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PORTLAND, THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1912.

THE DEMOCRATIC DRIFT TO CLARK.

The pre-convention campaign has two striking features—the drift of Western Republicans to Roosevelt and of Northern Democrats to Clark. Just as strongly as Democrats "progressive" flock to Roosevelt, just so strongly do old-line Democrats flock to Clark.

But where are the Democratic progressives? Their idol is Wilson, but in one state after another he has been anothered by Clark's ballots. At first blush it would seem that the progressives have deserted Wilson for Clark, or that there are not as many progressives among the Democrats as the noise they have made suggests.

AS TO EARLY MARRIAGES.

Dr. Benjamin Franklin, astute philosopher, publicist and political economist, is on record in his advice to young men to marry early. Being a careful student of human nature, he was convinced that marriage was the grand conservator of the morals of young men as well as a dependable physical asset, necessary to the welfare of the race.

THE HOMESTEADER EARNS HIS LAND.

Senator Borah's indignant protest against the obstacles opposed to the passage of the three-year homestead bill by Congress will find an echo in the heart of every true Western man. It should inspire the Western delegations in Congress to combine their forces and drive the bill through, in spite of the objections of Secretary Fisher.

represented by boyhood and girlhood is an experiment that in the very nature of things forbodes failure, or which, at least, does not promise happiness to the pair nor a home, in the protective and wisely-governed sense, to the children who are born into it.

TIME FOR A NEW PARTY?

The Oregonian is not able to agree with Mr. Gray, the reactionary, in an interesting letter today, from the standpoint of a Republican who thinks that the only progressive Republican is the anti-Taft Republican, that the Presidential fight is not in the smallest degree personal.

BOY SCOUTS AS LIFESAVERS.

Had the Boy Scouts of Hood River not been given the military training against which the Socialists and I. W. W. declaim, they could not have saved their comrades from a fatal fall.

MEN AND RELIGION.

After seven months of extremely active service the Men and Religion Forward Movement is now about to retire from the field and "give the reins" to county and city organizations a chance to profit by what they have learned from it.

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The Men and Religion Movement has been in existence for some time, and has been successful in its work. It has been successful in its work because it has been successful in its work.

takes land which contributes nothing to the food supply of the people or to the revenue of state and Nation, and makes it contribute to both.

FREDERICK VIII AND DENMARK.

King Frederick VIII of Denmark was 63 years old when he ascended the throne in 1906. His unexpected death brings to an end a reign which has been brief indeed, but remarkably beneficial to his country.

THE TRUST MAGNATE DOES NOT NEED A DOSE OF MANDRAGA.

The trust magnate does not need a dose of mandraga or any other drowsy syrup to make him forget the unpleasant past. Daniel G. Reid, of the highly protected tinplate trust, has secured a sweeping oblivion of his financial record by resolving to forget them.

THE TEXAS TOMMY DANCERS.

The diligent student historian of the Shubert press department, "got their names in a singular manner," they originated a "Texas Tommy" dance in a San Francisco restaurant in San Francisco.

RECEIPTS OF SHEEP AT THE LOCAL YARDS.

Receipts of sheep at the local yards the past week aggregated over 11,000, and as most of them were for consumption, the fact shows increasing demand for good mutton.

THE RAILROADS ARE CLEVER IN MAKING RATES FOR THAT PECULIARLY EASTERN OREGON FESTA.

The railroads are clever in making rates for that peculiarly Eastern Oregon festa, the Pendleton Round-Up. Mrs. Coe is an excellent head of the equal suffrage movement while the great apostle of the cause is Ill.

Stars and Star-Makers

McKee Rankin, from whom few actors are better known on the Pacific Coast, not so much on account of his sterling qualities in histrionics as for his association for so many years in managerial capacity with Nance O'Neil, who is playing in the Portola in San Francisco.

WHAT IS PRESIDENTIAL ISSUE?

WHAT IS PRESIDENTIAL ISSUE? This correspondent thinks it not a Personal Matter. PORTLAND, May 15.—(To the Editor.)—In the leading editorial article today The Oregonian, as usual, overlooks the fact that this fight is between the progressive and reactionary and not in the smallest degree personal.

WORDS THAT PASS IN THE NIGHT.

Scene, bedroom. Time, 10:30 o'clock. Hubby enters softly; wife speaks a "Hello, dear, do you bring up Willie's crop remedy?" "Yes, dear."

ADAM AND EVE NAMED IN DEED.

Adam and Eve named in deed. J. E. Hutchinson, of Eleton, Pa., has come in possession of a copy of an old deed made in 1798, transferring a lot from Clara Ellinkunze to Flavel Rankin.

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MOVEMENTS IN HIGH SOCIETY.

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