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THE RESULT IN ILLINOIS.

Colonel Roosevelt, a radical Republican, and Champ Clark, a standpat Democrat, carry Illinois by large majorities in their respective primaries. The influences that have been operating everywhere to divide the Republican and Democratic parties into progressive and conservative factions were present in Illinois; but their results were surprisingly different in the Yet there is a significant reason aside from mere partian poli-tics why Roosevelt should be successfut in the one primary and Wilson, his political bedfellow, be defeated in the It lies in the deep-seated hos other. ility of the Chicago idea to the New York idea, the fast-moving West to the slow-going East. Roosevelt, though a New Yorker, has contrived to make it appear that he is the antithesis of the Wall street ideal and the personification of the hip-hurrah Western spirit. Clark, a Missourian, for much the same reason, suited the temper and taste of Illinois far bet-Wilson, the New Jersey than 200 scholar and Eastern dabbler in

progressive statesmanship. The Illinois result also demonstrates the powerful influence of the Chicago The Tribune, which newspapers. the greatest force in molding public opinion in Illinois, has been the most persistent champion of Roosevelt and enemy of Taft. The Record-Herald and Evening Post have voiced like opinions with more moderation. They have been most potent in swinging Illinois into the Roosevelt column. The influence of the Kansas City Star. which extends throughout Kansas and Missourl, may be expected to bring about a like result in those states, though the St. Louis Globe-Democrat will to some extent counteract it in Missouri. The Star has already aided in winning nearly the whole Oklahoma delegation for the Colonel.

Roosevelt's denunciation of Lorimer has also no doubt won him thousands of votes, the almost united stand of the Chicago newspapers having caused the voters to convict Lorimer of brib ery, no matter how often the Senate may have acquitted him. Taft has not said a word in defense of Lorimer, but he has said nothing against the taint-Senator, his legal training having prompted strict observance of the limitations on the functions of his office which forbid interference in contest wholly within one branch of Taft's silence has been Congress. taken as either approval of or indifference to the Lorimer bribery. Popular repulsion against bribery has also caused the defeat of the veteran Senator Cullom, as the penalty for hav-

ing stood by Lorimer. aper influence can also be

of his career. He says the reason why he keeps young so far into the vale of years s because he was born young and never has wasted his youth, never thrown it away. He is still bold, still rich in the audacity of boyhood be cause he has treasured the resources of life and not squandered them. In his cottage on the Hudson he has lived, thought and written books, filling his days with beautiful living, and has permitted none of them to go to waste. He has known what to set his

heart upon and what to pass over. He cossesses the great secret of knowing "values" upon which so much of the

real happiness of life depends. A lover of nature, Burroughs has not permitted himself to indulge in any of the current myth-making which passes for "nature study." He does not believe that knowledge is in-creased by the accumulation of fic-10tions about wolves and bears and has the courage to say so frankly. He has been as fortunate in his choice triends as in his home and habits. Theodore Roosevelt is one of his inti-Thousands of readers send mates. him their good wishes as every birthday comes round. The Vassar girls over to visit him in gay little flocks when the grapes are ripe in his vineyard and the chipmunks and squirrels make free of his habitation. A shrewd and kindly old man knowing better than most of us what life is and how to live it. John Burroughs is likely to live many years yet, but we fear he will always have the Supreme Court and the Constitufor it tion to excite his wrath. There are

ome blessings, which, however doubtful they may be, we must resign ourselves to endure.

GOOD OR BAD REPUBLICAN?

GOOD OR BAD REPUBLICAN? Senator Hourne is not a good Republican, because he does not favor the renomination of President Taft. He favors the nomina-tion of Senator La Folisite. That makes him a bad Republican. According to the srgument of the standpatter organs, anyone who does not bosst for Taft and the stand-patter programme is not a good Republican. That is the old narrow machine interpreta-tion of Republicanjers in Oregon is a very emphasic manner. Portunately not many real Republican papers advocate such unsound views that can lead only to party disruption and party defeat —Sklem Capital Journal.

Senator Bourne does not pretend to b: a good Republican, even when he is seeking a Republican nomination. Only when he has through various arts, devices and maneuvers obtained a Republican nomination, and is appealing to Republicans for election the superior claims of party obligation on all the members of a party

appeal strongly to him. Senator Bourne has a right as a Republican and as a Senator to opthe renomination of President Taft and favor the nomination of Mr. La Follette. Editor Hofer is mistaken when he says that is the ground of objection to him as a "bad Republican." Bourne not only opposes the nomination of President Taft, but he is on record as declaring he would not support the President for re-election. In other words, the Senator in advance

announces his bolt. Yet Mr. Bourne enters a Republican primary as a candidate and if nomiwill make his campaign as a nated Republican asking Republican support on the basis of party regularity. What service to party has Senator Bourne rendered, and what service to party does he promise to render that that party should feel the slightest obligation to respond to his demands?

THE ALARM ABOUT FOUTS.

The Oregonian supposes there is no need for any one to get particularly excited about the candidacy of the un. speakable Fouts for District Attorney Fouts, of course, will not be nominated; or, if perchance he should b nominated, he could not be elected. But Fouts cannot be nominated or

elected. Don't worry. The unsavory elements that want Fouts for District Attorney are, fortunately, greatly the minority; and the other elements that they are able to influence through prejudice, or fear, or misinformation, will not greatly swell their numbers. The people of Portland who want an orderly, resolute and clean administration of the District Attorney's office are vastly in the majority, and they are, for the most part, The Oregonian thinks, united behind Mr. Walter H. Evans. All these forces have desired is a candidate who will represent decency, law and authority; and they many? know they have such a candidate in Mr. Evans. But it will not be well to take it for granted that Evans has an easy The voters must go to the polls, race. and they should not be diverted from their laudable purpose to have an upright man in the District Attorney's office by appeals for any other candidate.

bay and will be one always till the end The cost of living is not high, and a dollar a day is a lot of money in Fall River. The Portuguese and other for-eigners who work for the Bourne mills can live on a dollar or a dollar and a quarter a day; and the result is a great margin of profit for the absentee president and absentee owner (in part) at Washington, who is thus enabled to spend thousands of dollars per annum to' increase his efficiency for the per ple of Oregon. -All Mr. Bourne has to do about those cotton mills is to let the management hire the cheapest obtainable labor, while he gets and spends the usufruct.

TAFT'S WORK FOR CONSERVATION.

By withdrawing from entry land Western water-holes on around ranges. President Taft is carrying out the true purpose of the conservation polley. He prevents monopoly of the range and its destruction by overstocking, at one stroke of the pen. By land homesteading 160 acres of around a water-hole a cattleman has been able to monopolize thousands of square miles of range. By inducing his cowboys and ranch hands to locate homesteads in a string of fortyacre tracta along a stream, buying their claims and fencing them, a cattleman in some instances has excluded all other men's stock from access to His water for forty or fifty miles. homesteads thus secure to him a m nopoly of the range on the whole val-ley and the hills which bound it. though they have not paid a cent

The President's policy is in the interest of the small man, in whom his predecessor professes such a fervent It puts in practical operanterest. tion the rule of equal opportunity for

which that gentleman has preached

THE TROUBLES OF FRANCE.

so loudly.

A writer in the Hampton Magazine for April, F. Cunliffe Owen, believes that France is on the eve of a destructive revolution. It will be more calamitous, he thinks, than any which occurred since the overthrow of 1793, because, like that tremendous social cataclysm, it will be "a revolution of the hungry and starving masses against the owners of property, against capital, and above all against the gov-ernment of the republic." The depth of Mr. Owen's historical knowledge and the correctness of his judgment

can perhaps be gauged from the statement we have just quoted, No per son even superficially acquainted with French history would say that the revolution of 1793 was directed against the owners of property and against capital. On the contrary, the capitalor middle classes, of France the immediate instigators of the revolution and the consequences turned entirely to their benefit. Inasmuch as Mr. Owen is so hadly at fault in his judgment of the past we may perhaps feel excused from depending too much upon what he says about the present.

But it is well enough to pay some little attention to his predictions, though we need not accept them as inspired. The impending troubles of France, he believes, flow directly from the rising cost of living, which the Republic is answerable for. The prices food, clothing, all the necessaries

of life have been going up since the republic was established, while wages remain essentially as they were twenty years ago. The effect of this process has been to check the pecultarly French habit of saving among the working classes. Not only has saving stopped because there is nothing to

but the economies of the past save have been drawn upon until, to quote Mr. Owen's significant phrase, stocking is empty." The F "the The French working classes cannot earn enough to keep the wolf from the door. Their latent resources have been exhausted and they are therefore driven to revolution as a last resort. The only alter.

If it onarchy for the same reason. is the republic which makes high prices and low wages in France it must be the monarchy which does the same thing in England. If govern-ment has anything at all to do with evils of this sort we must hold the government responsible wherever the evil appears. We cannot blame the republics and excuse the monarchies. They are all tarred with the same stick. In our opinion the talk of revolution of which we hear so much from men supposed to be intelligent is both dangerous and foolish. Mr. Owen makes the typically silly remark in his Hampton article that the

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French people have no remedy for their ills but to change their form of government. He might say the same thing of the United States with just as much and just as little reason. Neither here nor in France does the republic cause the social difficulties and in neither country would a change to monarchy bring the slightest relief. The cost of living rises because man makes constantly greater demands upon the resources of the earth, because we have not yet learned to distribute the goods of life

equitably, because of hordes of wasteful middlemen, because of all sorts of defective and cumbersome social ma-He is no friend to mankind chinery. who seeks to convince us that the deep-seated evil can be remedied by anything so superficial as the mere change in the form of government.

The only real issue between Roose-velt and Taft is the Colonel's desire to get even with the President for the slights put upon himself and his As this issue would not friends. draw votes, he has felt impelled to find some which will serve his purpose. In his dire need of issues on which he had not already committed himself to support the President, he borrowed from Bourne the recall, to which he added some trimmings, and the Presidential primary; from Bryan his "let the people rule" cry. Whenever he has attempted criticism of Taft on any real National issue, with which the next President will have to deal, he has been confronted with his own utterances 1908, even as late as 1910. The fictitious issues to which he has resorted are not even original, with the one exception of recall of decisions, which

has been laughed off the boards by all except his fellow-insurgents and has been treated with studied neglect by them.

Washington farmers are cheered by seeing dollar wheat again. Years ago we were told by the market sages that ing. wheat would never again sell in the primary markets for a dollar a bushel, out it has done so more than within a year or two. Like all other food stuffs it brings a high price and is likely to sell for more rather than less in the future. The economic law of diminishing returns has begun to affect wheat as well as beef in the United States and will probably prethem from ever being cheap vent

With the promise of a big rose crop this year Portland can smile at destiny and stand unshaken midst the storm. Think of all the beauty which will be embodied in the multitudinous for a day or two and than forever. "Each morn a thoublooms vanish forever. sand roses brings, you say, but ah where blooms the rose of yesterday?" It might bloom in poetry, songs and tableaux. Some time Portland will produce original literature for the Rose Festival as beautiful as the flowers which nature bestows.

"You are on trial-not L" says Sen ator Bourne to the people of Oregon Yet the Senator has repeatedly de clared, and mathematically demonstrated, that the people-the compos ite citizen-can never make a mistake What's worrying him? Is he preparing to make a bolt to the reactionarles who doubt whether the people are fit to rule? X ...

EFFECT OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT. To Aboliah Noose Will Cause Crime to **Stars and Star-Makers** FRIEND, Or., April 8 .- (To the Ed-By Leone Cass Baer.

Increase, Says Writer.

tor.)-Undoubtedly our prison meth-

convict these self-confessed murderers and sentence them to be hanged; then

West can come out and say it is not

thus being less than first degree, this not being a planned mur-der? Oh, no; please excuse my ignor-ance of such affairs—they were just temporarily insane and a few months in jail would make good safe citizens out of them wouldn't it?

The sentimentalists may say the strict enforcement of the law carrying

it doesn't and cannot, but

It wi

the death penalty does not stop murdel

will the giving them a lighter sentence

surely increase the murders. Why? Do you ask me that question? Let me ask you why they fight so hard to secure

a life sentence when they are convict ed? It is plain enough. When they re-ceive a life sentence there is aiway

some hope of getting out, by their own

cunning, or that of their friends; by petitions or the getting in of some weak Governor who will turn them

I believe in giving every one a fair

ing every criminal a chance to repent that they may be saved by our graclous

Savior who is anxious and over ready

to save even those who have given their whole life to the devil, but are willing to devote their last few hours to him.

Yes, let them have time to repent first, that the one they have so faithfully served in life may not be allowed them

not show mercy and is not a benefit to the country to parole or pardon them

Therefore, if you are opposed to jus tice and value a criminal's life higher

than that of your mother, wife, sister, father, brother, or your own, then voto against capital punishment. If, how-

ever, you believe in preserving justice avoiding to as large an extent as pos-sible the demoralizing influence of a

murder epidemic, and insuring our selves, our Nation and our posterity

prosperity, vote for capital punish

cialistic, for socialism also has no re gard for law and is diametrically op

posed to true social reform and righte

ousness. Let us oppose these socialistic

so-called reforms. Notwithstanding any psychological phenomena that may transpire or come to light in the future.

feel we ought at this time, as has

WHEN WOMEN ARE REAL FACTORS.

Arousing of Public Opinion for De-

cency Is Predicted.

PORTLAND, April 10 .- (To the Edi-

tor.)-It was an inspiration to read the

magnificent and courageous article in

The Oregonian vesterday under the

heading, "Light Sentence for Monsters."

The writer, after an eloquent pre-

sentation of the facts in the horrible

case, asks, "But what is the matter

fails to rise in open revolt against such

done in times past, punish ou nais. J. C. GUYER.

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out of them, wouldn't it?

vancement.

Oscar Figman is to have a Summer season at the conclusion of the Kolb and Dill engagement at the Savoy Theater, in San Francisco.

Henrietta Crosman is to make a tour of the West with her latest success "The Real Thing." One of the bright lines of the piece is: "Life is a stage, and wifey's got to stand the glare or hubby's bound to shift the spotlight."

Blanche Bates will soon be here with what is said to be the most delightful success in which she has appeared in years, a comedy by Avery Hopwood and called "Nobody's Widow." Bruce McRae is Miss Bates' leading man.

Elsie Janis, who comes to the Heilig Theater Monday night, broke all records for opening-night receipts at the Columbia, in San Francisco, since Anna Held's engagement.

Gertrude Van Dyck, appearing at the Orpheum, declares that she discovered by means of a joke that she possessed double voice, then married the planist, who helped her develop the widely different tones and found that her odd vocal feat was her mainstay in vaudeville. When premier danseuse in the grand opera "Aida," at the Hippodrome, Miss Van Dyck says she was not aware that she possessed any kind of a voice. One day when joking with Max Vincent, the musical director, she gave an imitation of a basso, Arthur Deane, who was singing the part of "Amonasro." Mr. Vincent expressed surprise over the deep voice coming from the fair throat and advised Miss Van Dyck to cultivate it as a unique vaudeville accomplishment. She did, and as a result lost her voice entirely for several months. Then it returned with the basso and soprano quality. Wedding bells rang for her and the musical director and now they, with Ray Fern, comedian, form the Ger-

Florence Fisher, who is Walker Whiteside's leading woman and upon her appearance in Portland two sea sons ago in "The Melting Pot," was the house guest of Miss Judith Scott. her school friend, is seriously ill following an operation for appendicitis. Miss Fisher had to leave her company, playing "The Typhoon," in New York at the height of its successful launch

John Cort has re-engaged several of the principals of "The Rose of Panama' company for the Western tour of the Viennese opera next season. These include Fay Bainter, as ingenue, and Chapine as prima donna.

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E. J. Bowes and wife (Margaret IIlington), and Mr. and Mrs. John Cort. have planned to go camping in the Olympic Mountains after Miss Illington closes her road tour in "Kindling" at Tacoma, July 13. She plays in Port land at the Heilig in early July, and returns to New York about August 1 to begin preparations for the opening of the new Illington Theater, which Cort is building in West Forty-eighth street. The Illington will be managed by Bowes and opened by Miss Illington in a new play next Fall.

Cathrine Countiss, well-beloved by the playgoers of Portland, where for two vears she held affection and regard through her versatility and magnetic charm as a stock leading woman, still starring in the Viola Allen production of "The White Sister." Since the first week in September she has gained enthusiastic recognition in all the big citles east of the Rockies.

Miss Countiss is generous and sympathetic in impulse, with a warm In distra

Ode to the Unregistered By Dean Collins.

I met thee oft upon the city highways. Where people from all walks of life

ods need reforming and it is quite were mixing: we discussed the evils that probable that Governor West had made And some improvements, but the doing away abounded And pointed out the things that needwith capital punishment is not a re-

od fixing form, it is a retrogression of methods to those that conduce or tend to en-And none more shrewdly had conditions courage and develop degradation, de-

doped out. None spake more glibly of the wise corrections pravity and corruption. A reform is generally considered to mean an ad-

Whereby we'd straighten out the pres-How many of you have read about the ent system By voting rightly at the next elec-Humphrys murder? I do not suppose

tions. this will be read by anyone who has not already heard how they assaulted a woman and because she resisted them, But now the clerk upon the registry Has written "Finis," and the record's killed her. Let the officials try and

ended; But on the roster of elect-electors Where both thy fountain pen its flow expended?

right to take the life of a criminal-give them another chance-let them kill just one more woman or girl-and pos-I is not written in the book of voters the polls at primary are

sibly parole them. On what ground can he excuse them? That they gave in and confessed, after they were trapped? open. I'll gally criss-cross down my lengthy ballot. That they would make good citizens if given a chance? That they would not have killed her had she not resisted, While ye stand in the offing, vainly hopin

I will act "holler than thou art," having voted,

And when at last you go away delected.

"Twill serve you right, unregistered repentant," I'll say, "if someone you don't like's clected."

Portland, April 9.

Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian of April 11, 1882. Pack trains have got into Salmon River and all fears of suffering for want of supplies are put to rest.

The body of F. M. Allpin has been found. He perished in the cold, coming to the Deschutes from John Day's River, last Winter. The remains were some six miles from the road. His brother, M. J. Allpin, spent 36 days in searching for the remains. The trial and when one is honestly con-vleted of a crime deserving of the death penalty to thus sentence him and to execute the sentence. I believe in givceased has left a wife and two children in Linn County

We learn that the Metropolis will be open in a short time as a first-class house; also, that several new restau-rants will be in operation in a few days. This will have a tendency to reduce board from the present high rates.

The Oregon City boat was literally rowded last evening with passengers, many of whom brought down horses, to take to the mines. If they continue to come at the present rate, the Willamette Valley will be deserted.

A parcel of Powder River gold dust was assayed yesterday at the Portland assay office. It was found to be 870 fine and worth \$17.98 per ounce. This is the richest gold found in Oregon or Washington Territory

At the request of many of our citizens, Mr. and Mrs. Pope will appear in their great characters of Camille and Armand Duval in Dumas' sensational play of "Camille" tonight.

The San Francisco Mirror contains further particulars of the Indian outbreak in Nevada. The Indians have attacked the whites on Owens River, Douglas and Cumming escaped, badly wounded. Benjamin Mark and Dick McGuire started to come in, but have not been heard from. Doubless they have been murdered. There remained 45 men on Owens River, well armed. They had fortified themselves. They were surrounded by 1500 Indians, who have taken all the cattle on Owens River.

St. Louis presents at the present day the aspect of a ruined city. A cor-respondent of the New York Journal of Commerce says that the desolation there can hardly be exaggerated. Such is the prostration of business that from 60,000 to 70,000 inhabitants are sup-posed to have left the city, leaving whole rows of stores and dwellings leaving dwellings without an occupant. It is stated as with us? Are we any better than those people of the Middle Ages? My an-swer is 'No,' so long as public opinion a fact that elegant stores, which last year rented for \$4000 per annum, now lease at the rate of \$25 per month. and a large proportion of citizens are able

trude Van Dyck Trio.

seen in the defeat of Wilson by Clark the Democratic indorsement Hearst's Chicago American and Chirago Examiner have fought for Clark and have been powerful engines in his lavor. Hearst's newspapers appear to be able to win political victories for anybody except Hearst,

But the Illinois vote is no safe guide as to how direct primaries will go gen-Iowa has been electing delerally. gates to district conventions by this nethod, though without any expresof the popular preference for President, and not even the favoriteson sentiment has prevented the election of eight Taft delegates to two for Cummins. The favorite-son sentiment gave Wisconsin to La Follette, but it had no effect in North Dakota, where the Senator routed the Colonel.

While Roosevelt's victory in Illinois may foreshadow a like result in Missouri and Kansas, it would be rash for the Colonel's adherents to assume that

Illinois speaks for the entire West. Indiana is for Taft decisively. The Colorado and Nevada convention were so overwhelmingly for Taft that they cannot but have voiced poblic opinion. The majority in Iowa prom izes to go the same way, judging by the elections already held. The tide sets strongly to Taft in Oregon and Washington, The Michigan convention may go far to offset the verdict in Illi-Nebraska will vote at Presiden. tial primaries on the same day as Not for ten days shall we Oregon. know whether Roosevelt is as strong In the prairie, mountain and Pacific States as he has proved in those of the lake region and the central valley.

JOHN BURROUGHS AT 73.

The venerable and beloved John Burroughs signalized his 75th birthday by assailing the Supreme Court of the United States. It was as if Me thuselah had risen from the tomb to attack the initiative and referendum. Hark from the tombs." not a "doleful sound," to be sure, but an extremely revolutionary one. John Burroughs is as blithe as a boy in the expression of his radical opinion about our most exalted tribunal. The business of the Supreme Court, he says, "is to decide whether the laws made by the people's representatives jibe with the Constitution which was framed a century ago when they had to throw all sorts of safeguards around the Government. Now, if a law is right and it works people rule. well, what the devil does the Constiintion matter? Tell me that "

It might perhaps be a little difficult to explain to Mr. Burroughs just why written document should be adored and another of similar origin depreciated. But forgetting such perplexing questions, what interests and charms the world in him is his perennial vouthfulness. Attacking the Supreme Court is as wild an escapade as Don Quixote's charge upon the wind-No one but a boy would have extitu. the audacity to do such a thing in these days.

THE PEOPLE BULE IN DANVILLE.

district.

Of course it was a great "progres sive" triumph in Illinois. There was threatening. Germany has had an-other. The United States has them Uncle Joe Cannon's district, for example. In the public mind Uncle Joe's place is firmly fixed as the prototype of standpatism, reaction, spolis, boss ism and other horrid terms applied to old-time politics. Colonel Roosevelt, acknowledged by himself to be the Germany, England and America ? true leader of the progressives, swept Thus was reaction rebuked and the right of the people to rule vindicated by an awakened pub-

conscience. Having thus spoken for recall of by no means true that the small prop. decisions, for direct legislation with a atring attached, for a depressing silence on the tariff and for other pure and lofty principles advocated by the Colonel, the Danville electors must

have felt that they had done enough for reform, so they renominated Uncle Joe, arch enemy of progressiveness, by vote of two to one. These reflections are induced by the

feeble hope that the voters of Illinois, and particularly those of Cannon's the French "poor" district, voted for vital principles and not for spectacular personalities. Just how Roosevelt policies can be carried their out by electing men to Congress who are violently opposed to them is not clear. Yet it was the party's will that it be attempted, and if the voters, regenerated from convention evils and now their own bosses, elect to carry water in a sleve, what of it? Let the

Senator Bourne is merely the presi dent of the Bourne cotton mills, and has only \$90,000 of the stock. Therefore, he is not responsible for conditions there, which, however, he says are very good. If they were as bad as they have been described to be, Senator Bourne would never take tainted money, even to spend it for the good of the people. Not he, The workmen there average from \$6 to \$7.50

but a boy would have be and they ought to be satis-but John Burroughs is a fied, the Senator appears to think. Germans are going to overthrow their

natives which confront them are starvation or revolt against the republican government which is responsible for

again

their woes. While reading these observations of Mr. Owen's in his Hampton article two questions haunt one insistently. Why should the rising cost of living produce revolution in France and nowhere else? And why should we hold the republican form of government responsible in France for social ills which are fully as bad under monarchy in England and Ger-

For, as every reader knows perfectly well, France is not the only country in which the necessaries of life have been growing dearer and dearer within common recollection. America has enjoyed the same plercing experience, and so has Germany. What nation on earth has escaped it? It is true again that in no country have wages risen to keep pace with the price of food

and other necessaries. There have been strikes everywhere on this account. England has just passed through one of the most terrific and

all the time and the coal strike which seems to threaten us here may not be less interesting than the one which England is beginning to recover from If the cost of living is to bring revolution upon France why not upon

The air is full of trouble throughout the civilized world, and conditions are no worse in France than elsewhere. In some respects they are better. It is

erty-owners of France have exhausted their savings. Quite the contrary true. They have more money laid up today than ever before, and it is for hire to enterprising men in all parts of the world.

Mr. Owen is obliged to admit that the French banks are full of money but, he asks, what difference does that make to the poor? It makes all the

difference in the world, because it is who own this money. Their united savings compose the enormous capital which makes country the world's banker. Again, we concede Mr. Owen's contention that the French national debt is very large and taxes burdensome, but on the other hand, the debt is owned

by the French people. The interest upon it goes into the pockets of the peasantry and contributes to make them loyal citizens. As for taxes, they

are no more burdensome in France than in Portland, Or., and we are not apprehensive of their causing revolution here, though they do stir up a

good deal of grumbling. Now for our other question. Why insist that it is republican government which makes trouble in France when precisely the same trouble has arisen in England and Germany under mon If the French are going to

tear down their republic because liv name.

The plums and prunes are dropping their petals, apple and cherry bloom is bursting, the lilac adds color to the city yard and the Oregon grape to the field and all Nature is making a grand stride toward the new life, for this is Springtime in Oregon, most favored of | point forced him to drive them in his all the handiwork of the Creator.

The City Council did well vesterday in prohibiting employment of women in shooting galleries-result of work of a Vice Commission that knows for what purpose it was created

Perhaps one good reason for the migration to Canada farms is the belief that Mr. Hill will capture the coun try-industrially of course-and make all prosperous.

An increase of 10,000 acres of hop fields is the estimated result of last year's high prices. This is about the most exhilarating gamble not under ban of the law.

That misguided peculating clerk of the Water Department, exiled from wife and children, is being punished more than if the hands of the law were upon him

Swearing over the wire at a tele phone operator is an offense that should receive especially severe punishment. It is the act of a vicious coward.

Dr. Hazzard's bones will rattle ere she completes her demonstration test, if she continues to lose flesh at the rate sustained the past fortnight. -

The condition of Oregon Winter wheat and rye leads the Nation because climatic conditions the past seven months were ideal.

Oregon has more than one hundred thousand foreign-born whites, and it is needless to say they are the pick of all creation.

The major leagues open the season today, but the acme of anticipation does not reach the breaking point until next Tuesday

Barney O'Nell must return from Canada to Idaho to take whatever medicine the law will administer.

Our opera bouffe Congressman in running on the absent treatment plan.

Mayor Jim Dahlman won again in Omaha on his striking personality

But the "peerless leader" will b Illinois' second choice.

The "sucker" state lived up to

resentment against injustice in any

form. A few days ago she appeared at the Bradeis Theater, in Omaha, at the height of the excitement over the killing of Roy Blunt. Three murderers had escaped from the Nebraska penitentlary. In their flight they impressed Blunt, a young farmer, and at pistol sleigh across the prairie during a fur-

ious blizzard. A sheriff's posse, overtook them and opened fire. Without not long since on the streets of Salem, when a drunken sot spit in the face of a young girl whose only offense was any discrimination between guilty and innocent, young Blunt fell at the first fire, pierced by official bullets. The that she wore a white ribbon as a token of temperance. In some more chivalrous communities men have been unconcern of the authorities was apparent from the cold fact that a lynched for less than that, but this man was fined \$8. If this does not bring the blush of shame to men's couple of days later the deputy who is believed to have slain Blunt was in aring the blush of shame to men's faces, I do not know what would. When self-respecting women are al-lowed to be more powerful factors in forming "public opinion." these things cannot be, and corrupt men, themselves

Chicago competing with his Nebraska team in a championship bowling con-LOOL:

Miss Countiss wrote a column of im passioned protest, which was published cannot be, and corrupt mean, the water of governed by corrupt women, will no longer have the power to strangle "public opinion" as easily and as mer-cilessly as the strong hands of the man Arthur Lewis choked the life from in the Omaha Evening News, and It made such an impression that it was followed by dozens of letters from indignant citizens who felt that the the frail little Helen Rumbull. honor and chivalry of Nebraska had suffered a stain. But what is more to the point, a public subscription was started, at the suggestion of the spirit ed young actress, and a substantial

I've always led a peaceful life And kept away from fuss and strife; sum was raised for the relief of the I've feared a trial in Justice Hall 18-year-old girl-widow of the man who And therefore been polite to all. No public trial for me, you bet; was as wantonly murdered as if one of the convicts had killed him. I've never been on trial-not yet. The people of the stage are the most

This knowledge's kept me on my feet generous and among the first to protest against injustice. As a helper of I'm sure it's made my slumbers sweet And as 1 old and wiser grow public and private charities Miss Coun-This record I am proud to show. tiss has always been active, willing I've told all people whom I've met I've never been on trial-not yet. and energetic.

Thurlow Bergen's stock company,

which has been playing in St. Paul for several weeks, is to change its scene of operations. They will go to another playhouse-the Metropolitanthey've been playing in The Schubertand will alternate between St. Paul

and Minneapolis.

To the Pedestrian.

To the Pedestrian. Nixon Waterman in Lippincoit's. When'er in crossing o'er the street, You see a "whow-fer" bold and ficel. Don't go ahead with unconcern. But doige and hesitate and turn: Saw back and forth and twist and stew And make him go both sides of you And never touch a single hair, Or have him jailed right then and there!

An Investment That Failed.

Life. The Pious Fraud was being hustled along a highway of hell: "There's some terrible mistake about this," he said. "Why, I've given enough money to the church to buy the best seat in heaven."

John Barroughs.

Born April 3, 1857. Jean Dwight Franklin, in the Atlantic. Away with clocks and sun-dials! Time and I Have made a compact—this to be my boon ar the evening thrush, and know the

Yet feel it noon.

to pay nothing at all generates like little Helen Rumball' murderers. My answer to this incisive writer is

MRS A. E. CLARK.

\$1-5 Johnson street,

The daily paper I perus

This is the limit, I declar

means

It's all my own and for my use; Therefore, what in it I see I think is surely meant for me,

To try a clean man who'd dare? I keep on reading and I see It is my brainbox and not me.

Or judged an idiot you shall be."

Of trials I have a fearful dread,

I always kept a level crown And never voted for a clown.

And after I am gone and dead I want the people all to know That, though I was a trifle slow.

"You'll have to

It reads: "You are on trial-not L"

And there the sentence I capy

WHO'S ON TRIAL!

As "Ed" Howe Sees Life that the time has come when "the very stones cry out" against such unspeak-able cruelty; that the time has come when "public opinion." led and directed by the part of humanity possessed of a You can easily give people something think about, but they

do it. cleaner and purer moral sense, will wipe these abuses from our country. Godspeed the day when a helpless child may not be done to death so thereby and when womanhood may bol If you want to carn a big salary you must take more pride in feeding your head than you take in feeding your cheaply, and when womanhood may be outraged openly, as was the o stomach

The favorite instrument of the man who wants to do good is the lecture. And of course it is just the luck of the ople that they do not care for lec-Lures.

won't always

I'm not taking much interest in the row over the Presidency, but if pushed i should declare Mrs. Roosevelt as my choice for first lady of the land. She remained in the White House steadily and kept out of the newspapers I'm tired of the Dolly Madison idea.

When a girl marries and goes to another town to live. If she is well dressed and prosperous looking when she comes home on a visit, people say "She is a good advertisement for her husband." But occasionally they look her over critically and say: Ciara!

When two men run for office, whether the office is President or 'Squire, the campaign isn't an effort to find right or truth; it's gossip.

Carelessness is usually too great confidence in human nature.

When I die I hope to go to a place where all questions have been settled; I am so tired of arguing.

Usually when you insist upon a "can-did talk", with anyone you get more candor than you bargained for. The men you talk to freely will also talk

The Magic Apple.

Tom Daly, in the Catholic Standard and Times.

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"A thing of beauty is a joy forever." Though years beeloud it, never may they mover.
Its lovely essence utterly from earth: Never a joy was born but hath rebirth. There was a sunset seen through orchard. There was a sunset seen through orchard. There was a sunset lost, long, long ago. An Autumn sunset seen through orchard boughs.
A boy's eyes brightened in the amber glow. Gavs to his mind no more of it to house For the delight of manhood's penalve days Than the bare memory of time and place; So nigh forgot, it seemed A something he had dreamed.
Yet now, the man before whose boylash ken The jory melied on the evening breeze Knows it lived on, for he hath found again His long-lost sunset of the orchard trees.
A newny tribuits to a swaftby vendor

A penny tribute to a swarthy vendor Hath filled for me this city street with

Hath filed for me this city street with aphendor. A meager apple; yet its crushed pulp drips A long-forgotten savor on my lips. A rare, faint essence tasted once before. But only once; and suddenly I find The heneyed guish hath loosed a long-locked

And will the olden splender floods my

A care-free lad I stand,

A care-iree in my hand, An apple in my hand, And watch the amber glory grow and wand I feel upon my cheek the evening breezs Joy lives forever! I live again My long-lost sunset of the orchard trees,

A "sassy" one is surely he Who signs his name with J. and B., The man who says I am a fool Because I fail to be his tool. Now, Mr. Bourne, you can't deny That you're the one on trial--not L. And what that trial so soon will show Will be a stunning knock-out blow To self-conceit and arrogance. These things go always in advance

Of man's downfall, but I, you bet. Am surely not on trial yet. -FRED R. RAMEL,

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