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stitutional amendment giving women the ballot. All of this goes to prove that, when a man or a party starts on the high road of progress, he or it cannot limit the distance to be traveled. Especially is this true of the party which inscribes "Progressive" on its banner.

THE READJUSTMENT. Mr. Bruce Dennis will of course resign as chairman of the state Republican central committee. No one who knows Mr. Dennis had thought so little of him and his character as to suppose that he would take any other course. He is for Roosevelt. He cannot honorably remain at the head of the Republican organization in Oregon and he will surrender the post committed to him. What else is there for a straightforward man to do?

Mr. Dennis' example may well be commended to others. Take Dan Kellaher, who has a Republican nomination as Presidential elector and a Republican nomination as State Senator. He has declined a new party and is active in promoting its state-wide organization. Its function is to overthrow and supplant the Republican party and its purpose is to elect its own candidates and defeat the Republican candidates, where such Republican candidates have had the courage not the manhood to acknowledge their allegiance to their own party and have refused to join any conspiracy or scheme to betray and destroy it. The Kellaher epidemic is rhinocerosine. How could any man of sensibility long occupy so anomalous a position?

There also is Lafferty. Consider the unspeakable gall of Lafferty in repudiating his own party at a time when he has accepted from it the honor of a renomination to Congress, and will solicit a re-election at its hands. Lafferty is not a Republican. He does not pretend to be one. He is a man who has accepted from it the honor of a renomination to Congress, and will solicit a re-election at its hands. Lafferty is not a Republican. He does not pretend to be one. He is a man who has accepted from it the honor of a renomination to Congress, and will solicit a re-election at its hands.

There may be no real Roosevelt candidate in Congress from Multnomah; but there may be a Republican candidate. There ought to be. The candidate who, like Mr. McCusker, says he is a Republican, and believes the party is worth while, and may yet render service to the country, deserves and will undoubtedly get the support of all Republicans, of whatever faction, who think, as he does, that the best interests of the people lie in saving, and not in destroying, the Republican party.

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EVERYBODY'S DOING IT. The Tillamook Headlight must be somewhat mistaken in its sharp complaint about the increase of taxes in that county for the past ten years. There has been no increase, at least of state taxes. On the contrary, they have decreased under the beneficent workings of our modern system of having everything free through Government bounty. For authority that state taxes are less, we offer in evidence, in contradiction of worthless tax receipts and the common impression of every taxpayer in Oregon, the testimony of the State Auditor, the Legislature, the State Auditor, the Legislature, the State Auditor, the Legislature.

REPRESENTING POSTERITY. From present appearances posterity will know a good deal more about us, or some of us at any rate, than we do about our predecessors. Ever since celebrities began to pour their souls and voices into the phonograph apparatus, they have been industriously collecting their "records." In the last Presidential campaign all the candidates might be heard by the studios citizen at his leisure in the sacred seclusion of his own parlor by simply touching a spring and changing the record at proper intervals. Since then the art of representing posterity has been greatly perfected and multitudes of the famous have been persuaded to talk for futurity who would have scorned to do it a few years ago.

But this is not enough. Posterity, if it is anything like us, will learn to find out all it can concerning those who have gone before and a society has been organized with President Taft for its honorary head to gratify this laudable longing in still another way. The new project is to collect literary memorials of living worthies, carefully including any mention of those who are not definitely known to be "immortal."

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A RACE TOWARD BANKRUPTCY. Like the gambler who doubles his bet after each loss, Great Britain and Germany pursue the mad race for naval supremacy which will probably lead to national bankruptcy. The German naval increase is to be met by a corresponding expansion on the British side. Each nation is pouring its wealth into the construction of great floating fortresses, and the time may not be far when both will decide that Winston Churchill reasoned falsely when he said: "Though modern peace is as expensive as ancient war, it is much cheaper than modern war."

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poet there is more wonder in a brilliant sunset than in wireless telegraphy, and to a devout man the annual unfolding of the buds in Spring is the standing miracle of the ages, it never grows old and it never loses its magic charm.

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TAXES AND POLITICAL SYSTEM Tillamook County's Experience Has Not Been Satisfactory. Tillamook Headlight. The advocates of the Oregon system are not so enthusiastic as they used to be, and the newspapers which denounced those who opposed it have had their say. Why? Because they have to admit that the system is not working as satisfactorily as they predicted it would. We want to say this that the Oregon system came in handy for a certain class of politicians to espouse and get into office. But what about the taxpayers, the fellows who have to foot the bill? We will ask the taxpayers of Tillamook County to compare the taxes last year to that of ten years ago. It is the privilege of the taxpayers to advocate a new system of politics and legislation, but it is the system reducing taxation and simplifying the laws and bringing about a more satisfactory state of affairs? Not much, by a long shot. But we will confine ourselves in this article to taxation, and what the Oregon system is doing to the taxpayers, and we hope those who were so loud in their advocacy of it will prove to us wherein it is a benefit to the taxpayers in face of the increase in taxation in this county. Below we give the total amount of taxes collected for the past nine years:

Table with 2 columns: Year and Amount. 1904: \$63,332.20; 1905: \$63,332.20; 1906: \$63,332.20; 1907: \$63,332.20; 1908: \$63,332.20; 1909: \$63,332.20; 1910: \$63,332.20; 1911: \$63,332.20; 1912: \$63,332.20.

These figures show one thing very conclusively, the taxpayers are being "stung" quite badly by the Oregon system. That is not the only bad feature about the system. By the dual system of legislation, taxpayers' property has been placed in bondage, with the prospect that laws will be passed which will increase the bond system and fasten the yoke of bondage tighter upon taxpayers' property. But this is what the people wanted and they should not complain, for it is what is commonly called the sovereign will of the people. This is only the taxation features of the system we have touched on, and we cannot refrain from asking the taxpayers of Tillamook County, "How do you like it, and how do you like to be stung harder every year?"

IMMORTALS OF MODERN TIMES. Tentative Catalogue of Living States in a World's Hall of Fame. The Modern Historic Records Association, of which President Taft is the honorary president, is seeking to obtain certain autographic records on parchment from men and women of genius throughout the world. The aim is to obtain autographic records which are meant to embody a brief but permanent expression of each man and woman's pre-eminent gift or attainment, in meeting with some interesting response, as expressed by Ambassador Bryce that the collection we are making "will be of the greatest interest in years to come, seems to be the most important of the century, and will increase the world's productiveness that it is no longer necessary for starving nations to wage war to obtain the necessities of life. Above all, however, it is publicity which has diminished slaughter and outrage. Nowadays it is difficult for a monarch to fight and a universal peace is all sorts of horrors could be perpetrated in dark nooks and nobody was the wiser. But we must not forget that publicity is one of the fruits of science and invention. Without the telegraph and telephone the daily work of the world would be as impossible as railroads were to Alexander of Macedon.

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Stars and Star-Makers. By Leone Chan Baer. Pearl Gilman, whose divorce proceedings filled the local papers last Winter, is singing at Levy's Cafe in Los Angeles, where she is billed as "sister of Mabelle Gilman Cory."

Edna Archer Crawford, who followed Cathrine Courtiss as leading woman at the Baker six years ago, is playing leads with the West End Stock in New York City.

Florence Roberts presented last week her latest dramatic sketch, "The Woman Intervenes," which she recently purchased from J. Hartley Manners. From the attitude of the reviewers who saw it at the tryout the production fits Miss Roberts like the proverbial glove, and is in every respect better than "The Miracle," the thrillo-drammerette, which she visited upon us. There is little comedy in the piece, the basic principles of which are the unworldly attachment of a middle-aged bachelor to the wife of a Colonel Brent, a reciprocal feeling on her part that is supposed to have reached dangerously near the compromising point, and the advent at the psychological moment of "the intervening woman," whose interference has the effect of pacifying a jealous husband and ultimately preventing a shooting tragedy by the employment of skillful tact and diplomacy. The theme is a little one, and not altogether original, is treated masterly and appears delightfully novel. Miss Roberts is the "woman who intervenes" and her interpretation of the part is a fine, strong specimen of histrionism, according to report.

At this writing it looks as if art had come to a halt in Vancouver. The last performance of a serious drama which is likely to be given there for some time took place one night last week when Margaret Illington appeared at the Vancouver Opera House in "Kidding."

The theater has been sold by the Canadian Pacific Railroad to the Sullivan & Constable Circuit and will be converted into a vaudeville house. No other theater in the city is at present available for traveling companies.

The Avenue, which is devoted to the Del Lawrence Stock exclusively, has closed for improvements on its interior and all the company is vacationing. Howard Russell came to Portland for a few days, and Rhea Mitchell, who has been in league with the company for over a year, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Mitchell, of 681 Kearney street. Miss Mitchell brought along with her as her house guest Dimple Kelton, daughter of the late Jane Kelton, who was leading woman of the Del Lawrence company while in Spokane and later in Vancouver. Clara Byers, a Chicago actress, is the present leading woman.

John Harrington, leading man for Bertha Kallch in "A Light From St. Agnes," at the Orpheum, learned his first lessons in stagecraft in 1901 with Donald Bowles, former Portland stock actor. Both were members of the James Neill Stock Company in Los Angeles. Bowles appearing in juvenile roles and Harrington being the heavy man of the troupe. The first role ever played by Harrington was "Swan" in "Puddin'head Wilson." Harrington's success in stock in Los Angeles led to his engagement in New York by Arnold Daly for whom he was leading man in "The Regeneration" and other Shaw dramas. Harrington created the role of Hawkins in "The Regeneration" which he played with Nat Goodwin, whom he replaced as Colonel Monroe in "Cameo Kirby." Harrington played with Dustin Farnum here in "Cameo Kirby" three years ago. Harrington was a distinct success as Cass Hawkins in "The Squaw Man." He was born in Temescal Canyon, California, and was educated at St. Vincent's College in Los Angeles, where he was a student with Edward Moriarty, a charter member and one of the first officers of the Portland Press Club. Harrington celebrated his 28th birthday here last Tuesday.

Marjorie Rameau opened with Willard Mack in stock at the Orpheum Theater in Salt Lake City, July 14, playing "Paid in Full." Rosa Roma is in league with the company.

John World and Mendell Kingston are spending a few weeks in San Francisco. This clever couple are among the vaudeville most in demand, and they generally manage to get back to San Francisco every two years, where they are engaged in property interests. As World and Kingston this pair visits us early via the Orpheum.

The Dilemma. By Dean Collins. A fable: In primeval days. Lived a baboon, much like a man. Who might have been, if parties were. In those days, a Republican. He named the jungle day and night Seeking to gather what he might. One day within a hollow tree, "Through a small knot-hole did he see. And saw therein a goodly egg. A prize which he was wont to seek: 'I nominate myself," said he, "The holder of that egg to be."

But when his hand was thrust inside, "And the egg grasped, at once he wist He stole a look at some awaiting for him. Then to draw out his doubled fist. The problem thus assumed an air Of needing patience, skill and care.

And as he labored at the job, "Roamed through the wood a lone Bull Moose. Who bellowed, 'Come along with me, And eat that egg you grasp drop loose. For he that in my following comes, Mayhap may find a crop of plums."

The baboon scratched his head in doubt, "Sooth he was puzzled as the deuce, For it was clear that he could not. Both keep the egg and chase the Moose. He knit his brows in thought intense, For he was aquare upon the fence.

The moral of the jungle tale. "Doth not apply to each and all; Yet those who grasp the egg and lose. Today—yet hear the Bull Moose call: Some who within politic thicket Seek eggs on the G. O. P. ticket.

How the baboon of ancient days Solved the deep problem, I don't know. Nor have his modern prototypes. Will make their final actions go— But they are booked, I think, at best For wavering pangs of deep unrest.

Half a Century Ago. From The Oregonian of July 25, 1862. A private letter from The Dalles states that the writer saw in the hands of a certain gambler of Washouville County, two pieces of gold taken from Auburn Falls, Powder River, weighing respectively 867 and 831, reckoned at \$15 and \$14. The gambler stated that his and other claims on the same gulch are paying from \$35 to \$50 a day to the hand.

From The Dalles Mountaineer—The repairing of the Cascade Railroad is now completed and the arrangements are made to admit of passing 200 tons of freight over the road daily. Florence, July 15.—Three men go out where one comes in, and this will continue to be the case, as hundreds here can get no work and the arrangements are being made for the working of claims daily. The long faces seen here would amuse if they were not so often worn by poor men, who, worned by the frost and snow of the last eight months, are here to mend their broken fortunes and have left those at home dependent on their labors.

"That Blessed Baby" was the richest thing we have seen played upon the stage at Port Vancouver on Wednesday evening from Port Colville, en route for Humboldt Bay. We are informed the command lost about \$20,000 in a single day, and it is supposed the deserters have gone to the mines. Washington, July 16.—In the House, Bingham, from the select committee to whom was referred the President's message regarding emancipation, reported a bill providing that whenever the President is satisfied that Maryland, Delaware, Kentucky, Tennessee or Missouri has a right to the return of the slaves through out either or all of these states, the President and Secretary of the Treasury shall deliver to such state a warrant for the return of the slaves according to the census of 1860, provided no compensation be made to any state which aided the present rebellion, the bonds to be returned to exceed an aggregate of \$130,000,000.

Road Is Death Trap. PORTLAND, July 24.—(To The Editor.)—I have just read the account in The Oregonian of an accident which occurred at Mount Tabor last night. I have also looked over the scene of the catastrophe. I am persuaded that it might have been avoided, as might have been other accidents which you have taken place there in the past two years. The entire road about this hill is of a dangerous character, especially at night, and the accident of the accident is especially dangerous. In going either way past this spot the light from the machine on the opposite side of the place of danger. On a dark night such as last night, the driver is wholly dependent on his own light, and this light does not do much to make the road safe. It makes a quick turn here. The natural course of the machine is over the edge of the road. To tip over as they did last night would be a very easy matter. It is to avoid such accidents in the future is to widen the road at this spot. It can easily be done. It would be a small expense to repair the road, and it would be a small expense to repair the road, and it would be a small expense to repair the road.