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THE ROAD PROBLEM.

dealing with the subject of roadbuilding the voters at the recent election adopted four. But not one of the approved measures provides a method or system or guidance for proceeding in road construction that differs in important particular from the inadequate method now employed. Two years ago the people adopted

constitutional amendment authorzing the bonding of counties for permanent road work, but the Supreme Court has held that this amendment is not self-executing. Legislation is required to make it operative. One of the measures adopted in the recent election re-enacts this amendment with an additional proviso that road indebtedness shall not exceed 2 per cent of the assessed value of property within the county. The new amend ment contains no clause that makes it self-executing.

Another amendment adopted permits the state to contract indebtedness for road construction not in excess of 2 per cent of the taxable prop. erty of the state. The other two road measures authorize the working of state, county and city prisoners on public roads.

The Harmony road measure authorizing the issuance of \$1,000,000 in bonds yearly, granting state aid to counties in road work and establishing a state highway board, was overwhelmingly defeated. A measure establishing a state highway department submitted by the Grange was also decisively defeated. The Grange plan for county bonding without state aid received a higher affirmative vote than any other measure that embraced a fixed plan for road construction, but it also was defeated. The measure submitted by Southern Ore-The gon interests and the Harmony bill which put into executing form the county bonding amendment adopted two years ago received large adverse majorities

If there is a guidance for the Legislature in the election results on road measures it is highly involved. must be considered that had only one of the three separate plans been submitted the returns might have been far different. Each plan was opposed to the other two. Voters favoring one therefore voted against the others. It seems, however, to have been clearly demonstrated that the voters are oped to state bonds for state ald. might be inferred that they are also opposed to state supervision of road may be argued with force that the Grange highway department measure was defeated by minority who oppose creating ne offices of any kind voting in combination with those who favored the Harmony bonding bill-which provided also for a highway engineer-and who measure. General supervision by an expert road builder and engineer is so meritorious that it does not seem probable that if such a measure were presented as a straight, uninvolved isspe it would be defeated at the polls.

Another peculiarity of the case was that the Grange devised a road plan that pleased Portland and Multnomah County, but falled to gain the favor of the rural districts. The Harmony committee, on the other hand, evolved plan that pleased neither. ingly the greatest number of people are in favor of a plan that will insure the construction of roads to markets. but would hold construction of crossstate trunk lines in abeyance, and they desire that these roads shall be ifit without incurring bonded indebtedness by the state. How they would view state aid given by means of a general tax levy cannot be forecasted from the recent election returns, for issue was not involved.

The repeal of the county tax option amendment restores to the Legislature the power to levy taxes, but if a tax levy were to be established for state aid in road building it would seem advisable to make it an independent measure by providing also a plan for constructing roads without it upon county authority. A state bonding act, if it may now be enacted without reference to the people, and perhaps a tax levy, would almost certainly he submitted to the people by referendum petition and the bonding act, we It, would be voted down.

But it is obviously the duty of the Legislature to devise some systematic for constructing permanent Before this is done it will be essential for those who favor different plans to come together. sions must be made by all sides. might be possible for one strong organization or group of road enthusiasts to gain the favor of the Legislature exclusively for its own plan, but s would be short-lived. The losing element would invoke the refer endum and submit its alternative measure in the election at which the referred measure was submitted. The history. Each measure would defeat

Under the circumstances the appointment by the Governor of a new commission to harmonize road differnces prior to the convening of th Legislature would be a wise proced-The people want good roads. Of that there can be no doubt. The only difference in opinion concerns the manner of getting them. At present progress in this particular is blocked. will remain blocked unless some effort is made to obtain agreements

and concessions. As the approval of only two more states is necessary to the adoption of the income tax amendment and that in Oregon in 1914. They think prohi-may be secured at legislative sessions bition will carry with the aid of the next Winter, the Democrats are likely women's votes. They are undoubted-

to have a convenient means of making ly mistaken. No suffrage state has un for deficiencies in revenue due to prohibition. Colorado at its last elecup for deficiencies in revenue due to tariff reductions. But if they should mpose an income tax at the proposed extra session, Congress may remain at work far into the dog days and we shall approach closer than ever to sessions. The exact rates of income tax and the manner of imposition may cause as fierce contention as revision of the tariff.

WHO DEFEATED SINGLE TAX? The Oregonian suspects that the writer of the following, who says his name is Jacques Johnson, has a mild from "dry" to "wet." sarcastic intent, but nevertheless it gives the inquiry to the public:

Will The Oregonian tell just who beat single tax in Oregon? Some say it was The Oregonian. But Shields says he did with a little incidental help from the newspapers. Now I see some one rushes into print to give the credit to the State Tax Commission. Governor West, and the single tax committee of the City Realty Board. Until I saw these various clamorous demands for glory, I had supposed the people of Oregon did it.

Why overlook Cridge? We do not understand, of course, that Cridge claims that he defeated single tax, but we insist firmly that Cridge, TRen, Wagnon and the rest ought not o be overlooked. Cridge himself writes a letter for publication in Out of a total of eight measures results of the "agitation of the little ed from taxation, and the amendment proposing classification of property for tax purposes has been adopted.

We suppose that some kind of money in Oregon. But they will hardly take the credit, we suppose, for defeating single tax. Yet they, and their methods, alarmed the public, excited its general opposition and brought about a result not contem-plated or desired by the Fels Brigade. That valiant and thrifty army deerves a large measure of the credit for making single tax odious.

HOW TO GET CHEAPER WOOL.

"From present appearances," remarks the Pendleton East Oregonian, elsewhere will remain high, not beflocks and ranges everywhere have band, he knew very well that "noth-been reduced, and it has had the effect of making the demand for wool home," as George Ellot puts it, exceed the supply."

Let the woolgrowers cheer up. They at Pendleton. It is a newspaper that does all it can to promote the general Democratic demand for free wool, or cheaper wool, or both, and eases the feelings of the wool men by telling them that their impoverished and precarious condition for several years, growing out of reduction of ranges and flocks, is a splendid thing for

the industry. What the wool men want is a mederate tariff, but above all they want stable tariff and market conditions. They have been all but ruined by harmful and unjustifiable agitation on the one hand and by the rigorous enorcement of a false conservation on the other.

We hope President Wilson will help them by his new tariff plan, if he has any. But does the Pendleton paper think free wool will help Oregon? We wonder if that is the reason why the state has elected two Democratic Senators?

TAXES AND THE CITIZEN.

Everybody is proud of Portlandeverybody that lives in Portland and Within a few many that do not. years the city has had a remarkable

Other cities went in for street pavng and so did Portland. Other cities beautiful parks, and so must Portland have. Other cities built many fine new schoolhouses, and so must Portland. Other cities built great oridges-if they happened to need therefore voted against the Grange bridges-and so did Portland. Other cities had municipal dock systems and so must Portland have. Other cities have splendid new municipa structures, and Portland goes in for a new Courthouse, an auditorium and a fine new public library, with a new

> Thus the tale runs of municipal progress and ambition. everything, and we get pretty much all there is; and then we demur a

high taxes. This is not a complaint. It is an explanation. If we are determined to have hundreds and thousands of miles of paved streets, it must be remem bered that they must be cleaned and swept. If we are not satisfied without new schools, and new and courses in the schools, new bridges, new county and city buildings, new parks and boulevards and the like. we must pay to get them, and to maintain them when we have them. . The people voted a year or two ago to pay the interest on the new water bonds out of the general fund. They are now paying it as citizens and not as 'water consumers. So with other things. We ought not to complain when taxes are high, if they are made higher-as they are in considerable part—by our own deliberate act. There need be no great surprise that this year's municipal levy must be higher than last year's. Evidently we do not want more efficient government, for a workable commission charter plan was rejected by the public on November 2, 1912.

PRODUBITION REJOICING.

Probably it would not be easy to tell just what influences brought about the great increase in the prohibition vote throughout Oregon the recent election; but our prohibition friends are so mightily encouraged that they will hold a meeting in Portland soon to carry the war to the liquor Armageddon,

Possibly the reason was that they had a few nominees of exceptional personal popularity, or that in the general mixup and breakdown of result would be a repetition of past party lines they got a share of the estrays; or possibly the notion is gain-ing ground that the only way to have and enforce prohibition is to build up

a powerful prohibition party.

It is perfectly true that prohibition as a state-wide statute is non-enforcible except with the election of officers determined to enforce the law; and the only way to get such officers is to take them from among the pronibitionists and elect them on a prohibition ticket, or on the prohibition

The Prohibition party does not put the cart before the horse in its policies; other enthusiasts make that mis-take. Some of them are talking now of a state-wide prohibition campaign

ion rejected prohibition. The women divide on a political issue, or even on a moral issue, much as men divide; though it is possible that they care more—or less, as the case may be for candidates than they do f

partisanship. The vote for prohibition in Oregon in 1910 was 43,540 yes, 61,221 no. There is no good reason now to expect different result in 1914. will do better to attempt to retrieve their losses of 1910 in the various countles that then changed

IS NOVEMBER SAD?

Some of our Eastern contemporaries, to bridge over the dismal lull after election, are discussing whether Norember is a sad month or not. In that part of the country the question is somewhat simplified by the absence of perpetual rain, but in place of it they are favored with snow blizzards and fathomless mud.

William Cullen Bryant, who was an

type, was of the opinion that Novem-

ber has little to redeem its gloom The melancholy days are come, the saddest of the year," he sings pensive which he sets forth categorically the ly. Amid the prevailing woe he perceives no ray of consolation, Still, group of sometimes hated single- there never has been a November taxers." Among them, he says, the which was not followed in due time polltax has been abolished (again), by May. The flowers only seem to die. which was not followed in due time household furniture has been exempt- In reality the life of the perishing bloom has passed into the seed, where it safely waits for the returning sun. The leaves fall not so much because they are smitten with death as befavorable report must be made to cause the new buds push them from Producer Fels by the busy spenders of their places. It is the old story of the oncoming generation thrusting the old one out of the world to win a place for itself. November is not a victory for death, but for life, when we look

below the surface. Knowing all this, we should not be disposed to call it a sad month, except in the sense that every clearing away of rubbish is sad. The life of the vanished Summer has served its purpose. Its remains are now nothing but an incumbrance, a mass of litter on the surface of the world, and Nature brings on her winds and rains to wash them away. November is a the price of wool in America and sort of Mrs. Poyser, shrewish and acid, but extraordinarily wholesome. Much cause of the tariff, but because the as that good wife scolded her hus-

At heart November is the soundest of all the months. It cleanses the have a friend right in their midst world and gets it ready for the long Winter slumber. It is only lack that vision called faith which can see death in the howling winds and falling eaves. The illuminated eye sees nothing but victorious life.

DR. CHARLES W. ELIOT ON EARLY MARRIAGES.

Dr. Charles W. Eliot made an unusual address to the Harvard freshmen this Fall. Major Higginson spoke on the same occasion and Dr. Ellot took his text from one of his friend's remarks. "A large part of your en-joyable work in life," said Major Higginson, "will be work for others." vard to impress upon the young men who heard him that the finest of all work is that which is done for wife ously of the life ahead of them. Dr. Ellot spoke wisely upon several aspects of it, but the feature of the best. pects of it, but the family relation engaged his thought more than anything else. He told the young men that by a would do. Qualification would put her far the greater part of the genuine in the Treasury, but characteristics passed through the world would come from their own wives and children. Hence as a matter of rational pru dence they ought to consider the subject of marriage at least as carefully as they did that of a profession.

While reading his address, which is published in full in the Independent, it is interesting to notice the emphasis which Dr. Eliot throws upon enjoy ment. Life to him does not mean full routine of dreary duty. It is not a pilgrimage through a vale of tears nor a penance preparatory to something less dismal in another sphere. It means opportunity for happiness, and he told his young hearers that the best way to obtain lasting happiness was through hard work which one er Of course his immediate application was that work done for wife and children is enjoyed more than anything else. He did not say anything directly about the fear that colege men will become a childless generation if they do not change their habits of life before a great while, but probably he had it in mind. At any rate he said regretfully that "it is the fashion now among educated men to wait many years before they marry," adding that in this respect the life of the highly educated man is "inferior to the life of the mechanic, operative farmer or farmhand." These classes of men marry young and are ofter grandfathers at an age when the colege graduate is still toiling for the competence which he thinks he must before he weds. "Postponed marriage is a great modern evil in

educated society," said Dr. Eliot, He made light of a common excuse offered by men for postponing mar-"I cannot ask a girl to marry rlage. me as long as I am unable to support her in the luxury she has had at home." Dr. Eliot thinks that if a girl has been brought up in luxury and idleness "the sooner she has a chance to live differently the better for her. He also suggested that this view of the subject often wrongs the woman. She may prefer to drop her parasitic habits and help her husband win the battle of life. At any rate it is "only fair for the young man to consult her" and find out what her wishes really are If she is willing to take a hand in the fight, why not let her? The old dream of love in a cottage still has its charm. It is not always true that love flies out at the window when poverty comes through the door, Love s stronger than modern cynics like to admit. Dr. Eliot would like to see every healthy and decent man surrounded with his own children be tween the landmarks of forty Before he is sixty years old he ought to be a grandfather. the most interesting point in all this is Dr. Eliot's mental attitude toward marriage. He looks upon it not as a theme for romance or silly jokes, or for theological speculation, but as weighty factor in the happiness of According to his view it is a matter to which every young man ought to turn his thoughts at the formative period and to which he should look forward with high expectations. Would that this sober and prudent view could drive all the non-

sense we have learned from novels

"The years will fly," said Dr. Eliot.

and Mrs. Grundy out of the world.

presence of little children every our own children. Look shead n the presence of little childre to that situation. The very th of it will protect you from evildoing and will prepare you for the greatest joys of life and the most lasting." It stands to reason that a happy mar-riage depends as much upon good ealth as upon any other circumstance and good health depends upon right living in youth. Therefore Dr. Eliot told the Harvard freshmen to look turned to Portland. Miss Ahlgren is ahead in regard to the care of their rehearsing in a sketch for vaudeville And avoid the habitual use of any early productions at the Baker. stimulating or narcotic drug. The wider my field of observation the more firmly I believe that the best rule for the attainment of long life part this week. It calls for one single whatever habitually, neither alcohol end of it, too, she dashes on and anor tobacco, neither coffee nor tea."

is moving toward it unanimously. In-

Easterner of a particularly virulent een preaching the same doctrines. side." "Keep your body clean and your life pure and all that there is worth while in the way of pleasure will come to you naturally. By the very law of nature a wholesome life will be a happy life." The modern trend tothe subject of sex has found no more men.

> Milwaukee's experience suggests Escape." that the best antidote for Socialism is a strong dose of the real thing, not the denatured article offered by Roosevelt. Having tried Socialism as defined by the Socialists themselves. Milwaukee rejects it, both in the municipal and Congressional election. The Roosevelt remedy, on the other hand, too closely resembles that which Bismarck tried in Germany. The Iron Chancellor pushed the national insurance law through the Reichstag on the theory that it would remove the excuse for workmen to become Socialists, but the Socialist party has grown until it is now the strongest single party in the Reichstag.

The complete catalogue of publications in the United States gives 450,-000 titles, of which 150,000 are books written by 75,000 authors. If all the books were good ones this would be subject for National pride. Even with the certainty that many are bad or foolish one can view the figures complacently. We are emphatically, we probably read wisely

Not a cent of graft in the new makes the edifice a monument to the honesty of the present County Court. Adopting the spirit of these words, it The building of a \$1,599,000 public was easy for the ex-president of Har- structure often offers a rich field for graft.

Potato King Smith, of Canada, Is and children. The Harvard freshmen here to tell Oregonians how to grow are some 20 years old, as a rule. It is the tuber. Popular opinion is that yet

Hetty Green for the Cabinet never

enjoyment they would get as they would keep hungry Democrats destitute and frantic following sixteen lean vears. The University of Missouri athletic instructor heralds as a discovery the

> perior to those of the country. Military science has long recognized the Oregon's leading Democratic aspirants to high place are like the man who wanted a whole suit, but would be content with cost, vest or trousers.

fact that city men are physically su-

The pegs are many but the holes are few. Yesterday's seesaw gave California to Wilson, but the vote of the state is of little consequence in the general re-The betting, however, sult.

more important, must be settled. The suitor of a daughter, thrown out by the father, cannot make a good son-in-law. To begin with he lacks the finesse that is the indispensable part of successful woolng.

An Arizona editor was shot and killed the other day by an indignant citizen. He was not "M. Quad's" creation, who always escapes,

for every Federal plum. Now wouldn't it be cruel if the Republicans deplet the larder in the meantime? Mayor Rushlight would cripple the fire department, which is the city's

Democrats are lining up ten deep

protection, but build a garage, which is the taxeater's luxury. The subtle art of diplomacy appears to have risen above the savage

of war among the powers in the present crisis. Turkish cannoneers found soap instead of shells in their caissons. they weren't able to clean up the Bal-

Let us hope, now that women have the ballot, that sledding for cheap skate politicians will become rougher.

Let us hope California has that Wilson-Roosevelt count settled in time for the next Presidential election.

ing that nobody loves a gunman after he has been found out. If Mr. Bryan passes out the perimmons and plums it will be easy to

pick the winners. The woman of uncertain age, anxious to marry, always is victim of the

Tom Word tells what he will do. and by the same token Tom will do it. Chicago seems to be afflicted with

a plague of false prophets, Let all take tea with Sir Tumma Stars and Starmakers By Leone Cass Bner.

"The Rose of Panama," with Fay Bainter playing the ingenue role, ar-rives in Portland before the holidays.

With the closing of the "Awakening of Helena Richie" road tour little Mayo Methot and Valbors Ahlgren have re rehearsing in a sketch for vaudeville odies. "Avoid the vices. Avoid lust. and Mayo will appear in one of the

Speaking of the Baker, Mary Edgett of that company has a deep thinking and steady vigor is to use no stimulant line. In the last act and nearly at the nounces "I am Mrs. Chalmers." This is a hard rule for the humanity every rehearsal lovely Mary came in of our day, but the best opinion of with announcements that electrified the the world, both scientific and ethical, players. Once she said "I am Mrs Burnit" (the name of the hero). Andulgence is vice and vice destroys the other time she said "I am Mary Edgett," body. With the vigor of the body and honestly when that company waited go the keenness and power of the for Mary's entrance on the opening mind and the high enjoyments be-come impossible.

matinee they were prepared for any thing. "Well, it comes from giving me Dr. Eliot's address ought to be an insignificant role," says Miss Edgett. printed in letters of gold and hung "It reminds me of the man who studied on the walls of every school and col- for weeks on his line, which was, My lege in the country. The Young Lord, the carriage waits, and came in movement is founded upon revenge. Men's Christian Associations do not all flustered and yelled on the opening that Roosevelt received the Republican nomination there would have been no the country. The Young Lord, the carriage waits, and came in need it so much, for they have long night 'Great heaven, the back's out

Izetta Jewel is in Los Angeles all ready to begin her engagement as leading woman at the Burbank, but Paul Armstrong's newest play "The Escape," now in its third week, has made such ward honest and clear thinking on a tremendous success that the length of its run is indefinite. So Miss Jewel is admirable expression than in Dr. just visiting around until her season Eliot's address to the Harvard fresh-begins. Forrest Stanley, Harry Mestayer, an old-time Portland stock actor, and Florence Stone are in "The

Paul Armstrong's other new play, "A Romance of the Underworld," with Holbrook Blinn in the title role, is to be the Thanksgiving attraction at the

Benjamin J. Miles, husband of Gracie Emmett, who is presenting "Mrs. Murphy's Second Husband" at the Orpheum, when in Portland 17 years ago was the "hind legs of a heifer. Miles took prominent part in "Evangeline," which was produced here Edward E. Rice, and a feature of the extravaganza was the helfer dance presented by Miles, who represented the hind quartrs of the quadruped, and Charles Udell, who held forth as the fore part of the beast. Udell now is affiliated with John Cort in can Fran-"Evangeline" was presented in Portland by a company numbering 70 persons many of whom have since attained stage prominence. These include Knight, Louis Montague, Richard Golden, James Moffett, celea reading Nation and upon the whole brated as a pantomimist, George Fortescue and Edward Morris. Miles has been appearing in "Mrs. Murphy's Husband" for the past 13 years, the Courthouse, experts report. Which sketch having been his wife's vehicle for that period. It is soon to be replaced by a new little drama to be called plain "Mrs. Murphy," Gracie Emmett having bought the sketch from two Seattle girls who also sold a playlet to Blanche Walsh on her Orpheum tour last year.

This from the Walla Walla Union tells of Lee Willard's latest venture. Lee Willard presented two curtain Lee Willard presented two current.

Alight not some of the tailt be a raisers and a four-act comedy at the ributed to his environment? A man tributed to his environment? A man who lives at a fashionable hotel is not at all likely to come in contact not at all likely to come in contact with girls who are domestically inclined, for the average young lady offering was a delightful entertainment. Willard made a hit with his boarding establishment lives principal to display netty gowns, play bridge.

Mr. C. H. Myers, plumber and gasfitter. Front street, presented us with a new, patented gaslight burner, of late invention, which operates splendidly. This late invention is called the Paragon burner. ment. Willard made a hit with his curtain talk in which he thanked "the ly to display pretty gowns, play bridge management, the stage hands, the man- and sometimes, by way of exercine, do wisdom in the DEATH PENALTY. permen for their kind attention." Willard's main play was one made famous by Sol Smith Russell. The other offering was a 20minute version of "The Squawman" and two scenes of a play, "His Partner Jim." Miss Davis, the programme does not give her front name, plays the lead with Mr. Willard.

Tonight "The Butterfly Wheel," with an all English cast, opens at the Heilig. It's an English divorce drama with a great big gripping cour The woman in the case is the butterfly-the damaging evidence and the gruelling of the lawyers is "the wheel.

at Cordray's'." taken from an old theshould prove of especial interest at this

The popularity of Richard & Pringles' Georgia Minstrels evidently has not deminished during their week's absence in Scattle and Tacoma, judging from the crowded house that greet ed them upon their return to Cordrays' last night. The changes im the were good in each particular, and gave evidence of the desire on the part of each and every member of the company to make the performances of this en gagement stronger in points of merit than ever. The novel idea of giving each member of the audience an opportunity to cast their vote for their favorité candidate for office in the com ing election, met with decided favor. The vote was as follows:

For County Sheriff, total 288 votes— leorge C. Sears William Frazier T. Smith S. Long For County Treasurer, total 695 votes H. Robb
For County Caroner, total 792 votes—
E. Hill
sorge F. Koehler
C. Fenton
J. A. Semiler
W. Botkin
For City Attorney, total 735 votes—
R. Giftner
M. Cake
K. Strode
both Catlin
For City Treasurer, total 723 votes—
ank Machenoy The gunmen of New York are learnn McQuinn Tonight the following list of candidates will be in order: county com

missioner, clerk of county court, assessor, county auditor, city surveyor and justice for the West Side. Then ballots in regard to the cake walk, which is one of the strikingly

original features of the performance harvesters and dime magazines to ad- and the whole show in itself, will be held in the box-office until Wednesday night, when the result will be announced from the stage, and the various prizes distributed to the lucky contestants.

The result of last night's shows that the patrons of Cordray's popular theater take a lively interest n city politics, including the fair sex Nearly the entire house voted,

THIRD PARTY ONE OF REVENGE Roosevelt's Bull Moose Not Product of Need, Says Writer.

PORTLAND, Nov. 12 .- (To the Edi

the letter from Elmer Grandin, of Patchogue, N. Y., showing the extent of the Bull Moose delusion. Here is a person who honestly believes in the in-fallibility of Theodore Roosevelt, and of course will follow him no matter where he leads. He believes it was where he leads. He believes it was perfectly honest for Roosevelt to file contests against Taft delegates to the Republican National Convention, for a corrupt political purpose, to disfranchise all Republican electors of California, to conduct the disgraceful preconvention campaign he did, to protect during his Administration the Perkins Harvester Trust, and many other during his Administration the restains that restains and many other things one might mention. There are many people who consider it possible for Roosevelt to err. They thought and still think Roosevelt is capable of resorting to very "practical politics." Mr. Grandin says "that for 15 years things have been going wrong on the inside of the (Republican) party" but he has forgotten that during seven and a haif years of this time Roosevelt was President, and that if things were going wrong he, above any one else, was responsible. Take out of the Buil Moose platform what was copied from the Republican platform and there is nothing left.

The truth is the whole Bull Moose recovered is founded inon revenge.

third party, but the moment Roosevel could not secure the nomination he called all those opposed to him vile names, declared they were dishonest, that they were controlled by corrupt "bosses" when no politician ever de-manded more loyal support than he, and if Perkins, Dan Hanna and Bil Flinn are not the kind of bosses he condemned we have none in any party, nd if Barnes had supported Ro there is no question that he could have sung "Onward, Christian Soldiers" in the choir of the Bull Moose saints and would have been called a leader, not working for self-aggrandizement but self sacrificing for the common peo-We all admire Roosevelt's cour ige but his human nature asserted it self and he could not withstand defeat His courage failed and time will prove the correctness of the Republican posi-tion. Four years hence the Republican platform will contain all the insignifi-cant little fads demanded by the Bull Nominate a real progressive, eleventh-hour convert, and Moose, not an sweep the country.
C. B. LA FOLLETTE.

GOOD WIVES QUITE PLENTIFUL Confirmed Bachelor Can Blame Only Self Says Spinster.

PORTLAND, Nov. 11 .- (To the Edi-PORTLAND, Nov. 11.—(To the Edi-or.)—May I be allowed the privilege toria, took passage on the Sierra Neof replying to the letter signed "Bachetion a few days ago?

viewpoint of an offended young house-wife, for I have been a working person during all the grown-up years of my life, and have not had a great deal of time to devote to culinary pleasures, but I would like to see our worthy friend alter his ideas of the average young woman.

Wife, Mr. Havelock and Miss Mitchell, who, together with those at present constituting this company, will present an array of talent never before witnessed on the stage in Portland.

The greatest telegraphic feat of the

coung woman. If during the "nearly 40" years of is life he has failed to find a seemly helpmate in his native domain, why does he not take a little jaunt westward, and view with his speculative ey some of these capable young girls making their home on this Pacific slope? What would he think if he could witness the real interest displayed by dozens of our enthusiastic young stu-dents of domestic science, 95 per cent of whom put their knowledge to prac-tical use? Would he not be obliged ical use? Would he not be obliged o admit that his opinions were some-

chat warped? Might not some of the fault be at-

Furthermore, I believe if our friend were capable of becoming sufficiently interested in any one girl, he might be able to overlook, for the time heing some of the more practical things of life, and perhaps later on, at the proper time, he would discover that she was the right girl after all; for most any maiden, if she thinks enough of a man, will consider it her blessed privilege to prepare his meals and otherwise make his home a comfortable abiding

place.
I fear our "bachelor" is a bit businesslike in his quest for a life partner to share his joys and sorrows, and perhaps a little sentiment instilled in his make-up would be a partial remedy.

BACHELOR MAID.

IDEAL WOMANHOOD DESCRIBED. atrical scrap book, published in 1894, Prineville Man Pays Tribute to Duty Loving Women.

PRINEVILLE, Or., Nov. 10 .- (To the Editor.)-In reading over letters on the editorial page of The Oregonian November 9 my attention was called to the letter of "Louise." I read this letter with appreciation. It speaks fny entiment better than I could write. It inspires new life in one to know that programme since their previous visit there are still some women with such were good in each particular, and gave noble thoughts. One that does not noble thoughts. One that does not want to be a burden on her husband but wishes to be his helpmate, a chum, companion and above all a true and sincere friend, loves motherhood and does not want a home without children; such a woman must certainly have a liberal share of the divine master's spirit within. Nowadays one sees so much of those whose only thought is dress, the club,

the theaters. They do little house-work, they buy as much as possible all food ready cooked and many other

Site for the Auditorium.

PORTLAND, Nov. 12.—(To the Editor.)—If \$500,000 or more is to be spent for an auditorium, a sufficiently large and convenient location ought to be found on which to build it.

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Where I had an opportunity to study all types of men. When I came to marry, I married an American, one with lots of backbone; but, unlike "J. B. R., he does not think that one has been found on which to build it.

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Few people would be satisfied with the location of the old Market block, even if it could be used without the expense of acquiring additional ground and vacating a street.

The site of the Gipsy Smith Tabernacle, or that vicinity, would be more central than the Market block, and there a large enough piece of ground for the purpose could be had either by purchase or condemnation. The value of this ground is not excessive, and no doubt Mr. Kamm, the owner, would deal generously with the city in view of the public purpose for which it was to be used.

T. O. HAGEN.

The Reward of Valor By Dean Collins.

This is the song that might be sung or.)-In The Oregonian today we read By Europe's powers, in varied tongue, To the Balkan states, as they drive in rout, And thoroughly wallop Turkey out:

Press forward unto victory. Mid war and smoke and flames,
Oh, gallant Bolkan kingdome,
With your varied Balkan names.
We like to hear your cannon roar,
We like to see you work
At driving from our continent
Our enemy, the Turk.

A myriad lives are shed, Byzantium is quaking Advance, oh, vallant soldiers; Advance relentlessly Until the land's oppressors
Are booted 'cross the sea. mperial Russia lauds you

And Germany and England, Each one its tribute lays, And France and fair Italia, In joy do smile and smirk, To watch your bleeding legions Beat down the hated Turk. Brave little Balkan kingdoma! All Europe's proud to see You bring the foe of ages To a submissive knee.

Press forward in the struggle

Portland, November

And Austria gives you praise,

Until you gain the goal, Though every foot of progress Is marked by a passing soul. Proud Austria is exultant To see you storm the forts, Provided you are willing To waive your claim to ports. Yours shall be deathless laurels After the combat gory; Europe concedes the task, the fame-And claims the territory.

Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian, November 14, 1862. We understand the corporators of the Columbia Transportation Company have at last organized. It is asserted by parties interested that the company has purchased the right of way over the portage at the Cascades from Mr. J. H. Bush and that the amount of bonds required by Judge Wyche to be given in order to secure an injunction against the Oregon Steam Navigation Company has been reduced and has been or soon will be given. If the above statements are true, we may expect to see another line of opposition steamers on this route.

Mr. F. W. Bell, manager of the the of replying to the letter signed "Bacheor" appearing in your worthy publication a few days ago?

I do not express myself from the
riewpoint of an offended young housewife, for I have been a working perwife, for I have been a working per-

age was performed yesterday. The at-mospheric influences being favorable, the operators of the Continental Tele-graph were enabled to establish instantaneous communication between New York and San Francisco, geographically distant about 3500 miles.

An attempt was made on the night of October 20 to burn all the buildings October 20 to burn all the buildings belonging to the Puget Sound Agri-cultural Company in Lewis County, oc-cupied by George B, Roberts. It is the general impression that Horace Howe is the venerable gray-halred villian who attempted to perpetrate this high-handed, diabolical deed.

Decision of Gregon Voters Approved

Salt Lake Editor. Salt Lake Herald-Republican.
The six murderers who will now be hanged in Oregon because the voters, by a referendum, refused to abolish capital punishment, will enjoy the doubtful distinction of being the first in the United States whose execution in the United States whose execution was authorized by popular vote. When Governor West, who seems to be a foolish young man with altruism greater than his judgment, referred to the electors the plan to abolish the death penalty, he reprieved the six men whose hands were red with the blood

streater than his plan to abolish the the electors the plan to abolish the death penalty, he reprieved the six men whose hands were red with the blood of their fellows, announcing that if capital punishment was not abolished he would sign their death warrants. This he must now proceed to do.

There is much to be said against the infliction of the death penalty; public sentiment regards it as doubtful whether even the law is justified in taking from any member of society that which it could not restore. Yet the prevalence of murder in the United States domands that society must devise some method to pratect its members against those in whom criminal tendencies are manifested by homicide. Up to the present time, the infliction of the death penalty has been most strongly favored, since the average human contemplates loss of life with greater terror than any other catastrophe that might overtake him.

While there is a class of manking that prefers death to dishoner, to loss of public respect, or to loss of position, this is not the class that does murder. It is the brutish mind that regards the loss of life as the great and final cataloguem and that of course is the mind loss of life as the great and final cata-clysm, and that of course is the mind that does murder. One cannot but be-lieve that the people of Oregon have chosen wisely.

work, they buy as much as possible all food ready cooked and many other things that go with the butterfly life. And after all what have they got?

The kind of a companion I have longed for is one as "Louise" has described, but anon fate has said nay and I will have to trudge on. May the blessing of the Master be upon "Louise" and such women of her ideals. Had we more such women, we would have more of these good old-fashioned mothers that the world needs.

Quoting from Solomon Proverbs: "Vanity of vanity, sayeth the preacher. all is vanity" today, and the old world wags on under her load of sinful beings. And again quoting from that good old song, which is almost forgotten. "If a smile we can renew as our journey we pursue, O tae good we all may do, while the day's are going by." I will close hoping that some smile that has grown weak may be renewed while reading this. P. O, B.

Stie for the Anditorium.

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PORTLAND, Nov. 12.—(To the Editor.)—My advice to "J. B. R." who says women should not work out, is that he had better go away back and sit down. The idea of him speaking so slightingly of American womanhood. His observation is not keen or he would not think as he does. When some men become better providers wives, generally speaking, will not have to go cut to work, nor will prospective hashands have to go out for work? I am happily married and I to work that he may be renewed while reading this. P. O, B.

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think America first, last and always.

AMERICAN GIRL Naturalization Not Required. Naturalization Not Required.

CORVALLIS, Or., Nov. 10.—(To the Editor.)—A is an Englishman by birth, has lived in this country for about 30 years, but has never become naturalized. He has two sons born and raised in Oregon who are now over 21 years of age. Are they entitled to vote? I claim it necessary for them to take out naturalization papers.

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Both sons are citizens and entitled to vote