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### FORTLAND, MONDAY, FEB. 28, 1910.

THE ATTACK ON MR. BALLINGER. Mr. Pinchot's accusations against Secretary Ballinger are these, name-That Ballinger entered his office with clear determination to reverse policy devised by the Roosevelt Administration for protecting the ter power sites on the public lands; that he did reverse that policy, and restored the power sites, or many of them, to entry, and lastly, that he deceived the President by giving him an explanation of the matter that was

essentially false. these accusations are true, it If should be possible to prove them. they are true, undoubtedly it will be possible to prove them. Should they be proven, of course Mr. Ballinger will be a discredited man, and must be retired from office.

The first question is, how does Pinknow, and how will he prove, that Ballinger entered his present office with determination to reverse the policy of withdrawal of power sites, and to surrender them to monopolistic control? It would seem that, as an interpreter of Mr. Ballinger's intention, Mr. Pinchot is very liable to error. Pinchot's own phrase discloses an animosity on his part towards Ballinger, conceived before the latter became Secretary of the Interior. How could Pinchot have known, or assumed to know, with what "determination" Ballinger entered his present office? Here is a revelation of animosity on Pinchot's side against Ballinger, preceding the latter's appointment to the office of Secretary. A short review will make the matter

Garfield was Secretary of the Interior. Ballinger was Commissioner of the General Land Office. Pinchot was Chief of the Forest Service-a division of the Department of Agricul-But Pinchot was continually ture. intruding in the affairs of the General Land Office, and Garfield permitted him. In fact, Garfield was only in a nominal way the Secretary of the Interior. Pinchot's influence over him, in matters relating to lands and forests, was great. Friction therefore naturally occurred between Ballinger and Pinchot; since Pinchot insisted 'running" the business of the Neither of the Secre-Land Office. taries (Garfield and Wilson) required Pinchot to mind his own business, and Ballinger declined to take orders from him and resigned. Wilson continued in the office of Secretary of Agriculture; but Garfield was not reappointed Secretary of the Interior, though the Pinchot clique ex-

country to settlement, and to the development of an industrial activity that has been pursued elsewhere so long, and under which the country has made an unparalleled progress has now so recently been found iniquitous, unjust and destructive?

simple interpretation is that The the theorist and the faddist, borrowing ideas from old countries, applicable to their political and social condition, and to the stages of development reached in the oldest of present civilizations, have brought their irrelevant bookishness to bear veloped on a wholly unlike situation here. The lands and timber and water powers of our country can be used with advantage in our further development only on the same general plan and system as heretofore. Our great war chest well supplied with funds? natural resources cannot be retained Why not let the pace be set by some in ownership or control of the gen eral Government and yet developed "butting in" and establishing a standand used with advantage out states or their people. As to Alaska's ard which will force them simply to resources of coal and timber and go "one better"? metals, whatever they may be-and

their extent and what real profit or an economic standpoint, it is quite clear that, if a 32,000-ton battleship may be in them are yet unknown-let is a necessity for the United States, the Government put them all under lock and key, if it will; for that great Germany, Great Britain, Japan and some of the other countries in which warfare is one of the industries of the territory is not an attractive place of residence, and nobody goes there expeople, must immediately build some cept to get at the natural resources 34,000 to 36,000-ton ships. A Canwhich, however, never will be worth adian patriot, when asked for his anything unless they are opened and used. Yet if it will satisfy "the bookviews on the propriety of Canada's building a battleship for England. ish theoric of conservation" to shut said that what Canada needed that country up, so be it. But we "boxcars, not battleships." Perhaps want a chance in these undeveloped states of our Union to use the re-\$18,000,000 worth of boxcars, or other industrial appliances, might be corresources for homes and families and spondingly useful in this country. industries, under the general policy thus far pursued in all the states. That is, the Government should

THE LOGIC OF THE "NEW MOVEMENT." ontinue to dispose of the lands, and to give the people a chance to build pamphlet containing proposals up industrial communities, under the revolutionizing the Constitution and laws of the states. Has the policy Government of Oregon, spoken of a thus far been ruinous to the counfew days ago by The Oregonian-protry? On the contrary, has it not been the very source of its life and posals which they intend to submit to the electors in November-were growth? Had this new policy of renot careful to make their work con striction and false conservation been sistent in its various parts. But that introduced at the first and pursued could hardly be expected in the protill now, there would not today be duction of their socialistic crazy twenty millions of people in the whole United States.

quilt. The "plan" proposes an entire At the mere suggestion of the word revolution in the Government of Ormonopoly, even in a connection where egon-a revolution in all its features, the thing cannot exist, a lot of blathlegislative, executive, administrative erskites pour out their torrent of and judicial. If adopted it will pracrant, fudge and inanity. There is no tically wipe out the existing Constimore danger of a monopoly of the tution altogether. Articles four, five, streams and water powers of Amersix and seven, containing all the vitals ica than of a monopoly of the air; and of the instrument, are to be cut not a sign of movement or effort to out, and the vast vacuum is to be create "a water power trust" has stuffed with populistic bran and there ever been. Mr. Pinchot's persawdust. sistence on this subject reminds one It is curious, however, to note that of the continual recurrence of that though these people propose to exdemented gentleman, Mr enterate the old Constitution com-

# THE GOOD, KIND PLUMBERS.

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those of a bologna sausage, they are greatly opposed to a constitutional "Twould be very fine news, and convention; because a convention might make changes that would raise best proof that no trust exists li wholesalers would sell plumbing supnew questions and disturb existing plies to builders and owners of house court decisions! The present Constitution, say these and plumbers would install the sup-That would be the acme pleaders, "is well understood and has been construed by the Supreme Court joy and square deal. Now let the wholesalers and the master plumbers as to substantially all the property

pletely, and to stuff its skin

ontents as mixed and uncertain as

countries

The brethren who issued the

and the journeymen plumbers pro and most of the political rights of ceed to show the public that no trust citizens. Comparatively few cases in Builders will buy supplies in the Supreme Court now turn constitutional questions." Again: wholesale quantities at wholesale prices; master plumbers will not put new Constitution will be followed by the ban on such goods; and journeymany years of uncertainty as to the men will not refuse to handle mate-rials that fail to bring big retail meaning of its provisions. The judicial settlement and the construction profits to the masters; all hands will of these doubts will result in a great go to the City Hall and induce the deal of protracted and costly litiga-Council to repeal the ordinances that The property and political tion. in rights of the citizens will be in a plumbing; and the plumbers' union state of uncertainty for many years. will not fight non-union men who

And yet these people propose to annihilate this Constitution, in all it: material features and functions, and introduce

the big ranches and the lessening of will have a larger, faster and more costly craft ready to reduce our \$18,-000,000 record-breaker to scrap iron. the size of the herds will not mean that we have reached the maximum There is another point to be conas a wool-producing state. The high prices of wool and mutton have made sidered before we invest the cost of 18,000 farms in a single battleship. the sheep business much more profit-This Nation is carrying no chip on its able for the small farmer than it has shoulder. It has no far-flung possesever been before. In time, it may no longer be possible to find one breedet sions on which the sun never sets. The flag is quite freely furled on our with 10,000 sheep, but we may find the same number of sheep in the domain and our morning drum does not beat half way round the world. hands of a hundred or a thousand We have heretofore been content to farmers. Thus in the care exercised leave to the over-populated, fully dein breeding and in looking after the animal after it reaches a wool-proof the old world ducing age, there will be a decided the work of breaking records on expenditures for war purposes. It is, improvement over the present methof course, well to be prepared for ods on the range. Large bands of sheep disappeared emergencies, but why abandon our

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time-honored policy of attending to from the Willamette Valley many years ago, but there is an increasing own business, and keeping the number of small flocks, and, with continuation of present high prices for sheep and wool, the number of of the old-world countries instead of these small bands may increase throughout the state sufficiently to offset the loss by the disappearance Viewed from either a geographical of the big ranches in Eastern Oregon An interesting programme has been prepared for this week's meeting of the Western Oregon woolgrowers, and it is expected that an organization may be effected that will be fully as Important in this field as the original Oregon Woolgrowers Association has been in the field east of the Cascade

### Governor Hay, of Washington, has been advised that the Industrial (jaw) Workers of the World are arranging in the coming Spring to gather volunteers from all over the United States to resume their fight against Spo-

Mountains.

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kane's laws. This is quite a tribute to the advantages of Spokane as a Summer resort. These industriou jaw-smiths, who toiled not, but talked much, and blockaded the streets of Spokane, ceased defying arrest last Fall and vanished before the chilly winds of Winter. In the Spring, to escape the heat of the Southern clim they will come thronging back and make another attempt at the marty game. Of course Spokane is not extending a "welcome to our beautifu

city" to the Weary Willies, and there is no law compelling them to go to a city where the people insist on proper observance of the law, Still, if the army of Industrial Never-Works will return in force, Spokane should be provided with a plentiful supply of balls and chains, hard rock and hammers, and continue the good roads movement. By this method, some good may come from an Industria Worker of the World.

A twelve-dollar-a-week bank clerk in Boston has succeeded in stealing about \$160,000 from the institution by which he was employed. It is incidents like this, together with the avidity with which Boston people hungrily grabbed the "Yukon Gold' brick offered them by Citizen Tom Lawson, that cause the great uncultured West to entertain the treasonable thought that perhaps the won derful Bostonese is a much easier proposition than he is generally supposed to be. The wild and wooly West may lack some of the over-refined traits that have made Boston famous, but the business methods here are not so slack that twelvedollar-per-week clerks can embezzle \$160,000. At least not often.

If any undue disturbance is noticed around the last resting-place of the late Marcus Daly, it might be due to some spiritual communication that may have reached the deceased copper king, relative to the proposed marriage of his daughter to a fortune. hunting Hungarian Count. The price Miss Daly is to pay for the Count is not announced, but as a starter there are debts of \$800,000 to be settled. subject of eternal strife, and that's As the "increased cost of living" has permeated all classes of society, it is not improbable that even the prices of Hungarian noblemen have also advanced.

## WORTH REPUBLICATION

Remarks by Rev. Dr. Matthews, of Seattle, on the Attack on Ballinger. Yesterday The Oregonian printed the fo wing statement by Rev. Dr. Matthews.

about the attack on Secretary r. No doubt the statement was thousands yesterday, but is worth Ballinger e-reading today.

I know Mr. Ballinger, and I know the man to be above the despicable actions now being charged against him. but aside from that interest, I heartily indorse the fight The Oregonian is making on Pinchotism. . . . Ballinger is above wrongdoing, and the men who have been attacked with him are far superior in every respect to their traducers. C. J. Smith, H. C. Henry, John H. McGraw, ex-Governor Moore and the others associated with them in this attack not only did no wrong, but would not countenance wrong in others. Their characters are unimpeachable. Laying aside the personal attacks that have been made and if there were no individuals involved, Pinchotism be found thousands of men to file on homesteads they did not have to reside means the stagnation of this country. If you are going to prevent men from upon

harnessing the waters, opening the forests, developing the mines and bringing this entire country to a

higher state of perfection, civilization and development, then it is impossible for us to invite to this country men of brain, brawn and money. There is enough water power in Washington, if harnessed, to light the United States; out no individual can harness all the water, nor can any number of individuals exhaust the resources God has stored away for the development and benefit of mankind. It is time the East was learning that the West is not filled with thieves, land-grabbers and monopolists. The men, who are here, are here for the purpose of building an empire and making the West contribute to the welfare of the whole country. Let us encourage men to some and aid them in every way possible in the development of this great ern Oregon on a non-residence basis. country.

### WANTS THE RECALL ABOLISHED This Correspondent Belleves It to Be

the Worst Law in Oregon.

PORTLAND, Feb. 26 .- (To the Edior.)-A recent editorial In. The Oregonian, denominating the Oregon "recall" as a "tool of personal spite and political revenge," is worthy of the profoundest thought on the part of the people of Oregon. The recall, sup-posed to be a remedial agency in ex-treme cases of official crookedness, is at all.

destined to keep the State of Oregon in a state of political strife until the end of time, unless the recall law is repealed. The instances cited in The Oregonian are but the beginning of what is to follow. The editorial re-ferred to, however, omitted the fact that the house of the Mayor of Union. Or., was burned by incendiarles, as a fitting climax of the recall election in that town. The smaller cities will suffer most from the operation of this detestable piece of legal tinkering, as there are always two or three petty factions in small cities that will resort to almost any method of "down" the other fellow.

"recalling of the Mayor of Estacada was the result of a certain fac-tion's ambition to dominate municipa fffairs. Charges can be trumped up easily enough, and there is a certain element of humanity always looking for a "get back at him" either public or affairs. private. A following is usually ob tained from this class for "recall" pur poses.

The recall in Oregon is worse that tertaining young women. a failure. It is an instrument of sedi-tion and strife worthy of the Dark Ages. Under this law, a man isn't really elected for a term of office at "one of the family" without the in-allenable family right to say what he il. He may be recalled at any time few agliators may be able to get a thinks of it. sufficient following by malicious mis-representation, to order a recall elec-tion. Such measures as this tend only CENTRALIA, Wash, Feb. 26.-(To the Editor.)-For the benefit of a class in history, kindly state in what manner to keep the best class of citizenship out of public life. No man with proper conception of his duty to him self and the public wishes to be the Czar Nicholas is related to the royal what an office-holder is Oregon is get

Always With the Democratic Party,

PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 26 .- (To the

## "BILL IS SIMPLY NO GOOD." General Denunciation of Bourne Pro-

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posal to Grab Dry Lands. Portland Labor Press. Oregonian of yesterday, was interesting over the State of Oregon the

ress is publishing the proposed bill of to all who follow the course of British Senator Bourne regulating homesteading of Government lands, and providing that residence shall not be necessary to acculre title. All that is re-

People's Press (Portland).

Privileges of Friendship,

To hear the completion of the family

marrel that he wishes his arrival had

nterrupted. To hear both sides of the family

uarrel separately. To agree with both sides of the fam-

To walk from the station in rainy weather because it is so had for the family horses to be out in the rain.

To stay at home and take care of

the children while the other guests are

To make himself at home in the

library without having been given the key to the book shelves.

To be joked about his personal ap-

To be reminded of his youthful flirta-

ons in the presence of new and en-

In short-to be treated exactly like

Royal Kinship.

To be told when to go home. To be told when to stay home

ly quarrel when heard separately.

quired is cultivation, and during the niready before which he recolls. five years that crops to the value of New York Evening Mail gives the solu-\$1500 have been produced. The bill is tion in the statement that he is too simply no good. It will never be enact- much a Unionist at heart-one may say ed while Bourne is Senator, but if it he is too much an Englishman-to adopt was enacted it would simply enable the a parliamentary policy of which one of speculators to gobble up what remains the earliest results will be home rule for of the public lands by dummy entry- iteland. men, the same as the timber lands have If the truth be told, the English Lib been sequestered by speculators. The sagbrush plains of Eastern Oregon have been overlooked by the speculators, and new railroads indicate that these lands will be valuable. There could easily

erais are glad now, and always have been glad, to have the Lords possess their legislative veto in order that with It they may block Irish home rule. The Liberals have been willing to play Irish home rule in the Commons, and carry it right up to the gates of the House of Lords, feeling comfortably assured that the Lords will throw the bill out as

Woodburn Independent. often as it comes to them. It looks to us as if residence is the

That is as far as the old-fashioned Liberal cares to go in favor of granting essential part. What would become of a new section if the large majority of legislative autonomy to Ireland. He entrymen were living out of it? Such does not want it at all: but for purposes a section would need towns, but who of politics, he is willing to offer it to would there be to support these towns the Irish party-so long as the Lords if the entrymen lived, say, in Portland? It takes people to make a country. Cul-tivation alone will not do it. All that are there to veto it.

But if the Lords are deprived of their celo, one of the earliest consequences will be Irish home rule. A Liberal macultivation would accomplish would be to give the holders a chance to specujority in the House of Commons cannot The tracts or claims would not retuse it long, because it cannot long operate with Irish opposition. be homesteads, in the full meaning of

the word, but speculative opportunities. Confronted with the demand of the There are about 100 men in Woodburn Irish party to make the abolition of whom the passage of this bill would please. They prefer to remain in this Lords' veto his first and primary de mand before the new 1 Asquith recoils and refuses. MI offy, but are anxious for homesteads, and such a snap as Senator Bourne proposes would be eagerly seized by them. The bona fide homesteaders make a new country, not Portland The Irish party withdraws its support. It is alto-gether unlikely that Asquith will yield. His refusal to yield will mean a new election, and a second parilamentary lerks proving up homesteads in Eastcampaign, fought much more distinctly along the line of national union.

It may be too early to prophesy, but it is hard to see how the Liberals As for the People's Press, it feels, in could welcome such an appeal to a ommon with some of the more sensible wearled electorate, which would quite disposed to charge up all Its troubles to the party in power, unless editors of the state, that the Bourne bill is a menace. We feel that it is a measure of expatriation, so to speak. It they were quite willing to accept defeat as a foregone conclusion, and leave the Tories to solve the difficulties of the will enable Mr. Weyerhneuser, or any-body else, to have a dummy "settle" upon any Oregon homesteads that he present.situation.

All this means that the successors of desires and put some one in to improve the land. Presumably any income from the homestead will be taken out of the Tharles Stewart Parnell, and the iolders of his policy, have driven another governmental majority into a corner, and once more asserted their power to disorganize British politics. state, and will not do Oregon any good

# MERELY INTEMPERATE MOUTHING Life. To be given the small room in the attic so that the spare chamber may be ready for possible but unexpected

### Itinerant "Evangelist" It Was Who Denounced the Unitarian Church.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 26.-(To the Editor.)-The man whom The Oregonian nucles as saying recently that he "would rather have a saloon come to town than to have a Unitarian church come," is not one of the ministers of Eugene, as has as has en said, but an evangelist who is there today, and will be somewhere else to-morrow. I doubt if any minister of any church in Eugene, Or., indorses the ut-terances of Mr. Oliver, "the great evanelist." Such a statement given above stounds men who think seriously, and the man who uttered it must have

under the "influence of some strange spirit" at the time. We, who are called "evangelical" and are rigidly orthodox, believe in the great, fundamental truths which the Unitarian church affirms in common with others; the fatherhood of God, the brotherhood of man, the highest culture of the mind and soul, the development of character, and But we have. Christian philanthropy. sunpathy with the negations of Unitarian philosophy-the denial of the divinity of our Lord, the denial of the divin-ity of our Lord, the personality of the Holy Spirit, the dootrine of the Holy Trinity, the forgiveness of sins and sal-vation through faith in the atonement of Jesus Christ. We do not go to such lengths, however, in denouncing t men who do not think as we think, who are "casting out some demons" as well as we, and I think we ought not to

"forbid them." know Mr. Sargent, who recently wen to Eugene. Or., to take charge of the Unitarian Society, and he is a gentleman above the average in intelligence, of kindly disposition, and industrious. He will visit the sick, the poor, and those in distress, and minister to their comwill visit the sick, the poor, and there fort, and those who associate themselves with him in philanthropic works will sup-port him. Who will avow as much, or anything other than evil of the saloon? The people of Eugene, Or., have the same privilege in the matter of the Unitarian about they have in other matters.

## ASQUITH RECOILS.

The Difficulties of the Situation Too Great for His Courage. T. P. O'Connor's cable letter, in The

politics. The letter is a practical ad-

mission that Asquith is doomed to fall-

ure. He cannot unite the elements of

a discordant majority. A test has come

erted itself to the utmost however, appointed Ballinger To Pinchot this was the most distasteful of all things. Pinchot could not now intermeddle with the affairs of the Department of the Interior, or hector the officials of the General Land Office.

So now Pinchot, by his line of insolent conduct, including his insubordinate letter read in the Senatehaving brought about his own dismissal from office-asserts that Ballinger entered the office he now holds with intention or determination to sacrifice the water power sites owned by the people to monopolistic control; that he has done so by restoring former withdrawals to entry, and has lied to the President about what he has done.

It is true that since Ballinger beconsiderable Secretary very ureas of public lands, withdrawn because of their adjacency to water power streams, have been restored; that is, the reservations have been

partially withdrawn. But it is asseried in reply that only such lands as were not required for improvement and use of water powers have been so restored; that, on the con trary, an increased number of actual water power sites have been reserved, guirements of the present Administraand that the lands that have been tion in the Navy Department. For restored to entry are not contiguous a beginning on a navy that will break to power sites, but in most cases at world's records-unless the German, British or Japanese builders pay union listances from them. Diagrams of lands and streams, recently drawn rates and work nights and Sundays and published, show that many townto beat us to it-Secretary Meyer proposes to build at a cost of \$18,000, ships, thousands of acres, were withdrawn for water power conservation, 000 a battleship of 32,000 tons disthough miles away from the streams. placement. Quite naturally a craft The Owyhee River in Oregon preof this size and cost will be largely in the nature of an experiment. There plats, printed in colors, show that the is nothing to indicate that it would not keel over and sink under the former reservations have been narrowed in many localities by many puncture of a few well-directed tormiles, by withdrawal of broad reser pedoes administered by a cheap torpedo-boat. Nor is there any accomvations, but that the stream and strips on either side are still repanying guarantee that some other Secretary Balthroughout ... nation, more in need of battleships. linger has professed his readiness to would not build at 34,000-ton ship show that, though he has released before the gun bearings should be much land, formerly reserved, yet all worn smooth on our record-breaker. water powers in those reservations No serious objection might be entered to construction of this costly have been retained, and more beadvertisement of our prestige as the

Recrimination by the partles or by greatest Nation on the earth, if the their friends, in this matter, is use-\$18,000,000 represented approximately The issue must be decided on the amount that must be expended in the plain facts; and the country will order to make the rest of our naval soon know them all. That Mr. Balequipment fit this standard. In order linger has taken lawful and reasonprepare us for what may happen able care of the interests of in this direction, Washington disthe patches say that "The Secretary said country all who know the man fully believe. He is not a theorist, riding that plans for enlargement of all the a hobby, but a man of sense and drydocks of the country, as outlined judgment, who preserves a balance to the committee some weeks ago, between an extreme sort of conservawere made in contemplation of the tion on the one hand and waste of great enlargement of the battleships, resources on the other. Conservaand he wanted the docks built to accommodate ships of great size." Any one at all familiar with the snall-like tion of late has become a muchabused word. As employed by extremists, it represents a pollcy that would lock up most of the great repace at which all kinds of Government work proceeds can readily understand that, long before we shall sources of the newer states and re tard indefinitely the general develophave rebuilt our drydocks to fit the ment. One thing the people of the record-breaking battleship, some of newer states would like to know is the other nations that through necesthis, namely: How is it that the sity make a specialty of costly Dreadmethod of opening our part of the nought peace offerings to the war god believing that even the break-up of the soil does not need.

All these unselfish relinquishn graft will ease the terrific burder more revolutionary than ever proof plumbing cost-a burden that posed for any constitution in Amerstaggers everybody who puts up a ica, since constitutions began to be new building or improves an old one. written! All citizens will then be happy and No man could tell what his rights contented and it will not be necessary were, under the new constitution to sue for \$75,000 worth of justice in Babel and Bedlam; all or most of the the courts. Best of all, tongues that existing decisions of the Supreme charge trust and graft will then be Court would be superseded and fifty

specify expensive requirements

can save builders money in cheaper

silenced. years wouldn't suffice to bring order We implore the accused parties out of the chaos, unless-what thus to clear themselves of all semmost probable-the people should blance of greed. Just men certainly much sooner repudiate the whole do not like to live under continuthing and go back to the principles ous accusations of selfish intent to of the old Constitution and common "squeeze," through concert of wholesense. saler, master, plumber and City Council. We commend the evident desire of wholesalers, masters and "The truth is, the railroads car plumbers for fair play for the "ultiprofitably put the ocean carriers out mate consumer." It manifests a of business whenever they have the kindly human nature that we sup-

posed was wholly absent.

### OUR BIG BATTLESHIP.

garding Spokane theories and opinions on this matter, let us consider Secretary Meyer of the Navy De one plain fact: "Ocean carriers" are now bringing coal from points on partment is not at all modest in his views as to what a navy should be. the Atlantic seaboard to North Pa-None of the ordinary Dreadnoughts, clfic ports at \$2,83 per ton. Years Invincibles, Terribles, or other highago, before the railroads came, the sounding, far-shooting, and swiftold sailing vessels were satisfied with speeding battleships will meet the re-\$6 per ton and not infrequently

carried freight at \$4 and \$5 per ton It would be interesting to know dimensions of the "profits" which the railroads would make after putting the ocean carriers out of business at these rates. Naturally higher rates are being charged by the regular liners at this

THEORY AND FACT.

carrying facilities to do it," says the

Spokane Spokesman-Review. Disre-

time, and the steamers are perhaps making more than a reasonabl profit. They can, however, continue to make large profits at rates so low that it would be impossible for the railroads to meet them.

### CHANGING WOOL INDUSTRY.

The Woolgrowers of Western Oreon will meet at Corvallis next Friday for the purpose of organizing an association of sheepgrowers in the Wil-The vast ranges of lamette Valley. Eastern Oregon have for so long been the home and the headquarters of this great industry that the advantages of the Willamette Valley as a sheep country have been almost forgotten That there can be a profitable revival of the industry west of the Cascade Mountains is a certainty. Sheepmen who have grown wealthy by running large bands of the wool-producers over the vast stretches of Governmen land in the West profess to see in the breaking up of the great ranches the ruin of the industry. So far as the handling of immense bands of sheep is concerned, it is quite probable that the end is near at hand.

Oregon, one of the greatest woo states in the Union, has probably wit nessed in the passing of the Baldwin sheep and ranch property an end to the prestige we formerly enjoyed as having the largest sheep ranch in the breeze the coming Summer. world. The increasing interest shown in the industry in the Willamgtte Valley, however, offers good reasons for

Pinchot, besides being a faddist, is sensationalist; and just now he has the ear of the public through sensational journalism. When a man in high place is attacked this always occurs, whether the accusation well-founded or not. President Taft has a judicial mind, and will sum this business up, when all is done."

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Dr. Matthews knows Secretary Balinger and testifies that he is an upright man. So say all others who have had occasion or opportunity to observe the Secretary's career. But character and good name do not count with your muckraker.

Will the people of Oregon accept the monarchical form of government proposed now by initiative, and allow the Governor to appoint the other state officers and most of the county officers, cutting off their own right to elect? Probably not.

Those supply dealers and master plumbers will of course prove to you that there is no combine among them if you will call around and try to buy a few plumbing accessories which you purpose yourself to put in your house

Because they needed some spending noney those youthful taxicab highwaymen went out and held up two road-houses. The state will now doubtless see for a number of years that they have no need of money.

Promoter Garland's chief capital was several letters from important financiers declining to take a yachting cruise with him. Garland had no yacht, but he had what served as well-a dark blue oceanic nerve.

The visit of the ex-President to Rome will differ somewhat from the visit of the ex-Vice-President. Mr. Roosevelt has a way of his own, which foreigners must, perforce, ac cept.

Nobody in Oregon, so far as heard from, wants that extraordinary bill of Senator Bourne's, permitting ap-propriation of arid lands by non-residents, to pass Congress. Now, who does want it to pass?

After all. Mr. Carnegie was kind to that old friend in California, to whom he gave an eloquent pamphlet on onomy. He might have given him a library.

A ninety-foot whale is ashore at Claisop Beach. Ho for an off-shore

There is one comfort. The ocean is big enough to hold all of this rain

family of Great Britain; also give name and family of the Czarina; and ting to be. The recall is to blame. I talked with W. S. U'Ren of Oregon City, at the time he was campaigning the names of the parents of the Queen of Spain.

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for the passage of this law. He though it would be a remedial agency. doubled its expediency but did not ac Edward VII, of Great Britain, maried Princess Alexandra, eldest daughtively oppose it. Experience has taught us that it is one of the worst pieces of legislation the people ever passed. Im-mediate steps should be taken for its correct of the property of the states of the steps of ter of King Christian IX of Denmark. The present Russian Czar's mother is also a daughter of King Christian, Therefore, the Czar of Russia is nephew GEORGE W. DIXON. of the King of Great Britain.

The Czarina's name is Alexandra The Czarina's name is Alexandra Feodorovna, and she is the daughter of Ludwig IV, Grand Duke of Hesse. Princess Victoria Eugenie (now Queen of Spain) is the daughter of the It the saloon, when voted out, will not let them alone. Editor.)—I am surprised to learn from The Oregonian that any person who has been a member of the Grange does not know that the Grange of Oregon is now and always has been nothing litte Prince Henry of Battenberg and Princess Beatrice (daughter of the late

> Palladino, the Medlum, Breaks Contract Boston Herald.

Queen Victoria of Great Britain).

is now and always has been normal but a sideshow for the Democratic party. They can meet in assembly, con-demn the Republican party for con-templating calling an assembly, and one that will differ from the Grange Mme. Eusapia Palladino, the Italian assembly-for they always meet in se odium, who has been receiving the atet. The Republicans meet in open sembly, where their acts are an open ook, but no matter what the Repubtention of the scientists and psychica research students of Europe and America, has broken away from her American licans indorse or what principles are managers and refuses to fulfill her part in the contracts they have arranged for her. That sums ranging from \$1009 to \$1750 have been paid for an evening of set forth, the Oregon Grangers would see some great and dangerous objec-tion. It has ever been thus. The Grangers always line up the same way, but strenuously deny any party affiliation. Yet keep calamity howling, "resoloo-ten" against assembly, Joe Cannon, able-tipping, strange rappings, mystle communications from the spirit world and similar phenomena, under the direction and control of Mme. Palladino, is as-serted by Charles Stanton Hill, of Bos-John D. and the cruel gold standard. As proof of these statements, just watch how these Grangers vote in the ton, lawyer, psychical student and in-vestigator. It is said that her share ranged from \$125 to \$150, leaving a comfortable margin as managerial commis-

# Finder of \$1800 Gets a Cigar.

Springfield, Mass., Dispatch. Joseph McInnis, driver of an ice wagon n Boston, received his first shock early in the day, when he found a wallet containing \$1800 in cash. The second shock followed a few minutes later, when the owner of the wallet turned up, when the owner of the wallet turned up. ceived his \$1800 and, as a reward, gave

## CUBRENT SMALL NOTES.

McInnis a 5-cent cigar.

Illiterate Nurse. Doctor, what must I do with a patient who is in a catamose condi-tion? Hamorous Doctor. That calls for a dogmatic course of treatment. Baltimore American. whether the shoes constituted negligence

Mrs. Backdoor-If you chop that wood Fil give you your dinner. Rollingstane Nomoss-I'm soury, madam, but I've mis-laid me card in de Woodchoppers' Union, and I don't wanter take no chance.-Phila-delphia Record.

"Ma, the critic in his account of the municale you and pa went to night before last says the fiddler played with clan. Did you notice it?" "No-unless that was the name of the woman who accompanied him on the plano."-Chicago Record-Her-ald.

"What we want is harmony," said the statesman. "Yes," replied Senator Sorg-hum. "It makes me think of a gies club I used to belong to. Every fallow's idea of harmony was to pick his cwn key and sing so loud nobody else could be noticed." --Washington Star.

-Washington Star. Truth, crushed to earth, was rising, but with exceeding slowness. "Why should I hurry, anyhow?" said Truth. "The poet tags the 'eternal years' are mins." With which lams sxcuse she also justified her-self for never guite catching up with a fugitive Lie.--Chicago Tribune

Evangelical Christianity is not helped. but hindered, by such extravagant state-ments as those attributed to Mr. Oliver. T. B. FORD,

The Proposed Hudson River Bridge.

The Interstate Bridge Commission of The Interstate Bridge Commission of the State of New York, appointed in 1906 to act jointly with a commission of the State of New Jersey, in consid-ering the project for a bridge across the North River at New York City, has made its third annual report, recom-mending that a bridge be built at One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street. This is about six miles north of Sixtist This is about six miles north of Sixtleth street, the point which has been the New York' terminus most frequently considered in previous proposals. At One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street there is high rocky land on both sides of the river. The main span would not have to be over 1400 feet long and no long approaches would be necessary. The estimated cost is \$10,000,000 for a bridge to carry a highway and to carry trolley cars at high speed. It is estimated that at any point farther is estimated that at any point farther south the cost would be three times as much, and a crossing farther north would be out of the question on account of the increased width of the river. West One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street is near-ly on a line with the Washington bridge across the Harlem River.

Foreign Students Throng to Paris.

Westminster Gazette. The number of foreign students at the University of Paris increases by leaps and bounds. In 1889 there were only 457 of them; in 1899 there were 1174; now, accordng to a return just issued, there are no fewer than 3325. The Russians (1356) are the most numerous, and after them come the Roumanians (233), the Germans (231),

the Egyptians (165), the Austrians (189), the English (115) and the Americans (107). There is also a sprinkling of stu-dents from Chins. Japan, Mexico and the Republic of Panama. All together, in fact, the university seems to be becoming as cosmopolitan in its constitution as it was in the middle ages, when scholars andered at their leisure from one seat of learning to another.

Where to Apply for Wheat Lands. WOODMERE, Or., Feb. 27 .--- (To the Editor.)--- Please inform me how I can obtain information concerning lands either in this state, or Alberts, Canada, either by homesteading or pur-H. HATTON. chase outright.

Write to the Registers of the Land

Write to the Registers of the Land Offices at Burns, La Grande, Portland, Roseburg and The Dalles, Or. For information concerning Alberta lands probably the most direct and effective way would be to address Hon. G. H. V. Bulyes, Lieutenant-Governor. Edmonton, Alberta.

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Saturday was the birthday of Abra-ham Lincoln, one of the most promi-nent Southern men since the establishment, of this Government, and barring his politics and his political associ-ates and his political errors, one of the ablest and finest men the country has ever had.

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## Connubial Congratulation.

Corvallis Gazette-Times. It is something for a man to live 50 years with one woman, and it is even of greater moment that a woman should

been able to stand one man that long.

Clergymen Drop "Reverend" Title,

Indianapoils Dispatch. Clergymen in one of the counties of Ohio have voted to drop the tille of rev-erend. They say that the tille does not occur in the Bible, and that they can see no good reason why they should use it.

next Oregon election C. B. LA FOLLETTE. High Heels Upheld in Court.

Kansas City Journal. The Kansas City Court of Appeals re-cently affirmed a judgment of \$2500 given Emma N. Rose in the Jackson County Circuit Court against Kansas City. The

Circuit Court against Kansas City. The woman sued for damages for injuries al-leged to have been received when she stepped from a car into a hole in the pavement. The city contended that the woman was careless in stepping from the car, and in wearing shoes described as being very high and tapering to only an inch in width at the bottom. "We do not feel justified." said Justice Allison, who wrote the opinion. "In declaring that wrote the opinion. "In declaring that wearing such character of shoes was negligent as a matter of law." He said