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OLD FASHIONED VIEWS OF VICE AND CRIME.

Since the publication of the vice commission's report brought Portland face to face with its sins The Oregonian has been favored by its readers with a number of projects for extirpating vice and crime. One writer tells us that if there were no poverty there would be no such resorts in existence as are described only too vividly in the famous report. "Poverty is the root of vice and crime," this gentleman declares. Another puts his faith in a sort of passport system. He views with alarm the liberty we all possess in America of going about as we like without giving an account of ourselves to the police. He has visited Portland many times in the course of the last twenty years, he relates, and the police have never once asked him who he was or where he came from. If everybody were compelled to keep in touch with the police, tell them where he is bound when he sets out on a journey, report himself when he reaches his destination and reveal what business he is upon, our correspondent believes that much of our present trouble with the wicked would evaded. Perhaps it would. And yet we do not find that the police are always active in putting out of the way the bad men with whom they are perfectly familiar. The vice commission's report speaks ominously of certain women buying immunity from officials who know only too well what their business is and how they con-

with a passport and submit to an inquisition when he wishes idea of putting the whole decent part the Standard Oil Company. that many rich people are as vicious contribution. as the poor. Millionaires like Thaw the hotels which the report describes. selves are not suffering from poverty. for himself, if he can, what are the Nor is it poverty which drives the facts. highly capable managers of some of these dens to pursue their business. tions in 1904 by other trusts? The The report specifies several who have New York World gives the following amassed large fortunes with invest- list:

ments in land and bank accounts which are enviable indeed. No doubt poverty drives many a poor girl to sell her virtue. That is one of the world's tragedies, one of the preventable miserles for which society should hide its head in shame. This particular part of the social evil would the self-shame of the social evil would be self-shamed to the social evil would the self-shamed to the self-sh certainly be alleviated by paying better wages. So might another part of it. The dens which the commission describes are in many cases frequented by workingmen, young men who have the constitution of the co no families or homes. Frequently they would have both homes and families their patronage, but a considerable fraction would still remain. There is crime which neither of these projects fund of 1912 came from. touches. At the risk of seeming oldfashioned we shall mention two considerations which to our way of thinking are fundamentally important. In the first place, we believe that the popular estimation of life's values is

can be kept from decay without devo-tion to these saving ideals. It never The Oregonian which is printed tohas been done and we do not believe day. it ever can be. It will hardly be denied that these concepts have been the Corbett and Failing estates and growing vague to the modern city. W. B. Feckheimer would pay

out of the field. reader as far-fetched and we will not on an incomplete record. He cites push the point farther just now. other consideration we have in mind is land holdings in Multnomah county the progressive decay of the feeling of and calculates therefrom how much fess to their sorrow that their institu- land values would be reduced thoutions have encouraged this in many sands of dollars under a single which we have fondly trusted in Gov- and under" the land which now are ernment have enabled the shifty offi-cial to shirk his duty without incur-excluded from the assessed valuation ring direct blame. It has usually been under single tax. Mr. U'Ren's figures possible for him to unload the burden on the amount of graduated tax these of responsibility on somebody else land holders would pay under single who in turn slips away from it. From tax therefore are and must be too this laxity in official matters we have high. Consequently his estimates on passed on to the effective denial of re- what certain small home owners sponsibility for personal conduct. The would pay are too low. murderer must not be punished because society bred him up to crime. attention to the fact that the tax rolls The thief steals not because of the de- do not disclose the value of all impravity of his heart, but because soci-ety did not give him a fair chance in land." Yet such improvements and nobody must be punished. Shall rolls do show the value of improvesociety commit suicide because it has ments "on" the land. The value of failed in its duty to some individuals? improvements "in and under" The toleration of vice and crime is land is not segregated. Mr. U'Ren's While we enforce the great lesson of discovered in the tax rolls, is theresocial responsibility, would it not be fore valueless. well to keep in mind that the individ-

he must hear the consequences, no matter how incompetently the campaign may have been planned by the general?

We cannot hope for much betterment in the conditions we all deplore until we contrive to hold every public official clearly and definitely responsi-ble for certain fixed duties. Those duties must be his and nobody else's. There must be no way for him to shift campaign document a maze of figures or evade them, and when he fails to do them there must be an unimpeded way to punish him. But official responsibility is not enough. Its neces- results, like the conclusions given in sary correlative is individual responsibility. Society cannot exist unless the individual is held answerable for what he does. It may be cruel. In some many other cities, but happily we are mere fun of dabbling in mud. will and it is done."

PLAYING THE GAME.

Some one who describes himself as a Progressive sends the following to The Oregonian with the suggestion that it deserves comment:

The Progressive party platform plank indorsing the direct primary law view of the fact that those most prom in view of the fact that those most prominent in promoting the new party organiza-tion participated in the nomination of the vacious tickets chosen at the primary elec-tion held last April, it would appear a trifle inconsistent on the part of these men to be planning the nomination of an assembly or convention ticket to oppose the candi-dates whom they helped to nominate at that election.

The right to bolt may be freely coneded to any faction or group not satisfied with the nominee of any party, if they bolt openly and without reservation or apology. But whether con-ceded or not, it will be done. We are must be imposed the responsibility of much disposed to encourage the men who are not satisfied with Mr. Taft to organize a third party for the thirdterm candidate. It is the only correct and honest course.

Moosers do not know where they are Pendleton. For both measures were at. They want to bolt, and to stick. determined by the sovereign people They can't. Roosevelt will not permit it. Propriety will not justify it. How can any man be a Republican and a supporter of a party expressly organized to defeat and supersede the

Republican party? are proceeding in accordance with the and the people took the same view. primary law for the present. They see now the great virtue of a convention or assembly. Formerly they were much anguished about it. But never patients. It would be disposed them stand at Armageddon and battle for themselves.

A vast controversy rages over the contribution to the Republican camhome. From one point of view there paign fund of 1904 of the sum of something exquisitely absurd in the \$100,000 by John D. Archbold for It is not The Oregonian's. of the community to the extremity of Roosevelt denies vehemently, indignconvenience in order to help the nantly, and almost profanely that he police do their duty. Then there is knew anything about the tainted the theory that if we could pay every. offering at the time, and produces body high wages and so abolish letters, written a short week before poverty, crime and vice would go the 1904 election, showing that he along with it to extinction. This directed Chairman Cortelyou to resounds alluring until one remembers turn the money, if there was such a

Mr. Penrose and Mr. Archbold sa commit crimes as readily, often, as the money was solicited by Cornelius the most miserable hobo and the par- N. Bliss, treasurer of the Republican ticular wickedness which we call "the committee, and that Mr. Roosevelt, social evil" is rampant in many a then President, knew all about it, for circle both polite and opulent. The Bliss told them he did, and other cirvice commission speaks of guests who cumstances justified that conclusion. rent rooms at \$2 an hour in some of But Penrose and Archbold are now members of the great Ananias Club, Persons who can thus indulge them- and the average citizen must decide

But what about the other contribu-

The Perkins 348,702.50, which Chief Judge Cullen said involved larceny from the New York Life; and \$50,000 each from two other

These are now dead issues-nearly. But the Roosevelt campaign fund of If their wages allowed, and thus the 1912 is not. It is observable that Mr. vicious resorts would lose a fraction of Roosevelt has said not one word in reply to Mr. La Follette, and there is no light-just suspicion-as to where something in the problem of vice and the great Roosevelt primary campaign does not Roosevelt answer Why

La Follette?

FAKED FIGURES. Anybody can take selected assumpfatally wrong. We have been placing tions, rely on a number of false emphasis upon material possessions premises of his own choosing and and material pleasures until a creed reach the conclusion he desires on the has been built up which holds that subject of single tax or any other isthere is nothing else worth winning or sue. But of what value has such a restrain him. having. The primitive virtues are de- course? It has absolutely none ex-Self-denial, duty, sacrifice for cept wherein it may deceive the unhome, friends, country-no civilization wary. Mr. U'Ren does a little work

Mr. U'Ren attempts to show what The craze for money has driven them graduated taxes if the single tax conamendment should stitutional But this kind of talk may strike the adopted. His computations are based The the present assessed values of their Americans must con- each would pay. Yet these so-called The checks and balances to valuation because improvements

The Oregonian has repeatedly called Yet such improvements must And so it goes down the whole all be excluded from taxation under scale of misdeeds. Nobody is to blame the operation of single tax. The tax virtual suicide for the body politic, argument, being based on what he

Of course the Oregon City lawgiver ual has his own part in the battle knows this. The Fels Fund, which he and if he proves a coward or a traitor represents in Oregon, admits in its historical divisions of thought: That which open a new lead in vaudeville. ual has his own part in the battle knows this. The Fels Fund, which he

Clackamas county compilation of tax comparisons that in order to obtain its figures as to what each would pay under single tax it was necessary to use assumptions as to the value of improvements "in and under" the land and also to employ an expert to "estimate" the value of public service franchises and rights-ofway. Thus we have as a single tax computed on a combination of tax roll values, selected assumptions and the report of a Fels-paid expert. And the Mr. U'Ren's letter, are recklessly pre-

sented as definite and reliable. It may be a pleasant pastime make bricks without straw, but it is cases it may be unjust. But it must bound to be an unprofitable one unless be done or the world will revert to somebody be swindled with the bricks. barbarism. The reversion is pretty We doubt that the Fels Fund brigade well begun in Portland and a good is making useless bricks just for the The not so far on the way but that we can Oregonian therefore again warns the return if we will. "Speak the divine I voters that any figures purporting to show the amount of taxes the landowners of Oregon would pay under the operations of single tax are indefinite, unreliable and meaningless and are known to be so by the men who prepare them.

THE DUTY OF SUPPRESSION. The Oregonian is charged by the Pendleton East Oregonian with having "killed the Eastern Oregon normal school by its misrepresentations." It makes this surprising falsehood that "The Oregonian is ger's ignorance of British military Oregon hospital by playing up unfair stories purporting to show the poor location of the branch hospital" at we assume that this paper may be invade Tripoli. fairly entitled to the credit for having created the Eastern Oregon hospital The trouble is that many Bull and made possible its location at had vigorously protested against legislative log-rolling over the normal schools, and the Legislature and the people took the same view. The After a while the Bull Moosers will Oregonian supported the proposal for hold a primary of their own. They an insane asylum in Eastern Oregon. Of course it makes no difference to The Oregonian where any insane asylum is located, though it may to the Do not stop the game. Let consider their comfort and welfare rather than the desires and sentiments of any neighborhood or community which had its own purposes in securing a state institution for itself. learned to deal promptly and efficiently with the criminals whom they already recognize without labels it will be time enough to think about requiring everybody to arm himself with a passport and submit. is of course the Pendleton paper's idea of newspaper ethics and policy.

CRAZY PEOPLE.

The crazy woman who had prepared

healthful state of mind. Insane delusions are apt to ridiculous when they are not frightful to those who witness them. A visitor at an asylum once fell into conversation with a respectable-looking man who seemed also to belong outside. He talked rationally on many different topics and finally began to discuss the peculiarities of some of the inmates. There is that old simpleton yonder, he remarked, pointing to a venerable lunatic, "look at him well, for he believes he is Napoleon." know he is not Napoleon?" inquired the visitor. "I know it easily enough, his interlocutor replied. everything. The fact of the matter is

I am God. Much effort has been expended in modern trials to draw a clear line of demarcation between the sane and insane. Some experts cut the knot by declaring that everybody is at least partially out of his head. No doubt there are moments when any man may lose his self-control and act like a maniac but that is something very different from actual insanity. The wildest of us in our most frantic moments know right from wrong and understand perfectly well that if we commit a crime we ought to suffer for it. This is the real practical test between mental health and disease. When the machinery of the brain has actually confuses right and wrong it is unjust to hold him accountable for

Insanity is not always violent. It is often as mild as a May day and as cunning as the Adversary until right moment comes for an outburst. Then of course there are storms. Very likely the poor woman who tried to attack the President was perfectly harmless to all appearance up to the was seeking to do.

UNPREPAREDNESS INVITES WAR.

Under extreme pressure from both within and without its own ranks, the Democratic party has grudgingly consented to the addition of one battleship to the Navy, when the presentation of our present position among naval powers requires at least two new first-class ships yearly. If the Democrats should gain the Presidency and control of both Senate and House at the election, they would remain in ab-solute control of the executive and probably of the Senate for the next four years. The pressure which started a concession at the session just closed would be withdrawn and the forces which sought to prevent addition to our naval strength, or even construction of new ships to take the places of those which have become outdated, would have full sway. prospect that the Democrats would build even one battleship yearly is

therefore gloomy. This attitude of the Democratic par ty toward the Navy is no mere transient condition, due to a desire to make a good showing of economy on the eve of an election. It is fixed firmly by the basic principles of the party. Captain Mahan well expresses the dif-ference between the two parties in a letter to the New York Times:

sees first the Nation, and that which sees MR. UREN CITES THE TAX ROLLS PENDLETON ASYLUM DEFENDED.

In its devotion to the idea of state sovereignty the Democratic party seeks to dwarf the National power. It views with jealous eye every act which will enhance that power. Hence its opposition to enlargement of the Navy, dividual taxpayer in Portland, if the its attempt to weaken the cavalry arm of the Army and its determination to cut the Philippines adrift. The Civil War compelled the Democrats reluctantly to admit that the Union is indissoluble, but in speaking and thinking of this Nation as a union of sovereign states, they still place the emphasis on the soverign states, while the Republicans emphasize the union.

The Democratic party is no more enamored of peace and of all measures which contribute to the preservation of peace than is the Republican party, but in its opposition to keeping the Nation well prepared for war, the De mocracy closes its eyes to facts which are obvious to other nations. Preparedness for war and letting other nations know we are ready are the best preservers of peace. By being prepared, France and Britain on the one enabled to warn each other not to make war, and a peaceful adjustment of the Moroccan dispute was the result. Had Spain in 1898 been strong as she was in the days of her hesitated long to attack her. Had China possessed a modern army and navy, Japan would not have attempted statement as a preliminary to another to drive her out of Corea. Only Kruuse it brought on the Boer war. Rus. churia, and thus to invite Japanese attack. Had Turkey now possessed the army and the efficiency of Solyman, "killing" the Weston Normal school, Italy would not have been so quick to

The Senate is really responsible for the carnage in Nicaragua and for the necessity of sending United States marines to that country to protect Americans and their property. under the initiative. The Oregonian the Senate ratified the Nicaraguan financial treaty, American collectors ists would have been unable to procure the sinews of war and would in all probability have preserved peace. Frightened by the bogey of the money trust, the Senate pigeonholed the treaty and the loss of thousands of lives is the consequence. With Americans in charge of the custom houses, Nicaragua would have been as peaceful and prosperous as we have made Santo Domingo.

ternational function. The magnates of the world did homage to his memory and the peoples introduced in the magnates of the world did homage to his memory and the peoples introduced in the magnates of the world did homage to his memory and the peoples introduced in the magnates of the world did homage to his memory and the peoples introduced in the magnates of the world did homage to his memory and the peoples introduced in the magnates of the world did homage to his memory and the peoples introduced in the magnates of the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and the peoples in the world did homage to his memory and t ory and the peoples joined to revere him. When he began his work he ness and everything else that the world craves was added unto him. to knife President Taft at Columbus Few men have lived more usefully or

doubt the authorities will put the this as a euphemistic designation of means:
poor creature under proper restraint the prevalent disease. More rapidly Charles E. Makinster was assessed

commissioners are bound in honor to keep faith with those who aided them and the chances are that they will do so. The city officials know from the report exactly what conditions are around us. There is nothing to hinder them from doing their duty if

Even if Ehrlich recovers his \$5000 notes, he will have furnished \$5000 29 cents. worth of amusement; if he should be required to pay them, he will receive scant sympathy.

Wilson tells the farmers an easier means should be provided for securbeen so impaired that a person ing money from banks. Yet all the farmer in need has to do is to show the banker his ability to repay a loan. what he does, but it is not wrong to business, but the bulk of its funds is money deposited by farmers, whose interests the banker must safeguard. Wilson is talking for votes,

The Portland money in search of an owner, recalls that famous \$30,000 which was to have been used to buy a Montana Senatorship, but which no instant when she showed what she man dared claim after it had fallen into the hands of the state. It finally enriched the state school fund. Perhaps the \$400 held by Cameron may meet a like fate.

Tainted money seems as welcome in all quarters in New York as that per which has the odor of sanctity. The Sailors' Snug Harbor is just as snug, whatever kind of money supports it.

In defying the suffragettes, Premier Borden shows more courage than dis-cretion. When he has undergone experiences similar to those of Asquith, he may change his tune.

appearance of a united effort to put Dan McAllen out of business in his favorite occupation. An unfeeling public has little sorrow for the "sport" who loses a thous-

These eugenic baby shows have the

and dollars' worth of diamonds while toyriding. Enlisted men are to receive three months' back pay. Absence of the canteen will make the event notice-

able. Marines are policemen, not soldiers, Nicaragua, while the latter cannot.

Oregon City Lawgiver Uses Incomplete Record to Support Single Tax.

of taxes that would result to each ingraduated specific tax and exemption amendment should be adopted with complete exemption of personal property and improvements, can be com Multnomah County and the statistics of public service corporations in the of-fice of the State Railroad Commission at Salem. Taking the year 1910 for comparison, the records show the assessed value, separately, of lots, per-sonal property, and of improvements for every taxpayer in Portland. Our Single Tax League, at the expense of the Fels Fund Commission, has had the records of Multnomah County searched for all those who would pay the graduated tax, and computed the amount to be paid by each on the basis of the 1910 assessment. A regular gen-eral levy of 22½ mills on all the land and franchise values, in addition to the graduated tax, would have raised practically the same amount that was raised in 1910. All personal property hand and Germany on the other were and improvements would be free from

taxes on the above basis.

The Corbett and Falling estates and The Corbett and Failing estates and W. B. Fechheimer will do for practical examples of the operation of the grad-uated tax and general levy on wealthy land owners. I have selected the Corsplendor, instead of being weak and betts and Fallings because in the mat-Had they are among the most enterprising by and of the great landlords of Portland.

Their proportions of assessed value of buildings to land values are among the statement as a preliminary to another to drive her out of Corea. Only Krufalsehood that "The Oregonian is ger's ignorance of British military cents of improvement values for each showing its antipathy to the Eastern power and British determination to dollar of land values on the assessment roll. Mr. Fechhelmer is a fair exampl sia's corruption and over-confidence of the general rule among the great caused her to be unprepared in Manment values are about 5 cents on the dollar of his land values on the assess-ment roll. He is one of the low ones. but comparatively few of those who have a half million dollars' worth of land are assessed for more than \$50,000 worth of improvements.

For 1910 the Failing and Corbett assessment was \$1,937,950 for land values;

for improvement values, \$479,200; there was some personal property also. The tax levied on them was \$53,177.39. Exempting the personal property and improvements, the graduated tax on them as owners of the land value would would have taken charge of the Nica-amount to \$55,287, to which add the raguan custom houses, the revolution-regular levy of \$43,603.87 on the value their total tax \$99,890.87, which is twice what they actually paid,

The graduated tax on the owners of the Corbett estate on the 1910 assess-ment for \$2.634,300 of land value would have been \$77,179; to this add \$43,603.87 for the regular levy of 221/2 mills on the land value, and the Corbett estate would have paid a total tax of \$136,-450.87. The actual tax levy on the Corbett estate for 1910, on land, buildings and personal property. ings and personal property was \$74,-477.70, which is \$61,973.17 less than

County, it is safe to say that the Cor-bett land holdings are worth \$5,000,000. was reviled and persecuted. His officers were jalled for preaching the gospel to the poor. But he went on doing good, not for the sake of money and renown, but because he loved his fellow men. He sought first the Kingdom of God and his righteousber of their tenants can make by labor. The same thing applies to all the great landlords in proportion to the values

in the Senate than in most other places "the old order changeth giving place to new." What was reputed to be the most stable of legislative ment would be \$11.25 with all personal and perhaps bring her to a more in the Senate than in most other \$500 for his lot and \$700 for his home

lot. His tax in 1910 was \$176, but under the proposed amendment his tax would have been \$125. He had more than 40 cents of assessed value for his home for every dollar of the assessed barn at the Salem asylum and lot value.

The tax records show beyond question that the poor man's house and fur-niture is a very much larger proportion of his total assessment than the rich There have been many such cases as that of the Sa. Francisco broker and the chorus girl, but in most of them the broker puts nis loss down to experience and vows never again to dally with wine and such women. Even if Ehrlich recovers his \$5000 to the correct and the fethelmer to the correct and the correct and the correct and the fethelmer to fethelmer the correct and the fethelmer than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment. The property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment. The property are of his total assessment. The property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich man's buildings and personal property are of his total assessment than the rich m cents, or even the Corbett and Failing 29 cents. The more valuable the land the smaller the proportion of building and personal property assessment as a general rule, until the class of pure speculators is reached without any improvements at all,

provements at all.

I am still unable to see on what ground The Oregonian bases its opinion that the graduated tax amendment is a rich man's measure.

WILLIAM S. U'REN.

Grade of Rock Chute. OREGON CITY, Aug. 29.—(To the Editor.)—In looking through The Ore-

gonian I noticed a simple question mathematics which was incorrectly answered.

The question was from White Salmon, Wash., asking the per cent of grade on a rock chute with 100 feet of elevation which terminates at a point 100 feet distant. In your reply you state that the rise in one foot is 141 feet making nearly a 71 No. 2011.

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you state that the rise in one foot is 1.41 feet making nearly a 71 per cent grade. This would appear absurd to children in the fifth grade of any grammar school as they would plainly see that a rise of 1.41 feet in one foot would be a 141 per cent grade. The grade of the chute would be 100 per cent as correctly contended by per cent as correctly contended by one of the White Salmon disputants. H. A. H.

The correspondent has stated the The rise is one foot in sense always lies at the back of her case inversely. The rise is one foot in sense always lies at the back of her 1.41 feet of length—not a rise of 1.41 neck (or heel)" i. e., she is wise when feet in one foot of length. The chute is it is too late; and "He is a downright feet in one foot of length. The chute is the hypothenuse of a right-angled triangle, the base and side of which are each 100 feet long. The chute would be 141 feet long and would rise at the rate of about 71 feet in each 100 feet of length. The grade is therefore nearly 71 per cent.

It is too late; and He is a downlight fool who acts according to his wife's advice."

The Turk contemptuously exclaimed: "Woman's hair is long, but her wit is short." Shows his lack of confidence in her integrity by declaring: "The dog is faithful, woman never," and expresses his opinion in regard to the propriety of the propriety in any and the is a downlight fool who acts according to his wife's advice."

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 28.—(To the Editor.)—When was the Bureau of South American Republics started? What is its object? Is John Barrett an Eastern or a Pacific Coast man?

The International Union of American Republics was established at Washington under the recommendation of the Pan-American Conference of 1890. Its purpose is to maintain closer relations of friendship and commerce between which explains why they can go into the American republic. John Barrett was born in Vermont and was educated in the East, but was engaged in news-Uniforming California's insane will paper work on the Pacific Coast for a number of years.

Criticisms of Institution Arouse Suspi-

clons of Mr. Nottingham OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 28 .- (To PORTLAND, Aug. 28 .- (To the Edthe Editor.)-The increase or decrease itor.)-Recently I read a number of articles in the daily papers, which appear to have originated in Salem, concerning the Eastern Oregon Asylum, its location, its grounds, water supply, etc. I personally water supply, etc. I personally spected all of the available sites Eastern Oregon before the selected and I then approved and now approve most heartly chosen near Pendleton. In my opinion it is by long odds the most suitable. . In my opinion desirable and economical location east

of the mountains. As a member of the legislature I opposed the purchase of farm lands to be used in connection with this asylum. The state has a very large tract of fertile bottom land adjoining the building site and so situated that it can be cul-tivated with economy. It, in my opinion is all the land required for legitimate purposes. The question of buylast legislature and was referred to a special committee which reported against the purchase of the lands. Before the asylum was located the State Board secured options upon a great amount of available lands. These options were for such length that they did not expire until after the legislature adjourned, the purpose be-ing to the up the land before the asylum was located so that owners could not advance the price.

I do not think it is profitable for

the state to operate in the farming business. It means a lot of additional employes who secure and hold their jobs through political activity and I on the contribution of about 4000 souls. business than it has to enter into any is the commercial metropolis of the other line of commercial activity. This land is situated where cheap alfalfa the principal shipping and outfitting hav is readily available from the irrigated lands on Butter Creek and the region east and north; is the largest Umatilla River. It would be just as and most wealthy city north of San reasonable to expect a livering the largest and most wealthy city north of San reasonable to expect a liveryman in Francisco and the second city on the Pendleton to own a farm adjoining Pacific Coast; is constantly thronger Pendleton to grow feed on as to expect the state to own a lot of high-kindred and tribe on the earth; con priced land for the same purpose. For tains near 50 saloons, dramshops and the same reason that the liveryman groceries, besides numerous other finds it cheaper to buy his hay the public places where the vicious habits finds it cheaper to buy his hay the state will find it cheaper to buy its hay and provender.

The great difficulty is that certain officers want to have a lot of flunkies and day laborers around them to wait on them. They work to increase the land holdings of the state institutions. thereby increasing opportunity to em-ploy laborers and increase their own importance from a political standpoint. There is one little tract on the asy lum grounds in Eastern Oregon which

has been rented for several years to

market gardeners and has produced an annual income of approximately \$300 per acre from garden stuff. are about 10 acres of the state's land in orchard which has produced about seven car loads per annum of mer-chantable apples which have sold at an aggregate figure of from \$2400 to \$3000. I mention these facts to show that on the 150 or more acres of hot-tom land there the state san produce ail necessary supplies in quantities far beyond its requirements except cheap products, such as feed for livestock employes of the asylum to town, as it does at the Salem institutions. I feel that the many articles originating at Salem which are derogatory to the Pendleton institution should, as a mat-ter of good taste, be discontinued. punish him for something. With the characteristic incoherence of the insane she did not seem to know what fault he was guilty of, but whatever it might have been she was appointed to mete out punishment to him. No doubt the authorities will put the poor creature and a single property and a seem to know what the poor creature and a single property and a seem to know what the source. He assigns the following examples show fairly the office of good taste, be discontinued. W. B. Fechheimer's 1910 assessment was \$475,000 for land value, for building \$22,300, and there was some personal property. His tax levy was \$11. 190.74, but the graduated tax and the general levy of 22½ mills on his land values would have been \$23,087.50.

The following examples show fairly what the office what the affect which are the affect what the a residents of Salem interested in mainplaces "the old order changeth giving place to new." What was reputed to be the most stable of legislative bodies proves to be one of the most fluid.

Oliver E. Leet was assessed \$250 for his home on the oliver by the lot and \$550 for his home on the lot and some of us who have leged classes.

How long would ft take the persons never had the privilege of residing property and improvements exempt, He property and improvements for every dollar to look with some degree of suspicion into the many things which have been said concerning this new institution now long to the lot and \$550 for his home on the lot and the privilege of residing property and improvements exempt, He permanently in Salem to look with and \$1.40 of improvements for every dollar to look with any things which have been said concerning this new institution now long to the look with and \$1.40 of the look with any things which have been said concerning this new institution now long to the look with any things which have been said concerning this new institution now long to look with any things which have been said concerning this new institution now long to the look with any things which have been said concerning this new institution now long to the look with any things which have been said concerning this new institution now long to the look with any things which have been said concerning this new institution now long to the look with the private of suspicion into the many things which have been said concerning this new institution now long the look with the property and improvements exempt, He p The City Council would lose nothing by reconsidering its demand upon the vice commission to disclose all sources of information. Much that it discovered would have remained in the dark but for promises of secrecy. The commissioners are bound in honor to

The State Board has seen fit to construct a \$20,000 concrete and steel cow barn at the Salem asylum and to stretch out a hen house to 500 feet for the accommodation of those pure-breed chickens to supply eggs presumably for the enjoyment of such men as Humphries from Benton County, and Webb from this county, and other murderers who have received clemency during the present administra-The State Board has seen fit to conmurderers who have the present administra-tion. I have not made any estimate of the relative cost of feeding these fellows on eggs produced by the thoroughbred chickens as compared with what it would cost to keep them on ordinary rations. It is passing strang ordinary rations. It is passing strange that the matter of cost at Pendieton is receiving so much interest at the hands of certain Salem people, but that we hear nothing about this extravagance at the Salem institutions.

Let us be fair and not undertake to kill off the Pendieton institution by a lot of guess work and prophesies before it is started. As to fertility of

a lot of guess work and prophers de-fore it is started. As to fertility of the soil and hygienic conditions they are good. I think the water there preferable to that at Salem, and health statistics make Pendleton out a better place to live in than Salem. A rail-road switch is built right into the grounds at the branch asylum everything seems to be provided for the well being, health and economical

Edinburgh Review.

The Japanese says: "Though a woman has borne you seven children, do not trust her," and "A woman's tongue is only three inches long, yet it can kill

only three inches long, man six feet high."

The Chinese says: "Eighteen goddess-like daughters are not equal to one son with a limp," and "A young wife should be in her house but a shadow of an echo."
The Indian remarks: "A woman's

of women taking an interest in any thing beyond pots and pans by saying "With her hands full of dough she is mixed up with (interferes with) the business of a man."

MEHAMA, Or., Aug. 27 .- (To the Edi

tor.)—Please inform me if anyone just shortly after getting a divorce can go over into Washington and get married Do the parties have to stay over there ome back just as soon as

The marriage would be void in either case. Persons divorced in Oregon cannot legally marry in Washington before the expiration of six months.

Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian of August 30, 1862, Washington, Aug. 21 .- A New civilian who left Richmond on the 13th says at that time troops were pouring out of the city on the Vermont railroads. All the troops around Richmond were in motion towards the north.

New York, Aug. 33 .- The delphia Press says General Pope has fallen back across the Rappahannock and made that stream a line of defense. The enemy is in great force the south bank. He has made severa ineffectual efforts to cross and turn our left flank, at the same time making demonstrations on our center. Fighting of a desultory character has been going on for several days. The enemy have been repulsed at all points by our batteries.

St. Paul, Aug. 20 .- The Indians Meeker County, exasperated at the non-reception of money from the Gov-ernment, attacked the whites in the town of Alton and killed a number of persons, men and women. The Indians at the Lower Sioux agency have been threatening vengeance some time. An outbreak finally oc-curred and the greater number of whites in the vicinity were massacred. Forty-five men sent against them fel into an ambuscade after crossing the river near the agency. The greater number were killed; only 17 returned to the fort. The state scouts estimate the number of whites already killed at 500. The civilized Indians exceeded their savage brethren in their atroci-

point for all the vast gold-bearing and depraved appetites of i lants and encouragement; and with all this the City of Portland has no regular city police except one City Marshal and his deputy and three special or private watchmen

WHY REVIVE ANCIENT CUSTOMS? Albany Man Displeased by Pretty Ceremonies on Mt. Spokane.

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 26 .- (To the Editor.)-I notice in The Oregonian that at the peak of Mt. Spokane, Miss Motie was christened "Princess Spokane," the title being conferred by Governor Hay that "every subject present doffed the hat and bent the knee and the state's Chief Executive was the first to pay comage and kiss the hand of Spokane's

new Princess."

The Governor, acting in his official capacity in conferring this new dignity upon the young lady, said: "By the authority and power in me vested as Executive of the state of Washington, I hereby christen thee Princess Spokane," sprinkling a few drops of water upon the young woman. His action, which came as a complete sur-prise, it is said, met with a cheer, Mayor Hindley and all those present paid homage to the Princess and one of her

subjects, a mountain trapper, presented her with an ermine skin. If the spirits of our Revolutionary forefathers looked over the battlements of Heaven and witnessed this ceremon would they not be likely to have asked themselves to what purpose did we fight against a monarchical government on the American continent if its people, after 100 years of Republican rule, and the benefits of the reign of a few peo-ple, are to continue to ape the old and rotten customs of the British royalty

What is our republicanism worth if our children are to witness every year the evident longings of certain classes for the return of these old customs, indicative of the enslavement of the com-

venient occasion:
is this tendency to ape those old ceremonies on every possible occasion?
It may be true that the Governor of

Washington was authorized and vested with power under the constitution of the state of Washington to create the office of "Princess of Spokane," but I

Cincinnati Enquirer.

Perkins is a candid man, isn't he?

Yes, he hasn't a friend in the world.

SUNDAY FEATURES

College-Shall I send my child there? is question dealt with by high educational authority, who gives answer. It is a question uppermost in parental minds at this time. Full page, illustrated with

count from our Paris correspondent of the remarkable blind Frenchmen who offset their deep affliction. Child Slaves-A close-range

Forgetting Blindness-An ac-

study of child-labor, which is a growing evil in the South. Illustrated with photos.

Open-Air Theaters-A letter from Berlin dealing with the innovation of natural scenery, which is driving out paint and limelight. A Great Catcher-His name is

"Jimmy" Archer and he was "made" by an accident. A thoroughly readable half page of baseball "dope" from an expert. Finish of Melodrama-A record

of the conflict between the old melodrama and the moving-pie-

A Girl Ruler-She is to be Princess of Monaco and her story surpasses a chapter from roman-

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hiant poster in colors which is well worth cutting out and fram-

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