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PORTLAND, MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 1913. forties and fifties.

AS JUDGED BY THEIR FRUITS.

Belief is expressed by George Ken-Oregon system to be able to judge whether this is true. We have had a little clique headed by a self-appointed lawmaker trying to secure the adopof initiated laws, and other cliques have tried to defeat laws by means of the referendum. Have these bosses succeeded in their attempts at manipulation?

The people have been quick to see through the designs of men who tried to turn the government and the tax of the State inside out and have rejected their bills one after an-The frauds by which the referendum has been invoked have been exposed and the perpetrators have been folled and some of them pun-ished. The Oregon system though no ished. The Oregon system, though not yet perfect, requires that every step in lawmaking be taken in the widest publicity, and the people are quick to detect an attempt to "put one over" on them

Mr. Kennan recalls predictions that the people would undertake to decide direct only fundamental questions by legislation, leaving complex and tech-nical questions to the Legislature. He says that of the sixty-four questions submitted to the people of Oregon since the adoption of direct popular government only twenty-nine can possibly be classed as fundamental. Probso, but how many of the complex and technical bills submitted were adopted? That is the real test. The people at the last election showed an increasing disposition to vote down bills dealing with such questions. A particular example is the "blue sky The people rejected the one subnitted

under the initiative, but that fact did not deter the Legislature from adopting one which has met general approval and against which the referendum was not invoked. As the peo ple become accustomed to use the the charge that in calling the election new machinery they show increasing personal grievances and factional condiscrimination between subjects on which they can well vote directly and subjects which are better left to the Legislature. The good quality of the work done by the present Legislature, if sustained by future Legislatures, given judgment. It is reported that there is surprise over the result, Prob-fidence in their lawmakers, which was ably the most astonished are they who greatly impaired by boss rule, is grad- did not go to the polls. It is a com ually being restored.

modern conditions. In at work on election day. former times the people of one com-

nxious writers. man who wishes to prevent onfirmation of any literary man's apand pounce eagerly on any passages nated by that faction. The civil war frage cause in the State of Washing which may arouse the prejudices of a senator. Opinions to which a man may have irrevocably committed him-

self in cold type years ago, when he was struggling upward with no thought of pol⁴tical preferment, will As Huerta heads the best semblance rise up to plague him. President Wil-son knows how this is, for his writ- the United States could take would be ings have been quoted to warn voters to recognize him as head of a merely away from him and to prove how far he is departing from the convictions

he once cherished. Some of the literary would-be diplo-mats would fain recant the opinions By granting the insurgents belligeren they rashly expressed in their irresponsible moments, when thought was paw to their American backers, transferred freely to paper without heed of future consequences. They will be inclined to remind Senator They that such-and-such a book was writ-ten in their early, ill - informed twenties and must not be taken to express the riper judgment of the

AIDING THE TECHNICAL LAWYER.

Part of the responsibility for the nan in the North American Review disgraceful controversy over the exthat direct legislative methods afford ecutive office in New York rests on that direct legislative methods afford as many opportunities for fraud as the old did and that the bosses will manip-ulate the new machinery to their own ulate the new machinery to their own constitutional conventions but ordiulate the new machinesy to that we have had enough experience of the phraseology. Their lack of directness provides work for the lawyers but has pathy did Governor Pickering feel for will be a great increase in our home

at no judicial officer shall exercise pears, in two parties. The first shiphis office "after articles of impeachment have been preferred against who sailed from New York in March, him to the Senate until he shall have 1854, two members of the party being een acquitted." But the effect of discreetly accompanied by their fathmpeachment of the Governor is pro- ers, as Mr. Murphy reminds us. The ided for in another section. That sec- voyage was made by way of Panami tion provides that "in case of the im- and San Francisco without untoward achment of the Governor or his re- incidents, and upon their arrival in moval from office . . . the pow-ers and duties of the office shall de- whom Mr. Murphy describes as "acvolve upon the Lieutenant-Governor." complished and beautiful young la-It was just as easy to provide an dies," were quickly provided with husthe other. But it was not done and remunerative employment. Governor Sulzer insists that by "im- There is no doubt that this first shippeachment" of the Governor is meant his removal from office by impeachment-that preferring of articles of were not established in comfortable impeachment does not in itself dis-

qualify him. It is a strained argument, to be they sent back glowing reports to their sure, and he also disputes the entire old associates and thus prepared the legality of the legislative action, but way for Mercer's further undertaking why should there have been left in He began to make up his second part the constitution a possible point of toward the close of the Civil War, no controversy when the framers in an- far from the date of Lincoln's assas other section were able to express sination. He broached the subject to themselves so definitely? A large the President, who thought favorably part of our legislation is founded on of it, and actually authorized Mercer the lawmakers.

NEGLECTED DUTY.

We are inclined to weigh the merits of the recall movement in Clackamas drew, of Massachusetts; Edward Ever. ounty more by the size of the total vote than the result. The scant consideration shown the election by the voters gives the recall the marks of voters gives the recall the marks of a bolstered issue, and offers weight to fallen through but for Grant, whom he the charge that in calling the election finally approached. It seems there is surprise over the result, Probmon failing for those best able to give Direct legislation is a rational out- unbiased judgment to stay at home or

We do not propose at this time to munity knew so little of the affairs of another community in the same recall as a text for a lecture on the state that as a body they were incapa- proper use of recall machinery or on lieved that "his troubles were at an end," to quote Mr. 'Murphy's expression, and began to assemble his fair and all. Action through repre- acting the financial affairs of the pub. proteges for the voyage. But an unlic. But the election brings to mind expected obstacle intervened. termaster-General Meigs, who had immediate control of the Government ressels and their equipment, declined to honor the President's order on the The people in adopting the recall ground that it was illegal. "There is no law for the order, and I decline to on the efficiency of their servants if honor it," were his curt words of refusal. Considering the delicate nature of the project which he thus impeded, thirds of the voters of a county will avoid this obligation is not compliwe cannot help deciding that Meigs must have been something of a cur mudgeon. We hope his sense of duty matter what merit there may have was as rigorous in every other direc tion as it was in this. But, crusty difference of the large body of voters he was, his conscience evidently trou-Undoubtedly therein will give encouragement to bled him, and, after brooding for set eral weeks over his impoliteness, he was in the wrong. To make things

studious Senators and another body of Huerta now needs another loan and is uted. Perhaps. Whe Wolce, Holladay paving the way for it in Paris.

provisional, de facto government, holding office until a President can be elected to whom substantially all the rights we should only be playing cat's 25

England has played the game of Hu-erta's British backers. AN IMPORTATION OF WOMEN.

John Miller Murphy gives an entertaining account in The Sunday Olym-pian for August 17 of the importation of unmarried women to the Puget Sound country which has been so

ment consisted of no more than eleven

and another. Naturally, therefore

just such inefficiencies on the part of the lawmakers. It to transport his beauteous cargo on a National vessel. But before the plan could be consummated Lincoln per-

ished and the new Administration was less propitious. The laborious pro-moter consulted with "Governor Anett Hale, President Johnson and many other philanthropists and patriots, none of them would promise him

that Grant had learned something of the actual needs of the Northwest coast by his residence in that region. He lent a ready ear to Mercer's project and used his influence with President Johnson in its behalf. The consequence was an order to ship the party of women whom Mercer had enrolled from New York to Seattle on a Government vessel. Candidates had been numerous on account of the favorable reports sent back by the first party,

and the list had run well up toward 500 names. Mercer now very reasonably be-

Quar.

releated when the enormity of his con While British financial interests are supporting Huerta, the agitation in or later all the fair colonists for pointment, mindful of the saying: this country for granting of belligerent their way to Puget Sound and most of Oh! that mine enemy would write a rights to the Constitutionalists may them disappeared into happy homes. book." will hereafter search through be traced to American investors, whose Those who did are said by some to the pages of the appointee's writings interests are great in the states domi- have laid the foundations of the suf-

Two McDermotts from Chicago have ome into public notice lately. One Representative in Congress, has been denounced as a bribetaker by McMichaels, the discharged chief page of the House. The other, James McDermott, is a simple patrolman who has been awarded a medal for bravery. He crawled in the dark under a house and captured an armed negro murderer, who tried to shoot him but whose revolver missed fire Only the circumstance that the volver had become clogged with dir saved McDermott's life. Representa tive McDermott has probably accumu

lated more money and had time according to the accepted meaning of the term, but who would not rather be in the shoes of Patrolman McDermott?

The drouth in Kansas, Nebraska much commented upon and so often Oklahoma and Missouri is driving misrepresented. The immediate occa- stockmen to rush their cattle to marsion of Mr. Murphy's article was a ket. This will temporarily reduce the oose statement by some writer that price of meat, but will ultimately

In the section dealing directly with a small remittance to help him in a our meat hereafter. By making live, stock a part of their business they tution is plain and certain. It provides a penny. The women came, it apcrease their earnings by adding a new source and increase their crops by rendering their land more fertile.

> Estimates gathered from 100 Ken tucky farmers by the State Commissioner of Agriculture show the cost of producing wheat to average \$10.16 an acre and the crop to average 1214 bushels. This, with wheat at 90 cents leaves too small a margin, and the Courier-Journal says Kentucky must either go out of the wheat growing usiness or must grow better wheat and more to the acre. Such poor re sults from a soil famed for its fertility are a reproach to Kentucky. fault is with the farmers in that as in other states, and the State University has undertaken to show them how more wheat can be grown at a profit

Those who believe that every man

should exact a price for everything he does for others have no doubt voted Professor Samuel Moulton Babcock a because he gave free to fool, manity the milk test he discovered and affairs? out of which he could have made millions. That invention has made millions for the farmers of the whole world, but Dr. Babcock has just re-tired in old age from the University of Wisconsin in only comfortable circum stances. He is richer in contentment in the consciousness of service done to his fellow-men, than untold materia wealth could have made him

Long on information, short on work a good description of many recent immigrants, and Judge McGinn spoke wisely when he pronounced the hard, manual workers, who rear and educate families, better material for citi-senship, though they are short on information as to our form of Govern-ment. But their shortage of information should impress on us the need of furnishing it from the true American standpoint or they may fall under the Influence of those who are long on information of the wrong kind. We need schools of Americanism for the adult immigrant. In order to "hold up his end" at Berlin Ambassador Gerard has rented a bouwe at \$19,000 a year. although

a house at \$19,000 a year, although shouldn't they tell us we need his salary is only \$17,500. His need system? With our water bills this month we With our water bills this month we

QUARTERLY PLAN UNBUSINESSLIKE INDEPENDENT UNION DEFENDED City Adopts It Why Not Gas and Light Companies?

PORTLAND, Aug. 17.-(To the Edi-tor.)-The editorial in The Oregonian and the answers of the City Depart-ment of Public Utilities to the question of Viola Payton, regarding the pro-posed payment of water rates quarterly

posed payment of water rates quarterly in advance, prompt me to inquirs why it is that our civic corporations seem to be so reluctant to adopt the busi-ness methods of private corporations. It would appear that with the advent of the commission form of government in Portland, generally recognized and approved business methods would be adopted at the earliest moment prac-ticable. Yet we find the Department of Public Utilities proposing a change which in mageness is an improvement on the old methods and which aims to continue the most offensive and un-businesslike feature of the present businesslike feature of the present bodter

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method. Why should the city, any more than the gas company or the electric light company, ask the water consumers to pay in advance? I can see a trace of reason in asking payment in advance where consumers pay on a flat rate, but where is the advantage to the conbut which is the anterned service unless he is charged just for what his meter shows to have been used? And how can he be charged for this until the meter has registered the amount?

meter has registered the amount: I am a warm advocate of the metered service for municipal water supply. It has been shown conclusively that it saves water, that it prevents waste, that it is just and fair both to the city and to the consumer. But its fairness to the consumer seems to me to van-ish when, instead of taking the meter readings as a basis for settlement, an readings as a basis for settlement. an effort is made to "estimate"-which

effort is made to "estimate"-which usually means to guess at-the amount that will be consumed, and then ask-ing the user to pay this "guessed" amount in advance. Humans are constitutionally opposed to paying for anything before they get it. If the city has the right to make us do this, why not also private or semi-private corporations? Why not be asked to pay in advance for our gas and our electric light and power? The enswer is obvious: The city has not

answer is obvious: The city has not this right, more especially when it en-ters into contract to furnish water to a consumer by metered service.

There are strong objections-most of which already have appeared in com-munications to The Orogonian-to the payment in advance method, either by the month or by the quarter; and manifestly the objections gather strength with the length of the period to be covered by the advance payments. I can see neither sense nor reason

I can see neither sense hor reason nor justness in asking consumers served by meter to pay one mill more than for the amount registered by their meters and to pay this only after the meter has been read and the exact amount of consumption computed. Eventually the city will be compelled in the stream of comp

-largely through the stress of com-mon sense-to recede from its present unbusinesslike and unfair position. Why not let the recession be now, whe why not let the recession ends when new methods are under discussion and a strictly "business" administration is striving to put into effect more ra-tional ideas in the conduct of public affairs? J. W. M'EACHREN.

CHANGES IN SYSTEM COME OFTEN

Water Consumers Have Barely Learned the Ropes in Present Plan.

the Ropes is Present Plan. PORTLAND, Aug. 17.—(To the Edi-tor.)—Along with thousands of other water consumers, I find myself asking if it be not better to endure the ilis we have, than rush to others we know not of. Just a short year ago we were informed that the system of collecting water rests was sadly out of date. The administration availed itself of the services of the best irm of accountants and systematizers in the Northwest, so we were told, and, after much incon-

we were told, and, after much incon-venience to water users a new system was installed. Having adjusted ourselves to the reduirements of this new system, and being able once more to draw an easy breath, feeling we knew the ropes well enough to keep our water from being turned off, we are now informed that we must have another new system, be-

Secretary of the New Longsboreman's Local Condemns L. W. W. PORTLAND, Aug. 17 .- (To the Edi-tor.) -- Will you please publish the fol-

lowing statement in refutation of the statement of the Sheriff? tatement of the Sheriff? The new longshoremen's union was ormed at an impromptu meeting in he backyard of 1% Union avenue, no-ody but sallors being present. The

body but sailors being present. The reasons for the move were put down in the resolution published in the Even-ing Telegram of August 3. We saw a chance to make a break and went at it with a vim. The secretary, A. F. Schnab, is not acquainted with Rams-ley, Rudelph Schwab or G. Rece. He has been living in Portland for the last five years, and has always been conservative, as an investigation would easily prove. He disapproves strongly of the I. W. W. and just as emphat-ically of rank Socialists. A few I. W. W. meh, among them Rece, attended one of the first meetings of the union, it being unknown to the secretary that either one was an I. W. W. Getting to know their real political belief he told them to stay away. The secretary is

know their real political belief he told them to stay away. The secretary is willing to take the stand and make all these statements under oath. It is a political move of Local 6 to defeat the end of the union, but will be in vain. Eighty per cent of the members of the new union are sailors, part of whom have been working on the outside for Local 6, and have been treated in spite of their extreme effi-ciency with the utmost contempt. Thir-ity-three per cent at least of the mem-bers of the new union are citizens, partly foreign-born, partly native. The secretary cannot understand how a deputy sheriff could have information regarding the new union four weeks aso, when the question of the forma-tion of the new union was first broached at a chat between five or six sailors, now all members of the new union Auswart 7 1912

sallors, now all members of the new union, August 7, 1913. We are fighting for the right to work on the waterfront under the same con-ditions as Local 8 men, the right of men to work without being dominated over by a trust—in this case a labor trust; fighting for the right of man at large. The secretary repeats, and is willing to make this as well as all

is willing to make this as well as all other statements under oath, that he does not know Ramsley, or Rudolph Schwab, that he did not know Rece before he came up to the meeting of the union; that Rece is not a member of the union; that 14 days ago he did not have the least idea of forming a new organization, not until the execu-tive board of Local 6 told all members of the Sailors' Union that there would be no more work to be gotten by them. The secretary strongly condemns the attitude of the L. W. W.'s, Socialist Labor party and similar organizations to vilify the character of any man op-posed to them, to have no respect for church or home, to refuse to give their environments.

church or home, to refuse to give their employers a fair chance. His princi-

ples are true union principles, not as expounded by the L W. W.'s nor, on the other hand, by Local 6, the labor trust. S.F. SCHAABE, Secretary Independent Longshoremen's Association of Portland.

PRESENT PLAN IS HARD ENOUGH

Quarterly Water Payments Not At-tractive to Workingmen. PORTLAND, Aug. 17 .- (To the Edi

tor.)-The queries and answers in re-lation to Commissioner Daly's "quarter-ly-in-advance" payment plan are both interesting and amusing. At least the answers made to Viola Payton's in-

Washington, Aug. 12.-A rebel lleu-tonant, who deserted from his army, says that great dissatisfaction exists among the North Carolina and Misissippl troops. North Carolina threatens mutiny unless the troops are sent back home. The Mississippians and Louisianans are also clamorous to go home. The defeat at Gettysburg quiries (presumably by authority the author of the plan) are so decid-edly of the "lame-duck" variety that it is to laugh. If everybody could read that lady's and Louisianans are also clamorous to thereto, in The Oregonian, there would no longer be a question in Commission-er Daly's mind as to what the people think about his request. Why anyone should entertain any We understand that the County Com-missionary bars decided upon purchase

missioners have decided upon purchas-ing the property of Mr. Thomas Pritch-ard on the West Side of the public square as a site for the new Couri-house. both doubt as to what the consumer ought to do is beyond me, when the city wants both bird and feathers. It seems as though Commissioner Daly is not in such close touch with the average

workingman, as we have been led to believe during the recent campaign, or clse he would know that it is hard enough for most of them to dig up one month's water bill at a time, not to say All admirers of the good things of this life should not fail to visit the favorite establishment known as the Delmonico, where they will constantly be regaled with the choicest luxuries of the season. three, months in advance, based upon practically a maximum consumption.

The argument that it means economy in the water department is open to question. I fail to see where a ma-terial reduction in the force of that de-partment is possible if the meters are read monthly, as they ought to be, in Benefit of Mr. Edwin A. Reeves. This promising young actor announces a most attractive bill for this evening, comprising the great sensation drama, "Raffaelle, the Reprobate," the last "Raffaelle, the Reprobate," the last act of "Richard III" and a variety of singing, dancing, etc. Home Cured Bacon Not So Good. IRONSIDE, Or., Aug. 14 .- (To Editor.)-Now that the discussion the rom carrying the advance money, thus the dog is ended and other things are way from 6 to 10 per cent to produce. J. AMANN. made bacon ever becomes strong? In this vicinity, where the people cure theirs about as M. D. says he does his, the bacon becomes so strong and rancid before the season is haif over we can hardly eat it, and many con. Would not pickling instead of dry salting cure it better before smok-

Twenty-five Years Ago

From The Oregonian of August Walls Walls, W. T., Aug. Presbyterium semi-centennial will besin at the brick church tonight, when Rev. G. L. Deffenbaugh will read his paper on "Spaulding and the Old First Church." Tomorrow services will be held or "Tomorrow services will be Rev. G. L. Deffendaugn will vess his paper on "Spaulding and the Old First Church." Tomorrow services will be held at Whitman's grave at the mis-sion below town. Colonel H. E. Holmes offers to defray the expenses of romov-ing the remains of Whitman and as-sociates from the old mission to the Whitman College grounds.

Walla Walla, Aug. 17.-Herman Brents, son of Hon. Thomas H. Brents, is dangerously ill, with no hopes for recovery.

Murray, Idaho, Aug. 17.—The large gold cleanup of the Goldsmith-Ward-ner stamp mill at Elk Creek and an-other rich gold strike in the Treasure Box lead on Ophir Hill has given an impetus to gold mining throughout the Coeur d'Alene district.

Parker's, Or., Aug. 17.-As Judge Chenoweth, of King Valley, was driv-ing through town with his meat wagon his horses ran away, throwing him out. His face is badly cut and his out. His face is badly cut and check bone broken. He lies in a se conscious state.

In the County Court yesterday Jo-seph T. Keefe brought an action against William Church, Jr., chairman of the Democratic county committee, and B. Killin, as member of the state committee, to recover a reward of \$250 offered for the arrest and comviction of ilegal voters and bribers. He claims credit for the conviction of H. G. Glitner for bribery. The same de-fendant sues James Lotan, chairman of the Republican county committee, for \$500 reward for the same service.

Mrs. F. S. Duning, W. W. Kirkwood and family, G. N. Hill and family and a number of East Portlanders have returned from the seculda

Four gold bricks from Coeur d'Alene were received by Mr. B. Goldsmith yesterday. They weighed a little over 200 ounces and are worth about \$3260.

Mr. Eugene Shelby, assistant superintendent of Wells, Fargo & Co.,'s Ex-press, has gone to the Sound.

Professor M. V. Park, of Michigan, returns home today for his wife, hav-ing decided to settle in Salem.

Master James McDevitt, of this city, few days ago went fishing at Knapps and in less than four hours succeeded in landing 50 mountain trout.

Professor Wetzell, superintendent of schools, made the trip from timber line on Mount Hood to East Portland in 16 hours.

Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian of August 18, 1863 It is stated that the amount of prize money now standing to the credit of Admiral Dupont at the Navy Department is not less than \$200,000

ble of judging what was the best for the duties of county officers in transsentatives, who could meet and exchange information, was the natural one fact that the voters are prone to consequence. In these days of rapid disregard. The duty to vote on such communication and widespread infor-mation the people of a whole state are a general election. competent to deal directly with many questions, for the people of Portland, expressed a willingness to sit as jurors for example, know as much of what is going on in Malheur County as they called upon to do so by a small per-formerly knew of events in Eastern centage of their number. That twoformerly knew of events in Eastern

"What we need," says Mr. Kennan, "is not new political machinery, but a mentary to the recall principle. No nation of good citizens, who will devote themselves faithfully and con- been in this particular recall the inscientiously to the duty of choosing good representatives." we need good citizens, for the higher selfish or venomous effort on the the standard of our citizenship the part of a few to instigate recall pro-better will any form of government ceedings against worthy officials. better will any form of government be conducted, and without good citizens the best machinery will not pro duce good government. But we need new machinery, by which the good citizens may make their power directly instead of letting it trickle which much of it will be lost.

York has a disgraceful contest reception of the Minister by the King New fibre that those who were formerly

WRITERS UNDER THE X-RAY.

The Senate may check the flood of literary men which President Wilson lleved to have been prompted by counseled the adventurous women pouring into the diplomatic serv- holders of oil concessions in Mexico, stay at home lest worse befall them, This is due to a discovery made which were granted by Diaz. Madero and, unfortunately, some of them were 1ce. by Senator Bacon, chairman of the recognized the concessions, but was overpersuaded to do so. Thus the foreign relations committee, in regard exacting as to performance of the con- numbers of the Mercer party began to to Mr. Page, the Ambassador to Lon-don. After having voted for Mr. Page's confirmation, Mr. Bacon read telegraphed him £5000, which is said Only 300 of them actually set sail in a work of fiction in which Mr. Page to have been furnished by London cli- the ship provided by the perfidious Ber had depicted Southern life and he said that, if he had known Mr. Page had written any such stuff, he would never Huerta faction a loan soon after the ment and charged all the traffic would

written any such attrimation. This discovery has led to delay in getting into a tight place, he tele-confirmation of Dr. Paul Reinsh as graphed to a prominent firm in Lon-were sent north in small parties as Minister to China. That gentleman has written much on the Orient, co-lonial governments and economic sub-has since been floated in London, and their wishes known. Mercer had only lonial governments and economic sub-jects. Inspired by Mr. Bacon, all the banks which advanced the money is in his pocket, Mr. Murphy tells us, members of the committee are reading Dr. Reinsh's works in search of any-of the Constitutionalists that they will in that emergency that he appealed to the stony heart of Governor Pickering of ethics peculiarly their own.

thing affecting his fitness for the new not recognize any loan floated by the job. All nominations of literary men for diplomatic posts are to be sub-jected to the same test and for some time to come we shall have a body of available to fight the revolutionists. The therefore the and met with a stern refusal. How he raised money to appease the vora-cious Ben Holladay does not appear. Perhaps some of the women contrib-

WHY ENGLAND RECOGNIZED HUERTA. ship for the voyage. This in his esti-

even he now offered to sell Mercer a The nature of the influences which mation may have been the next best thing to giving him one, but unhappily aused Great Britain to recognize the Huerta government in Mexico so soon the projector was too slanderly pro through a number of channels in after it gained control of the capital is vided with funds to avail himself of their curricula. revealed in a London letter to the the Quartermaster's generosity.

We have now an opportunity to compare the results of the two sys-tems in two states on opposite sides of the continent. Oregon has a gov- await developments in Mexico, but to- Learning of Mercer's quandary, that or the continent. Oregon has a gov-ernment recognizing its responsibility to the people and has progressive laws which reflect the will of the people and contribute to the welfare of all. ful enough to bring about a hurried New York has a discrete for the state of the transport the second to be the New York has a discrete for the second to be the the transport of the transport the second to be the transport to be second to be the second to be the transport the second to be the transport the second to be the second to be the transport the second to be the transport the second to be the second to be the transport to be the transport to be the transport to be the second to be the transport to be transport to be the transport to be the tra All would have been fair sailing not the Governorship between the on July 28. Only thirty-six days had but for the unaccountable malice of most corrupt political machine in the elapsed since the murder of Madero, certain newspapers. Why the Net country and a man who, ostensibly but that tragedy did not deter the York press should have sought to disworking in the interest of the people. British government, although it had courage the blooming colonists we has been proved of such low moral shown its disapproval of the murder cannot imagine, unless they were of the King and Queen of Servia by driven to desperation at the prospec his warmest friends have turned withholding recognition from King of losing so many of their most en-against him. As compared with the Peter for three years. There is also a gaging fellow-citizens. At any rate New York system we prefer the Ore-gon system. contrast between its hasty recognition one of the papers published "a scur-rilous article" which depicted the Pu

delay of two years in opening formal relations with the Portuguese repub-lic and the Chinese republic. the and the Chinese republic. The action of Great Britain is be-

murder of Madero. When Huerta was bear for taking them to San Fran-

tary Bryan's, for the latter pays only received a ballot asking us to sho one-third of his salary in rent, and preference for method of paym there are no Chautauquas in Germany to help him out.

The session of the International Union which has just closed sustained President Lynch and the conservative policy he has maintained in the pas If all labor organizations held to lines of action as do the printers, labor troubles would be rare.

drouth can hurt the corn crop without making anybody lose anything more than money, but when it attacks the watermalon crop there is danger that the colored brother will lose his religion.-Louisville Courier-

Let the corn burn up, but spare no finally came to the conclusion that he effort to save our watermelons.

> The worm will turn. In Northern California an editor killed a a dispute over a county high school. If these affairs are to continue, schools of journalism must make additions to

Theoretically the coffee wagon fo thirsty workingmen is all right; practically it does not include the social feature necessary to make it a suc PRE

Once upon a time the public was inter-sated in the sources of Werther. Nowadays it's the sarrows of Huerta-Louisville Cour-ier-Journal. Thus does simplified spelling progress.

Having lost Prince Sulkowski, his liscarded affinity will start a laundry in Los Angeles, which shows she

dry in Los Angeles, which shows she has a head for business. Captain Hoff scorned the cooking and Mrs. Hoff gets a decree and \$85 a month alimony, which will go a long way at the delicatessen. Captain Hoff scorned the cooking a short time ago Mr. Alf met in Cleveland one of his converts, named Lapinski, who wanted a wife. Two days after they prayed together for this particular blessing Lapinski met

How Chief Moses would mourn over the degeneracy of the Indians if he could see them scorching over the roads in automobiles!

Sir Thomas Lipton is so American in spirit that we should rejoice to see him substitute the title "American Citizen" for the "Sir."

F. Augustus Heinze would scorn to sued for a less sum than \$1,000,000 His fame rests chiefly on the magnitude of his lawsuits.

Rain at this time of the year is welcame, although a good deal of a nuisance when it falls on Sunday,

Testimony may be taken, how-

read monthly, as they ought to be, in justice to both the consumer and the city, so that it appears that beyond be-

ing able to dispense with the services of one or two clerks in the water of-fice, Commissioner Daly hopes to make up the difference in the \$20,000 savings monthly, as at present or quarterly monthly, as at present or quartery in advance. I suppose these experts would have us pay for our water three months before we get it. Such an ar-rangement may be all right for New York, although I have grave doubts if they ever dreamed of it there, but for myself, I know there are thousands of pacele in Portland who find it hard

4445 Forty-fifth Street Southeast. "Oregon" Indian Name?

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 16.-(To the Editor.)-The editorial under the head-ing "The Name Oregon" in The Orego-

electric light or for groceries? And to carry it farther, then why not pay salaries in advance, or if we can save so much by paying three months in advance, why not make it six months and save even more? However, as long as our city officials will listen to so-called experis who can pull the wool over their eyes and gather a good harvest of coin by so doing, we may expect to be treated to an annual change of systems and methods with all the attending inconvenience to the consumer. J. B. L. with spanish oregano-the wild marjoram, abundant on the coast." is the origin all and meaning of the word. This may be your correspondent's authority. You state that Oregon "is certainly not Indian," and that "Jonathan Carver bodily assumed that the Indians called the Columbia the 'Oregon,' but it is known that his statement had no foun-dation in fact." How do you know this? What is your authority? Might it not be-hen-hen-aid a name similar to "Oregon" even if Indians in another section never used the word?

Contraction of the PRAYER GETS HIM A WIFE.

Pastor Will Obtain Also a New Church by the Same Means,

Philadelphia Cor. New York Times Rev. Gustav Alf, pastor of the First Rolish Baptist Church, is a firm be-ilever in the efficacy of prayer. When-

ever in the structy of parts are any for it and his prayers are answered. Several years ago Mr. Alf wanted a wife. One young woman had jilted him, so he asked the Lord to give him another. The wife was forthcoming, and today Mr. Alf is the proud father

of two children. Mr. Alf has been praying for a church to house his congregation. The prayer also will be answered. Mo This ward Hugens, and Washington City D. C. It seems to me that the best evidence we have indicates that "Ore-gon" is Indian. BENJAMIN L. HARVEY,

this particular bleasing Lapinski met the attractive young woman whom in two months he married. Another of Alf's converts, named Morsey, won his father to the Christian faith through his preceptor's prayers

and his own.

Bridge is Good Investment. PORTLAND, Aug. 15.—(To the Ed-itor.)—Clarke County people want a bridge over the Columbia to come to Portland. They need it and should have it. Portland needs the trade of that marvelously rich section of South-western Washington. With a bridge, Vancouver becomes a sister cliy and the fertile soil of the many well-watered valleys of Clarke County will afford homes for thou-sands of industrious families, whose produce will find a ready market in Pice of Gullty. PORTLAND, Aug. 15.—(To the Ed-itor.)—If a person is indicted for kill-ing another person and he appears afterward with his counsel before trial indge to plead and he knowingly and deliberately enters a plea of gullty as charged in indictment, whatever de-gree it may be, does he get a trial by jury anyway? Or does this end his trial and he is ready for sontence? M L MYERS, 10 North Third Street. produce will find a ready market in the rapidly-growing metropolis of the

trial. Testimony may be taken, how-ever, for the court's guidance in cases where discretion as to extent of pun-ishment is conferred on the court. The court may, before judgment, permit a plea of guilty to be withdrawn and a plea of not guilty substituted.

Bridge In Good Investm

Personally, I think the gilt-edged rands of city breakfast bacon beats the home-cured every time! COUNTRY READER.

First Trains on North Bank

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Aug. 16.-(To the Editor.)-(1) Kindly tell me when the first passenger and freight service was installed upon the North Bank

(2) Also, has Washington single tax? OLD SUBSCRIBEE

(1) The North Bank road first instituted passenger and freight service between Pasco, Wash., and Cliffs, Wash. in the constructive period, on December 15, 1907; between Vancouver, Wash., and Cliffs, Wash., on March 15, 1908. The first regular through service beif Indians in another section never used the word? Mr. Ezra Meeker and some old set-thers on the Sound claim they never heard the word "Tacoma" until "Canoe and Saddle" appeared in 1852 and Mr. Meeker accuses Winthrop of inventing it as you have accused Carver. Winthrop has the support of George Gibbs, Ed-ward Huggins, and others, and old Gov-ernment maps in Washington City tween Portland and Spokane was in-

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The public is learning the im-portance of advertising and learning how to profit from careful ad-reading.

Thus everywhere is this wide-8D

apread interest manifest. Retailers and manufacturers Interested in newspaper adver-tising for Nationally distributed articles are invited to write to the Bursan of Advertising, American Newspaper Publishers Association, World Building, New York.

the rapidly-growing Pacific Northwest. Portland needs the Columbia bridge. Let there be no delay in doing our share. It is the best investment Port-land can make today. A. B. SLAUSON. Her Idea of It. A plea of gullty dispenses with a Tran "Is it true that both your husband

