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years has been carried in Union ships; and as a factor in rate-making, the "Union" has been a dead letter for the past three years. Poor indeed is the cause that seems to be dependent on such misrepresentation to awaken public support and interest.

SINGLE-TAX FOR WATER MAINS?

Single-taxers have seized the opportunity afforded by the main dispute in Portland to urge adoption of their scheme for payment of cost of main extensions by general taxation. They are telling the small homeowner in the suburbs, who expects to pay, because they will save him much money; that owners of high-priced lots will have to bear most of the expense; and that such owners ought to pay, because their lots are made valuable by the presence in the city of the small suburban landholders.

This is alluring argument, but does not deal with the equities of the case. Every owner of a home, under the scheme, would have to pay taxes to improve, with water mains, the idle lands of speculators, who would be waiting for the "snap." Every person who builds on a lot, thereby enhancing its value, would have to pay increased tribute to the pockets of such speculators. So that, while the small homeowner may think he would be passing the burden up to the man a little richer, at the same time he would be passing it down to the man a little poorer.

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SEASIDE RAILROAD PROJECTS.

Portland news from Seaside is plentiful yesterday. A party of Hill surveyors was running lines down the beach from Hammond to Gearhart, presumably for a scenic route to Seaside. Philadelphia capitalists who are promoting the electric line from Astoria to Seaside and Tillamook also were in Seaside yesterday, and are ready for actual construction work.

San Diego has made a new record for public enterprise in subscribing money for expositions by coming to the front with an initial fund of \$100,000 for the Panama-California Exposition. This is to be raised with another \$1,000,000 to be raised by bonding the city.

THE COPENHAGEN SCIENTISTS ARE STILL FROM MISOURI.

The Copenhagen scientists are still from Missouri. Had they handed one North Pole gold brick, they are not inclined to accept the story of Peary without first seeing the proofs. With the House naval committee recommending by a decisive vote to recommend Peary's expedition, the proof is forthcoming, with the Governor of Georgia and the Mayor of Georgia's principal city refusing to introduce Peary, and with Copenhagen so skeptical that he will get no invitation to lecture before the Royal Danish Geographical Society.

HERE IT IS AGAIN.

Like the question of women's suffrage, it seems probable that the single tax will always be with us. It was voted down two years ago, but that makes no difference. Preparations are making to bring it up again in 1912, and, if it is rejected, then it will bob up serenely in 1914 and so on without end. Men may come and men may go, but the single tax goes on forever. The Fels fund supplies the means for keeping it constantly in agitation, and through the initiative it may be brought up as often as signers of the petition can be discovered.

SCHOOLING FOR TEACHERS.

The course planned for the Summer school to be conducted at Corvallis by the Oregon Agricultural College has the distinction of being not only versatile and interesting, but withal practical. It will be held during the month of August, that is, from August 20 to August 5, inclusive. Courses in industrial pedagogy and school methods will be offered which, since the tendency of much of modern educational effort is toward industrial education, is particularly timely.

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PENDELTON FAVORS FUND.

Quarter-Mill Levy Will Raise \$10,000 for Publicity. PENDELTON, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—Umatilla County will have a publicity fund of more than \$10,000, if the sale of the Pendleton Club, Indorsed by representative business men of Umatilla County here tonight, is indorsed by the people.

SEASIDE LODGE INSPECTED.

SEASIDE, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—With Grand Chief Miss Inez Chase, of Coquille, Or., to lend dignity to the occasion, the Klu Klux Lodge of the Puyallup Sisters was inspected at Seaside last night. After the regular initiation, ward presentation, etc., the members of the lodge to the grand chief, a banquet was held at which many compliments were paid the local lodge.

MURDERER CAUGHT IN MEXICO.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 16.—Joseph Flad, alias John Fayard, who shot and killed his sweetheart, Miss Lada Nichols, on October 24, 1906, has been arrested in the City of Mexico, in the outskirts of which city he was living with his wife and child. Flad was arrested on the murder in the first degree has been sent to Mexico, and Flad will be extradited. He killed Miss Nichols because she was pregnant and he was afraid she would be betrayed to a Seattle detective by countrymen who had seen him in the City of Mexico.

PEPON CHILD TAKEN INTO COURT.

GEORGETOWN, Wash., March 16.—(Special.)—George Pepon, the 5-year-old child of G. L. Pepon, who is in jail at Colville, Wash., charged with the murder of his wife, Edith Pepon, was taken into the Portland Juvenile Court yesterday by his grandmother, Mrs. Wolcott, who asked that the child be committed to the care of the court. A hearing will be given on this request next Friday.

FOOT BURNED, MAN ASKS \$5000.

W. Rogalsky sued the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company for \$5000 for damages resulting from the accidental burning of one of his feet by molten metal when he was employed by the company in the local boiler shop. The suit is for the result of a careless method by which the company controlled the metal.

SETTLERS BEGIN SUIT.

F. H. Hanks, representing the settlers in the settlement which was contracted for the purchase of land to be watered by the Columbia Southern Irrigation company, filed suit in the Circuit Court yesterday. Hanks says the company declared insolvent.

OTTO ANDERACK, OF TAG TUSSELER, DROWNED NEAR VICTORIA.

VICTORIA, March 16.—Otto Anderack, aged 45, engineer of the Tag Tusseler, was mysteriously drowned today. The tug, which was engaged to tow the schooner for Sooko at noon today, on arrival at the old quarantine station, eight miles from here, it was discovered that the engineer was missing. The tug returned with no trace of the missing man was found.

DELEGATES TO BRUSSELS NAMED.

SALEM, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—Henry L. Carter, Mayor of Portland, and George F. Rodgers, Mayor of Salem, were today appointed by Governor Benson delegates to the Second International Congress of Road Builders, to be held in Brussels, Belgium, from July 31 to August 7. It is understood that both delegates are planning European trips and will attend the congress.

THE DALLES GETS CAPTAIN WALSFIELD.

NEWPORT, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—Captain William Walsfield, for many years proprietor of the Alsea House and restaurant, Waldport, has been named as the place at the Dalles, where he will reside in the future. Mrs. Linton will manage the property. The new proprietor is appointed, William Keady and Charles Baker are candidates for the appointment.

BROKEN SINGLETREE SHATTERS LEG.

BEAVERTON, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—A broken singletree, propelled by its own power, shattered the leg of a man who was driving a team of horses toward a stump. The driver was driven clear through the calf of his leg. He was attended by Dr. Frank S. White.

SOUTH PORTLAND BOOSTERS MEET.

What is announced to be a meeting of much importance will be that of the South Portland Boosters' Club tonight at St. Lawrence Hall. Third and Salmon streets, when a number of important public improvements will be up for discussion.

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