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THE GREAT WOOL INDUSTRY.

Woolgrowing is a big industry in each of these Western States. In Oregon \$20,000,000 is invested in the sheep business. This industry in Oregon disburses an estimated \$2,500,000 in wages annually. It is one of the great assets of prosperity and one of the great impelling forces of progress.

LAME DUCKS.

The New York Evening Post refers harshly to ex-Congressmen hunting Federal jobs as the Dishonorable Order of Lame Ducks. "Extinct volcanoes" Disraeli called public men whom a discerning citizenry had rejected in private life.

MURDER AND CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

Often enough in this country it has been proved that if law will not hang the person guilty of heinous crime, then the mob will. Hanging is one of the safeguards and processes of order.

THE DEMOCRATIC OPPORTUNITY.

Colonel George Harvey, in the North American Review, uses a little too much ingenuity in defending his thesis that the Democrats did not win a victory in the last election owing to convincing arguments.

STEEL TRUST PRICES.

President Price, of the Cambria Steel Company, one of the strongest fully agrees with Judge Gary of the trust that there will be no rate-cutting in prices.

WAR DEPARTMENT ADDRESSES.

LATOURELLE, Or. Jan. 4.—(To the Editor)—Would you kindly give an old soldier the address of the Secretary of War, also the regimental commander of Vancouver, Washington?

which will be reasonably responsive to the needs of the Nation. If the Democrats select candidates for the interest-bearing type they will suffer heavy losses of public respect and confidence.

THEIR LONG SLEEP OVER.

Senators Bourne and Chamberlain have gone arm in arm to the Secretary of the Interior and to the Reclamation Service for interviews on the subject of the Oregon irrigation project.

WILSON A GOOD FIGHTER.

Whatever we may think of Governor Woodrow Wilson's cause it cannot be denied that he is making a valiant fight for it.

ROOSEVELT AND TAFT UNITS.

Story of Their Reconciliation Told on "Highest Possible Authority." Washington Cor. Boston Transcript, Dec. 26.

FLAX, HEMP AND GIANT SPINACH.

All Will Grow in Oregon and Produce Crops of Value. WOODSTOCK, Or. Jan. 5.—(To the Editor)—Those who are now interested in and encouraging the cultivation of flax in Oregon...

COOS COUNTY STAYS WET.

Appeal From Judge Coke's Decision Regarded as Improbable. MARSFIELD, Or. Jan. 6.—(Special)—It is not likely that any appeal will be taken from the decision of Judge John S. Coke in the Coos County Circuit Court...

WARREN WITH ENGLAND.

Treaties With England. WARREN, Or. Jan. 3.—(To the Editor)—I would be much obliged if you would inform me through The Oregonian if there is a treaty between the United States and England not to wage war on one another...

WOODBURN WOMAN GIVEN DIVORCE.

WOODBURN CITY, Or. Jan. 6.—(Special)—Mabel Copeland was the wife of Harry Copeland, to whom she was married at Woodburn, Or., July 15, 1906. She charged desertion September 1, 1907.

HOOD RIVER GETS APARTMENT HOUSE.

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who look around them now with amazement not unmingled with mild apprehension. With the banner of the "uplifter" floating on every breeze, the muckraker abroad with his enormous fund of "make-believe" and the yellow journal flaunting in the face of the public, the era of amazement is here and now.

Dollar wheat, for the first time in many weeks, was again in evidence in Chicago yesterday. The May option climbing up a few fractions above that magic figure. The European markets were also strong and with crop-damage reports coming in from all parts of the world, the situation appeared quite rosy to those who have held wheat past the turn of the year.

President Kingsley, of the New York Life, in response to the toast at a recent New England dinner, "The Forefathers and the American Idea," is said to have shocked some of his fellow diners by the blunt statement that while the Puritan has been credited with an intense love of liberty, he has not contributed to a free government, but to a theocracy.

The strike of the garment-workers in Chicago has reached the point where humane interference seems justified. The infant children, always helpless sufferers in a strike, are now being starved and starved and starved in sight.

The editors of Oregon were nearly all too busy at home yesterday to attend the annual association meeting in Portland. The day of the junket is over—in midwinter, at least—and the newspaper association has become a business body with a disposition to "let others do it."

Representative Mann, of Illinois, would abolish the "barbaric" match act, which would be "made in heaven" as just as disastrous, but more than an act of Congress is needed to suppress them.

Whatever views one may hold as to Governor Woodrow Wilson as a politician, he must commend the Princeton man for diplomatic language. "War" is a big improvement over "ulcer" and "cancer."

When the Oregon Fish and Game Association gets through with preparing new laws, it ought to incorporate an Annapolis club. The season for members opens soon.

Oregon's latest invader, this time from the southeast, is the Nevada, California & Oregon Railroad. What's the use of resist? You can't keep 'em out with shotguns.

If our old friend Davy Crockett were alive, wouldn't he be made a fine captain of the fifth team going into Wallawa County to exterminate coyotes?

After reading the recommendations of six or seven new Governors, we are inclined to believe that the cause of civil liberty is not in immediate danger.

Fish is plenty in the local markets, and comparatively cheap. Why grumble at the high cost of meat, when a change of diet is good for body and brain?

It is always the confident man who attempts to board a car in motion and who suffers injury. Give no quarter; the coyote must go.

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