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MORE THAN ONE WAY TO PROVIDE FUNDS.

Levy of a millage tax is perhaps the quickest and most direct way to raise oderate sums for irrigation, yet there are other methods almost as speedy and much less burdensome upon the public. There is serious question, too, as to the justice of a fax which applies to an entire state for what is primarily a local benefit and particularly is this doubt raised when property is so disproportionately

distributed as it is in Oregon. nomah County, which pays one-third of the state taxes, would contribute much more to the cost of the project than it could hope to receive in re-turn in many years. The tax upon Wallows, or Malheur, or Jackson would not be proportionately large, but the benefits to them would be so remote that they, too, would find recompense a long, long time on the way.

We are not unmindful that the contributed by the taxpayers to build irrigation works ultimately returns to the state to be used either for constructing more irrigation works morously intimated that he meant or as reimbursement for state funds expended. But so far as the present generation is concerned a millage tax for reclamation is money out of pocket except that some portion of it may be received back in the form of indirect benefits through land development. An alternative for the millage tax

has been suggested to take the form a state guarantee of bonds issued by irrigation districts. It is possible, moreover, for the state to finance irrigation districts without large cost to itself. The state now has to the credit of various permanent funds the sum mortgages. These are securities which are in demand by private capital. The most convinced the country. \$6,000,000 invested in farm first only excuse for the state becoming a competitor for such investments is the lower rate of interest it is willing to But this concession is largely personal to the borrowers. The benefit the state coming from the ability of its farmers to borrow at less than current rates is remote.

On the other hand private capital is loath to invest in irrigation bonds, One reason is that interest payments completion of the project and the abilof the landowners to pay. But if such bonds are carefully safeguarded and construction work is supervised by the state, irrigation bonds purely as an investment should be as attractive to the school and other permanent funds as farm mortgages. To insure a steady income to the funds the interest on the investments could be guaranteed by the state during the construction period. Indeed, the bencrue to the entire state

reduced in Oregon to one-tenth of 1 great men, per cent since 1910. In other words one child in a thousand between the ages of 10 and 14 is illiterate. Louisi-

ana has 115, South Carolina \$3, Alabama 77. The extent to which the Oregon school system reaches children and lifts them above the stage of illiteracy. reforms which he proposes to make, others that success requires perma is less subject to criticism than any

other element in its operation. COMMON SENSE.

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tion-within the shortest possible com-Assumption that twelve men picked out of a list of sixty or seventy candidates by an overwhelming majority because of their known ability and ntegrity would lend themselves to underhand methods or could even be or enticed or scorced into

The Eaton charges are an insuit not alone to the Multnomah delegation Hughes could possibly have been nombut to the electorate of Multnomah County.

WHAT ABOUT 1916?

We favor a single Ewseldential term, and to that end urge the adoption of an amend-ment to the Constitution making the Pres-dent of the United States insligible for re-election, and we pledge the candidate of this convention to this principle.—From the Democratic platform of 1512.

But the "candidate of this conven-Completion of an irrigation project tion cares nothing about this principle on the inclusion of the republican party in latter of the bin authorizing the but of the growing independent ele-secretary of Agriculture to license ment. His splendid record as District warehouses for storage of farm prodpleasing and convenient for him to care. To be sure, he is a Democrat, care. To be sure, he is a Democrat, the graft, waste and incapacity which is best known by the celerity and audacity with which he repudiates last

year's definition of a Democrat. when the President intimated at In- make the most of it and the reward bon Democrats. State rights are dianapolis that he would be a candi-date for re-election. Or possibly he newspapers in other cities as well as was only "trying it on the dog." to see New York to discuss him as a probhow it would be received. It stirred up the enthusiasm of the admiring able candidate for President. Democrats and then Mr. Wilson hu- should make good, he will ce

omething else. Perhaps. Whatever he meant to imply, he will doubtiess be a candidate again in western states now have far greater been rejected in committee, he stormed weight in conventions in proportion to and accused his Democratic colleagues form plank stares him in the face, of New York than they had in the days of being under railroad influence. of Tilden and Cleveland, and there is Next day the rule was brought up plank to flinders and "got away" with a decided disposition in both parties again and there was a lively exchange it, and neither President nor Congress it, and neither President nor Congress has ever pretended that the 1912 pledge for economy was in any way worth as Senator was an agreeable lash is still a serviceable instru

binding. The Democratic platform of 1915 will be an interesting document-and meaningless. Mr. Wilson ought to write it. He writes well. He has convinced himself that mere phrase-mak-

LEAVING MEXICO TO FIGHT IT OUT.

Of the many remarkable things which President Wilson said in his Indianapolis speech, one of the most remarkable was the passage regarding Mexico. After professing a "reck-

'never had a look-in in determining who should be their governors" and tation, his Governmental experiments

he continued: he continued: Now I am for the 50 per vent. It is none of my business, and it is none of your basi-ness, how long they take in determining it, it is none of my business and none of yours how they go about the business. The country is theirs. The government is theirs, the induced to overcome his scru-ples about stepping from the judicial bench into the political arena, he will sweep all before him. The liberty if they can get in-is ineirs, speed them in getting in-is ineirs, the solid sense and firm, patriotic rec-titude of Justice Hughes. If Hughes can be induced to overcome his scru-ples about stepping from the judicial bench into the political arena, he will sweep all before him.

neither was it our business when Mr.

1910 1.6 per cent of the total were and Madison chosen to do as Mr. Wil-more than 14 years old. The illiteracy rate for children between 10 and 14 out of war with England, but they The ship purchase bill is one more years old was three-tenths of 1 per had the courage to fight for the prin-teent. A late builetin issued by the ciples they upheld. Keeping us out the Administration. Whenever it Department of the Interior, Bureau of war with Mexico in the manner finds any deficiency in the machinery of Education, reports the illiteracy he has chosen will not give Mr. Wilosn of business, it assumes that more a place in history beside those two Government interference is needed or

> GOVERNOR WHITMAN'S OPPORTUNITY. Charles S. Whitman has assumed office as Governor of New York with the good will of the whole state, except those who expect to suffer by the cient, for the one reason above all

> includes introduction of a budget sys. means change of directing heads and of policy every four years. investigation of the state departments with a view to their co-ordination and

to the elimination of useless officials. The foregoing expresses the situa-ne within the shortest possible com-attention to the increase of crime and lawlessness as menacing "moral decadence and ultimate decay." Mr. Whitman has an opportunity which equals that of Governors Tilden,

Cleveland, Roosevelt and Hughes, two of whom became President, while Tilden was defeated by so small a majordeceived or enticed or eserced into the that doubt still exists in many discreditable politics is preposterous. Ity that doubt still exists in many The Eaton charges are an insuit not minds whether he was not elected. inated and elected in 1912. Th Governorship of New York has thus been a stepping-stone to the Presi-

dency or to Presidential nominations. Each of the men named inaugurated reforms after a period of scandal and misrule. Mr. Whitman has op-

portunity to do likewise with every point in his favor. The Democracy is defeated, demoralized and discredited, and the Governor has the confidence not only of the Republican party

the two preceding administrations. Mr. Whitman's opportunity to make fine record, the hope that he will earned by former Governors under convenient principle for both parties like circumstances have encouraged to take up when useful and to aban-

should make good, he will certainly National convention, but he will have

to cast off the domination of New worth as Senator was an agreeable surprise to the country at large and

ship and will watch Mr. Whitman's career with the purpose of determin-ing whether he is of Presidential call-

leasure of popular support necessary to his election. Unless he or some other man of the her husband. younger generation should develop and is sought in devious ways. sufficient strength to become a win

ning candidate, it is highly probable that the Republican party will turn to ess enthusiasm" for human liberty, Justice Hughes, of the Supreme Court. less enthusiasm" for human liberty. he said: "I hold it a fundamental principle that every people has the right to determine its own form of government." He proceeded to say that until the end of the Diaz reign 80 per cent of the people of Mexico ""never had a lock-in in determining is concerning all sections. By that until the end of the Diaz reign sympathies embracing all sections. By 1916 the country is likely to be thor-oughly weary of President Wilson's ""never had a lock-in in determining to the people of Mexico" the said: "I hold it a fundamental the confidence of all elements, for he northern deliberation. which does not agree with its proverbial southern fervor. California mill not need to first a phrasemaking, his schoolmasterly dic-

at home and his ineffective, timid meddling abroad, and to be eager for

If it is none of our business now, sweep all before him.

that the Government must itself engage in business. What is usually needed is less Government interfernce, more efficient Government regulation of private operation or repeal of Government oper obstructive laws. ation of any business is the least effi-He has outlined a policy which may nent directing heads and continuity of be defined as sanely progressive. It policy, while Government operation

of hypocrisy. It professed the high-est political virtues and has practiced the lowest political vices. Its conduct has allenated from it hosts of former had accepted its supporters, who had acce promises at their face value. supporters, trol of the new Congress will be due

not to a renewal of public confidence but to the continuance of the schism among its opponents to which it owes its existence. That schism is healing ton, the faster because of growing disgust C. A. with the sanctimonious hypocrisy which is exposed by the Administra-

tion's entire course of action.

Parties are becoming sadly tangled in the matter of state rights. Southern Democrats in the House, who have upheld the state rights doctrine, votes in favor of the bill authorizing the Representative Lenroot, a Northern fringement of state rights. The bill passed the House with both parties divided, but supported chiefly by Bour-

don when in the way.

Chairman Moon, of the House postshould make good, he will certainly office committee, evidently knows how to while insurgents into line. After his National convention, but he will have special rule permitting new legislation several strong rivals. The Middle and in the postoffice appropriation bill had Western States now have far greater been rejected in committee, he stormed of compliments among the Democrats inte line and helped to adopt the rule. The lash is still a serviceable instrument among the unterrified.

ber and whether he can command the hand marrying the alleged co-respo

Colonel Wood Suggests Means to Sto Twenty-Five Years Ago. From The Oregonian January 11, 1890. Madrid .- The illness of the infant King Alfonso has assumed a alarming phase. He is suffering convulsion and a high fever. The a most

physicians have about given up hope. Alfonso XIII, the bing, is the posthum-ous son of Alfonso XII. He was born May 17, 1886. -President Foster, of the New York.

Republican League of Clubs, has sworn to a statement that he did not write the "fry the fat" letter. He says that Colonel Dudley suggested the popular subscription plan by which \$5000 was raised

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Francis at Mount Tabor, January 8.

The course of the Administration in the handling of patronage, when viewed in the light of the Baltimore platform, has put upon it the brand discussion of the Baltimore discussion of the brand discussion discuss

Charles Bauer was seriously injured vesterday when he was thrown from his buggy as his horse ran away on Fifteenth street. He sustained severe internal injuries, a fractured skull and broken arm broken arm.

Miss Jessie Couthoul, assisted by Walter Reed, vocalist; Master Alfred Holt, violinist, and Miss Lalla R. Dal-ton, pianist, entertained at the T. M. C. A. last night.

Secretary Blaine, it is said, received Secretary Binne, it is said, received \$1200 for his article on "Protection" in the North American Review—at the rate of \$120 a page. Gladstone wrote the article on free trade, but his com-pensation is not made public yet.

Thomas Davison, who has the con-tract to build the bridge across Sulli-van's Gulch, has returned from Astoria.

C. P. Huntington is credited with saying, in a recent conversation, "I never got the worst of any bargain or busi-ness I have yet undertaken."

E. W. Bingham, 74 Morrison has written an article on the Austral-ian ballot system for The Oregonian. He urges a meeting to enlighten the public on the features of the secret voting plan.

> Digby Bell, as Inigo, and Mark Smith as Pedrillo, provide a world of fun at the New Park Theater, where they are appearing in the opera, "The Queen's Mate.

Sam Bernheim, better known "Little Sam," is dead. "Little Sam" was the popular attache at the Carriage & Baggage Transfer Company's stables. Some of little Sam's associates in his first business undertaking as a boy of the Union Transfer Company, are ealthy citizens, but Sam lost his through misrepresentations of a friend

ATTACKS ON RAILROADS HARMFUL Oppression of Carriers Is One Cause of

Lack of Employment.

among the unterrified.
 In this world of sig and sorrow, sometimes a ray shines through the some dispatches indicate that removed the rahlan government acts with a rorthern deliberations with role of the deliberation and senserial monthern deliberations ways.
 Rome dispatches indicate that Tahy has remained neutral in order to make money by selling supplies to beliger rents as well as to prepare for war. The Indian government acts with fervor.
 California will not need to float ammunition for the kind of bonhard ment which signalized the opening of the seposition at San Diego and that warl das narracksco.
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Friction Over Appointments. From The Oregunian Jamuary 33, 1965 PORTLAND, Jan. 10 .- (To the Edi-Jeremiah Clemens, recently Senator from Alabama, has written a letter dated at Philodelphia, in which he urges the return of Alabama to the Union under separate state action. or.)-I have a perfectly simple solution for the problem of the friction be

ween the President and the Senate on the question of patronage and other questions: Abolish the Senate. Sherman seems to be starting oper tions tending to the reduction of Of course, the House would have to tions tending to the be reduced to manageable propertions,

ABOLISH SENATE, HIS SOLUTION

Tharleston: to as to be a real house of debate John T. Hall has won the verdict of

ad as to be a real house of debate, but this will have to be done any way, sooner or later, as with the growth of population the House is becoming so unwieldy as to be both ridiculous and John T. Hall has won the wroten a the jury in the suit involving posses-sion of the property on First and Sec-ond streets between Stark and Wash-ington streets, known as the Toessey block. W. W. Page began the suit for the plaintiff victor in 1863. Mr. Hall is a sea captain. langerous But why should the Sanate have any

thing to say about appointments? In fact, why the Senate at all? It would be a fine thing if the House of Lords could hold up all the appointments, of the Cabinet, the responsible govern-ment of England, wouldn't it?

The income tax is beginning to be a matter of importance, now that the year has closed. Now is a good time or everybody to check up their ac the Caunter, the responsible action ment of England, wouldn't if? It should never be forgotten that the people of the entire United States elect just one man as their servant-the President. Every other man sent to Washington is a local representa-tive, elected locally. He is not respon-sible to the people of the United States and he is not responsible to anybody for the executive department of the Government. Suppose a collector, or District Attorney, or postmaster, in some city is inefficient, or goes wrong. Do the people blame the high and mighty Senators who perhaps forced counts while everything is fresh in their minds, and make out the neces-sary report. Incomes from 3600 up are subject to the special tax of from 5 to 10 per ceut, according to the amount of the income.

The photograph gallery long con-ducted by Buchtel & Cardwell has changed hands.

Half a Century Ago.

The total number of children enrolled in the public school, according to Prin-cipal E. Beebe, is 353. The average at-tendance for the quarter was 234.

some city is inefficient, or goes wrong. Do the people blame the high and mighty Senators who perhaps forced his appointment? Not at all. They blame the President and they are quite might, for the President is their responsible servant. He is the only one responsible, and it is an axiom of Government that power should always be given commensurate with respon-sibility. The President naturally would, from self-interest, sock the advice of Senators, just as he now seeks the advice of prominent local citizens, but that he should have the American House of Lords put over him as a menace and a club is vicious govern-ment. A wild deer came into town yester-day-the very heart of town, and aroused some curiosity. Suddenly re-alizing his dangerous position, he etarted to flee, and, pursued by hungry hunters, made straight down Washing-ton street and jumped into the river at Front. Front.

MORE ON SEWARD AND SLAVERY Beliability of Professor Dodd's Source

of Information Is Questioned.

The compulsory consent of the Sen VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 3,-(To the The compulsory consent of the sen-ate is all Tommy rot. The fact is, our esteemed forefathers, who were as wise as their generation permitted them to be, left us a whole bot of political "junk" in the United States constitution. With an eye on the monarche of Europe, they felt every distrust of their own elected executive. They only gave him four years, in which time he can hardly gather the "sense hardly warm his sent; hardly VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 3,—(To the Editor.)—Some weeks ago an article in The Oregonian quoted Professor W. E. Dodd. of Chicago University, as au-thority for the statement that the emi-nent statesman, William H. Seward was a slave owner. It seems to me that a letter in The Oregonian today from S. D. Allen, of Eugene, Or., shows very clearly the faisity of such a statement and the pitiable weakness of Professor Dodd as an authority in the matter. In order to make this plainer I quote herein a letter received by me from Frofessor William E. Dodd on this subject, dated December 30, 1914: They only gave him four years, in which time he can hardly gather the freins; hardly warm his seat; hardly get a policy started, much less fried out. They fixed it so it was the moreast chance that the President and the Leg-islature will be of the same party harmoniously to carry out the same policies. Generally, the President and Congress are of opposite parties, each trying to put the other in a hole, and when they are nominally of the same party, as now, you find the different localities struggling for their own private interests, the Senators parti-cularly looking to their own private the hands of the President as if they were his open political enemies. What the President of the United States needs is more power over the legislative branch. He and his Cab-inet ought, ex officio, to have a place on the floor of both houses, with power to initiate bills, debate them, pull them out of pigeon-holes, prevent income the president to the people December 30, 1914:

William E. Dodd on this subject where
December 30, 1944:
As to the point in question, I must beg to be excused for not giving the reference as i have noise of my books or notes with me and they are not accessible to any filend in Chicage at present. (This feither is writ-ten from Bound Hill, Virginia.) But I will say that the ditation would be from a state-ment of Mrs. Davis. I am not sure how I put the remark just now; but there was no motive at the time for Mrs. Davis to mis-represent Seward; nor would Bereard him-considered himself as injured. My recol-lection is that Seward inherited from his is of New York forbade the holding of alaves, he continued to own the merroes as long as no, or they, lived, and on terms of mutual understanding. It may be that i put the subject rather stronger then I would now put it, but I am satisfied the remark of Mrs. Davis is traitful.
So, it seems that this historian is

of Mrs. Davis is truthful. So, it seems that this historian is merely repeating the "tale bf a grandarm by a Winter's Gro," and solemnly set-ting it down in history as an "un-doubted fact; nor does this "authority" consider that Mrs. Jefferson Davis, the widow of the President of the Southerm Confederacy, in her enfechled and am-bittered oid age, could have any motive to "misrepresent Seward." the uncom-

payment by the state from the general Wilson intervened by diplomatic fund of the interest on the bonds for means against finerta, nor when he from land reclamation would justify intervened by armed force at Vera few years not as a loan but as a direct encouragement to reclamation. Cruz. If it is the right of the Mexican

one large project in Oregon, which, if completed, would greatly increase the value of property in a nearby town, and, moreover, be of inestimable value to two railroads in the matter of producing traffic. On such projects why

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OREGON LEADS.

of the Legislature the other day, in discussing the school system, that Ore- he is talking about. Did ever man tions in order to attract many gon ranked just below the Southern states in point of illiteracy, ought not to go uncorrected. The absolute re-verse is true.

According to the Government cen-sus report of 1910 the percentage of liliteracy in Oregon in the population 10 years of age and over was 1.9. But one other state in the Union, Iowa, had a lower percentage, and but one other state, Nebraska, equaled Oregon,

other state, Nebraska, equaled Oregon, Oregon's illiteracy, what little there is, is largely confined to adults, and so thorough is the working of the uchool system that probably little if school system that probably little, if he left Mexico to settle its own af- warranted and is a demagogic app any, reduction in the illiteracy rate can be expected until the new gen-eration wholly displaces the old. This opinion, however, is based on more recent records than those of has converted inaction into a positive to workingmen to support his bill. The seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-elar shipowners to scale up wages to the American standard and would re-more of the illiteracy in Order in the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing imprison-ment for descrition would compel for-the seamen's bill abolishing of the seamen's bill abolishing of the seamen's bill the seamen's bill abolishing of the seamen's bil

more recent records than those of has converted inaction into a positive the American action of a work in Poland. 1910. Of the liliterates in Oregon in shirking of duty. Had Washington move one of the chief obstacles to re-

Government ship-purchase bill is the

Offhand, The Oregonian is not able people to fight out the question of only remedy for the scarcity of ves-to discover a reason why irrigation their form of government without sels to carry our commerce. He says criminating duties have proved un- nights do not deserve fine or jail sen-Mr. Wilson now says in effect that workable and that "changes in the

stewing. There is no especial merit in his leaving the Mexican factions remedy than Government purchase of

a woo ramer. The track in the project and thereby the track in the project and there induce quicker settlement and speed-ier cultivation, it would demonstrate the good faith of those who urged the investment and promote a more wide-development. Bonds of a district so organized would fulfil all the careful property, beyond telling American lives and property in that development. Bonds of a district so organized would fulfil all the careful property, beyond telling Americans to property, beyond telling has a such as a such a such as a such as a such a such as a requirements that must surround and set out of Mexico. His meddling has unnatural, dangerous and doubtful velt and Taft side by side in seeming asseguard the investment of the school helped to create a situation which would have furnished some European power with a good excuse to intervene, sidles and treaties stand in the way not so silly.

One thing stands out clearly. The power with a good excuse to intervene, sidies and treatles stand in the way time is inopportune to expect adoption of a millage tax or the approval of a state bond issue for reclamation pur-poses. This is an economy year. Yet the Legislature need not discard the of Americans and destroy or confis-nent success. It has succeeded with subject on that account. There are cate property of Americans, it is not the great ship-owning nations, and feasible methods available for extend-ing practical aid to the reclamation fore. Mr. Wilson interfered when he would succeed with the United States of much semi-arid land in Oregon. had no business and refrained from if followed to the end. We began by These methods may be a little slower interfering when he had urgent busiinterfering when he had urgent busi-ness. By his own misguided policy, in result, but if economy is to be prac-ticed by the Legislature costly speed in giving the people desirable things must be sacrificed and contentment

The President realizes that many and officers. This latter change, aided by the independent and Democratic newspa-pers which at first supported his Mex-war, has caused transfer to Ameriican policy have now become disgust- can register of over 100 vessels. ed with its utter futility,

but he need only to make permanent the re-The statement made by a member speaks with contempt of their criti- moval of the restrictions mentioned cism and boasts that he knows what and to eliminate all remaining restricmore

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can be induced to overcome his scruples about stepping from the judicial arena, he will before him. **DBVIOUS REMEDY IGNORED.** Secretary McAdoo assumes that the British Admiralty, ininger: or "Bullseyc" or something in the games as "Auinger: or "Bullseyc" or something on that order. Men who turn in false alarms to that the games has fallen off partially beinger tables have failed, that dis-Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold Men who turn in false alarms to make

Men who turn in false alarms to make the firemen tumble out cold nights do not deserve fine or jall sen-tence. They should be placed behind

course followed by the Democratic party's policy has something to do with it. One must not lose sight of the fact that millions of dollars have been spent in reduction of grades and bet-terments generally, and yet millions more are still needed to complete this

games of chance must exempt the effort of the white hope to down Johnwork, thereby putting railroads in po-sition to haul freight at the lowest

and completing the betterments of all the railroad systems in our fair State of Oregon. Railroads should be treated the same as an individual and are en-titled to a square deal. We want more railroads, more feed-ers to open up our isolated regions and to advance the development of millions of acres of land and give con-venience, comfort and prosperity to thousands of people. H. G. NEWPORT. photographer who suggested it was

Housewives who essay to make the "K" bread must cook the potato in the jacket, for the best of the tuber

Rosarians Hit at San Diego

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 6.-.(To the Editor.)-To the Oregonians who are residing in San Diego the recent visit of the Rosarians was a most welcome event, strengthening our pride in our marry, which is about what a sport like the late lamented would suggest.

event, strengthening our pride in our native state. The Rosarians, in their white uni-forms and headed by their splendid band, attracted more attention than any other one feature incident to the opening of our great exposition. The writer overheard a woman remark as they marched by in the parade, "They I have ever seen." The illustrated lecture on the Co-lumbia River Highway, which was When Italy and Roumania get into the war the allies will play ring around a rosy with Austria Hungary.

A battle between camel cavalry on borders of Egypt would give nov elty to the war news.

The headwriters will rejoice if the war should cut the hyphen out of Austria-Hungary.

ing, with four southpaws to put 'em over this season.

out knowing It.

So far the Invincible has justified her name, but the war is not yet over.

Bombs may hit near the Kaiser, bu

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NO EXCEPTIONS IN DRY STATUTE

Contributor Declares for Prohibition of

to them

We want a real prohibition law: no trifling and no exceptions. HENRY BLOOD.

The correspondent has apparently

misunderstood the intent of the hotelen. The proposal is not that they be exempted by the Legislature from the provisions of the prohibition law, but

If it has a milled edge (Not lettered) llectors will pay from 75 cents to

\$2.50 for it, according to the state of year. Make an impression of it by rubbing a lead pencil over white paper

and send the impression to the Scott Stamp & Coin Co., New York.

Preference of the Lehser Ewil.

New York Sun. "I can give you a cold bite," said the

"Why not warm it up?" asked the

Anxiety to Correct a Mistake.

Christian Register. "Look here!" said an excited man a druggist. "You gave me morphine

to a druggist. "You gave me morphin for quinine this morning." "Is that so?" replied the druggis "Then you owe me 25 cents."

COMPETENT CLERKS ARE NEEDED Unwise to Cut Salaries of Certain Leg-

bittered oid age, could have any uncom-promising political foe of her husbandt No doubt if he heard the saloonkeeper and his wife denouncies the eloquent temperance orator as a drunkard and a hypocrite, he would write it down as a "fair and impartial" statement of fact.

The writer has also received a letter

The writer has also received a letter from General W. H. Seward, of Auburn, N. Y. General Seward, who is a gal-lant veteran of the Civil War and a man of unquestioned honor and in-tegrity, states that the story that his father was a slaveholder is not only absolutely false, but that "the whole means of his life controllets it" and

record of his life contradicts it," and adds:

adds: "He frenly responded to appeals of slaves or their friends to help tham to buy or otherwise obtain their freedom, but not one dollar did he ever give to

fact.

PORTLAND, Jan. 10 .- (To the Editor.)--I notice that part of an entry ing's "economy" plan in dealing with clorks at the Legislature is to reduce all salaries, including those on the judiciary and revision of laws. From my experience that is penny wise and pound foolish. How he expects to get competents clorks, who can spot an unconstitu-

Contributor Declares for Prohibition of Liquor Sales by Anyone. . PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—(To the Edi-tot.)—The hotelmen of Oragon printer by the paily Porland, would like to have the Legislature grant a special privilege to them in the drafting of the prohibi-to them and the liquor interest; it would open a loophole for the sale of a large tion of the spirit of the prohibition states. But it would be a direct viola-tion of the spirit of the prohibition amendment. I voted for a law that would mean the entire prohibition of liquor into Oragon, with ne accept-tions for hotelkeepers, druggissa, or smayone else. Such a law we want. If a different one is passed by the Legis-lature it will mean that they are un-will be held accountable. There is no dianger that a desirable olass of home builders will be drawn by that very fact; while the tourist to the survive a brief drouth. Just an many will come, and the beautiful to the manufacture. Sale or survers and strue it will mean that they are un-will be held accountable. There is no dianger that a desirable of survive a brief drouth. Just an many will come, and the beautiful will be held accountable. There is no dianger that a desirable class of home builders will be drawn by that very fact; while the tourist we want a real prohibition law; no We want a real prohibition law; no We want a real prohibition law; no we mant a real prohibition law; no we want a real prohibition law; no we want a real prohibition law; no we want a real prohibition law; no we mant a real prohibition law; no we want a real proh

A is correct. BORING, Or., Jan. 5.—(To the Edi-tor.).—Playing cribbage A holds three Queens and 5: B holds J, double 4. 5. B's crib. A plays Queen, B 5 (counts 15-2), A pairs the 5 (counts 26) with a pair): B plays 4 (counts 26), then J (counts 27 with 3 holes), then plays 4 (counts 37 with 5 holes). A says 21 with 2 boles, claiming the 5 is out of play. Which is correct? A. E.

July 2, 1890.

July 2, 1890. PORTLAND, Jan. 3.—(To the Hell-tor.).—By way of deciding a wager as to accuracy of data in your editomal today on the President's Jackson day speech, will you kindly sive exact date of passage of the Sherman anti-trafit act. One party to wager holds you in error in putting this performance with-in 36-year limit. WALTER SPROCH.

Creation of Storytellers.

Marriage brings out latent qualities in a man. Just think how many great storytellers it has made.

An Analysis For Manufacturers

There are places where the pro pects for sales are better the other places, are there not? than

Very well. Why cover the soun-try with an advertising blanket, paying your money for good and bad allke?

Why not concentrate your selling attack on the centres where the outlook is brightent?

In other words, use newspapers.

No other business builder has so many advantages as the newspuper. No one is so cheap.

The illustrated lecture on the Co-lustrig-Hungary. The Beavers will have them guess-ng, with four southpaws to put 'em ver this season. Probably a good many of us have teen eating and liking K bread with ut knowing it. Secretary Bryan seems to be about as poor a shot with a gun as with his out a shot with a gun as with his seems a penny peep-show. C. E. HICKOK. tramp. "There ain't any wood sawed." "So? Well, give it to me cold." Remark of a Candid Chum. "Why are you moping there, Dick?"

"Tve no one to play with." "Well, go and fetch Freddie next

"Oh, I played with him yesterday, and I don't suppose he's well enough to come out yet."