers, and that they intended in due time to dispose of them through the effective process of mutilation?

These are mere speculations, or inquiries. The public doesn't understand the Reinstein strategy. It wants to understand it. If the investigation shall be pursued with diligence and fidelity, undoubtedly the public will in time understand it. It will be able purposes of its real sponsors, if it has Perhaps these gentlemen will any. come out from under cover now, and et us know who it is that is going to having all the saloons and liquor business of Portland in one control.

Meanwhile, it is hoped that Mr. Mc-Kenna and his associates will persist in their purpose to pursue their private investigation into this whole criminal business. The District Attorney of course will use all possible diligence to uncover the truth and to punish the perpetrators. But he has many things to do. He should have help. A serious crime has been committed. It will be committed again unquestionably, if the public is not fully aroused to an adequate sense of the outrage and villainy of this crime, and shall not with one voice demand that the criminals be placed speedily in the penitentlary. It is too grave a matter to be hushed up. It is too great a wrong to be con-

SENSATIONAL WHEAT MARKET. The sensational advances in the wheat market last week have been followed this week by a decline even more rapid and sensational than the advances. There was a break yesterday of 4 cents per bushel in both the May and July options in Chicago, and the Liverpool market declined nearly 2 1/2 cents per bushel. On the July option in Chicago this is a decline of 9 % cents per bushel from the closing price last Saturday. During the same period the Liverpool price has declined 71/2 cents per bushel, largely in sympathy with the American decline. As there is no more wheat in the world than there was last Saturday, the actual quotations at the close yesterday would seem to indicate that wheat had been much too high and was now working toward a lower level.

Had the descent been gradual and easy, this theory might find better a party organization in name, but not support. But any kind of a market, whether it is advancing or declining, Each takes his own course at seldom if ever makes such hysterical the railroads. Now that Mr. Harrievery juncture. The natural result is changes as have been the rule this week unless there has been a considerable amount of sentiment intermingled with the economic features of the situation. Mr. Patten has been charged with manipulating the market, and has been quite generally "all unnecessary taxation is unjust blamed for the high prices. He retorts taxation," has been repeated by the that consumption has been gaining on production for many years and is now nearing a crisis. The New Orleans Times-Democrat, printed far away select an example or two at random, from the actual seat of the trouble they "denounce Republican protection and at a place where cheap wheat is wanted by all classes, treats Mr. Patten quite fairly in the statement that to enrich the few." In their last plat- "it would be a great mistake to imagine that the personality and methods of this man afford the sole explanaof import duties," and demanded "the tion of the crisis which confronts conimmediate repeal of the tariff on lum- sumers and dealers in grain throughout the world. Evidence shows that could be more consistent with the glo-rious principles of the deathless one. In o speculator can control a commod-ity of universal use, unless he has

It now remains to be seen whether Mr. Patten's carefully gathered "facts" from all parts of the world are misleading or whether it is Secretary Wilchance they so ardently longed for to son that has made the monumental speak out for free lumber. Since this blunder regarding the size of the 1908 had been flamboyantly emphasized in their platform, it seems that shame it is on the actual size of this crop ought to have driven them to vote that market prices for the next three months will be based. In the Pacific Northwest every man at all familia with the situation knows that the Government figures on Oregon, Washington and Idaho crop last year were 15,000,000 bushels in excess of the actual out-turn, and in these three to enable the reactionary Republican states alone the overestimate acestimated excess of 30,000,000 bushels over the 1907 crop in the United States.

Europe, which is the great consuming market of the world, has for some Nebraska, Oklahoma, and so on, voted there has been about as strong as it rest by the Republicans in spite of printed last week the London Times an unexpected inheritance recently, he strong Democratic opposition. The placed the world's visible supply at still persits in his resentment and will 132,000,000 bushels, which is 18,000,-000 bushels less than a year ago. Beer- in his present place of refuge to the bohm estimates that the shipments now not distant end. from the principal exporting countries of the world will average 7,200,000 the season, ending July 31, and places for a reason so narrow and trivial as prospective supplies the United States | the stress and strain of years, the age-

With the authorities of both the thing for them and therefore, instead old world and the new so far at vari- caping death in war, defying wreck at ance in their figures and predictions mighty Jefferson, instead of trying to as to the future of the market, it is teach his ignorant constituents the difficult to form an opinion as to what desire for fortune should at tardy call truth of the wretched business, Mr. may happen before a new crop is harvested. The United States will need smoothly votes for the duty and for home consumption, before another crop is produced, about 112,-000,000 bushels of wheat. The price is without family ties that he recogat which it will be bought is as uncer- nizes or social interests beyond the

The high prices. If Secretary Wilson is ity, want that he has not alreadywrong only in Oregon, Washingto and Idaho, the price will be lower. Washington

THE REAL BOSSES. Who are the friends of the direct primary? Mr. Thomas McCusker says that the methods of Mr. Simon's nomination are all wrong. Any mass meeting for the suggestion of candidates he deems a subrevsion of the principle and policy of the primary. mass meeting plan is almost exactly in line with the suggestion of Governor Hughes, the New York reform Governor, who is making a fight for a direct primary constructed on the basis of prior suggestions by committees or conventions. Is Governor Hughes or is he not a friend of the di-rect primary? If he is, then McCus-ker and his allies are wrong. If he is not, then everybody else is wrong in esteeming Governor Hughes an executive of high ideals and noble purpose. Now the people of Portland are going to have to decide whether they

will accept a candidate for Mayor named by 500 Republicans in open assembly, or a candidate who has the private brand of McCusker and his associates. Rather, the Republicans of Portland at the coming primary are to decide the question who shall be the Republican candidate. It is hardly to be supposed that any Republican will be coerced by the action of the assembly into voting for Mr. Simon or against Mr. Rushlight. The primary will be just as free and open as ever. It all comes back to the question, then, as to whether any group of citizens shall have the privilege of sugto know probably in time more about gesting a candidate for the primary, the more or less mysterious origin of as this assembly has done, or whether the Gothenburg ordinance and the they must confine their choice to selfnominated candidates and candidates brought out by the McCusker method. We may have a deep respect for Mr. McCusker without following his politfinance this most amazing project of | ical lead or accepting his domination and control of the Republican party. It hardly becomes Boss McCusker to yell "ring" and "machine" at a Re-

publican assembly that named a candidate without the slightest suspicion of back-room suggestion or influence and at the same time to be framing a slate of his own.

IMPROVED OCEAN SERVICE.

The news that the contract has been let for two new steamers for the Harriman service between Portland and San Francisco will be received with pleasure by the business interests of both cities most affected by the proposed improvement. With the excep-tion of an occasional good ship like the Rose City and the St. Paul, which was wrecked, the Portland and San Francisco route has for years been covered by a lot of ancient craft that might have been in keeping with the size and business of the port forty years ago, but are now woefully out of date. Not since both steamship and rail facilities between Portland and San Francisco have passed into the hands of the Harriman system has there been anything like a satisfactory steamship service between the two cities. Most of the time the steamers operated regularly were able to handle the freight offering, and this left an opening for a fleet of old lumber droghers which carried both freight and passengers in an irregular service possessing no advanrelief from the congestion that was to please or placate them? periodically so vexatious and expensive for shippers.

Whatever may have been the reasons that prevented this improvement being made in the service years ago, the shipping and traveling public has always had the impression that the ocean service was made as bad as posman is to provide us with a modern service, with fast and commodious steamers, it is quite plain that he has abandoned any hope he might have had of diverting traffic to the railroads by means of an unsatisfactory service on the ocean. This belated recognition of the value of the ocean traffic between the two cities has been highly advantageous to the owners of small freighters and passenger steamers, and for the first twenty days of the present month the Harriman system had but three steamers out of Portland, while the opposition companies cleared more than twenty

steamers with freight and passengers. The advent of the new steamers will be welcomed by the large and rapidly growing class of tourist travel which for the sake of diversion always prefers a short ocean trip to the dusty land ride in the Summer time. finest railroad service that could be established between Portland and San Francisco can never prevent the growth of the ocean traffic, and in time the route will be covered by craft as fast and palatial as those which now defy the efforts of the railroads to drive them out of business coasting routes out of New York.

NATURE'S WAY.

The story of John Copeland, aged 86, an inmate of the Catholic Home for the Aged in this city, as related recently, is instinct with romance and still alive with resentment, though the thread of grievance that runs through it has been worn with the counted for one-half of the officially attrition of threescore years. Crossed in love when a mere youth by the religious fanaticism of his parents, who refused to sanction his marriage with a girl whose religious faith was not of their own, this now aged man fared time been unable to secure wheat forth into the world when a mere boy, from this country, and the situation embittered against his family, and he has-so runs the story-persistently has been in the United States. In refused to hold any sort of intercourse carefully prepared statistics with his own ever since. Coming into have none of it, preferring to remain

Next to the fact that this man relinquished his early dreams of happibushels per week for the remainder of ness at the behest of his parents, and the weekly requirements for that that given, the strange part of this period at 9,400,000 bushels. In these story is that his resentment survives eral treasury get anything from it, and Canada are expected to contribute dulled emotions of youth and the glow 40,000,000 bushels and Russia 30,000,- of a long dead hope. It is not strange that, after knocking about the world sea and at last too old to work, drifting have been found dead within him. What can wealth bring to him nowthat he has not already? What does a man of fourscore and six years, who outlook for a party which openly glo- Patten figures are right, it will be at daily life in a home provided by char-

warmth and food and clothing and the kind offices of his benevolent caretakers? With youth but a dim memory, middle life a vanished dream, achievement, even in simplest ways no longer possible, age and its infirmities upon him, what to him is the glitter of inherited wealth? It is not perhaps so much that his long-lived resentment is still keen as that all desires that wealth could gratify are dead within him, that John Copeland refuses to accept the late inheritance that has come to him. Present conditions satisfy him; the measure of his needs is filled every day; the spark of life is covered by the ashes of dead years. Why should he reach out a withered hand to grasp riches that can add nothing to the few and simple blessings that he is able to enjoy? Time has made conquest of youth and health and the desire of achievement. He is sheltered and clothed and fed according to his needs. Having all that money can buy, that he would and wane?

The two farmers who rendered 'first aid to the escaped." Bill Squires, the desperado, who fled from the Kelly Butte rock quarry last week, should feel very grateful to the grand With a full knowledge that the man was an escaping criminal, these farmers provided him with a hat and coat, instructed him to walk in a furrow so they could plow it under and thus throw the pursuing dogs off the scent, and also offered him a gun, which would be handy in case it be necessary to do the Tracy act and kill the Deputy Sheriffs who were in pursuit. The accommodating gentlemen who were so willing to aid in starting a possible line of tragedies vere arrested, but the grand jury failed to return a true bill against them. This will be very pleasing news to the rest of the convicts, who might have been deterred from a jailbreak by the belief that they would get no such warm welcome from the citizens in the vicinity of the rockpile. No suggestion has been made that the men be rewarded for their generosity toward Mr. Squires, but this may have been inadvertently overlooked.

"Mistah Johnsing," king of the bruisers, was less particular about the color line than Mr. Jeffries, and his willingness to overlook the fact that Jeffries was only "poor white trash" was much to his credit. As a result of this condescension on the part of Johnson, there is at last a prospect for the Johnson-Jeffries mill to get beyond the conversational stage. All people who do not believe that civilization is a failure, and that we are retrograding to the old life when brute force ruled the world, will be disappointed if Mr. Johnson fails to land a body blow on the fighting game by knocking Mr. Jeffries out of the ring and the limelight at the same time.

All the slate-makers and schemers and amateur bosses and would-be directors-general of the direct primary continue to be greatly worried over the Simon nomination by the Repubtages except that it did afford some lican assembly. Is it really necessary

Snow oh the Western prairies, killing and devastating gales in Ohio and Texas, an ice gorge threatening towns on the Niagara River-who would not live in Oregon even though our weather this month is just a "leetle cold" for

er remote generation may be able some day to ride on those ships?

Mr. Reinstein preferred to go to the City Hall at night so as not to disturb the Auditor's force. He was even so considerate as not to mention it to the Auditor. The burglar has the same rare sense of delicacy.

Milton is planning for its annual Strawberry day, which is an institution in that fruitful region. But by any by, every day will be strawberry day in Oregon until other fruit crowds it off the card.

Leaders of the movement announced me weeks ago that prohibition would be the issue in Oregon next year. They didn't hope for such effective aid to their cause as Reinstein et al. have just tendered.

The Democrats will make no anteprimary nomination for Mayor. They purpose merely to take what the Re publicans throw away. Is this another good year for that sort of business?

Man is a pygmy beside Nature whose work in the ice gorge at Niagara is like the irresistible June flood merely designed to teach him his helplessness to avert it.

A 'bus boy in a San Francisco hotel, who accidentally swallowed a silver dollar the other night, is much worried as to the outcome. His fear is the coin is counterfelt.

Mix that Mrs. Mix knows where she is, even if Mr. Mix doesn't, all occasion for excitement will be over. The only thing left for some of

When it occurs to the mixed Mr.

those misguided bull speculators who have been following Mr. Patten is to follow him also to the woods The season is at hand where deceptive experts give false character to the

contents of the box by putting four

good strawberries on top. This fine weather and these gentle breezes mean continued pollenization of the fragrant bloom, with consequent bountiful crop.

Politics and unwonted martial activity by the populace of Turkey no doubt interfere with the national employment of rolling cigarettes.

If this weather keeps up a day or two longer, President Josselyn will do well to get busy with axle grease on the open cars.

It will occur to many people that, if tain as the sources of supply. If the narrow circle of the associates of his Turkey, they would not have been

TAX DEED HELD TO BE VALID CHARLES DAY GOES TO PRISON NO BACCILLI IN THE WILLAMETTE Precedent Established in Clackamas

County by Judge McBride. OREGON CITY, Or., April 22 .- (Speial.)-For the first time in Clackamas County, the validity of a tax deed has seen upheld. The case was that of Lemuel G. Reynolds against the Eastern Investment Company, in a suit to quiet title to a piece of land purchased at a tax sale by H. E. Noble, and by him sold to the defendant company.

This sale was for the taxes of 1902.

The property is a 160-acre farm at Scotts Mills, and is valuable. Reynolds declined to pay the taxes for a number years, beginning with 1902, and out a year ago brought suit. The stern Investment Company, which is represented by State Senator was represented by State Senator Hedges, put up a defense that the land had been purchased at a tax sale. The case was tried nearly a year ago and Judge McBride has withheld his decision until this time

The fact that this is the only tax that money can buy, that he would or could in any way appreciate, he is content. Why, indeed, should he not be? Is not Nature the guide to this goal of apathy, approaching which all human interests and desires fade the trial the deed was introduced in evidence by the company and the defense then rested. Reynolds falled to introduce the record or to rebut the case of the defendant company, and the court helds that the deed is evidence of title in the defendant. Attordence of title in the defendant. Attor. ney H. B. Adams, of Portland, appeared for Reynolds.

MAKE STATE "DRY" IS SLOGAN

Eastern Oregon Convention Plans for Campaign in 1910.

PENDLETON, Or., April 22-(Special.) 'State-wide prohibition in 1910' was the slogan to which delegates from Central Eastern Oregon met in conference here this afternoon

The conference was called for the pur-pose of ascertaining the feeling of the different communities in this part of the state as to the advisability of submiting state-wide prohibition to a vote in 210. Those communities which were not expresented by delegates were reported by one or more letters, and it was the universal opinion that the question should

A similar meeting will be held in Baker City tomorrow night, and one in Port-land April 27. At the latter meeting a definite announcement of the final deision will be made. J. R. Knodel, state president of the Anti-Saloon League, declared today that the question would not only be submitted, but that it would carry.

FAIR OFFICERS ARE NAMED

Directors of County Exposition to Be Appointed by Governor,

SALEM, Or., April 22.-(Special.)-Governor Benson today announced that he will appoint the following fair officials: Directors of Linn County Fair Asso ciation-D. H. Bodine, Albany; I. A. Munkers, Albany; G. G. Betts, Harris-

Members of Executive Board Yamhili County School Fair and Stock Association—H. F. Wilson and Meiton Potter, McMinnville; Miss Inez Butt, Newberg. While these fairs have been in existence for some years, they receive a state appropriation this year for the first time. The appropriation bills empowering the Governor to appoint three members of Members of Executive Board Yambill Governor to appoint three members of the board in each case, do not go into effect until May 23, but the announcement of me appointments is made early so that arrangements may be made for

TWO FAST GAMES ARE PLAYED North Central and Clinton Kelly Schools Winners.

Fast and interesting games were played yesterday afternoon between members of Mr. Harriman is building two new ships for the Portland-San Francisco run. May we indulge in the fond hone that our grandsons or some oth-Zwald, the fast pitcher for the Woodstock nine, is credited with striking out 14 men and Watson for the same team did good batting. The line-up for the Woodstock-Clinton Kelly game follows:

Woodstock. Position. C. Kelly.

Position. Woodstock.
Welchean
Watson
Shearer
Smith P. Burbank, Porter

BERRY LOSES FIGHT DESIRES

Makes No Mention of Spiking to Ewing and Will Drop Matter.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22—(Special.)
—Henry Berry has evidently decided not to press the matter of the alleged splking of Frank Dillon by Shortstop Olsen, of the Portland team. Aithough Berry arrived this morning from Los Angeles to remain here for several days, he did not discuss the question with President Ewing, and the latter did not broach the subject.

"Berry has not spoken of the matter to me," said Ewing last night. "I con-sider the subject a dead issue, if there was ever an issue. Umpire Toman had no report to make, and the subject has never been brought officially to my atten-tion."

JURY IN LIQUOR CASE HANGS

No Verdict on Charge of Violation of Prohibition Order.

PENDLETON, Or., April 22.—(Special.)

Though the jury in the case of Ole bleson and Albert Dendaw, charged with violating the liquor law, has been out six hours, no verdict has been reached. It was alleged that the restaurant cook the beer for his patrons when requested to do so, and that if any law-was violated his employer could not be held responsible for it, since it was done without his knowledge or some his knowledge or consent.

The prosecution alleged this was the manner the restaurant-keeper and ex-saloon man took of evading the law. KILLED BY FALL FROM CARS

Fred Miller Meets Death on Train Near Hilgard.

LA GRANDE, Or., April 22.—(Special)—Fred Miller, a cook, was killed at Hilgard this morning by falling from a freight train on which he was riding. He was found by trainmen and heavent to La Grande where the land of the control of the country to La Grande where the land of the country to La Grande where the land of the country to La Grande where the land of the country to La Grande where the country to th brought to La Grande, where tonight a Coroner's inquest found that he met death by accident. Miller was seen by a bystander to fall outward from between the cars. Except that he is from Baker City, nothing is known of his past. past.

Date for Hearing Is Set.

SALEM, Or., April 22 .- (Special.)-It will occur to many people that, if those missionaries had not gone to Turkey, they would not have been massacred.

The Railroad Commission has set for hearing on May 11, at 11 A. M., at Salem, the matter of double deck chutes on stock cars. The investigation affects all the lines in Oregon.

Man Who Turned Hold-up at Estacada Pleads Guilty in Court.

OREGON CITY, Or., April 22 .- (Spe OREGON CITY, Or., April 22.—(Special.)—Charles Day, who has been confined in the County Jail in this city since February 6, was today sentenced to the Penitentiary to serve a term of one year. Charles Day is the young man of Estacada who held up two young men—George Schuitz and Louis Gerber, of Estacada—on February 6. Day was disguised at the time of the hold-up by wearing a long white beard. He succeeded in getting only \$3 from the young men, and was taken in charge a few hours afterward by Constable Jones, of Estacada, who brought the man here and turned him execution. he man here and turned him over to

Sheriff Beatle. It was thought that the young man had gone crazy, as he was well known in the country where the hold-up occurred, and he was given two examina-tions in this city as to his sanity, but the physicians declared him sane, and today he pleaded guilty to the charge of robbery and was given one year in the Penitentiary by Judge McBride. He was taken to Salem this evening.

SCHOOL LAWS ARE PRINTED

Ten Thousand Copies Ready for Distribution in State.

SALEM, Or, April 22.—(Special.)— Ten thousand and eighty copies of the school laws of Oregon, publication of which was authorized by the recent regular session of the Legislature, will be completed by the State Printer and ready for distribution from the office of the State Superintendent of Public

of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction in a few days.

The edition is large enough to supply each school district in the state with four copies, each chartered educational institution with five copies, each mem-ber of the Legislature with one copy, besides taking care of the libraries, public officials who have need of the pamphlet, etc. The laws probably will be ready for distribution about May 1.

SIZE OF BREAD LOAVES CUT

Albany Bakers Also Advance Price to Retailers.

ALBANY, Or., April 22.—(Special.)-Albany, Or., April 22.—(Special.)—
Operations in the Chicago wheat pit have increased the price of bread in Albany. Two weeks ago the five local bakeries reduced the size of their loaves from one pound to 15 ounces and they have now announced an increase in the price. The wholesale price has been released.

The wholesale price has been raised from 3½ to 4 cents a loaf.

The retail price yet remains at 5 cents a loaf, but has been increased in that the rate of six loaves for a quarter to regular customers has been abolished.

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOLS MEET

Convention to Be Held in Salem Three Days Next Week. SALEM, Or., April 22.—(Special.)-

SALEM, Or., April 22.—(Special.)—
The annual convention of the Oregon
State Sunday School Association will
be held in Salem, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week, April 28,
29 and 30. All denominations will be
represented, and about 50 speakers will
take part. The Marion County Sunday School Convention will also be held
here on April 28. ere on April 28.

Berg Will Meet Beell.

John Berg, well known to the wrest-ling world as Young Hackenschmidt, and Fred Beell, the biggest little man on the padded canvas today, have signed up for a match in Exposition rink the night of This announcement was made May 3. This announcement was made last night after the details of the match had been decided to the mutual satisfaction of the managers of both wrestlers. The big grappiers will meet at catch weights, best two falls out of three, pinfalls only to count, and the strangle hold will be barred. This weight indicates Hackenschmidt will go onto the mat at close to 180 rounds. Hackenschmidt will go onto the mat at close to 180 pounds, while Beell will not weigh more than 158, his natural and best wrestling weight.

Delegates to Peace Conference. SALEM, Or., April 22.-(Special.)-Delegates to the second National Peace Con-ference at Chicago, May 3, 4 and 5, were named today by Governor Benson, as follows: Rev. J. B. Ford, Pendleton; Adjutant-General W. E. Finzer, Port-land; John F. Carroll, Portland; Dr. W. N. Ferrin, Porest Grove; Professor H. M. Crooks, Albany; Leslie Butler, Hood River; Samuel White, Baker City; C. C. Beekman, Jacksonville; W. H. Galvani, Portland; J. W. Bennett, Marshfield; Marshfield; Rev. S. A. Douglas, Albany; Rev. A. Moore, Salem; R. Alexander, Pendleton.

Benson Appoints Delegates.

SALEM, Or., April 22.-(Special.)-Gov. SALEM, Or., April 22.—(Special.)—Governor Benson has appointed the following delegates to the National Conference of Charities and Correction, at Buffalo, N. Y., June 9-16, 1909; Rev. T. L. Ellot, Portland; Mrs. C. A. Johns, Baker City; Mrs. W. F. Osborn, Eugene; W. T. Gardner, Portland; Mrs. Millie Trumbull, Portland; Rev. J. R. N. Bell, Corvallis; Dr. A. A. Morrison, Portland; Mrs. Marle A. Filnt, Roseburg; W. A. Denton, Salem.

Indian Given Year in Prison.

OREGON CITY, Or., April 22.—(Spe-clal.)—Albert Ferris, an Indian who was arrested some time ago for entering the house of Susan, an Indian woman living at Greenpoint and stealing \$190 in cash, was sentenced today to one year in prison. After steaming the money, the Indian, accompanied by his wife, left town, but both were arrested by Officer Miles and returned here shortly after. orison. After stealing the money, the Mrs. Ferris was released today.

Clackamas Pioneer Passes.

OREGON CITY, Or., April 22—(Special.)—Dr. R. Goucher is dead at his home at Carus. He was an Oregon ploneer and had been a resident of Clackamas County for many years. Dr. Goucher was a member of Mulinomah Lodge, No. 1, A. F. & A. M., under whose auspices the funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon. Deceased was about 75 years of age.

Bandon Shingle Mill to Resume. BANDON, Or., April 22.—(Special.)— The shingle mill of the Bandon Manu-facturing Company has recently changed hands and will be started up again next week. The present propriets is G. N. week. The present proprietor is C. N. Smith, a local capitalist, who has purchased a large amount of white cedar and will manufacture a high grade

Speeder Jumps Track, Man Hurt.

COLFAX, Wash., April 22.—W. J. Ager, O. R. & N. roadmaster, with headquarters in Colfax, was seriously injured by the decallment of a gaso-line speeder on which he was making 12 miles an hour near Palouse Falls, on the Connell branch, this morning. He was brought to this city for treatment.

Lyle Fire Loss \$30,000.

LYLE, Wash., April 22.-(Special.)-Lylle, Wash. April 22—(Special.)
Loss to the Lyle Trading Company by
Monday's fire is estimated at \$30,000. By
herolc work of volunteer fire-fighters,
other buildings of the city were saved.
Manager McInnis is still undecided as to

Scientific Dissertation On Its Purity as

Water for Drinking. PORTLAND, April 22 -(To the Editor.) In The Oregonian of April 10 is published a statement made by Dr. Raiph C. Matson, in which he says that "a chemical analysis of water is not sufficient

teal analysis of water is not sufficient to determine its character; that while it might denote the presence of sewage, it is no indication as to the purity of water from a bacteriological point of view."

Yet the only question was as to whether the Willamette River water being supplied to the West Side was contaminated with sewage. This is a striking illustration of how narrow-minded persons may become when educated along one branch of science only, and cannot see beyond their own horizon. As the public is not interested as to the merits of certain branches of science. I wish only to explain my position in this matter.

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Having both a chemical and bacteriological laboratory, I made daily analysis of the Willamette water, from the time it was supplied to the West Side until the Buil Run water was again turned on. This analysis was for the purpose of detecting any sewage contamination, and there was none. Dr. Matson's results were the same, and the Willamette River water during the three days that it was water during the three days that it was supplied to the West Side, was pure.

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In The Oregonian of April 13 there appeared an article from the secretary of the State Board of Health, stating that "the health of the city was menaced; that the only safety lay in boiling the water for drinking purposes and for cleaning vegetables and other articles of food." Knowing that he must be ignorant of the true condition of the water. I reported the results of my analysis to you for the benefit of those who had to use the water. Dr. Matson asserts that the Williamette River water was pure on April 11, 12 and 13. Why, then, did he keep these facts from the secretary of the State Board of Health, and thus allow that official teaching and thus allowed the secretary of the State Board of Health, and thus allow that official teaching and the secretary of the State Board of Health, and thus allow that official teaching and the secretary of the State Board of Health, and thus allowed the secretary of the State Board of Health, and thus allowed the secretary of the State Board of Health, and thus allowed the secretary of the State Board of Health, and thus allowed the secretary of the State Board of Health, and thus allowed the secretary of the secretary of the State Board of Health, and thus allowed the secretary of the secretary of the State Board of Health, and thus allowed the secretary of the secretary of the State Board of Health, and thus allowed the secretary of the se April 11, 12 and 12. Why, then, did he keep these facts from the secretary of the State Board of Health, and thus allow that official to alarm the public? Just as soon as Bull Run water is turned into the mains, he finds the colon heddlus in "teeming multitudes." This baseline is the found of the facts of the found in the finds the colon had allowed the found in the facts. cilli is found in the intestinal contents cill is found in the intestinal contents of man and unimals, and when found in a sample of water is positive proof to the bacteriologist that the water is contaminated with sewage. This process consumes at least three days, while a chemical test that can be made in less than a day will detect one part of sewage when mixed with 10,000,000 times its weight of water.

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The bacteriological and chemical tests that I have made give exactly the same results. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, knowing that Bull Run water had been turned into the mains, I made no analysis, but on Saturday, after reading that colon bacilli had been found in water drawn on Wednesday, I again analyzed the water, taking samples of the Saturday and Sunday supply, and found them pure. It is strange that they should arrive the very day when the Bull Run water is again turned on Perhaps one or two of these little animals, hearing of the kind and courtsous Perhaps one or two of these little animals, hearing of the kind and courtsous treatment which Dr. Matson extends to all, decided to call upon him. They are quite small. It is said that if they were placed end to end across the hoad of a pin it would take in of them to reach across, and that under favorable conditions in four days the progeny of a sindons in four days the progeny of a single one would be 6,271,101,725,388,680,762,825,889,422,307,666,416,102,355,444,464,004,512,896

The purity of the Willamette River water at this time of the year is due to the absence of rain, "which would wash organic matter into the river," the presence of sunshine, the number of miles that the water runs before reaching the pumps, its passage over the falls at Ore-gon City, where it is freely aired, and the waste from the paper mills at Oregon L. VICTORIA HAMPTON, M. D.

Impervious to Wenther. Baltimore American, Unfortunately the crop of peach asket hats has not been in the least

spoiled by the frosts of criticism. The Jackie's "Home, Sweet, Home." we've heard the sharp crescends and the long diminuends hundred different anthems, in a undred different ports; we heard the brassy braying of a undred pieces playing.

hundred pieces playing.

And we've wined and dired to music of a hundred different sorts.

t was counted pleasant duty—for we can't direct the county of the country of the It was co

It was counted pleasant duty—for we can't deny their beauty.

And 'twas just what we expected when we started out to roam—
We are sure 'twas to amuse us, but we hope they'll now excuse us.

For we'd rather sit and listen to the best one, "Home, Eweet Home."

Oh, the airs of other nations may deserve the acclamations
That we've had to press upon them, just to keep our war flags furled;
But we've never heard another like the one of home and mother—
And we've left a trail of music all the way around the world!

It's a tune that can't be heated—we have surely heard it tested.

It's the same upon the gun deck as it is beneath the dome;
It's a haunting, illting story—speaking trus a nation's glory,
And we're latening, listening, listening to the dear old "Home, Sweet Home."

CHARLES C. JONES.

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