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TAFT LOOKING TO DEMOCRATS

President Taft and his suppo lers in legislation have turned from insurgents to Democrats for support for the Administration railroad bill. This --- ral and logical action. There can be no effective harmony between sensible conservatives and radical extremists of the insurgent stripe. There is common interest, however, between the anti-radical interests of Democratic and Republican parties; in fact, there is a rutural bond of unitween them.

Old issues that divided citizenship into Republican and Democratic par-ties have diminished in potency to such extent that evidently they control reither party any longer. The conflict now, as represented in Congress, is not - much between the old parties as between extremists who fight for noisy innovation and uncom promising radicalism and "safe and sane" opponents of these efforts. Between insurgent Republicans, like Beveridge, La Follette, Cummins and Bristow, and radical Democrats of the Bryan following, there is community of interest and purpose that is mak ing itself plainer day by day. And between regular or conservative Re-publicans and the safe and same element of the Democratic party there is also coincidence of political

principles. Is there to be a new dividing line between parties in this country? The probability of it appears strong. It is certain that there will be two main parties opposing each other. Our Government would be impossible without them. Partisanship is sure to control the politics of this Nation. But parties are not everlasting; new formations develop from time to time: pieces of one party coalesce with those of another and new combinations are evolved. Perhaps politics is now on the verge of such changes. It is certain that in the Democratic party are many men who agree with the Taft railroad policy more nearly than insurgents can ever be persuaded to Such men as these have been the steadying force of, the Nation. They have saved the country from Bryan and his i scies by joining with Republicans. Now the President is making an effort to bring them into camp in support of his railroad meas-By making concessions ures. steady-going Democrats he may be able to effect enactment of his rallroad policies. He will certainly find

such Democrats more reliable to deal

with and more in accord with him

than insurgents. the Democratic party of the South are strong forces opposed to extreme "uplifters" and "progressive" and Ohio. These same forces are scattered more or less over the whole country. Their counterpart exists in the Republican party. President Roosevelt made use of this class of Democrats in passing his measures over opposition of minority Republican insurgents. He succeeded in doing this because Democrats wanted his measures as much as did Republicans. Roosevelt, though called a radical by some of his enemies, was just the reverse; he was not a blind standpatter, opposed to every kind of change; but he was a foe of bearbaiting politicians and demagogic "progressives." He understood that the conservative spirit of the Nation. is as real bulwark against damage and ruin.

only a single righteous man in the world today. There nust be fully half a dozen besides Mr. Roosevelt. Very likely the blow c , the comet will not fall until Theodore stands alone in his immaculate glory, as Noah did before the flood. Then look out.

THE PUBLIC DOCKS QUESTION

It seems to be supposed by some that if the city do not interpose, by the creation of municipal docks, the railroads will absorb all the dock room. But there is a good deal of dock or wharf room up and down the Willamette and Columbia Rivers, mostly still in private hands, and the railroads are not making any manifest effort to monopolize it.

Besides, why should it be supposed that the railroads wish to get all the wharf room, and close it against ocean commerce? Is It likely that they wish to stop shipments in and out of Portland, as it is said they will, if they can monopolize the wharfage? That is, can it be their purpose to obstruct the products and commerce of the country between Portland and the sea, and so cut off their own business? Why can't men talk rationally on such a subject?

The real opposition to public or municipal docks stands on a general principle. It it nds on the same principle as opposition to municipal street rallways, municipal telephones municipal gas and other light and power works. That is, every city should leave to private enterprise the active industries, on which development depends. Th abuse, the corruption, the wastefulness, of public works, carried on under a political and industrial system like ours, are immense and incurable. Measures of this kind, undertaken by municipalities, simply constitute on advance after another to a Socialistic system, wherein government is to be all in all-finally absorbing and constituting the state itself, and leaving nothing to private initiative, energy and competitive effort. This is the system for which Socialists are struggling: namely, to absorb in the all industry. .ll production and all means of distribution.

A NEW NON-PARTISAN PARTY.

Lawyers have undertaken to create a non-partisan party of lawyers to choose for the rest of the body politic the members of the judiciary. They plan to hold an assembly and to guide the destiny of their "ticket" through a central committee chosen from their own ranks. Their non-partisanship, then, is not so broad as to ex-tend beyond their own interest. They care not for other men as compatriots. Rather exclusive with their non-partisanship, aren't they?

So that non-partisanship proves itself a hoax, also, in the case of the lawyers

Republicans will not be so narrow in their patriotism, when they come to make up their ticket for the judiclary. All classes of people will be represented in their assembly, no matter of what trade or profession or previous condition-lawyers along with them; also grangers and labor union men. Therefore, the "people" will have a hand in naming the Republican ticket of judges-a privilege denied them in the make-up of the ticket to be framed by the lawyers.

However, there is no doubt about what the personnel of the lawyers' ticket will be. Certain Democrats will be put on it, "he could not get a boost any other way. It looks like a very clever frame-up, but really it is an easily detected ruse to name two Democrats for the Supreme Bench-Will R. King and W. T. Slater-Democrats, whose friends the lawyers think

to checkmate any unfriendly spirit of the people. agitators; likewise of the States of Non-partisanship has been a fine by the plain facts which they set forth. New York, Massachusetts, Indiana game in Oregon these several years. It is safe to say that nine-tenths of It is starting off again this political the people of Fortland are in ignorseason. The people, however, have a ance of the existence of such a place lurking suspicion of lawyers and their works.

to say to his legs on those occasions. "but into the fight you shall go just the same." "Be bold" was written over the first three doors in the Aralian tale and as presented by the massing together, for purposes of study and recitation,

the youth pursuing his adventures opened each one and confidently stalked through to victory, but over of large classes of boys and girls at the fourth was written "Be not too what is known as the "impressionable bold." Has any graduating class ever taken this wisest of counsels for its taken note of that age from its promotto?

THE DRAWBRIDGE NUISANCE.

The position f the War Department on the bridge-closing matter holds out small hope for the 200,000 people of Portland, most of whom are daily subjected to exarperating delays while some dinky little towboat is tugging a raft through an open draw. "Whenever shipping interests and citi-zens of Portland get together and agree upon some plan for closing draws in Williamette R er bridges during rush hours, the Secretary of V'ar will modify the bridge regulations to conform to that agreement," said a representative of the War Department with whom Representative Ellis conferred on the subject.

It would have been equally com-forting to the people of Portland had the War Department announced its willingness to permit the draws to re-main closed at all hours of the day and night when there were no boats to pass through them, for that, in effect, is what the promise amounts to. In other words, the War Department has no intention of changing the present custom regarding the movement of vessels in Portland harbor. I. informs the owners and masters of the vessels that they are at liberty to accommodate the Portland people who use the bridges if they see fit to do so. This information also contains the assurance that the Government will do nothing that will in any way inter-As a sample of blind, unreasoning deference to departmental red-tape methids, this implied refusal of the Government to aid in releasing Portland from the grasp of a nuisance is inter-

sting. No one knows how far back this custom of incommoding the many for the convenience of the few originated, but the conditions which first gave the water craft precedence over everything that moved on land have all changed in the past fifty or one hundred years. At this time it is difficult to find any reason for continuing the ancient practice of opening drawbridges at all hours of the day, regardless of the inconvenience they cause.

OUR UNDEVELOPED EMPIRE.

Central Oregon is in every sense of the term a land of such magnificent distances that it is difficult for one who has never made the long trip through the countr, to grasp its enornous possibilities for development. In area and wealth of undeveloped resources there is no other locality in the United States approaching it in magnitude. What its development means for Portland and the entire Pacific Northwest cannot well be over-estimated. Until the coming of Mr. Hill, the empire-builder, that isolated land seemed so remote and so far beyoud the reach of Portland that its wealth lacked the power to impress the people as it is now impressing them.

Letters written for The Oregonian by Mr. Callvert, who accompanied the Hill party through this new wonderland, disclose in a striking manner the remarkable possibilities of the country, now that transportation facilities

are at last near at hand. There is nothing elaborate or bombastic in these letters; they are made elo, uent

HUSBAND RESISTS ALLOWANCE JUDGES BEHIND WITH WORK STOCK COMPANY , WORRIES factory work if they are not placed in the same classr oms." This is an expression of opinion that will carry

Wife Better Able Than He to Emconviction in its simple statement to ploy Lawyer, He Says.

A plaintiff who can send an attorney from New York to Oregon and keep here four-months is not in great him need of \$75 suit money, says T. O. Hague in an affidavit supporting his motion to dify an order of the Circuit Court. Hague is suing his wife, Anna Hague

ance, others with impatience, and all on the ground of deserton. He alleges with a greater or le_ degree of that she left him 17 years ago, and that he has seen her only once since. The Another feature of the situation suit was filed recently, and upon appliand this is caid without Usparagecation of the wife, \$75 suit money was ment to women as teachers, is that it allowed her. Hague says in his affiis to the practical benefit of boys verging upon manhood to be in touch davit that when, 17 years ago, she or dered him out of the house which he had with men as teachers. If the te cher bought and given her, he turned over an's yorld in a practical to her all the property he had except his sense, he is manifestly better Atted wearing apparel. Since then he has not b. nature to instruct and lead bors prospered, is in debt, and is largely at this age than is the strong, woman dependent upon the kindness of ly teacher. The whole matter was summed up by r. wrsthful lad of 15 friends. He asserts that his wife, beside having property in her own right, has access not only to her own relatives but to his as well. He says that when the in this city a few years ago, who, smarting under what seemed to him present suit was first begun, she em-ployed an attorney in New York, who came out to Oregon and remained here the unjust censure of his teacher for a boyish prank, said, fighting back the tears as a boy should: "The trouble four months waiting for the case to be called, and he estimates that the de-fendant could not have secured this service for less than \$500. with Miss Blank is that she nev r was

This argument might not have been That Frank Cunningham, her husband, ompelled her to sit in an unwarmed oom during the inclement weather of last satisfactory to the teacher, but it had weight with the fathers and possibly with the School Boar to which body January, is one of the grounds for divorce alleged by Clara Cunningham, in a complaint filed in the Circuit Court it was duly presented, as the offending lad was not, as threatened, suspended yesterday. He also, she says, struck he with his fist, applied abusive epithets to

her and wrongfully accused her of in-fidelity. They were married at Astoria in December, 1965. The plaintiff asks to have restored her maiden name, Clara A Vancouver litigant has refused to pay a judgment of \$54 on the ground that it is invalid because Judge Mc-Credis did not wear a gown, as pre-scribed 'v law, when he heard the Shumake

suit. In the interest of the law and WOMAN SHAMS, SAYS COMPANY in order that its majesty may be properly upheld, there are some peo

Defense in Damage Suit Attacks Plaintiff's Good Faith.

win. His victory would serve a double Anna Dean, who is suing the Port purpose. It would show to an interland Rallway, Light & Power Company for \$50,000 for damages alleged to have been sustained in a streetcar collision esting extent the absurd technicalities through which clients and lawyers no infrequently escape paying their just dues. It would also remind the people of the idiocy of the law which compelled judges in the Circuit Courts to appear on the bench in gowns which provoked mirth and ri-baldry for the populace, instead of adding dignity to the unfortunate Expert medical testimony was heard throughout the day, tending to show that the plaintiff's preacht condition was caused by the accident, and argument of attorneys began list in the afternoon. Attorney John Manning, who opened for the plaintiff, bitterly attacked the witnesses for the railway company, as-serting that they had traced every foot-step of his client and then had been commanded the make their contamion that without wearing the masquerade costume, he might have had litigation in

ance yesterday, chiefly on account Argument for the defense had just been begun by Attorney Ralp Wilbur when the time of adjournment arrived. of good buying for London account. The principal cause of the weakness that has existed in the stock market He warmly defended the character of the for many months has been refusal of sses attacked and will conclude this

CITY TO SECURE FEE SIMPLE

Judge Gantenbein Decides Point in

Condemnation Suit.

was so sadly shaken in the muckraking era three years ago, they will again send over large sums which will against Maria Flanders for a right of way not be unwelcome. Foreign money for the Broadway bridge contemplates the acquirement by the city of the fee is one of the few commodities which we permit to come into the country without forcing it to pay for the privllege. Some day we may discover that there is an advantage in permitting to Gantenbein. enter without paying an excessive duty other commodities which we need.

The world's greatest astronomers all missed calculations regarding the movements of a comet. Whether the celestial vagrant collided with some-thing while en route and was thus jarred out of its regular course, or whether there was a "mistake in the figgers," is not yet made plain. Be-

Appeal Is Signed Asking Other Cir-White Salmon Land Involved in cult Judges to Sit.

spare from their districts between now and July 1. Rooms will be provided them in the neighborhood of the Courthouse.

Judge Morrow was informed from Salem yesterday afternoon that the mat-ter had been laid before the Supreme

Court and that action would be taken

Speedy Trials Agreed on for Alleged

Assailants of Hindus.

Action on the indictments against the St. Johns citizens who are alleged to have

participated in a riot against the Hin-

Can be cleared up. Attorney John Stevenson was in court

murrers cleared out of the way first. He was supported in this connection by

Gilliam County Capital Will Get

CONDON, Or., May 19.-(Special.)-First

Bulletins of Big Fight.

among the cities of Eastern Oregon b decide to hold a Fourth of July celebra

tion is Condon, which will appropriate-ly observe the Nation's birthday with a three days' rousing demonstration.

An unusual feature of the celebration

will be that of receiving and reading to the assembled crowds bulletins of the Jeffries-Johnson fight on the Fourth. The

three days' festivities will be initiated Saturday, July 2 with a game of base-

ball between Heppner and Condon, sev-

eral horse races and a grand ball at night. A musical and moving picture entertainment will be provided for the

celebration on Sunday. On Monday another baseball game, probably with Fossil, more horse races and another grand ball in the evening will constitute the programme. Literary ex-ercises, commemorative of the day, will

also he held on Monday, the 4th. Condon will probably be the only city in Gilliam. Wheeler and Morrow Counties

to celebrate the day, so that there will be a general participation in the celebra-tion by the residents of the three counties.

pines Freight Contract.

of the Orient, will transport all Govern

Timbermen to Fight Fires.

land to aid the organization. The Weyerhaeusers are the largest timber holders in these counties and next to them is the Kelley-Booth company,

which owns \$7,000 acres on the bor-

Work Begins on Sawmill.

Western Co-operative Company today put 15 men to work on Young's River, mak-ing preparations to commence the con-

Alumni Association and

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ASTORIA, Or., May 19.-(Special.)-The

interests for the Weyerhaeuser

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SEATTLE, Wash., May 19.-Dodwell &

operating the Blue Funnel line be-en Puget Sound and Liverpool by way

celebration on Sunday

WILL CELEBRATE

at an early date,

CONDON

Minneapolis Suit.

WHITE SALMON, Wash., May 19 In a letter prepared by Presiding Cir-(Special)-As a result of a personal incult Judge Morrow and signed by all five judges of the local bench, urgent ap vestigation by their attorney, who was sent to White Salman in March, 13 Minpeal is made for the assignment of additional judges from other districts to dis-pose of the flood of business now pend-ing in the Multnomali district. The letneapolis stockholders, controlling shares in the Columbia River Or 25,000 Company, have begun suit in Minnesp ter sets forth that at the time of its preparation there were 13 cases passed olis against Mr. and Mrs. Russell R. Dorr and son, Bryan R. Dorr, prominent business and society people of St. Paul, in which they seek to have 50,000 shares on the calendar in which the attorneys were clamoring for action. The building of the naw Courthouse which they seek to have 50,000 shares in that corporation, owned by the Dorrs,

with its attendant noises, and the resig-nation of Judge Bronaugh, are assigned as causes for the falling behind. declared void They allege that the Dorrs and W. E. Bramhall are self-elected directors of the company, that they have voted them-selves large blocks of stock and have se-Attention is called to the suit of Kiernan against the city, the International Automatic Pire Alarm Company against the city and the St. Johns riot cases as cured large blocks of stock for which nothing was paid. Dorr and his son organized the commatters that will occupy much time and should be disposed of. The letter states that two fudges could be profitably em-ployed for as much time as they could

pany in 1907, under the laws of the State of Arizona. They set themselves up as president-treasurer and vice-president-secretary, respectively, without elec-

For every share of stock sold by Dorr to them, the Minneapolis stockholders allege that the Dorrs received a share from the directors, thereby securing 25,000 shares. An ex objected to. It reads: An expense account is

"Printing and stationery, \$639.98; post-RIOTERS TO BE TRIED SOON age, \$380.90; legal advice, \$254.04; travel-ing expanses, \$1022.07; general expenses, \$107.12.

The land involved is about 200 acres, seven miles from White Salmon. Bryan R. Dorr lives on it and since last Fall has been assisted by J. Green from Hood

River. Complaining stockholders accuse Dorr dus, will be given the right of way as far as possible in Circuit Court and will be set for trial as soon as pending cases of mismanagement, charging that he put his son in charge of the company's fruit experience in caring for such. Through

his carelessness, they say, trees were ex-posed and killed by the cold. The complainants are also wrathy over Attorney John Stevenson was in court yestarday clamoring for a hearing for John E. Groves, one of the alleged riot-ers, and the only one who has not been able to furnish ball. Setting the case at this time was opposed by Deputy Dis-trict Attorney Page, who informed the court that it was the desire of the prose-cution to take up the strongest of the cases first and to have the pending de-murrers cleared out of the way first. the decision of the directors to make White Salmon headquarters for the con-cern, in which they see a move to doprive them of their rights, for they can-not travel so far to attend the meetings Not only are the Dorrs in trouble with stockholders, but J. Gumming and Mr. Thomas, farmers of White Salmon Valley, are about to start foreclosure proceedings against the Dorrs on 80 acres of land on which they have failed to make payments.

ALBANY READY FOR LOUIS HILL

Big Reception Planned, Committee Named to Receive.

ALBANY, Or., May 19.-(Special.)-Plans are already being inaugurated here for a big reception for Louis W. Hill when he visits Albany on his return from his present trip to Eastern Oregon. The exact date of his visit is not yet known, but plans will go forward for a suitable reception in his honor when he loes arrive.

At its meeting last night the execu-tive board of the Albany Commercial Club authorized the appointment of a committee on general arrangements to have charge of the affair and map our all plans and appoint sub-committees to carry them out. Dr. W. H. Davis, presi-dent of the club, appointed this commit-tee today as follows:

tee today as follows: Dr. W. H. Davis (chairman), Mayor J. P. Wallace, P. A. Young, E. H. McCuns, J. S. Van Winkle, E. D. Cnuick, P. D. Gilbert, William Bain, Dr. M. H. Ellis, W. H. Mar-vin H. H. Hewitt, Prof. A. L. Briggs, C. H. Stowart, J. K. Weatherford, A. C. Schmitt, George H. Crowell, J. L. Irvin, D. O. Weedworth, J. M. Raiston, F. M. French, Dr. J. L. Hill, J. L. Tomilinson, P. R. Kelly, Dr. W. R. Shinn, F. J. Fletcher, F. F. Nut-ling, Walter M. Farker, S. G. Simon, W. L. Marick, C. G. Rawlings, L. E. Hamilton, J. J. Collins, J. C. Irvins, I. E. Hian, Charles Pfeiffer, J. A. Howard, Dr. R. B. Wallace, Chris Vandran, J. H. Raiston, R. C. Churchill, J. C. Hammel, R. L. Trasy, Dan Hurley, Grant Pirtle, H. C. Harknegs, Wallace R. Struble, William Eagles, I. M. Carl, F. J. Miller, George Taylor, L. C. Marchall, J. N. Chambers and R. D. Sneili Mrs. J. K. Weatherford was appointed chairman of a committee of women to aschairman of a committee of wo sist in the reception and was authorized

Judge Morrow. and who has suffered two attacks of hysteria in the courtroom on each day of Plumbing Firm Incorporates. the trial, aid not appear in court yes terday, but sat in the judge's chambers and heard through the open door the evidence and the arguments of attorneys. Articles of Incorporation for the Inde ndent Plumbing Company, capitalized at \$5000, were filed with the County Clerk yesterday by M. W. Akeyson, E. D. Barnette and George W. Woolette. The Hercules Mining Company was incorpor-ated with a capital stock of \$500,000 by E. J. Kiss, M. Ward and Jay H. Upton.

wearers. It is fortunate for Judge McCredie that he was elected to Congress, for, had he tried many cases

compelled to make their contention that she was ill before the accident and not as ill now, as she asserts she is. Railroad stocks made a slight ad-

the foreigners to buy. While this is a great country and we are producing morning. new wealth at an enormous rate, there is still plenty of opportunity to-

use foreign money in large quantities. If our foreign friends regain the con-

fidence in American securities which

That the complaint filed in the con-lemnation suit of the City of Portland simple of the property and not simply an easement for the overhead passage of the bridge, was ruled yesterday by Judge

Attorneys for the city, in examining witnesses as to the value of the prop-erty, attempted to get estimates of the damage incident to the easement of the property, but after a long debate among

President Taft should be able to bring Democratic suporters into his camp. And while there will be walling and gnashing of testh in the extreme end of the Democratic following, still the sober sentiment of the Democratic pr will approve.

ONLY POSTPONED.

Evidently the comet has a will of its own. When the astronomers assumed that it was basely subject to the law of gravitation they did not know what or whom they were deal-Undoubtedly the celestial with. visitant looked down upon their vain calculations, smiled a wan smile and whispered to its cosmic companions, "We shall see what we shall see. Perhaps my tale is not told by those equa-Perhaps my tall will have tions. tale of its own to tell before all is said and done."

Thus it was. Where the tail ought to have been on the fateful night of May 18 behold it was not, and where it ought not to have been it was, and now the blushing astronomers are calling upon the mountains to cover their shame. Indeed, it begins to look as if some people were right about the comet, after all, and some others dein the wrong. The New cidedly Thought professor of our acquaintance who holds that the comet is neither gas nor stone, but a wandering spirit sent by the Lord to distribute his judgments through the universe may not be so far from the truth as has been supposed.

Perhaps, instead of meekly obeying the law of gravitation, the comet is the throne of one of the Seraphs, Uriel, perhaps, or Azrael, who directs its course whither he wills. In that case let not the wicked celebrate their escape too soon. The comet has gone past us, but it can come back again. The sweep of the 'all has missed us this time, barely missed us, but next time it may strile us full in the face and then what will become of those who have been jeering and doubting?

No doubt the real reason why the comet has not destroyed the world just yet is the fact that our sins are ripe. The flood dil not come until there was no one left fit to escape but Noah and his family.

WE BEGIN TO COMMENCE.

The approach of the college comnencement season always takes the world a little by surprise. Nobody can quite believe that the better part of Spring has come and gone and that the Summer heats are at hand until sound of "he valedictorian is heard in the air and the sweet girl graduate begins to shed her roseate beams from the rehearsal platform. Willamette University seems appointed to open the charming display of beauty and brilliancy this year, but Newberg, Forest Grove, Whitman and all the rest will follow in swift succession.

What will the orators talk about? The usual things, for every possible sentence that a college address could contain has been uttered thousands of times, and all that the brightest graduate can do now is to dish up the old repast in some novel and

charming style. Still, there is no dan-ger that audiences will not be interested. Even as old wine tastes bee and old friends wear best and old coats fit best, so do old orations sound best on Commencement day, that is, old ones with just a fresh dressing of seasonable rhetoric and a little originality in the gestures. Rhetoric and gestures are about all that the discreet trainer of commencement speakers hopes to vary from the ancient and familiar standard, but with these he has a free hand, and it must be admitted that his ingenuity is wonderful.

But no college orator should despair because he cannot compose a speed which has not been made thousands of times before. There are some things which will bear endless repetition, at suitable times, of course, and the stock substance of the commencement oration is one of them. The unfading hope of youth, the unconquerable faith and the resolute ambition of the adventurous soul as it crosses the threshold into a world it knows not. these will never lose their charm. Youth with all its potential power is a pathetic thing. It is pathetic be-

cause of it; very courage, since if it knew more it would be far less brave. The undaunted hope of boys and girls is the most precious treasure in the world, but it is as fragile as it is priceless. It is only the experienced warrior who is ever rationally afraid to go into battle. The new soldier trembles, but he could not tell you why. The old fighter does not always tremble, but he knows very we that he would if he did not keep resolute control over himself, and he is abundant. able to tell why. "I never was afraid in my life," said a green hard vealy to the Duke of Wellington. "Then you never tried to snuff a candle with your fingers," retorted the grim old The great Marshal Tues- renne always had a fit of the ague boy." It just before going into battle. "Oh "I believe," said Mr. Hait, "that would be rash to say that there is you may shake and shiver," he used both boys and girls will do more satis-

as Stein Mountain. It occupies a comparatively small area in the almost illimitable empire which is just coming into our possession, but Mr. Callvert notes that "on the slope of the mountain 250,000 sheep and 25,-000 head of cattle are grazed each year.'

In the district south and west of Burns lie over 1,000,000 acres of tillable land which will produce twent five bushels of wheat to the acre, and another 1,000,000 acres of good grazing land. In the Silver Lake and Harney Valleys directly tributary to Burns is another 500,000 acres of tillable land, most of which can be irri-gated. Dozens of other localities of equal and greater richness are mentioned by Mr. Callvert, whose letters simply confirm the reports that have been brought back by nearly every one who has ever made the long trip

SEPARATE SCHOOLS.

into what is still to a great extent an

undiscovered country.

The co-educational idea seems to have about run its course. Given time, opportunity and patient en. deavor, it has in many places-notably in the high schools of the larger cities of the East-worked itself out. The stock argument of the co-educational contention was: "God set the sexes together in familles; to separate them in schools is but an attempt of vain man to improve upon the work of the Creator." This applied well to children in primary schools, but not to those who had reached the age of

sex consciousness. Overlooking the primal fact that those who were set together in families were of the same blood and were therefore not subject to the emotions that arise between young people of opposite sex when thrown together, relations or organizations outside of family, the idea prevailed and for a time carried al' before it, except in some of the oldest citadels of learning which compromised upon the basis of annexes and auxiliary colleges for women which were maintained apart from the main body. The result is before the world and

It shows that the experiment has not been eminently successful, nor indeed in conjunction with the public high schools, moderately so. The testimony of high school principals and teachers generally is that girls not only "often prove a distraction to the boys in classes," as stated by _'rincipal Halt, of the South Central High School of Spokane, where segregation of the boys and girls is imminent, but vice versa. The girl who reads with abstracted air and heightened color the note slipped in her hand at pasing by "a moonstruck, silly lad" is quite as impossible from the esti-

mate of the carnest teacher of history or mathematics as is the "distracted

figgers," is not yet made plain. fore being too severe in our criticism of the men who make a specialty of keeping close tabs on comets, we should consider all of the facts. It has been seventy-five years since this particular comet was last here, and since that appearance " has traveled matter of 556,000,000,000 miles. This is so much faster than Southern Pacific train t'at it would not be surprising if the makers of the comet's time-card had not allowed sufficient leeway for collisions or unforeseen "slowdowns" as

The world's greatest astronomers all

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it hurtled through the trackless universe. As every fatality has its lesson, the death of the two little children in Boise, who smothered in a self-locking while hiding from playmates. will have a tendency to smash all locks of that kind in many households. In the excitement of play small children cannot use discretion, and prevention of catastrophe is the part of older wisdom.

The death of Dr. Jacob S. Giltner, which occurred at his home in this city Wednesday night, closed at the age of 86 years a useful life, full fortythree years of which had been lived in this city. Charitable, philanthropic, earnest, sympathetic, Dr. Giltner lived his life in honor and went his way sincerely mourned by those who knew him best.

The Pendleton. Tribune has been changed to the Live Wire by its new owner. The Tribune had seen multitudinous vicissitudes for lack of voltage since the days when Colonel 7. B. Eddy made it a live wire, a quarter century ago.

Autopsy on a Butte man who dropped dead revealed a vermiform appendix nine and one-half inches long. Death saved him much money at current rates.

The Pullman company is dodging the issue in saying it merely rents its cars to the railroad. Most travelers supposed it turned them over to the porters.

There is objection to jobs in sewerpipe, to jobs in pavements and to jobs in docks. It is to the credit of the Mayor that he stands against all of them.

The point, of course, lies mostly in how it is said, for that is a big. dam contract just let by the local power company for improving its Cazadero plant.

Seattle is figuring on a water supply for a city of 3,000,000. There is nothing small about Seattle except results.

Astronomers are all wrong. We will put in several days passing the tale of the comet. Regarding the estimates as to the damage to the remaining portion of the Flanders property, one witness placed it as high as 10 per cent of the value of the entire piece.

ment Army supplies for the Philippines for a year, beginning July 1 next. The Quartermaster's Department in Washing-BREACH OF PROMISE DROPPED

Miss Marthas Finds W. M. Wilson Ready to Make Her Bride.

for years have held that trade. The contract is a big one, involving about 60,000 tons of general freight and Confiding in W. M. Wilson's promise to marry her, Anna Marthas waited patiently for three months, and then finding in the neighborhood of \$,000,000 feet of lumber. The rate at which the contract was awarded was \$3 on general oargo, coal and grain and \$7 per thousand feet or lumber. By arrespondent a perile of tiently for three months, and then finding that Wilson was not on the eligible list of benedicts, she sued him for \$10,000 for breach of promise. The suit was filed some days ago and service had not yet been secured upon the defendant when Miss Marthas notified her attorney that Wilson, all unconscious of the suit against him, had returned to his faith and would go on with the correnous for lumber. By agreement a portion of the business will be given to the Minnesots, the only American vessel in the Orient trade out of Puget Sound. and would go on with the ceremony Upon this showing, the suit was dismissed yesterday.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., May 19.-The complaint filed by Miss Marthas (Special.)-A meeting is called for tomorrow when an effort will be made sets forth that she became afflanced to Wilson on February 10. About a month to organize the timber owners of Kla-math and Lake Counties into a district ago she learned that he had been di-vorced in Oregon within the last six months and could not therefore marry for concerted action to fight forest fires the coming Summer. J. W. Alex-ander, who has charge of the timber again at that time.

OWN NEGLECT BAR TO PLEA for this state, arrived today from Port-

Corporation's Irregularity Is Defendant's Fault, Court Holds.

That a defendant cannot plead in

ularities that existed arose through the defendant's act.

trusted to him which he neglected to perform. Later he lost interest in the concern and refused to pay his subperform. . Suit was brought to compel eription him to pay.

Will Contest Continues.

ing up of their mill and railway pro-jected in that section. The company will use the power of their logsing and the section. Another day was consumed in Probate Court yesterday in hearing the testimony in the contest case over the will of W. T. Linn and part of today will be re-quired to finish. Linn left his estate of about \$4000 to his daughter. Mary Bever, who nursed him through his last illness, of multad & each to two some some so use the power of their logging engines in the running of this enterprise. Many Sign Normal Petitions. WESTON, Or., May 19 .-- (Special.)-

and willed \$5 each to two sons and a grandson. The latter assert that undue influence was used to secure the bequest grandson. lestimony for their contention was heard yesterday, tending to show that the mind of the testator was failing for a time prior to his death.

For damages to his lots on Belmoni street and to the shrubbery and other improvements, H. H. Delano was allowed \$1340 by the jury hearing the condemna-tion suit of the city against him, which was on trial before Judge Cleland yester-day. Delano asserted that each of his lots was damaged to the amount of \$1500.

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ing Fair This Fall,

FOREST GROVE, Or., May 12.-(Spe-cial.)-Work on the fair grounds recently purchased by the Washington County Livestock and Agricultural Association has started in earnest. The race track now being built will be a one-half mile regulation racing stretch. The grounds are at close proximity to the line of the Oregon Electric. It is planned to erect Quartermaners bepartment in vicenity to the line of the ton has just awarded the contract to Dodwell & Co., who bid lower than did Frank Waterhouss & Co., of Scattle, who the grounds can be put in readiness. a the grounds can be put in readiness, a county fair will be held this Fall. The work of supervising the construction work of supervising the construction of the race track and clearing the land is done by John A. Abbott, of this city. West of the city the Hoffman Park Company is getting its amusement resort

in readiness and the grounds will be p-formally opened next Sunday, when there will be a ball game between the Park team and Gales Creek. A moving picture show building has been crected, and a merry-go-round is to be secured. The park is to be maintained by the money obtained from the concessionaires. It is a pretty place, well shaded. A brook runs through the land.

In the Magazine Section of the

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friends of the school throughout the state, and the committee expects to secure at least 12,000 signers. Damage to Lots Remunerated Contract for Armory Let. For damages to his lots on Belmon

WESTON, Or, May 12.-(Special)-The initiative campaign of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School is well under way. Hundreds of blank peti-tions have been mailed to members of

Merges was the prime mover in the organization of the company and sub-scribed for several shares of stock. Details of the incoporation were in-

That a defendant cannot plead in abatement faults of procedure that arise through his own neglect, was held yesterday by Judge Bronaugh in deciding the suit of the American Tool Works against E. E. Merges. The de-fendant attacked the complaint against him on the ground that the plaintiff corporation was not regularly organ-ized, but the court held that any irreg-ularities that existed arose through Auto Throws Stone at Window. OREGON CITY, Or., May 19 .- (Special.) -An automobile traveling rapidly on Main street at 11 o'clock this morning struck a stone about the size of a wal-nut, causing the pebble to sirike the large plate-glass window of William Gardner's jewelry store. The glass was broken. Mr. Gardner did not get the number of the machine, which sped at a high rate across the bridge and on to Portland.