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THE OBSTINATE MINORITY.

The Republican minority in the Schare which is attempting to talk the ship-pur-chase bill to death is also attempting to talk majority rule to death. If by its fillobuster it can provent action before the expiration of Congress of March 4 it will have defeated majority rule as emphatically as would guinnen at a polling place who dreve intending voters away from the bal-lot bax-New York World.

The Democratic majority in Conterie of Republican Senators in the we say so-cause the der-recent session, the Democratic Con-mans in effect say that there was no gress, throwing to the winds its hypo-treaty to which the German empire critical professions of economy, would was a party for the protection of Beihave passed an infamous pork-barrel gium's neutrality. From the course of grab; now it would jam through a a long article in the Oregon Herold, ship-purchase bill that in its original on the "Case of Belgium," we take the form would have provoked trouble following:

irreconcilable minority.

cedure will be of benefit in protecting the state's interests even though the resolution submitted in the Senate yesterday fails to bring about a confernce of the water-power states of the German attitude, viz.;

Until now the sentiment of the state expressed at Washington through the limited power of a Con-Moreover the Representatives and Senators from Oregon have the desires of the people. The resolu-tion commits the state to the definite rights, as against Germany and all uterest of the Federal Government in the development of water powers.

The Ferris bill, as it has passed the lower House of Congress, in effect de-chares even more than a 50 per cent country 3 interest on the part of the Governreach a better understanding of some ment in the development and benefits water power. The state owns the things it has not seen clearly set strength. When the war ends, the water power, even that located on forth Paramount to the value of the state's value of the state's value of the land is but incidental to development. The state in practiced in Benton County. But is practiced in Benton County. But is practiced in Benton County. But resources, but the Government in that county is no exceptional cause for discouragement in that county is no exceptional cause for the water is the county is no exceptional cause for the water is the county in the County is no exceptional cause for the water is county in the County is no exceptional cause for the water is county in the County is no exceptional cause for the water is county in the County is no exceptional cause for the water is county in the County in the County is county in the in order to develop its water-power disconragement in that county. Its resources, but the Government is seeking to trade upon the state's necessity Times' presentment, is about the usual and thereby build up a fictitious value thing. Other counties have been doing Only In point of reversionary interest the on its own property Government seeks an advantage over suits are precisely nothing. The Ga-the state. Of revenues it demands 50 zette Times permits its memory to run the state. Of revenues in definition of read work during which \$423,142 have been spent without obtaining "a sin-price at which power is delivered to the consumers. The higher the rental manent roadway." It is pretty nearly the consumers. The nigher the rental manent roadway. It is prefty hearly charge the higher the cost of electric the same everywhere, in some places current. The rental is a tax upon the same everywhere, in some a little worse. We do not gather from the Gazette-has asserted that this tax should not e merely nominal. If the-state received its just share ways, while we could point to places of the rentals there would still remain the objection that the consumers in one locality were being taxed for the fact and the tears of the Gazette-000.000 men have been enlisted in the Ferris bill proposes that the state for hearing of it. But the Times may flow a little less copiously shall not receive its just share of the The considerable sum which has rentals, and that the tax exacted in been spent on the roads of Benton half of the Government shall be County in the last eleven years would expended for the development of Gov- have built about forty miles of con ernment irrigation projects. Oregon has already had the bitter signate. Such a road properly say experience of witnessing a diversion graded and drained would have lasted, of money paid by its own citizens for with moderate annual repairs, for a Government land-a diversion to the hundred years. Roman roads of simistates. The adoption of the Ferris bill have endured for 2000 years. The ns it is drawn means to all intents and annual work in Benton County, we purposes that Oregon shall continue learn, regularly disappears under the wrote: out money for the upbuilding Winter rains and the wheels of auto-mobiles, so that it must be done over of distant communities which contrib ute nothing to Oregon's development and over again with wearisome and futile repetition every season. The or Oregon's cost of government The Oregonian would not object to ruts are worn and the ruts are filled, nn equitable leasing law which also and what is it all when all is done,"" defined an equitable principle of cocontrol. But the Govern- that will be permanent. A mile or ment's idea of co-operation as ex- two each year of scientific concrete pressed through the office of the Sec-retary of the Interior has not been spiration which would work up enthuco-operation. The state's co-oper- stasm among users of the highways ation is usually held down to putting and ultimately introduce a wholesome up money or property and then taking revolution in rural methods. No doubt The Government does this is true. back seat. But it is easily feasible to make all the rest. We are not apprehensive of the state's ability to control its own road work permanent. There is no property, or to insure its own develop- sound reason why annual repairs property, or to insure its own develop- sound reason ment and keep out of the clutches of should be trivial and evanescent. They monopoly and private speculation, should be as permanent as concret Oregon's people are on the ground. The principal repairs on roads fall They know what Oregon needs. They under the heads of drainage, fills and are jealous of their own power and regrading. A new grade properly se-confident of their own legislative and lected and surveyed is done for all men and had 4,000,000 untrained men administrative ability in every other eternity. It needs no change. A fill properly made and drained will last, with slight yearly repairs, as long as the road is used. The underlying se-cret of permanent repairs is drainage. this? We can see no reason why the Government should not for the benefit of a people turn over to Oregon Here its triffing interest in water power That is what the Senute resolution suggests. It is a song declaration. is uscless to lay down even a concrete roadbed until the drainage is secure. Fills without adequate drains always

NEWSPAPERS IN SCHOOLS.

Educational opinion in Boston rather inclines to favor the use of

topics." In this way, he thinks, they than the month preceding, for exports might secure good practice in oral continue to increase, while imports de-

Davis, sunday included, one month 73 Nathaniel C. Fowler, "would make How to Remit-Send Pestoffice money or-fer, caprens order or personal check on Your ficulum of every school above the riculum of every school above the including county and state. Postare Rates-12 to 15 pages, 1 cent; 15 to 32 pages, 2 cents; 15 to 55 pages, 2 cents; 52 to 76 pages, 5 cents; 75 to 22 pages, 6 cents; 62 to 76 pages, 5 them can hardly be called proper

rits 78 to 22 parts of fice Verse & Conk-ts, double rates. Eastern Business Office Verse & Conk-body else, so far as that goes. But it hody else, so far as that goes. But it must be conceded that the ordinary newspaper is clean and wholesome. It has fractised office R. J. Bidwell Com. presents the facts of current history in a lively and usually exact manner. while its English compares favorably with that of "best-seller" fiction, to say the least. It is easy to avoid par-

tisanship by using newspapers of vari-ous shades of opinion and if this were to one shades of opinion and it the would the favorable balance for the year is done we dare say the pupils would profit more from them than from that for the year 1913. For the seven that for the year 1913. For the seven

FOR A BETTER UNDERSTANDING The Oregonian deems it only fair gress needs nothing so much as pro-tection from itself. Except for the determined opposition of a small co-terie of Republican Senators in the We say "so-called," because the Ger-

form would have provoked trouble with every belligerent European pow-er. A powerful minority has so far, under the wide-open Senate rules, been able to hold up this inconceivable foily, and will probably be able to de-feat the bill outright, or to amend it into innocaousness. The rule of the minority is indeed hard to defend in popular government. It is curious now to note how the promulgated by "Ccar" Reed to de-feat the obstreperous tactles of a re-calcitrant Democratic minority—with respect and approbation. But it may well be wondered how far the unwise and foolish Democratic majority would take the country on the downward road, except for the irreconcilable minority.

of imports over exports, which amounted in December to \$3,978,139. The constant swelling of our volume of merchandise exports and shrinkage in our volume of merchandise imports

We are aware that Belgium is a most sensitive question, and that any holdings has not come. Belligerent WE ARE NOT INCOMPETENT. If Oregon alone can define authori-up will soon find himself on the one pide or the other. But if on the one If Oregon alone can define authori-tatively a water power policy satis-factory to the state at large that pro-violence to a professed and well-intentioned attitude of neutrality, we money in this country with which to for war supplies Already durpay the ing the war about \$100,000,000 en borrowed in this country, either Herold, a further elucidation of the be by belligerents or by neutrals to meet

(1) Did the treaty of 1839, merely binding Prussia, lapse when the North war emergencies. These measures will only temporarily check gold imports German Federation was formed? Or (2) Did the treaty of 1870 supersede the treaty of 1829? (2) Does the country, which will figure in the fuate an annual interest debt to this country, which will figure in the fugressional delegation, small in number the treaty of 18297 (3) Does the country, which will figure in the fu-in comparison with those of other main German contention rest on the ture treade balance and must be paid for that there was no treaty or that in either soil or merchandler.

fact that there was no treaty, or that in either gold or merchandise. if there was a treaty the vital interests of Germany justified its violation? The figures which we have quoted from a Commerce Department bulletin prove every statement made by principle that the interest of the state is in proportion much larger than the was no treaty? Or had Belgium no ex-Representative Watson in sovereign rights as against the vital of the Underwood tariff. Under the interests of Germany or any other influence of that measure we were month by month, buying more and

The Oregonian begs to assure its selling less abroad, and were pilling up friend the Heroid that its purpose is an adverse trade balance which was not at all to invite controversy, but to draining this country of gold. 'The war alone stopped this sapping of our

Once done they will be avoid it "owing to the magnificent repermanent done forever, though of course total sponse now being made.' neglect will ruin them as it will any road work. The trouble at the bottom Mr. Wilson believes universal serv

road work. The trouble at the bottom ice will be necessary and outlines a of our miserable roads is not so much plan and its results. Placing military In this instance ignorance is the root ber of men yearly who reach that age of all evil.

in the United Kingdom at 430,000, of whom over 200,000 would be qualified.

Starting with the enrollment of all between twenty and twenty-six, he es-COURSE OF FOREIGN TRADE. Each month shows a larger balance timates the first line army at 969,000. of try le in favor of the United States and the second line at 488,000 men between twenty-seven and thirty-one continue to increase, while imports de-rease. The months since the war bewith 200,000 men yearly joining the first line and an equal number passgan make the following showing: gan make the following showing: Menth. Exports Imports Balance Under this plan the soldier's pay \$119.507.494 \$129.767.890 \$ 19.400.396 156.052.333 139.710.611 16.741.722 196.711.176 135.050.520 56.600.650 206.575.353 132.470.062 70.411.471 246.256.047 114.402.970 131.863.677 ling a day for the cavalry, horse ar-

favorable trade balance until it had turned against us is seen in the move-ment of gold. Exports in 1914 were \$222,616,156, against \$91,798,610 in 1913, and imports were \$57,387,741 in 1913, and imports were \$57,387,741 in 1914, against \$63,704,832 in 1913. The balance of exports over imports was \$165,228,415 in 1914 against only \$165,228,415 in 1914 against only \$28,093,778 in 1913. The bulk of the efficiency. A young man who devotes gold exports of 1914 were made in the four years to a regular college course first six months, and the movement was checked by the beginning of grain exports in July. It was temporarily renewed after the war began by ex-biling of gold to settle our foreign when occasion requires, but better to debts but the stratt fir to be the set our foreign when occasion requires, but better to debts, but the great trade balance in fill his place in the community.

The chaplain of the Penlientiary is to receive \$50 a month. This is small pay for an outside man, but must do until one is caught. For these jobs, preference should be given "insiders." The prison paper is produced by 4 minutes and Gratifude. The chaplain of the Penitentiary is promises to increase our gold imports, especially as the expected liquidation printer and is well done. Other lines are well represented in the institution. In fact, the real-estater is about the count for the ready clemency of a late Executive.

> Canned pig is something new in the embalming line. The German govern ment is said to be ready to invest \$50. 000,000 in the article to be used to tave fodder. If this means the stuff is to be fed to horses, it is waste of The fighting man fed on substance. pork has been a winner since wars egan. The horse is more dainty and the result will be watched.

The heavy fine given yesterday to dealer who sold decayed oranges will bring great joy to men who have been victimized but lacked the fighting quality. Soldom does a woman get fooled; she watches the dealer, not only as to quality, but the count as A man will arrive home with well. the dozen one or two short, but never his wife.

an adverse trade balance which was draming this country of goid. The war alone stopped this sapping of our strength. When the war ends, the stimulated the growth of the X. A, in Petrograd. Subscriptions to write plays for the motion pictures with the progress of reconstruction in the progress of reconstruction in the mathematic are emember the disin-war-wasted contines. It will be in-It is interesting to notice that war

before the end.

Stars and Starmakers BY LEONE CASS BAER

written by an inmate of Sing Sing. It will be recalled that the premiere the play took place in the prison chapel on Christmas day,

In his review Young wrote:

The play "Sinners" appeared for its first trial before the select body of expert "sin-ners" gathered together at this justly celehers' gathered logether at this justy clea-brated Summer and Winter resout (which, by the way, is no sin-e-cure). The jury was large and enthusiantic, and the worlder rea-der d was 'Not wanting in all that ought to bring success," and the judgment 'Sen-tenced to a long if o on Broadway with hard labor-to handle the crowds around the box-

ffleg."

Earl Dwire, once a Baker player, is stage director of the Bijou Stock Comthe company is playing "The Girl of the Golden West," with Marcelle Hamilton as the girl.

the Golden West, "with Marcelle Ham-liton as the girl. Lillian Crossman, a Portland girl, is appearing in munical stock at the Shenandoah Theater in St. Louis, Mo. Her husband, Charles Sinclair, is di-rector of the company. Mabel Wilber, of "Merry Widow" memories, is Miss Crossman's alternate as prima donna. Josie Heather, the little English Personal property, like movigages.

Josie Heather, the little English omedienne, has ceased appearing as a h ingle in vaudoville. Henry I. Marahall

is her partner. He presides at a baby grand plano and even sings while the little Heather is flitting from one frock to another.

Dorothy Morton has formed a vaudeville partnership with Neil McKay in a comedy with music by Ray Peck.

Reginald Wright Kauffman, author o The House of Bondage," has con tracted with the Humanology Film

BAR TOWAGE WARNING IS ISSUED Twenty-five Years Ago

Proposal to Jurn Over Port of Portland Business to Sound Is Feared.

MARY EDGETT BAKER observes that the more slender the actress of today the more paradoxically and insistently she seems to think of her-self in terms of three figures. "Bully" William T Pangle writes to say that in the mercenary theatrical world a full house in "Bertha, the Swy ing Machine Girl," is better than four kings in Shakespearean historical drayma. One of the undesirable disadvantages in the "being worlt a big salary" is the frequent difficulty of getting it.

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that of their own ports, where the owners have millions of dollars invest-ed in real estate, and the development of their own maritime interests if es-sential to the preservation of their holdings. The tugs are trying to get control of the Columbia River ship-ping for the gold dollars that they can cart back to their owners, incidentally and maturally doing all possible to promote the shipping industry in which their Puget Sound owners are heavily interested. The Port of Portland can, by placing the service in charge of an experienced tugboat man, afford as good if not better service (which would be free of suspición of diverting business to Puget Sound than the opposition tugs A change of policy and a little ginger in the management of the service on the river would preclude all possible chance of opposition tugs gaining a foothold to our midst to the better ment of Seatle and Taxoma interests. W. J. JONES. ment of Seatle and Tacoma interests. W. J. JONES.

Half a Century Ago COMMUNITY PROPERTY RIGHTS.

"Dower and Courtesy" Not So Fair Writes Mrs. L. W. Therkelsen, PORTLAND, Feb. 2.--(To the E m.)--The dower right as held by From The Oregenian, February 4, 1165. With this issue The Morning Oregean begins volume V

ton.7--The dower right as held by the statutes of Oregon gives to a widow one-half the income of real property over and above the running expenses of the same, for life only, or in lieu of dower, during probating of will, the may accept a monotary consideration arranged along a mortality or age scale. This works to a disadvantage both ways.

and insufficient for her needs. Personal property, like mortganges, bonds, stocks, etc., in fact all but real estate, can be denied a woman by her husband's will in Oregon. A husband dying intestate or without a will, she is entitled to dower in real and one-half of all his personal setate. Courtesy and dowers are now identical. A com-

and dower are now identical. A com-

munity property rights bill, in which husband and wife share equally or nearly so, seems fairer. Childron's lu-terests can be protected by the laws of inheritan MRS. 1_ W. THERKELSEN.

Picking the Toeth.

The following names have been placed on the list of candidates for United States Senator from California by their friends: Governor Low, A. A. Sargent, T. G. Pholps, P. M. Pixley, J. MeM. Shafter, J. B. Southard, J. W. Wi-nans, Fred Billings and H. S. Brows.

County School Superintendent G. H. Arkinson has issued a notice to all teachers in Multiounal County that all wishing to have their certificates re-newed should see him at once as 16 ex-

iminations

Mesers. William M. Armstrong and Samuel Miller yesterday passed a high-ly creditable examination at the Pori-land Commercial Academy, find are rec-ommended by Principal T. Patterson to

the main conduct books on scientific princi

It is understood that four sets of of-ficers' quarters are to be created imme-diately at Port Vancouver. The presant quarters are much crowded.

The great burleague character of Po-ca-hon-tas was assumed last night by Mrs. Irwin at the Willamette Theater. The bonutiful drama, "Lest Legacy." also was performed. "Colleen Bawa" will be produced this evening.

Table in Cauch has conted a

to all against cutting wood ar on any land claim without leave

Electricity as Health Asset.

KELSO, Wash, Feb. 2.—(To the Edi-tor, i.—Please state in The Oregonian whether it has been proved that all-ments or diseases of the human body can be curred, or if any benefit to the nervous system can be secured from electricity by means of electric belts. A READER

Electricity has been established an

an aid to health under cortain condi-

tions, its value is not disputed. The forms of application are. The electric

bett has brought forth various oplo-

Jumping of Claim.

A READER.

uses to all against

ions.

Berlin is buying heavy supplies in wash out. No grade, however selen-ournands. So long as business is tifically surveyed, will last long withgood us doubt Roumania will keep out out complete drainage. With due at-of the fray and after her surplus sup- tention to these fundamental princivet become a plies have been bought up she will not ples all road repairs may be made like it," and the government hoped to

it to renew the destructive conditions coat. board and by following ifs guidance

as to facts and conditions, to restore industry to permanent American healthy prosperity.

COMPULSORY SERVICE NEAR. At its present session the British

Parliament is likely to consider seriously the proposition to adopt co pulsory military service, at least for the duration of the present war, perhaps permanently. Notwithstanding many reports that recruiting was slow

000,000 men have been enlisted in the volved, it is quite needless to state. arious services and forces," but the have

British Empire seems to hausted the supply of volunteers. It must next resort to the class of men been launched in Mexico, Now

who are willing to respond when they are called, but who maintain that, if the government needs them, it must With a view to ascertaining h

warships successfully shelled a Rus-sian military position. Must have been many such men are available, a canvass has been made of each housean outpost. ld and has brought forth some remarkable replies. A Nottingham man

size shrinks, only a cafeteria carver can cut the slices thin enough to go I am only 4 ft. 7 in, but in good h Do you think it would be possible t might join as a mascet for some regin around.

A Stockport man wrote of his house, evidently alluding to himself: Only one male occupant, sixty-four ; f age, but he has a gun and can, ould, shbot. foe.

A man who had been refused beause five years ago he had been imprisoned for a minor crime, wrote: 'Do you want fighters or parsons? A Weish family responded: "Ten willing. Sorry too poor to stamp envelope." Of these ten, nine are already erving in army or navy. But the Mail writer points out that

compulsory service in Germany auto-matically added to the army last Ocas many men as composed Kitchener's first new army, and will operate in the same way throughout the war. He estimates that Germany entered the war with 5,250,000 trained available. He argues that some auto matic process of filling the gaps in a field army of perhaps 1,000,000 men.

acting on the offensive, will be neces cret of permanent repairs is drainage. sary, and that universal service will Here is where amateur and political best supply this need. Lord Haldane road building almost always fails. It said in the Heuse of Lords that no new law was necessary to ostablish compulsory service, but that "it is a duty which rests on the inherent co stitution of the country to assist in

repelling an invasion." He said, how ever, that compulsory service "has not necessity, or anything

coat Now she objects to the Stars which were interrupted by the war. and Stripes in films from this side. the Ella Wheeler Wilcox poem, and Which were intertuited of the wait and shipes in inner shad to see the "Are They Born or Made." a drama can be trusted, by establishing a tariff beard and by following if guidance fatherly respect for the combination. They for an or Made." a drama of gang methods and politics by Rose himself. Mr. Kauffman's works have

all been treatments of serious prob-The Legislature is described as lems, such as come within the scope grinding its ax to complete the econ-of the Humanology Company. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kauffn

Both Mr. and Mrs. Kauffman have and magnifying glass might be needed just returned from the European battle front, where they had unusual oppor-

tunities of observing real conditions, through the fact that Mr. Kauffman The Administration will consent to two battleships this year. Which in-sures us of a first place at least among staff, and Mrs. Kauffman acted as a staff, and Mrs. Kauffman acted as a the powers of the American continent. Red Cross nurse. It is said that an unusual treatment of the situation in

Bryan has actually taken issue with Europe will be among the first of Mr. the German Ambassador. But cheer up. No issue of importance is in-Kauffman's works for the screen.

Princess Ibrahim Hassan, once Ols Humphrey, a San Francisco girl who married an almost title in Turkey and state will then divorced it, is posing in a series

census of Mexican revolutions?

Constantinople reports that Turkish Wilson Migner not only writes his own plays and aketohes, but also produces them himself,

Last Monday night he produced a sketch entitled "Ships That Pass in the Night," at Keith's Theater in Jersey If the price of the loaf rises or the City, and it was booked at once at the Fifth Avenue Theater, where it is be-ing shown now.

It is sail that the woman start, or is even stronger and more dramatic than that of "Frisco Kate" in "The Deep Purple." But why should Germany object to our sale of hydro-aeroplanes? They're about as destructive to friend as to

Thirteen-year-old girls who disap-pear to visit without telling parents of heir destination are fooling with fate. That ship-purchase dream is too unch even for Democrats who have ome vestige of a balance wheel. their destination are fooling with fate,

Another new revolution has just

much even for Democrats who have some vestige of a balance wheel.

A brief news item is needed now and then to remind one the Portuguese are fighting the Germans.

January revenue receipts feil milions short. Did anyone expect any thing different?

The way grain is soaring is begin ing to go against the grain of the oor consume

First thing we know the same Re. ublican minority will be in control f Congress,

The effort to put the trading stamp ut of business is cruelty to woman.

Tip: Regin now saving for that vaation trip to the Fair.

Pay your taxes early.

If a substance in the tooth distress while eating it is allowable to

comove it in an unostentatious way: shielding the operation as much as possible with the napkin. The practice of "picking the teeth" is not a part of the table hour. Like broshing the teeth, it is more to be done in private.

Liquor Limit Draws Protest.

PORTLAND, Peb. 1. — (To the Ed-tor.) — I notice that the prohibition will now before the House states that a family can have two quarts of whisky and 24 bottles of beer in a period of 30 days. Well, it's the regu-lar old thing again. Give the Prohi-bitionists an inch and they will take a

bitionists an inch and they will take a yard. They made it common news that they only wanted to kneck out the saloons, and that they didn't want to deprive families of their rights to have what they desired, but look at them. It's all hog or none with them. I wish there were some of the Representa-tives and State Senators at Salem with backbone enough to stand up for the work.

Brtish Museum Exhibits.

Let the Oregon Lead

PORTLAND, Feb. 3.--(To the Edi-tor.)--If a man owns a donation land claim which for 40 years has been sold and resold, can it at this date bo jumped as a mining claim? SUBSCRIBER. backbone enough to stand up for rights of some of the people of af this Communicate with the United States A. C. CUMMINGS.

Land Office, Customs building, Portland. There are always circumstances

London Chronicle. The number of separate objects added o the collection of the several depart-sents of the British museum during Sil to be reckoned with in matters of this kind. The Land Office officials will shally give you detailed information if you will explain your case in de-tail.

Whereabouts of Crown Prince.

Whereabouts of Leaven France. LEWISTON, Idaho, Feb. 12.-(To the Editor)-I am a constant reader of rour paper, and being intercated in the Surposen war I would like to know what became of the Crown, Frince. We what seeking of them him once he got a nave not heard from him once he got a rargo of pipes for his army. Has he point to see his father's partner, or is he still on earth, and where?" ROGER MORRIEEY.

The Crown Prince has been very much in the news of late, even having time to be interviewed. He is at resent supposed to be somewhere nea

Fashion's Little Bird Is Whispering

That little bird whose twitter of the first notes of Spring fashions is such sweet music to every woman is beginning to raise its voice.

Designers are busy, and the col-orisis are ready to show their handi-work. The first shoots of the East-er blooms are in sight.

The stores are reporting the arag each day.

They are growing more interest-ng, and their advertising reflects new life and color.

If you are not an advertising rader login with this have of The egenian.

The huminess nows will give the first authentic bluts of the new styles and tell you where to see them.

As to Lumber Prices. PORTLAND, Feb. 3, -(To the Edi-ior.)-In Utah. Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska and Eastern centers lumber is retailing for \$22.50, \$25,50, \$35, \$40 and as high as \$60 a thousand. It can be bought at our mills here for \$8, \$12, \$16 and \$26. Who gets the big ret apple? Is it the poor railroad com-pany or the little rotailer? We are told that in New York, Fuget Sound and cantadian border lumber is selling for less than in Eastern Idaho. ONCE A DEMOCRAT. Market State Stat

RAINIER, Or., Feb. 3 .-- (To the Edi-tor.)---Will you please state through your columns the different metals used

and copper alloy is read. For silver Berkeley, Cal. copper is the alloy.

As to Lumber Prices.

Alloy in Gold Coins

May. Me led, led on, the Panama way.

Alloy in Gold Coins. RAINIER, Or., Feb. 2. --(To the Edi-tor.)--Will you please state through in cointing gold corrency? ALICE E. CRAVEN, Gold coins are 300 fine. A silver and copper alloy is reed. For silver in column gold currency? ALICE E. CRAVEN,

On that great day, on that great day Let the Oregon lead, lead on the way! This goodly ship, ah, splendid and strong!