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WEST VIRGINIA'S TROUBLES

For about a year a large part of the State of West Virginia has been in a state of civil war, which was ended by the declaration of martial Armed bodies of miners have contended in battle with armies of mercenaries enlisted in the service of Only the intervention mine-owners. of the armed forces of the state put a stop to hostilities, and they were sooner withdrawn than war was renewed. Twice was martial law reimposed to end civil strife. Yet only occasional scraps of news leaked out regarding this anarchic condition. The explanation is the absence

independent newspapers in the interior of West Virginia. The entire either engaged in the coal industry or the canal? is dependent upon it. Under these circumstances independence and fearless truth-telling is impossible, except hy outsiders who go in for the pur pose of impartial inquiry. Even such persons are confronted by almost insuperable difficulties. Passion and prejudice are so heated that every person from whom information mus be sought almost unconsciously coland garbles facts and many tell deliberate falsehoods or deliberately conceal facts adverse to their side of the controversy. Truth must be sifted from a mass of misstatements, exaggerations or suppressions of fact. The most painstaking, conscientious, skilled and impartial can but reach an approximation to the truth.

vince us of the imperative need in such communities of a higher law-enforcing power than the local au-The Sheriff will inevitably be a partizan of either mineowners or miners. When necessity arises to call out the posse comitatus, upon whom can he call? Practically the whole population is involved in the controversy. Only an organized body from the state at large and under the immediate control of the Governor, can cope with the situa-This body should not the the National Guard, for the work to be done is police work, for which the militia is not organized and performance of which prejudices large masses of the population against it, so that an open or tacit boycott against militia service exists among manual

The West Virginia war should con-

satisfactory service in labor troubles enforcement of the anti-trust law such as those of West Virginia. It shall be used in prosecution of labor should with equal impartiality dis-arm the mercenaries of the employ-rider is urgently demanded by the ers and the militant workmen. By any excuse for hiring armed guards, buying machine guns or doing farmers in its favor. The Manufac- caparisoned. any act which is an invasion of the turers Association has entered a procuse for bearing arms.

Mortal combat between private of this rider, he will antagonize one slement or the other. It is for him bodies of miners too closely resembles to choose. the conflicts between medieval barons the conflicts between medieval barons and revolted neasants to be tolerated united on the subject. The rider was else are they given in such an attold to the Senate committee is a dis- servative, of Virginia, and opposed by fitted for the purpose or under grace, not only to West Virginia, but Senator Thomas, Progressive, of Colo- splendid management as at Pendleton. to the whole United States, Credit is rado. Among Republicans it was opstore order. But this episode should serve as a warning to West Virginia of the last words of Mr. Wilson's poli- grows better and more attractive, and and to every other state to equip tical discoverer, Colonel Harvey, as themselves for preventing such conditions.

THE REAL BATTLE AT HAND.

With the report of the finance committee to the Senate, the real battle over the Underwood tariff will begin. The result in the House was such a foregone conclusion that little interest attached to the proceedings in that quarter. In the Senate the cratic majority is so small and so many Democrats would be glad to jump the traces, if they could only muster up courage and be sure of enough company, that keen interest will be felt fore his nomination, is no less emin the actions of that body from the phatic in recommending a veto, for it

The normal Democratic majority is six, and, as Senator Poindexter, the lone Progressive, is expected to vote for the bill, the majority will probably be swelled for this occasion to eight. But to begin with, we must deduct the votes of the two Louisiana Senators, who will surely vote against free sugar at the end of three years and against the bill if it includes that provision. Senator Walsh, of Montana, and Senator Newlands, of Nevada, are bitterly opposed to free wool and the latter also opposes free sugar, though he might not desert his party on that issue. A combination between these two Senators and the two Louisi. The normal Democratic majority is anans is talked of. If entered into, all four would vote against both free wool

and free sugar. Those four votes transferred from one side to the other would make the Senate a tie, and the Vice-President's casting vote would decide the fate of the bill. But if Mr. Walsh and Mr. Newlands party with Mr. Thornton and Mr. in defense of one of the chief indus- tion.

of men to split the party. Suppose the Senate cuts out the free of that law. free sugar provisions, what

organization in the Senate in each of those cases stood behind the amendments; in this case it would be against The House was then far more complaisant than it now is. President Wilson stands unflinchingly behind the House and hardly conceals his purpose to appeal to the people against the bolters. made to whip the bolters into line.

of the bill and ceaseless efforts will be The contest in the Senate preceding passage of the bill will be only the first, if the threatened amendments Postage Rates—12 to 15 pages, 1 cent; 18 first, if the threatened amendments to 32 pages, 2 cents; 24 to 48 pages, 3 cents; 50 to 60 pages, 4 cents; 62 to 78 pages, 5 to 10 pages, 4 cents; 62 to 78 pages, 5 to 10 pages, 6 cents; 78 to 92 pages, 6 cents. Foreign postfollow in conference and the figreest follow in conference and the fiercest of all will ensue if the House stands pat and if a last effort should be made to force free wool and free sugar through the Senate.

> THE OREGON FIRST. The school children of Oregon have petitioned the Secretary of War to let the bat-lieship Cregon lead the parade through the Panama Canal. Indiana will flip heads on tails for the honor.—Indianapolis Star.

Oregon will flip nothing. the honor for the battleship which cears the name of this State because it would accord with the eternal fitness of things. The Oregon's voyage around the continent was a practical demonstration that the canal was necessary to our national safety and until the work was begun,

It is most fitting that the ship But, reasons Dr. Matthews, Pr. which thus aided so powerfully in byterian elders are the flower splendid dream should act as the else must necessarily be still lazier chief part in ceremonies marking the Hence his wall of woe. The trouble fact. population of the coal regions is Indiana or the battleship Indiana with

WELL EQUIPPED.

The qualifications of Mr. O. M. Plummer for the position of school director were emphasized in markable way in the long list of interviews with men and women in various walks of life published yester-It is probably needless therefere, for The Oregonian again to direct attention to his interest in child welfare, to his personal investigations of school methods in other cities, to his progressive tendencies, to his support and indorsement of the plans of the new superintendent, Mr. Alder-

But there is another qualification to be considered. Mr. Plmmer has practical business ability.

The duties of the School Board are of wholly confined to directing methods of education. Sound judgment in purchase of school sites, leting of building contracts and the like are essential to the welfare of the taxpayers. The school director serves He not only dual capacity. must, to meet all requirements, have knowledge of educational needs and methods, but be equipped to guard the public from financial The person who is acceptable in both branches of the duties of the office possesses rare qualifications. Mr. Plummer has them.

A TEST FOR WILSON.

A severe test is made of President Wilson's courage and independence by the rider to the sundry civil appropria labor unions, which fear that the Dan- of the kind in the country. courts. Little has

The President's own party is not earlier days of the range, nowhere twentieth century. The s.ory supported by Senator Martin, coneditor of Harper's Weekly, is an ear- management of J. H. (Henry) Booth, nest plea for a veto. He says:

liness you can show conclusively that this bill was forced upon you against your will, that you had no part in resuscitating it when there was no need, the credit or the blame must be yours and yours alone. Can you do that? We fear not. It stands to day before the public as an Administration measure. But you can and should, and pray God you may, disregard any implication of commitment in courageous performance, after full and complete understanding of the truth, ct your public duty. Two facts are certain: The fate of this infamous measure, involving your own and your party's political fortunes, is in your own hands.

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The New York World, which was a staunch supporter of Mr. Wilson be-SRYS:

is one thing for two or three men to the only straightforward method by petition and have compelled big bolt the party finision and quite an- which labor and farmers' unions could

The President has shown courage power has been weakened,

for reconcilement of Senate and House Whichever alternative he chooses on have not yet actually put some of our on points of difference. When the this occasion, he must show courage trust magnates in jail, but some of Democratic Wilson bill of 1894 and the again. His opinion on this bill will Republican Payne bill of 1909 went to make interesting reading in connection feel assured that, if after a few more onference, the House yielded and the with President Taft's message vetoing years of law enforcement, any remain Senate had its way. But conditions the same bill because of the presence on the signs of the times, imprisare now different. The majority party of the same rider.

DR. MATTHEWS ON FREE SCHOOLS. It seems that most critics of Amer ican life have been making a great mistake. They are in the habit of telling us that we work too hard and al to the people against the too continuously. "Knock off and The stress and strain and take a vacation" is their constant strife in conference will be terrific if preachment. "Stop digging for money the Senate changes the two vital points and go out to play in the woods." Now we know that all this is wrong, The truth of the matter is, as we learn from the calm and philosophic Dr. Mark Alison Matthews, of Seattle that we do not work hard enough, 'We are parting from independence, initiative and the habit of industry, he moaned to a reporter for the New

York Sun who interviewed him lately. If he had added that some of clergymen were parting from plain duty and secured one new member every week, the total number of accessions would have been \$60,000. Count them, 360,000, and when you compare this magnificent roll with joined you have the measure of the elders' dereliction.

But, reasons Dr. Matthews, Pres-What particular connection has he thinks, is at bottom due to the common schools, which provide free education, "free books and sometimes Zealand," where it has been a patent failure. Seeing how extensive and accurate Dr. Matthews' information is upon these points, it is a great pity that he does not revise the current cyclopedias. It has become a habi with some charlatans to plan a raid on the common schools whenever they feel it desirable to attract more than common attention. But the schools are pretty tough. They have come safely through many a combat. Dr. Matthews.

> TWO MORE NOTEWORTHY EVENTS. Another Rose Festival has passed into history and the Portland people owe a debt of gratitude to the citiof almost every hamlet, town and city on the Coast for their patconage and co-operation in making the affair a success. Particularly are thanks due to the splendid citizens of Los Angeles, Oakland, San Francisco. Tacoma, Seattle, Vancouver, Victoria, Spokane and Boise. The Portland people ought to return the favors

protecting the property and employes bury hatters' case may furnish the pre- place gathers so many Indians, no amendment to base it upon. of capitalists it should deprive them text for attacks upon them in the other event sees them so gaily and

> tractive manner, on grounds so well by the progressive Senator Borah, One Salem. Year by year the state fair this year, again under the splendid of Roseburg, President of the State

> > SILENCE THE "KNOCKERS."

The American people have acquired habit of late years of searching the National conscience and making open confession of their sins before the whole world. This is a characteristic of the morbidly religious which it is not well for us to carry to an extreme in public discussion of our affairs. We can find the weak spots in our public business affairs and strengthen them without continually harping upon the subject and creating the impression among other nations that our whole political and ousiness system is rotten to the core

When we look back to the opening of the Twentleth century and make comparison, we can perceive abundsenators and the two Louisiilked of. If entered into, all
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It was contended, during the deothers who are strongly opant evidence that we are cutting out Ransdell, others who are strongly op-posed to free wool might join them. a gold brick handed to the labor come as a buffer between them and Should any others join the four unions, since the Government would their patrons. We have made great mentioned, our own George and Harry be free to use other funds than the progress in breaking up monopoly, so might be nerved to the pitch of voting special appropriation in their prosecu- great that many illegal combinations The rider, it was contended, are no sooner attacked in the courts tries of their state, rather than as the would establish a vicious precedent, than they voluntarily comply with the caucus dictates. If the revolt spread without giving anything to those it Government's demands. We are conso far, it might spread farther, for it purported to favor. It was insisted tinuing this work of restoring comother thing for a respectable number be exempted from the operation of tude towards government. It no longer the anti-trust law was by amendment controls, dictates and threatens. tie between it and the governing then? The bill will go to conference under pressure on former occasions, broken, and it is on the defensive. We of way this week

them are under sentence and we can

course as that of a bank wrecker. But many of our people But many of our people have cession of other events was recorded on harped so continually on the sins of the basis of its periodical recurrence our politicians and big business men as an annual event, who can suppose that they have created the impression that the interest of that people could that they have created the impression in the world at large that almost all our public men are corrupt and that almost all tensely?

But we are attempting to maintain annually an event which, to insure its These muckrakers and callers-down of our reputation in the eyes of the worlds The effect has been that all American investments are coming to h be looked on with suspicion and the price of all our securities is depreclated because some are much wa- ing its interest among us, for the bad, because of our own neg-

will become as much a matter of

lect to discriminate. Our disposition to foul our nave petinave disappointed ourselves; we disappoint our friends
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nave some very kind and visitors, and, though the latter may
nave some very kind and visitors and visitors, and, though the latter may
nave some ver so fastened attention on the subject the beggarly 73,000 who actually law violates treaties. There is a general disposition among the agitators against toll exemption and the war alarmists to take it for granted that bringing about the realization of a mankind. If they are lazy everybody nation is always wrong and the other in any foreign controversy their own tained. nation is always right.

Other nations do not act thus There has been no greater financial scandal in recent times than the French Panama Canal swindle, but MODEL LICENSE IN LA GRANDE 1911 free doctors." He goes on to tell us the French cut out the rotten spot that this wretched scheme "was and stoned there is not the rotten spot and stoned there is not the rotten spot that the rotten spot that the rotten spot is not stoned there is not stoned the rotten spot that the rotten spot is not stoned the rotten spot is not stoned the rotten spot is not stoned the rotten spot is not spot in the rotten sp and stopped there. They did not by a hatched in the convict colony of New general, long-continued and indiscriminate campaign give the world to understand that all French securitie were equally bad. Nor did the English when Argentine wrecked the Baring Bros.' bank or when rubber speculation caused many to lose millions. They told the facts, repaired the wrong, left the reputa-tion of securities in general unimand we rather guess they will outlive eign controversy, they stand by it as a

silenced. By all means let us expose and used as campaign "dope." and punish the rascals; but do not let The writer had business near the and punish the rascals; but do not let meekly admit our Government to have been in the wrong whenever another nation calls its acts in question.

Senator La Follette, who has viewed very critically every act of Governor McGovern of Wisconsin ever since the latter allowed himself to be used by Colonel Roosevelt at the law-abiding, high-minded, patriotic shown by giving to each of those the Republican convention at Chicago citizens who are running the present last year, is angry with the Governor model saloons in Oregon, and my concoming annual fete days. We have in Oregon many events of importance yet to be held this year, two of which may be mentioned with pride. The first in point of time, and great in point of importance, is the Pendleton Round-up, which takes of only two years. The Senator place September 25, 26 and 27. The Round-up has grown to be an affair other reason than to submitting a woman suffrage amendment to the people. The Governor's reason was that a similar amendment was represented in the people. The Governor's reason was the head it should we do not have officers in sympathy with or who have the least intention of the liquor problem. We have plenty of laws on the statute books now to paralyze the traffic, but not be submitted again after a lapse of only two years. The Senator officers in a very few cases.

La Grande now has ten saloons, and A state police force, with semi-militions bill. This rider provides that no tary organization, can alone perform satisfactory service in labor troubles such as those of West Virginia. It should with equal impartiality disarm the mercenaries of the employ
arm the mercenaries of the employ
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for the Round-up now outclasses all shows pugnacious little man can be trusted No other to keep up the fight, even without an

The appointment of D. C. Freeman spublicity man for the Hill people more evidence that the railways of pregon are getting the best men for the work, which began when the made a permanent annual more evidence that the railways of tor.)—The Rose Festival, just closed, should be made a permanent annual more applicity man for the Hill people to the commandation of the legal and intelligent woman, and is liked by and intelligent woman, and is liked by all who come in contact with her. She is considered to be one of the best teachers, and the most capable, on the Coast. She certainly has great teachers. S. Coffey chaplain. Somehow the Pendle- as publicity man for the Hill people sovereign power of the state. By protecting workmen on strike from special legislation exempting certain each year the number of Redskins the work, which began when the should be made a permanent annual strahorn system at the hands of classes from the operation of a genach year the number of Redskins the work, which began when the smooth of the lity and prosperity as a metropolitan antegorist in a way, and the state center has become an established fact toes or approves the bill on account ever-lessening number of cowboys, antagonists in a way, and the state

tion law which the Chicago bar deobjectionable features of the statute After the Round-up, the week at the dictation of President Wilson.

But the Democracy always did pull through Portland in June, 1915, and the lin several directions at the same time. which New Jersey recently discarded due to Governors Glasscock and Hat- posed not only by such conservatives after, from September 29 to October But the Democracy always did pull field for their manful efforts to re- as Senators Root and Gallinger, but 4, we have the annual state fair at in several directions at the same time,

atest issue of his Enterprise, pub-Hishes a "war" number that is historical as well as interesting.

The Santa Barbara man who offered Senator Works \$1000 to have Portland's advancement. nim appointed postmaster seems to be as honest as he is ignorant. The Senator might better have burned the letter than have given it publicity.

A suggestion for next year: Everett and Flanders streets to be strung, every 20 feet, with roses, and Maypole dances enacted.

A SUBSCRIBER. letter than have given it publicity, Charles Durant Hearst Elbert Hub-

bard Sagne Maines of Poughkeepsie, How big is Ross Island, pa? N. Y., will inherit \$20,000 when he N. Y., will inherit \$20,000 when he reaches the age of 21, unless he dies of exhaustion under the burden of Or some much larger state? such a name.

rnment, Denver is regulating athing suits of its women. Tights are forbidden and something loose is in-

voting at the school election is not easy as formerly. Since household At times the soil peeps well above code are exempt, many who were gal voters are no longer in that of times the soil peeps well above. At other times the full peeps well above of trees that show instead.

It is evident Judge McGinn believes And no more rack your brain.

Ross Island's in its grave so deep These rains are helping the grain,

but are not of benefit to clover that is down, and there is much of it. Too much money seems to be disrupting the connubial felicity of "Lucky" Baldwin's descendants,

"According to Hoyle" has a new ignificance in San Quentin. It means doing away with the stripes.

Pioneers of Oregon have the right

ANNUAL EVENT STRAINS INTEREST TABLE TALK IN A SEA STORM Suggestion Made That Rose Festival Be Held Less Often.

PORTLAND, June 15.—(To the Editor.)—The old Greeks were wiser than we. As a quadrennial event, the Olympic games maintained an abiding interest among the people for hundreds of years—such an interest that the succession of other events with the succession of other events. have been sustained so long and so in-

These muckrakers and callers-down of success, makes no light demands upon voe upon the Nation have blackened the time, the resources and the public pur reputation in the eyes of the spirit of our citizens. Our experience shows us clearly that we are attempting the impossible. No one who has the dining-room floor. The diners a been with us during the past six years the two center tables were forced to can question for a moment the assertion that our Rose Festival week is los-ing its interest among us. We do not of water. tered. The good are made to suffer prepare for it as we have hitherto done. We criticise rather than appreciate Mr. Connell, a very calm and well in-when we are in the midst of it. In re-gard to the week which has just passed, terested me by telling of something he their common sense he would have been still more edifying than he was. What evidence is there that "our what evidence is there that "our certain selfish interests which are in-

lation of a treaty and that no honorable course is open to us except to confess our sin and repeal the law. There is the same disposition to accept as true the charge of Japanese lingues that the California land law violates treaties. There is a gap-like treaties are the confess of uncertainty passed a law in vicinity law that no honorable course is open to us except to confess our sin and repeal the law. There is the same disposition to accept as true the charge of Japanese lingues that the California land law violates treaties. There is a gap-like law in the law of the course is a sufficient scale, and the active more effective weapons than the ancients, but seem afraid to use them. The modern man has more sense than bravery. The old savage man had a fool notion that it was bravery to fight on a sufficient scale, and the active covered that bravery is to fight for himself, and meet his ordinary diffi-(of not less importance than their financial support) could be enlisted with-out urging. Not by the solicitation of a few, nor by their most earnest efforts, can anything of this nature be main-tained. Only so long as it obtains the voluntary support of the mass of the citizens will it be successful. And this it cannot obtain as an annual event.
A. B. SMITH.

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Some years ago Union County went dry by a large majority of votes, and immediately the saloons were gone the "model" brewers and saloon interests paired and continued business, saying no more about the scandal. When their government is engaged in foreign controversy, they stand by it as a

us confound the honest with them, nor front door of one of these "model saloons" for several hours one evening the following Summer and saw at least four young boys drink at the bar and two staggering drunkards served with liquor without hesitation. Treating (tabooed by the ordinance) was almost continuous during the evening, and

"administration

GEORGE L. CLEAVER.

ROSE FESTIVAL AS ANNUAL EVENT

ill be the gainer for their rivalry.

to all the people of the United States. Its expectations are fully realized by all and to let it dwindle would be a hard blow to the welfare of the city. Illinois House has passed a corpora-tion law which the Chicago bar de-nounces as containing all the most a great mass of people from all over the world to this Coast, and the cities outside of San Francisco will profit as The output of Portland cement in this country between 1870 and 1879 Portland is a real, live city of progress. was \$2,000 barrels. In 1912 it was and that its business activity is safe,

so,000,000 barrels. In 1912 it was \$0,000,000 barrels. That should giadden the heart of the Pinchot reservations, for it will leave them free to let the timber rot in the forests while we build of concrete.

This is Grand Army week at Newberg, the occasion being the grand encampment, and Editor Bell, in the making it into one grand, enthusiastic

The events each year should be continually changed so that the people can expect something new all the time; so that wisitors may see that we are up to date and always doing things for

ROSS ISLAND.

Is it so big that one could build Under its commission form of gov-rement, Denver is regulating the To purify the air?

> Its size, my child, depends upon The heat that's in the air. Also depends, to great Who's Mayor, in the chair.

'Twill never rise again.
SUMMER POET.

Tenching in Alaska.

WALLA WALLA, Wash, June 12.—
(To the Editor.)—To whom should a teacher write for information regard-

superintendents to govern the 42 white public schools, as a whole, in Alaska. Qualification requirements doubtless sires to reside

Man Tells Ed Howe About Water Battle, While Dishes Are Smushed.

E. W. Howe's African Travel Letters in his Magazine. were in their places, but Adelaide and I occupied our usual seats at table, although we had a difficult time getting down the two stairways to the diningroom. The dishes were fenced up, so that they could not roll off the tables, and the portholes were under water every roll of the ship. The sick man who has been seen on deck nearly every day of the voyage surprised us all by appearing at dinner for the first time, although he was almost literally carried down the stairways, and across go to other tables, owing to a crast

But in spite of all this confusion

for a ruler, but modern man has dis-covered that bravery is to fight for himself, and meet his ordinary difficulties with patience and fairness. The prizefighter is brave in that he is able to stand a great deal of punishment, but in private life he is not very nice, and often keeps a saloon and whips his wife.

At dinner Mr. Connell also told me that in Australia, where the women vorking men often vote against their ands. In a certain election the Labor party demanded adoption of a measure that would re Observation of Its Effect Convinces suit in many strikes and much Writer of Ineffectiveness. turbance. It was believed that

> High School Pupil Confuses It With Definition of Atheism.

PORTLAND, June 14 .- (To the Edior.)-On page 16 in The Oregonian eign controversy, they stand by it as a county wet again.

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A drastic model license ordinance was proposed by the liquor interests of La Grande, with eight saloons as the limit, and used as campaign "dope." vesterday was an article entitled the reading of the article one would st. She is far from being that. To the contrary, once when a pupil ex-pressed an opinion to the effect that hysiography conflicted with the Bible she very clearly proved that the study of physiography not only strengthened he Bible but also made its teachings

great deal clearer. She did not say that she believed in he theories mentioned, but stated that

ney were merely theories and should e taken as such. Miss Stearns never goes into any alks on religion or things directly per aining to it except when questioned out when pupils ask her questions per aining to religion, she tries to answer taining to religion, she tries to answer them to the best of her ability, but never expresses an opinion or belief on matters pertaining to religion; instead, although the pupils ask her a great deal about religion, she tries to avoid all discussions of religious be-

After being her pupil for almost six months, and her pupil at the present time. I can truthfully say that I have never heard her so much as express an opinion on religion or anything per-taining to it. I challenge anybody to prove otherwise. Surely a pupil would

know if anybody did.

ONE OF HER PUPILS. Our young friend is needlessly Her love is waning when: alarmed over public interpretation of the article. There was no intimation in it that his teacher does not believe in the existence of a supreme being. The school discussion reported in Th Oregonian concerned only the tific accuracy of the origin of man as recounted in Genesis. Countless Christians, in the religious sense of the name, look upon this portion of the Bible as allegorical or as poetical

HUCKLEBERRY FINN'S PRISON LIFE Mark Twain's Character Did Not Tur-Out Well in Real Life.

"Highways and Byways of the Missis sippi," by Clifton Johnson. The house Mark Twain lived in still stands in Hannibal and is much the same as it always was—a stumpy two-story, clapboarded dwelling close to the sidewalk. It is just off the main street, snuggled in among other similar ings. The senior Clemens had s ing shop upstairs in the L of the house, and as there were several children the living-room must have been pretty well

"All the family was the nicest people you ever saw," I was told; "but they were very poor, and the father die bankrupt when Mark was 12 years old. On the next street lived "Huckleberry Finn." whose real name was Ton
Blankenship. In the books this lacturns out to be quite an admirable
character, but in actual life he and his
reistives were a very rough lot, and
when he left town it was to go to the
penitentiary. The author's descriptions
of Huckleberry's father fit the person
who was "the town drunkard—old man
Finn." His end could hardly have been
more trasic even in fiction. He was
locked up one night in the calaboose,
and in lighting a match to have a
smoke set fire to the building and was
burned to death. On the next street lived "Huckleber burned to death.

The Huckleberry Finn house was al-ways rude, but it has not yet suc-cumbed to either age or chance, and its rulnous, unkempt antiquity is quite worthy of its associations. Two or three negro families now live in it, and If made the acquaintance of one of the women inmates who was sitting out in front and lunching on bread and a

"This is the Huckleberry Finn house. "This is the nuckeeperry Finn house, isn't it?" I inquired.
"It sholy is," was the reply, "an' las' year Huckleberry Finn and Mark Twain both was hyar to see it. Dey come togedder in a two-horse coach an' dey each one give me a quarter.

"Celestini" as Applied to China. Toronto Globe. Everyone knows the epithet "Celes

tial" applied to China, but few know ing necessary qualifications for entering Alaska schools? SUBSCRIBER.

There is as yet no territorial Board of Education, examining board or and fell on the earth. The dazed inand ten on the earth. The dazed in-habitants of the fragment were unin-jured, and, cold and hungry, they made their way toward China, which they peopled. This origin of the Chinese write for information to the school principal in the town in which one desires to reside.

proposed. This origin of the Chinese race led to their calling themselves race led to their calling themselves that the Emperor calls himself Son of Heaven. Such, at least, is the legend,

Twenty-five Years Ago

From The Oregonian of June 16, 1888. At dinner, not half the passengers train hearing the Pacific Coast delegation to the Republican National Convention, representing 42 votes in all, whistled into the Omaha depot this afternoon. The local committee of reactions as well the sentiments of the coasters by flaunting an American flag of stars. "We are all for Blaine." the general cry, and one of the delegates added: "Yes, it's Blaine or hust."

Berlin, June 15 .- The Emperor (Frederick) died at 11 o'clock this morning

Arlington, Or., June 15,-A wind storm and cloudburst struck near Lexington, Morrow County, killing three ersons and wounding a dozen or mo

Colfax, W. T., June 15 .- A waterspout accompanied by a heavy wind, passed 15 miles west of here yesterday afternoon. Union Flat Creek rose 12 feet in less than haif an hour.

Shoshone, Idaho, June 15.—Elijah Smith, president of the O. R. & N. Company, passed west today on a special train to attend the annual meeting at Portland.

Last night the third graduating ex-ercises of the East Portland public schools took place in the Methodist Church, Behind a table covered with flowers and diplomas were scatted the directors. Joseph Paquet, J. T. Stewart and Thomas Hislop. The following is the graduating class: Maggie Charlestion, Nellie Atwood, Anson Buckman, Amy Gray, Louisa Sharkey, Chauncey Case, Minnie Robertson, Mary Bell, Ollin Pershin, Jeannie Older, Ava Owen.

At the last meeting of the board of trustees of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society, J. A. Strowbridge and W. B. Gilbert were appointed a committee to draft a bill prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors.

L. Therkelsen, who was nominated for Police Commissioner by the Repub-lican city convention yesterday, de-clined the nomination. The city committee nominated George R. Frank,

The Oregon Pioneers and Indian War It was the 16th annual reunton.

The corneratone of the Industrial Fair was laid by the Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Oregon, with all the honors of Freemasonry yesterday. LITERAL ACCEPTANCE OF GENESIS Mayor DeLashmutt introduced eorge H. Williams, who delivered the

Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian of June 16, 1863. Major John Owen, of Bitter Root Valley, and one of the oldest white residents of the western slope of the Rocky Mountains, is a candidate for Congress from Idaho.

Walla Walls, June 10 .- Today there came off a Democratic meeting at the Courthouse to ratify the nomination of George E. Cole. The prominent speech was made by F. P. Dugan, the leading watch repairer of this town.

Murfreesboro, June 9 .- Colonel Lawrence Williams, formerly of the Sec-ond United States Cavalry, later Gen-eral Briggs chief of artillery, and Lieutenant Dunlap, of the rebel army, were arrested and hung as sples last night at Franklin.

Washington, June 10.—Yesterday two origades of Pleasanton's cavalry under Buford made an important reconnois-sance towards Culpepper and had one of the most obstinate cavairy fights of the war. The cavairy crossed the Rap-pahannock at Beverly Ford, drove the enemy back to the rifle pits and after a desperate conflict cleared the woods, the enemy falling back upon their ar-tillery and maintaining their position until 12 o'clock, when our artillery ame up and the rebels were liven back for six miles in the direc-tion of Culpepper Courthouse, when our force returned and recrossed in good order.

f anybody did.

Preparations for the celebration of Stearns is a highly intellectual the coming Fourth of July are pro-

When Love's Fire Smokes.

She comes to the breakfast table in a wrapper. She lets him see her comb her store

She says there aren't any such creatures as the boys who keep him out at night. She tays she's glad they don't hold hands any more.

She says she's going shopping and leaves him at home.
She tidies up his den.
She forgets to hand him the current neighborhood scandal.
She detects the reason for the clove.

is love is chilling when:
He notices that the peculiar look in her eye is a squint He insists upon having sugar in his

He notices that the mantelpiece is dusty.

He wonders what he can tell her when he is late.

He asks her if that is really singing.

He reads the newspaper at break-fast time. He completely forgets to buy the magazine she wants. He won't tie her shoe lace on the

He says she's getting extravagant.

Thinking of Your Vacation

or of going on some pleasant short journey or week-end trip? Lots of people are nowadays vaguely planning and wondering where to go to escape the routine of workaday hours, if even for ever so brief a time.

No better bureau of information than The Oregonian, with its travel and special journey announcements. Often an advertisement solves a problem that has been a perplexing annoyance for days, perhaps.

The Oregonian resort and trip advertisements are always helpful-always suggest a pleasant jaunt; they help you plan more intelligently; they give you information that's worth while, and give the prospective trip or vacation a keener anticipatory zest by vividly describing the delights of the place you make up your mind to visit.

A tour through The Oregonian advertising columns is itself an extremely pleasant and profitable journey.