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SPORANE'S TERMINAL BACKDOWN.

Spokane has had to back down from its demand for terminal rates in exchange for grant of franchises to the Milwaukee and the North Coast railroads. The railroads served no-tice that they could well stay out of Spokane and had stopped construction toward that city; that terminal rates were absurd and impossible and would disarrange the railroad map of the whole country; and that, moreover, if it were necessary for them to have access to Spokane, the City Council could not keep them out nor impose successfully any conditions that they

were unwilling to meet. This long-and-short-haul fever in Spokane was made the worse by the anti-capitalistic craze that is rampar in many cities, in some degree also in Portland, and that makes unreasonable demands whenever a public service corporation seeks privileges of doss. But the substantial interests of Spokane-mercantile, banking, manufacturing and realtyunited to administer a dose of common sense to the City Council, with the result that that body has withdrawn from its unreasonable attitude of denying new railroads entrance to their city except on long-and-shorthaul basis.

Now the business men will direct their efforts for terminal rates toward enactment of Congress.

The Spokane Chamber of Commerce has apparently lost faith in the Interstate Commerce Commission. On recelpt of the news that the House at Washington had retained in the longand-short-haul clause of the railroad bill a provision authorizing the commission to use its own discretion where conditions warranted change or modi. fication, the Spokane Chamber of Commerce sent telegrams to the Washington and Idaho Senators informing them: "Common honesty and justice to Inland Empire demand law bsolutely prohibiting railroads from charging more for short than long haul." The Spokesman-Review also unwilling to trust the Interstate Commerce Commission. In support of its objection, it quotes from the tommission's decision in the Spokane rate case: "It cannot be denied, in view of these incontrovertible facts, that water competition does exist, and that it does produce a controlling effect upon many rates to the Pacific Coast from many Eastern destina-

Not only did the commission in the words quoted recognize the existence of conditions which made a fair and squitable long-and-short-haul tariff an impossibility in the Pacific Coast territory, but it still further emphasized the presence of these conditions by stating that: "this commission has several times found that water competition did exist as now asserted by the

surgency? It is a catchword where-with to designate with fair name the personal designs of men who think it popular to go off on their own hook in politics, without regard for the pur-poses for which men associate in party and hold government responsible, and who "won't play" unless they get just what they want. No political organization and no political success is pos sible with such methods of conduct. The country has had a carnival of non-partisanship for several years. The inevitable result has arrived Maybe it is what the country wishes and needs. If so, well and good. But it will soon get rid of sham and hum-bug of the thing.

NOW THE WHIRLWIND.

On the first page of the Seattle Daily Times for Sunday, May 8, apcears in large headlines the following 'Seattle, 230,000; Portland, 210,000. On page 6 of the same issue of the Times is printed conspicuously the following ancient legend: "Population of Seattle, 309,375-Polk's Directory estimate revised." Obviously the Times family ought to get together. In support of its first-page announce-ment, our Scattle neighbor gives the Seattle Civic Census Bureau as delaring that in its judgment "not les than 230,000 people will be credited to this city (Seattle's) population." justify its Portland figures, the To Times speaks of its information 8.8 "absolutely satisfactory"-to the Times no doubt-and "absolutely authentfe." We'll let it go at that,

The Oregonian will also refrain from comment on the previous unjustifiable estimates in Seattle of over city. 200,000 people there, and will make no prophecy now as to the final result the census. It feels warranted however, in reproducing from its own following paragraph columns the printed April 28, 1910:

Now, of course, we don't believe that have is any great scheme for a bogus re-urn in Scattle. It is incredible. The town annot afford to do it, and won't do it, for t has bonest citizens and derent people, ust as Portiand has. That is the reason hat there will be no count there above 25,000-and it is likely to be less-since it vill be on its face obvious and demonstra-le frand. There will be no need, or desire, erhaps, to investigate too closely any fig-re up to 225,000. e up to 225,000.

This paragraph, too, which ap peared in The Oregonian January 11, 1910, has interest at this time:

1910, has interest at this time: We feel that we ought to add a wo about the population of Seattle. Is view the early time when the Federal cons will be taken and all estimates, calcul tions, prophecles and prognostications w be found true or false, as the case may 1 if the Timer statement as to the 1909 sche population in Seattle (39,306) is correct mark the "II"-the Federal census of 19 will barely give Seattle more than 200,0 people, including Japanese and transie Aliasians. Let all persons interested in 2 atlies population stick a pin here.

Why did Seattle, which has intel ligent and enterprising people, foolishly plume itself for so great a fall!

SUNDAY ACCIDENTS.

The eagerness with which pleasure seekers flock to the open country, on the first bright Sunday in Spring, is, unfortunately, not at all times watched or attended by the caution esential to safety in this day of speeding trains and flying automobiles, Last for all its brightness and warmih, was a day of misfortune to nany who sought the vernal glories of the country. At Albany four auto-ists were in a wreck from which they narrowly escaped with their lives near Dallas a gay party of young peo ple out driving were struck by a local train and one young woman was instantly killed; at' Newport a steam launch grounded on a sand spit in a fog and a party of twenty-two young people were rescued from a perilous esition by the United States lifesaving rew; near Winchester, Douglas County, two young women were drowned while boating; and over in Washington two young people were suspended over a bridge some twenty feet above Wilson Creek, over the edge of which

their frightened horse had backed. As an introduction to the outdoo pleasure season this list of accidents icers were experimenting with turne

of the disease, and therefore ceases to ough. Meanwhile the ravages of the earned.

malady continue unchecked, and death is in fact hastened by the remedy. Should the patient by chance re cover, he finds himself addicted to some drug which makes him a hope less slave all his life. Surely it is better to perish of tuberculosis than to live an opium or cocaine fiend. The point, we reiterate, is that the

dishonest remedies for consumption only intensify the ravages of the disease, while they fix a terrible drug habit upon the sufferer. Anything which tends to diminish the addiction sponsible. of mankind to drugs, be it faith cure education, Fletcherism, or what not deserves to be commended for that service, whatever else we may blame it for.

SCARLET FEYER. Than-scarlet fever there is no disease

more justly dreaded in the family and the community. Of the class known as filth diseases, it is distinctly preventable and actively contagious. Of all diseases incident to childhood, it is the one most likely to leave distressing consequences behind. Smallpox in its virulent form is more loathsome, but the sufferings it entails are not more severe than are those that follow in the train of scarlet fever.

This disease has prevailed to some extent in this city for many months. The cases have, for the most part, been of a mild type, and this fact has through inducing carelessness, con duced to its spread until it has ome epidemic in some sections of the Some of the later cases have developed with a suddenness that was surprising to physicians, and with rirulence that guickly proved fatal.

At present there are about ninet registered cases in the city. The problem of stamping this disease out now before the Health Board, the School Board, physicians and parents, especially the patrons of the public schools. It is necessary in order to do this to establish the most rigid quarantine of the inmates of all homes where it exists. No subterfuge, no careless "taking of chances" by allow-

ing any one of the children of a stricken family to attend school should be attempted; none will be permitted, if proper vigilance prevails.

This is not said to excite alarm, but merely to induce the care necessary to stamp out this scourge. Owing to the fact that the convalescent stage of this disease is the stage at which the germs are more readily dissemi-nated-the stage at which the patient "feeling as well as ever," is permitted to break quarantine—it is one of the most difficult of all diseases to stamp While it is hoped that it will no ut. ecome necessary to close the public schools in order to accomplish this

the high seas earning money. Her purpose, there should be no hesitancy twenty-six months of idleness in this in doing so if prudence seems to de port cost the owners a large sum of money, but it again demonstrated that freight rates are regulated by nand it. The menace, as far as it ex. tends, is grave. It should not be althe law of supply and demand, and not by the ability of shipowners to owed to spread, even if every schoolroom door in the city must be closed until September in order to compas keep their tonnage idle. this object.

A BACKSET TO AVIATION.

The military prospects of aviation to not look quite so brilliant as they did a few weeks ago. Then every was prophesying that the next body war would be fought in the air. Now t is conceded that we shall probably fight on the land, if we can rais noney enough to fight at all. Thi transformation of military ideals has been brought about by two accidents The great German war dirigible, the Zeppelin II, was torn from its anchorage by a high wind and swept away to destruction in spite of everything that could be done to save it. Three hundred soldiers held to the drag ropes, but it was all in vain. The ponderou contrivance sailed off in the wind and was wrecked beyond repair. At about

the same time, a war balloon of the dirigible type which some British of-

face the punishment which they hav SPOKANE YIELDS TO BAILROADS.

City Council Abandons Plan to Exact

Terminal fates for Franchises. The City Council of Spokane will not ex-set terminal rates from the Milwankes and the North Coast failroads in return for franchises sought by those railroads for en-trance into the city. The Council recently resolved that the railroads must grant for-minal rates enjoyed by Portland, Scattle franchises Last Friday midnight the Coun-cil second that the resolution by a vote of to f. In response to a pecifion signed by 1,000 citizens and a demand of the busi-become a very tonse one and now it is an-bounced by the defeated terminal rates in favor of the city. The subject has become a very tonse one and now the an-throut of the subject has become a very tonse one and now the an-bouned by the defeated terminal rate con-tingent that any franchise ordinance in favor of the railroads entering Spo-kane would never grant terminal rates in schange for franchises; that the demand of Spokane had caused suspension of work on the Spokane-Puget Sound line of his stration, made a stirring speech to the counting the council could not exact terminal rates nor keep business for the stration made a stirring spice to the council, in part as follows: Washington Post. The report that Hon. Richard A. Ballinger, Secretary of the Interior, will find an excuse for resigning soon after department, and the investigation has against him, it is but natural that he

in no more secure terminal rates by the method proposed to be adopted here than they can stop the course of the comet the papers are talking about; it simply can't be done as far as we are concerned, and we absolutely know it. What I mean to say is that we can-not build one method here we canlina, is one of those unreasonable men who possess that old fogy notion that

What I mean to say is that we can-not build our railroad into Spokane and submit to any such a franchise or with any such a clause. When this question became some-what strenuous here three or four months ago I had secured funds to build probably the most expensive sec-tion of the North Coast road from here through Hangman Creek Canyon to Te-"it's a poor rule that won't work both ways." The Senator from the cotton belt wants to know why the Depart-ment of Justice has suddenly discovered that it is a crime to speculate in otton with a view to advancing prices. hrough Hangman Creek Canyon to Tekoa and beyond. The contracts were let; there was about \$5,000,000 approwhile there is apparently nothing detrimental in the manipulation of the bears, who devote their energies to de.

ordered to discontinued here and gente-tion. It was discontinued, and, gente-men, that construction stopped in 24 hours. There were 1800 men marched off that work. manipulation of cotton prices, it would

Now, there are miles and miles of

whether it will ever be fin shed I don't know. I simply know that this has been the crucifixion of one railroad for the present to Spokane. "Now, this is all there is to it: Do

you want those roads or don't you want Terminal rates have nothing to do with it. We can't stand for it and we won't. The reason why we won't is because we can't. And the reason why we can't is because we can't get The owners of the British bark Donna Francisca, which sailed out of

This one road was going into a terri-ory that exceeds in extent any unde-coloped territory in the whole Pacific Northwest. I refer to the great Clear-

lighty well where the tending. learwater country is tending.

behooves you to go after it if you are going to get it; and you will never get it by choking off railroad build-There isn't any other way to get ng.

in this view it is to employ teachers in a point near Ringgold Bar. Ringgold Bar is about 40 miles north of the bridge I before mentioned. This lo-cation was on the main line extending with tendencies toward tuberculosis or alling person can do nothing well, from Spokane to Puget Sound. This work was going along together in a systematic way with the full intent of developing both enterprises, build-ing the Spokane line and utilizing that men who are teachers of the young are justly due to the duties of their vocation. Applied with proper discretion, the new rule cannot fail to be umbia River bridge across Ringgold

Always keep your place with a thin Always place a large book upon a table

MR. BALLINGER SHOULD REMAIN LIFE'S SUNNY SIDE His Work Is Not Yet Ended, and He

> A man in West Newton, who has many friends, was puzzled the other day when one of them called him to account for neglecting his wife.

eglecting his wife. "What in the world is the trouble?" ald the friend. "You used to be madly hove with Mrs. Blank. Dea't you care or her any more?" "I surely do," said the husband. said the friend.

"Well, if you love her, how does it come that you haven't spoken to her for the last 15 years?" "Ob, that," said the man. "The fact

is, I hate to interrupt her."-Boston Trav-

. . .

"As every one who has visited London shows," said a young man formerly at-tached to our embassy at the British capital, "the number of passengers carried n cortain busses is limited by regulation

"Once a kindly Irish conductor, though quite aware that his bus was full, had permitted a young and sickly woman to squeeze in. The bus had not proceeded Conductah! he usual crank spoke up. Conductah! he exclaimed, 'Xou've one over your number, y' know!' "'Haye I, sir" asked the conductor

"Have I. sirT asked the conductor with affected concern. Then, beginning to count from the opposite end, leaving the complainant until the last, he re-peated: 'Wan, two, three, four, folve, six, sivin, eight, noine, tin, 'lefen, twelve, thir-so I have, sir, an', be the Lord Harry, ye're the wan. Out ye go!! "And out he did go."-Pittsburg Chron-icle-Telegraph.

The Comtesse de Martel, the wellknown novelist who writes under name of "Gyp," has a pretty wit. was on one occasion assisting at a char-ity bazaar in Paris, to which came Baron Rothschild as a visitor. The writer im-mediately pressed him to buy something. "What am I to buy?" said the wealthy nobleman. "You have nothing I want. Stay, I have an idea. Sell me your auto-graph. I should like that." Without de-lay the lady took a sheet of note paper and wrote: "Received from Baron Rothschild the sum of 1000 france for charity, -Gyp." The baron read, handed over the money willingly, and departed, well pleased with the comtesse's ingenuity.--Gyp. Tit-Bits.

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Mayor Shechan, of Elmira, was ridicul-ing the pretensions of a political oppo-nent. "He takes," said Mayor Shechan, "too much credit. He reminds me of the cayuse farmer. This farmer came home one night from a banquet, and, throwing himself down in a rocking chair before the stove, he sighed: 'I'm about tired out. Be the cows in the barn?' 'Yes, Adoniram,' said his wife. 'Hosses fed and bedded down?' asked the farmer, and he took from his pocket a cigar with a gilt band about it. 'Yes, Adoniram.' 'Chickens ain't locked up, though, be they?' Yes, Adoniram, long ago.' Wood chopped for mornin'? 'Yes.' Ducks picked and wagon wheel mended for to-morrow's market?' Yos, Adoniram.' The farmer lighted the cigar, yawned and New York Evening Post. If the statements in a Washington paper, quoted in our dispatches today. concerning Mr. Roosevelt's political at-titude could be accepted as correct, they would furnish renewed evidence they would furnish renewed evidence of the ex-President's political sagac-ity. Nothing could more effectively consolidate his influence and strength-en his hold on the public than the adoption of the position indicated in the dispatch. According to this in-formation, be has written letters in which he not only supports the Taft administration, but positively asserts his intention to remain in private life farmer lighted the cigar, yawned and said: 'Well, then, just hand me the Farm Journal and draw me a jug of elder. Maria. I'll turn in soon. Farmin's beginnin' to tell on me.' "-Kansas City for the present, and not to be a can didate for the Presidency in 1912. If all this shall prove true, the result will be that a tumultuous conflict

Star. . . .

The rural free delivery reaches its lower of perfection in Vermont. "Mr. Carrier," said a lady who was ummering among the mountains, "I have

a letter received several days ago, say-ing a package has been forwarded to me by mall. I have not received it yet. Have you seen anything of it? "A package?" asked the rural free de-

in some very essential respects con-tradictory to known facts, and there is therefore every reason to believe that the source of the Washington ar-"What kind of a package?"

"Why, a small package-a box, in fact covered with paper, containing some of "A small box-pasteboard probably"

INTELLIGENT CARE OF BOOKS "Yes.

"Let me see," pondered the rural free "Let me see," pondered the furni free deliverer. "A package? Oh, yes, I guess that was your package I delivered to Mrs. Browne down in the foothills a few days ago. She hadn't had any mall for a long time, and I kind of felt sorry for her."-Saturday Evening Post.

. . . Typhold had broken out in their neighod, and the family resorted to travel as the best means of precaution until the trouble should subside. They arrived at Quebec by the morning

boat, intending to take it to Montreal in the evening, but the sightseers got tired, and returned early in the afternoon to find the smoke stack on the level with the dock, the tide having dropped 18 Mamma." cried the little girl, "did God drink up all that water? "Yes, my child."

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Senator Simmons, of North Caro

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more than two years ago, and her

owners refused to accept a rate of 28s 9d per ton for freight to Europe.

A year later they declined an offer of 27s 6d, but last month they accepted

25 shillings, and the ship is again on

The position that has been taken by

the School Board in the matter of re

quiring teachers employed in the pub-

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Now that the investigation has dis Terminal Rates for Franchises.

closed the great handicap under which Mr. Ballinger labored, with mutiny, meating his department, the necessity of his announced policy for the fu-ture can be fully appreciated by all fair-minded people. Mr. Bailinger is at the head of a great branch of the Government. For the success or failure of the trust thus imposed on him, it is he alone that will be held re captain on a ship, and in every line commercial endeavor of Government work there must be some recog nized head whom the people will hold to accountability. As Mr. Ballinger had been selected for the head of his

I absolutely know that the Council

priated for that purpose. As quickly as it was discovered that there was any possible danger of this franchise hot being obtained here I was pressing prices. Senator Simmons calls attention to the fact that no protest came from the Attorney-General when a bear raid squeezed several cents per pound out of the price of cotton. If the Government is determined to punish some one for alleged

that grade out in that canyon and be-yond upon where the grass is growing "short" sellers, who have been caught in the act of depressing prices, instead of centering the fire on the men who

ught cotton because natural conditions seemed to indicate that it was

the money.

the Columbia vesterday, bound for Europe, have just completed a useful but expensive experiment with the laws of supply and demand. Cargo was plentiful and ships rather scare when the Donna Francisca was wing-

water country, with the country sur-rounding it in every direction. Now, gentlemen, you all know mighty well where the business of the

You know mighty well what a slender hold Spokane has got on it There isn't anybody here so unintelli-gent that he doesn't know that, and it it but just that way-go after it. On the North Coast line as laid out

will be that a tumultuous conflict within the Republican party will be avoided, such as would of necessity arise if, on the return from his whiri of foreign ovations, the question of his immediate political future were to form part of the Maleyon and vocifer-ous goings-on that will in any case attend his home-coming. The state-ments quoted, however, are, as our Washington correspondent points out, in some very essential respects conthere were two bridges crossing the Columbia River. I presume you all know that bridges are not built across the Columbia River unless they are wanted mighty badly, and unless there is great big money behind the railroad that is building. One of these bridges was laid out after very much care in its location, at a point a little below the mouth of the Snake River on a portion of the North Coast system which was designed to run across Southern Washington on the line from Walla Walla through to Puget Sound The bridge was right on that line.

Another bridge was planned to be erected across the Columbia River a

Bar as well as the bridge across the Columbia River below the mouth of the Snake on the line from Walla Walla to Puget Sound. ands. The Umpqua river claimed two victims by drowning last Saturday even-The Ringgold bridge is not there; t The Ringgold bridge is not there; the lines that we started to connect with it have been stopped; the grass is growing over them. Any man can find that out by going out into that country. People all over the country there know it and they ask why. You gentlemen sliting around this little row of tables can answer the question why. of tables can answer the question why. Gentlemsn, do you know that every bank in this city is on our side in this matter—absolutely every bank? Now, do you know what that means to have all of these banks looking at this thing in the way we do? There are some 30 or 40 million dollars of resources in these banks. That is one-half of your total assessed valuation of this city. Isn't that a property interest worth paying attention to? Isn't that a property interest worth paying attention to? And another thing, you can make the round of the real estate offices in this town today, and every last one of them will tell you that this thing has hurt the city to an extent that is in-calculable—holding up these franchises. You know it. There is no question about it about it.

conclusion of the Ballinger-Pin-t hearing has no semblance of hability. It is not like Mr. Bal-

chot hearing has no semblance of probability. It is not like Mr. Bai-linger, and there would be no occa-sion for it After a slage of many months, in which every kind of in-sinuation, suspicion and implication was admitted into the Congressional hearing. Secretary Ballinger has emerged victorious. Not a single fact has been produced to show that he was even derelict in duty, much less corrupt. The huge pile of maltee, vilification and misrepresentation that was intended to crush him has crumbled and President Taft's confivas intended to crush him has rumbled and President Taft's confi-lence in him is now seen to have been ounded on solid ground.

Mr. Ballinger has borne himself dur-Mr. Bailinger has borne himself dur-ing this long ordeal with patience and dignity. He has not replied to every vague insinuation, but he has replied to every definite charge against him, and his reply has been backed by doc-umentary evidence. He has revealed himself as a strong, able man, a good fighter and a fearless public official, who has not swerved from his duty. He has obeyed the law himself and he has forced others to obey it.

Should Finish It.

he has forced others to obey it. It is impossible to believe that Mr. Ballinger will seek occasion to retire. It would be proof of a weakness that he has never shown. No doubt he has feit, at times, that a public official performs an ungrateful task. This feeling has been expressed even by President Taft; but Secretary Ballinger to justify the belief that he will yield to a passing whim and throw off the responsibilities that he carries. He has mastered the difficult questions has matched the difficult questions arising in his department, and has in-jected into the service a strong, pro-gressive spirit. He is needed at his post. The people are realizing more and more that this quiet, determined,

clear-sighted man is in the place where he can serve them and protect their interests most effectively. His work is not yet ended, and it is not in his nature to leave a task unfin-Ished.

SAGACITY OF BOOSEVELT. Decision to Remain a Private Citizen Averts Tumultuous Conflict.

defendants and has held that this competition would in the main justify the system of transcontinental tariffs which these defendants have established."

Knowledge of the existence of these conditions and of the impossibility of pvercoming them was responsible for refusal of the North Coast and Mil wankee railroads to promise Spokane terminal rates in payment for fran chises. That there are a considerable number of people in Spokane who neither ask nor expect the impossible is shown by the overwhelming petition of voters which forced the City Counell to recede from its position in de manding terminal rates for Spokane as payment for a franchise

NATURAL RESULT OF NON-PARTISAN-SHIP

Fate of the railroad bill in Congress displays the logical result of non-par-tisan, "independent," insurgent poli-Insurgent members emasculate an important Republican measure and repudiate allegiance to a party policy whose outcome will either make or undo, vindicate or discredit, the political organization which was supposed to have their support. They are pursuing their own designs of politics and demagogy and asserting them su-perior to purposes of their party, as pronounced by majority Republicans and Administration.

So that Congress will probably accomplish nothing for needed im-provement in the power of the Inter-state Commission. It all goes to show once more that party governand party responsibility are only effective methods of political and governmental action. Great many persons have been praising insurgent revolters without foreseeing the effect. Yet it is oldest of lessons that the only opportunity for remedial legislation comes from subordination of minority opinions to plans of majority. It is impossible to enact Republican measure ares without this concert. The sowing of the wind of non-partyism prom ses to be followed by the reaping of the whirlwind of failure and disrup-

A small part of the Republican has joined the Democratic party party in unmaking the measures that embody the most important Roosevelt policies-regulation of milroads. Senate takes out of the Administration bill practically everything that it contains to commend it. The House tacks on amendments that are sure to be fatal to its enactment, such as long and short haul, supervision of telephone and telegraph companies by the Commission, and other numerous matters. In all this disruptive work Democrats uphold insurgents, for it is the aim of Democrats to put the blame for nothing done and for pledges unkept on the Republican party.

ept on the Republican party. to cure consumption. In reality all it Insurgency has made this chaos; no does is to deaden the person's nerves,

newnat emphasizes the need of the greatest caution in going abroad with modern equipment for rapid transit, but suggests the disquieting fact that prudence is not always a safeguard against grave disaster.

OUR BELOVED DRUGS.

Persons who rail indiscriminately at "faith cures" of all sorts often lo sight of one very important aspect of the subject. It is a valuable influence which all the methods of faith cure, healing by prayer, and so on exert in common that they discourage the use of drugs. Frail humanity in its prim-live and untaught condition, is prone to dose itself with chemicals for every isease and almost every discomfort. Is the man too warm? He slops down

come kind of a drugged drink to make him cool. Is he too cold? He swalows a potion to make him warm. If the baby cries it must be hushed with a soothing syrup. The dependence of people on drugs to remedy all their ills has been some-

there is still much to do to cure

overcome. what relaxed by the Federal Pure Food and Drugs Act, which discloses the insidious poisons hidden in many or war. of the most popular remedies; but

habits of using cocaine, oplum, alcohol Secretary Ballinger's announced de and the like and to prevent the forma tion of new ones. It is estimated that some two or three millions of people in the United States are slaves to some drug other than strong drink. So destructive are the effects of the practice that the Government has thought worth while to issue a Farmers' Bulletin to warn the public of the many habit-forming chemicals which are contained in seductive forms in soothing syrups, headache powders, "temperance drinks" and other traps for the unwary. It is Bulletin No. 393. and may be obtained by writing to the Department of Agriculture.

The food and drugs act does not positively forbid the use of deleterious chemicals in patent medicines. merely requires that the contents of the bottle or package La printed on the wrapper. A person who is not familiar with the properties of drugs may be deceived by alluring advertisements just as easily when the ingredients are named as when they Secretary and interfering with his polare not. Many of these so-called medles.

icines are purposely prepared with habit-forming substances. The object is to secure regular customers. Naturally, a person who has been insid-iously ensloved to opium or cocaine Glavis type, Yet in the circumstan will be a lifelong purchaser of the "medicine" which has ruined him. It charge these men who have is said also that many low-class physicians take part in the base practice of enticing victims to form the drug Tuberculosis patients are es ministration. To Mr. Pinchot. pecially chosen by them to operate the blame for the unsupported attacks that have been made on Mr. Ballinger, upon. They sell some drug purporting

question about that. And what is in- so that he does not feel the irritation from the scene, leaving his allies to

turtle and became a total loss. No doubt these accidents will give ecret joy to military men of all ranks. They are as brave as human crea-tures can be, of course, but it does not follow that they like the prospec of carrying on warfare in the upper

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salutary.

regions of the atmosphere. It is bad enough to be shot to pleces on solid ground. To know that one must drop plumb down ten thousand fathom deep, or such a matter, adds a new terror to the soldier's death. It makes civilized warfare resemble the battle in Heaven, which Milton so vividly describes, where the combatants or one side, after being defeated, were hurled over the battlements of the celestial city and fell nine days and

nights into the place appointed for them. No doubt the problems of aerial navigation will ultimately be solved. The human intelligence has never yet been baffled permanently by any difficulty which it seriously sought But it is rash to say that aviation has yet reached a degree of security that it is likely to serve greatly the ends of either commerc

WILL CLEAR THE DECKS.

termination to engage in housecleaning, or "snake-killing," in his depart ment will no doubt be selzed on by the Secretary's muckraking assailants as an opportunity for further slander and vilification. The hearing has disclosed the existence of a bitter personal feeling against the Secretary by Pinchot, who, according to one of the witnesses, Director Smith, of the logical Survey, had referred to Ballin-ger as a "yellow dog," and had told Smith that "if we don't get him one way, we'll get him another." unsuccessful effort to "get" Secretary

Ballinger, Mr. Pinchot pressed into his service a number of the subordin ates in Ballinger's department. these subordinates, Glavis was what might be termed cheap and noisy, but Director Newell and Chief Engineer Davis, of the Reclamation Service, by virtue of their higher positions, were very active figures in harassing the

As soon as these gentlemen are detached from the Government payroll, the muckrakers will, of course add them to the list of martyrs of the Mr. Ballinger, in justice to himself. cannot well do otherwise than dis everything in their power to interfere with his work and discredit his ad-

but the willy Pinchot has departed

tragedies may be said to have opened. Despite the presence of an abundance of lakes, rivers and bays on which the population should take lessons handling boats and in swimming, the number of deaths by drowning make very large list each year. In the Umpqua tragedy, carelessness was apparently responsible for the loss life, but the matter will soon be forgotten by all except the bereaved relatives. And from now on there will be a steady increase in the number of fatalities of this nature.

The statement that a memoria hurch to the late Rev. George H. Atkinson is to be built in this city re calls the kindly face and dignified bearing of the pioneer missionary and minister as he went in and out among the settlers of early Oregon for many years. A plain monument in Riverview cometery marks the last resting place of this beloved minister, who lives and will yet live long in the im press that was left by his endeavor upon the people and institutions of

Senator Depew continues to be an noyed by reports that he will not succeed himself. The Senator is a hu-morist; but there is no reason why the State of New York should carry its great Senatorial joke any farther.

early Oregon.

An Oregon Electric fender dragged man sixty feet and killed him yes terday. Killing people seems to be the main work of the customary fender. Better no fender and let death be in stantaneous than mangle the victim.

Business men, politicians and of iceholders of Salem to the number of 60 will journey to Klamath Fall next week. A few fences need looking after.

The comet, they say, can easily be seen now if you get up early enough, or stay out long enough. Or somebody s prevaricating

Consulting a physician at the very start will prevent an outbreak of scar Doctors are cheaper than let fever. undertakers.

Science is breeding blue cats in Boston. The blue cat and red-headed negro are indigenous in the Bay State.

Post laureates have their uses; so professional have professional mourners. the similarity begins and ends. There

The first circus of the season in meandering down the Valley, gath ering the early shekels.

A "cop" in a "sojer" cap will be no cop" at all. The helmet is a mari "cop" at all. of distinction...

. . . Now, the merchants of this town to the extent of 75 per cent are absolutely in favor of letting the roads come in here without this terminal rate pro-vision. There is no question about

that. The manufacturers, every one but two of them that amount to anything in this city, are right on this side of ours. Don't the maanfacturers know what is good for them? I guess they

If we don't get this franchise and get into this city under reasonable con-ditions, we shall come some other way and get the business anyway, and we

not have to pay you a cent fo the privilege, not one cent! And, gentlemen, you can't stop it any more than you are stopping the Milwaukee today from coming in here.

Cause of the Quarrel.

Chicago Record-Herald. "What was the cause of your quarrel?

asked the judge, addressing the lady who wanted a divorce. 'I merely suggested, when he com-plained because the golf club raised the clues, that he resign and get the exer-cise he needed by mowing the lawn." "And are you sure that was all?" "Well, he wanted me to resign from my domestic science club and take a course of domestic science in the

Somerville Journal.

Who of the White House had a lease?

Who tells the wind which way to blow? Who seeks no friends and fears no foel Now, what's the use of asking that!

Who loves to hit a stinging crack? Who pretty soon is coming back? And what will happen then? Alack! The Lord only knows!

Always turn leaves from the top with

ticle is to be found at a distance of

much less than 3000 miles from the National Capital.

Suggestions for the Owner and the

Borrower of Prized Volumes.

Never lean or rest upon an open book Never turn down the corners of leaves

Milwaukee Wisconsin. Never hold a book near a fire. Never drop a book upon the floor. Never turn leaves with the thumb

Never touch a book with damp or se

the middle or foreinger. Never pull a book from a shelf by the binding at the top, but by the back. Never touch a book with a damp cloth

Never place another book or anything else upon the leaves of an open book. Never rub dust from books, but brush it off with a soft, dry cloth or duster.

Never close a book with a pencil, a pad of paper, or anything else between the leaves.

Always keep any neatly bound bor rowed book covered with paper while in your possession. Never attempt to dry a book, accident ally wet, by a fire, but mop off th moisture with a soft, dry cloth. out mop off the

Never write upon paper laid upon the leaves of an open book, as the pencil or pen point will either scratch or cut the

ook leaves. Three Telegrams.

Harper's Weekly.

Blue Haven, May 3. William J. Binks, New York: Please send me \$500 at once. Tom.

п. New York, May 4. Thomas Binks, Yule College, Blue Haven: You must economize. Send me your bills. Father.

1.40.0 III. Blue Haven, May 5.

William J. Binks, New York: All right. Am economizing. Have forwarded bills by freight. Cheaper than express. Love to mother, Tom.

Pleased With Portland.

Florence West. The parties who shipped dressed veal o Portland on board the Wilhelmina last week as an experiment are well pleased with the returns. The meat arrived in Portland in prime condition and brought the highest price quoted for that day. This shows our people that they can dispose of their surplus stock now by ship-ping it to Portland and opens up a market for what is not needed at home, so the produces can dispose of what extra stock he has without driving it out.

Being Fnir.

Troy Times. To say unpleasant things in a pleasant way is a fine art. A certain writer of biographics had highly developed his taients along this line, and his verdict on the great of his chosen period is much like that of the New Hampshire "Brethren." he said. "we must agree that our deceased friend was mean in some things, but let us in Christian char-ity allow that he was meaner in others."

Simple

Fliegende Blaetter. Mistress-Why, Lizzie! Now you have roken another valuable vase! You have done more damage than your wages amount to. What shall I do?

Maid-Raise my wages, ma'am! More in the Future Than the Past.

Kansas City Star. If the truth must be confessed the pub-lic is considerably less interested in the story of Jim Jefrfles' life than it is in the matter of his future performance.

ouldn't we tell him it wasn't "Then should

Pointed Paragraphs.

Chicago News. The near-great man imagines he is the eal thing.

Some men are proud of their ability to tell a lie that passes for the truth

tell a lie that passes for the truth. When it comes to an argument a wo-man gives in only when she gives out. Most people imagine they would rather be miserably rich than happly poor. Don't fool away your time telling a man he is a liar. If he is he knows it. And a man ever sincerely loves the ground a woman walks on unless she owns it. wins it.

owns it. We may know a good thing when we see it, but nine times out of ten the other fellow beats us to it. When a woman refuses to remove her hat in a theater it's a safe but that her

A woman never cries for the purpose of making herself feel better. She turns on the bring flow for the purpose of mak-

ing some man feel worse.

Stars and Stripes for Church.

. Baitimore News. While several churches in Baltimore have had electric signs of "Wiecome" have entered other outward signs to attract the people to services, it remained for the Sailors' Union Bethel Methodist Episcopal Church, Cross street, near Cov-ington, to have a flag raised on its edi-fice. This is done, as the pastor, the Rev. H E. Norris, says, to instill patriot-

ism into the sailors, who attend services at the church. Flags have been raised on Sunday Schools, church halls and other buildings connected with a church, but never in the history of any church in Maryland has a pole been placed on the church from which the Stars and Stripes will

The flagpole was contributed by a shipbuilder

Reflections of a Bachelor.

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New York Press. It's so natural to lie it's astonishing how few people do it well. The more fun a man thinks he can have being out nights the more his wife knows she can't.

Insano asylums are all places where everybody inside thinks everybody out-

side is crazy. The way for a man to make a girl stop running away from him is for him to chasing her.

when a man comes to you with an offer to make you rich you're lucky if he doesn't go away with a dollar he borrowed from you.

Not Our Fault.

chance.

Denver Republican. James Bryce says Americans don't know much about their own scenery. The billboard flends will not give them a

Hoo! Hoo!

kitchen.

Who's always handing out new dope? Who said: "No, thank you!" to the Pope' Who is the whole world's only hope? We don't need to tell you.

Who used to boss New York's police? Who's now for universal peace? Why, you know, of course!

Who's always on the jump and go?