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LAST OF THE GERMAN RAIDERS. The British apology to Chile for the sinking the cruiser Dresden mollifies

Dresden from the bottom of the sea. If Britain could sink a few more German cruisers under the same circumstances at the same cost, she would doubtless be ready with an apology in

But she is not likely to have the opportunity. If the reports that the is likely to be materially impaired. Karlsruhe was wrecked in the West Indies are correct, the last German Kronpring Wilhelm came into Newport News. The latter is likely to follow the example of the Prinz Eitel Friedrich by interning. If it should venture out, it would probably find the waiting British cruisers more vigilant than when they let the German ship in,

Elimination of the last of the Ger-Count Reventlaw in the Deutsche Tages Zeitung to increase immensely the effectiveness of the British navy. He infers from Mr. Churchill's statement after the battle of the Falkland Islands that "the employment of many vessels in the Dardanelles was rendered possible by the liberation of the British forces on the ocean." He says that as long as the German squadron is great deal with scant funds in Clat-displayed activity it "demanded the sop and Columbia counties. Washactivity of an enemy force ten times its superior, and the British were compelled to maintain in six or seven naval bases squadrons each one had to be in a position to destroy the German squadron." He adds: these forces are now at liberty for service in European waters."

These remarks suggest the question whether it would not have been good policy for Germany to send out whole navy, except enough to control the Baltic Sea, on raiding expeditions. All the units might have been run down and sunk, but they could have almost paralyzed British commerce for tering of the British navy. Under might have won several battles like provement all over the state. that off Coronel. Germany might have lost her navy, but she would have made her enemy pay an awful price for naval supremacy. Her navy has accomplished insignificant results comwith its cost, except for the havec wrought by submarines.

# ALASKA RAILROAD POLICY.

and who has studied it from the rail- state. road man's standpoint. They are marred, however, by a predilection for metal mining and by an underestimate of the value of agriculture and coal gress must give its approval. In gain-from a state and a section where

ly prefer fresh vegetables to those republic of Texas. which have been taken north in cold estorage.

not agree with that of Fairbanks men from each would render more likely ate. Having long enjoyed unquesand Western Alaska metal miners, Congressional assent to division of one tioned away in his party, he had no who have been clamoring for Alaska coal, Coal is still used for domestic and for steam in many factories. It approval of the state itself, is first to passing popularity, he seems to have will still hold a place as fuel.

Failure to take advantage of the coal-leasing law is not conclusive against that system. There has been and continues to be stagnation in new enterprises of all kinds. Intending investors are probably awaiting railroad facilities, which they cannot expect short of two years. Coal mines have been developed under lease in other countries. Why not in Alaska?

Copper River Railroad does not imply a decision by the Government not to buy it. Until it has been appraised the Government will not know how much zinning where it can, and, while ex-Copper River road.

# THE DURATION OF LIFE.

crease in the average length of schools and small city systems, as Mr. against him was so strong that he won conturies. During the seventeenth are asked by teachers often embar-and eighteenth the increase was at rass them, for all their excellent train-

the normal condition of mankind and peace the rare exception. It is not at all true that modern science and invention have increased either the frequency or the destructiveness of war Entered at Portland, Oregon, Postoffice as and our long intervals of peace have second-class matter.

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In America the average rate of in-rease of the length of life has been less than in Europe. Here it is but fourteen years instead of seventeen. Professor Irving Fisher, of Yale, attributes this to the prevalence of the 'diseases of maturity" among us, particularly the diseases of the blood vessels, which, he says, cause four times as many deaths as they did ten years "Our vital organs wear out" ago. sooner than they should, to quote Professor Fisher's words. The cause of this calamity may be found in part in our intemperate use of alcohol, in tobacco, drugs and vice, but its principal cause, if we may trust Professor "is the general neglect of in-

Some people under modern indus trial conditions cannot live hygienically; others could, but they are too ig-PORTLAND, SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 1915, norant or indifferent to do so. In any case nature punishes them by premature death and fastens degeneracy upon their children. It therefore stands the Nation in hand if it cares breach of neutrality committed in to maintain its pre-eminence in the world to look after this matter. No that country, but does not raise the country can continue great with a de-

generate population. The present war will cut down the average rate of increase of the duration of life. So many men are falling their youth and early prime not only will the average length of life be showtened, but the vigor of the race

### OUR ROAD PROBLEMS.

Other counties voted bonds for roadbuilding before Multnomah. Jackson might well be adorned with the legend County was the first and was followed "Back to Moses," for that ancient lawby Clatsop and Columbia. An election giver, or his representatives, knew and was held in Marion County, but the bonds were defeated by a large majority. Now that Multnomah has decided to put \$1,250,000 into good roads it is fully, but they took wonderfully effiman raiding cruisers is admitted by likely the citizens of other counties will cient precautions against infection. consider the advisability of raising

One trouble in the way of extensive not, under the law, raise money enough to make a good start in Their history is proof enough, hard-surfaced roads. We all re-vitality, their abounding genius Benton, Linn and Lane Counties may better than most. have taxable values sufficient to call for bonds of a sufficient amount to tilla County could do the same; but there are several large, sparsely populated countles in Oregon that cannot raise money enough under constitutional limitations to bulld one paved and climatic conditions do not so imperatively call for surfaced roads,

The outlook on the whole is encouraging. The great agitation on the subject of good, or at least better, roads is having its effect and we may those circumstances the Germans look for a general and gradual im-

The suggestions as to the best policy regation of the southern portion. It must acknowledge that the man who of Government railroad construction is now announced that the business held undisputed sway in the Senate in Alaska, which are contained in a men of Glendive, Mont., are circulat- throughout the Roosevelt Administra communication published in another ing a petition for state division, and column, are of interest as emanating that the people of the western part of against growing revolt in the ranks of ors to Italy on completion of the Apfrom a man who knows the country North Dakota desire to form a new his own party during the first half of penine aqueduct that has 1875 miles of for an appropriation of \$8000 for a mail

railroads are built, and will furnish a large in area, but it was annexed with expediency caused him to make contion by the fog which is meat and growing market. Freight will act as the right reserved to the people thereof cessions to the new ideas, but he made drink to the cockney? a protective tariff in favor of Alaska to form four additional states out of them grudgingly and fought for every farmers and the Alaskans will certain- the territory included in the original inch of ground he yielded on railroad

opinion of the prospect that Alaska or more states the addition of two will furnish a market for its coal does Democratic members to the Senate prompted his retirement from the Sen-

work on Texas to take the lead.

principals."

"Intermediate Methods" and Miss Mc-Intosh of "Grammar Methods," while Miss Taylor will handle the extremely Important subject of "Playground Su-

the pupils. No doubt Miss Taylor will enacted and helpful middle praised by Aristotle and is so seldom not disposed to crow openly, but profession of pedagogy.

BIBLICAL EUGENICS. There is a multitude of facts to uphold C. I. Collins' contention that the Bible inculcates the principles of eugenics. In his discourse upon that theme before the Eugene divinity school he brought out some of them, but not perhaps the most weighty Some critics might not agree with Mr. Collins that Cain was eliminated from the Hebrew stock for eugenic reasons The Bible, at any rate, gives no hint of any such a thought and that is our only source of information on Cain's affairs. If Cain the murderer was eliminated for eugenic reasons why was the gentle and kindly Abel eliminated?

But these more or less credible stories from the ages of myth are happily by no means our only grounds for believing that the Bible teaches extremely sound and practical precepts not only regarding marriage and birth, but also regarding general hygiene. Taken as a whole, the Levitical laws lay down the best system of practical health precepts ever formulated and it is not at all to the credit of the Christian world that it has neglected many of them while it has taken infinite pains to emphasize certain trifling

matters of ceremony.
Our modern hygienic regulations enforced most of them. they had not yet discovered the germs and microbes which pester us so fear-There is no record that Jews living money for road purposes in the same under the Mosaic law have ever been visited by a pestilence which was not communicated by Christians. We need work is that some countles could not quote texts to prove that they have practiced the principles of eugenics, We all re- vitality, their abounding genius in the member the result of trying to do arts, their pre-eminence in science and

#### NELSON W. ALDRICH.

Death has removed ex-Senator Aldrich at a time when he was beginning to be talked of as a possible factor in the Republican revival. That he should be so discussed is the strongest testimony to his inherent qualities of leadership, in view of the circumstances under which he retired from politics four years ago.

These qualities pushed him forward from municipal to state and from state to Federal office until he became the acknowledged leader of the Republican party in the Senate. He was styled by his political opponents "boss of the Senate," but that is simply an oppro-UP TO TEXAS.

brious term applied to an opposing leader. He led because he was quallifed to lead and because others were other things governmental, seems to willing to follow him. He sensed what run in epidemics. Recently there was his followers wanted, what it was postalk of dividing Washington and an- sible for them to get and he developed of a movement in California for seg- to which he applied his abilities, we judges. the Taft Administration was a great

ing the latter, provided the former is manufactures had grown to great possibilities must be considered. There is no doubt in the minds of Government experts and of men who have actually grown crops in Alaska that the creation of a new state will have actually grown crops in Alaska and of the Yukon and Tanase the representation. Alaska and of the Yukon and Tanase the representation. There is risk of late frost there, as there is farther south, but is risk should be no greater in Alaska than in like latitudes in Eutrope, where farmers thrive. The marners thrive had grown to great possibilities for the tending of the first applicant for the 18,000 carpenters throw nearly four times as many in allied trades into its that the creation of a new state will what is the general opinion? It is that were the Government of the minds of the third that the creation of any new states at the rest of the trade of the first applicant for the 18,000 carpenters throw nearly four times as many in allied trades into its limited as simply and consequently of mining coal under this fleeness.

If those counterfeiters had made manufactures. He was a member of the Mexican money, it might well have been worth as much as Carranza or yell what is the general opinion? It is that were the Government of the New England oligarchy which had an institutive aversion for the demonstration of the mind that the creation of any new states at the new England oligarchy which had an institutive aversion for the demonstration of the mind that the creation of the m

who have been clamoring for Alaska or more states in the North.

coal, Coal is still used for domestic purposes in many Pacific Coast houses cern state's division, provided it has the low last years in office. Indifferent to desired to leave behind, as a monument to himself, a great piece of THE SUMMER SCHOOL AT MONMOUTH.

The faculty of the Monmouth NorMonetary Commission for the purmal are laying interesting plans for pose of investigating our entire long ago all was turmoil and killing, the Summer school which will begin banking and monetary system and the miners have just been given a 10 June 21 and continue for about a of preparing a plan for its thormonth. The purpose of the Summer ough revision. He was made its thor- per cent raise. month. The purpose of the Summer ough revision. He was made its school is primarily to fit teachers prochairman, and, as such, he reported fessionally for their work, but this Postponement of purchase of the year it will undertake something ministration. The Commission was broader if there is sufficient encourage- composed of leading men from both ple of humor, ment. A course will be given, as we learn from Professor Pittman, of the Normal faculty, "that will be of spe-was branded as "the Aldrich bill" and was branded as "the Aldrich bill" cial assistance to superintendents and condemned as such by all those elements which could see no good in any-These gentlemen, as conditions stand thing which emanated from what was tending the Alaska Northern, will in Oregon, are usually college gradure variously termed the standpat, the old ates. And it is well for the state that guard and the reactionary element of they are. But this advantage is at- the Republican party. For the first tended with the disadvantage that they time in his career Mr. Aldrich made are not familiar with the special prob- a tour of the country in advocacy of There has been an astonishing in- lems of the teachers in rural graded the measure, but popular prejudice

three Pittman puts it. The questions they little support. teenth are asked by teachers often embar- Nevertheless, when the Democrats the rate of about four years to the century. Recently the average length of life has been increasing much more rapidly. When the war difficulty.

The principal changes they made to the subject of currency fetorem, took up the subject of currency fetorem that the factor of the subject of currency fetor of the subject Broke out the rate for Europe was The Summer course for principals were in providing a much larger mearseventeen years to the century. This and superintendents, as Mr. Pitman ure of Government control and in does not mean that the expectation of outlines it, covers six fields of work, omitting a National reserve bank such does not mean that the expectation of outlines it, covers six heighs of work, omitting a National reserve bank such that he werage adult. The average adult. The average adult who are well equipped for the average adult who are well equipped for the task, Mr. Gentle will treat the longing the lives of the old as by saving children from premature death.

In adult, the average that the property important subject, "How to banks raises grave doubt whether they improve the limitation of the salary and the property in the salary and the salary In this field science has wrought Evidently he wishes to improve the ticular, while the elimination of the wonders and of course every child that lives to maturity increases the average as his critical power. President Ackduration of the life of its generation. Another general cause for the extendant of the Normal School, offers a concession to popular prejudice erman, of the Normal School, offers a against any semblance of a central course in "City Administration," with bank. With these changes the new sion of life in modern times is the which he is familiar from long exper-comparative infrequency of wars. Be-ience. Miss Cohoon will treat of "Fri-whole country as a deliverance from fore the seventeenth century war was mary Methods," Miss Arbuthnot of danser of alternate stringency and in- located this afternoon.

flation, with periodical panics. It was one of the chief means of tiding the country over the panic caused by the war. Another was the Aldrich-Vrec-land emergency currency law, which Too little supervision makes the the Democrats and Republican insurschool playground a hotbed of childish gents opposed savagely when it was vices. Too much makes it a bore to before Congress, but which they rethe pupils. No doubt Miss Taylor will enacted and resorted to promptly show how to keep to the difficult and with most beneficial results in the helpful middle way which was so crisis of last August. Mr. Aldrich was found by his successors in the great must have felt inward gratification when he saw the Democrats adopt two measures which were largely his own

> vindication. When public expenditures were under discussion during Mr. Taft's term as President, Mr. Aldrich remarked that, if the Government could be conducted on business principles, it could be run with greater efficiency at a saving of \$300,000,000 a year. He never made the attempt to put this idea in legisla. tive form, for he knew that, as our Government is now organized, such a law could not be enacted and exe-The remark, however, shows his realization of our shortcomings and suggests what a cleaning out of the departments might have resulted had he been given the power to put his

ideas into practice. There had been part in the campaign of 1916. conservatives were beginning to look him for advice and perhaps for leadership, but, had he taken an active part in politics, the result would surely have been a reopening of the wound which is fast healing. The time for his leadership had passed, he had done much great work, but it is finished, and new men with more advanced ideas must be found to lead a reunited party to victory.

The army grafter is at work supplying the British soldiers with shoddy khaki which rots to tatters in thre weeks, though paid for as the best ob tainable; shoes guaranteed to resist moisture but which absorb and retain it; boots which lose their heels after a day's marching. War certainly devel-ops not only the noblest but the basest characters in a nation. None could be baser than those who impair the efficlency of their country's army for their own profit.

Captain Charles MacDonald. sop and Columbia counties. Wash-ington, Clackamas, Yamhill, Polk, ence of life as well as any of us and He has just returned from a trip through that country where he has observed the sanitary conditions. He says they are as bad there as in dur Army at the time of the Spanish War. With germs thriving everywhere this means an epidemic throughout the em-

> War has its compensations, Spanish War revealed the means of ombating yellow fever. The typhoid fever vaccine was first used by the Japanese in their war with Russia, Dr. Harry Plotz now announces discovery of a vaccine which will fight typhus fever, the disease which is slaying thousands in Serbia. Thus medical discovery races to save life while military invention destroys it.

railroads has almost ceased, but now and then it crops out in all its old-time road was fined \$200,000 for rebating, nexing a part of Idaho to the new east- the team work by which they got it. which seems to indicate a rather seriern state. Following that came report Whatever we may think of the ends ous view of the offense by the Federal

> We of this country who are accustomed to large undertakings in municiservice pipe and furnishes water to

The strike of the Chicago carpenters

Whether victory rests with Villa or fice? are many more dead Mexicans than road?

Great Britain apologizes to Chile for sinking the Dresden in neutral waters. Perhaps Germany will observe the rip-

The School Board refuses to change the hours in the high schools and the boys must be content to see the finish of the games. A Japanese scare was about due. We

Bay story.

to the appearance of that lurid Turtle

powder for the salute off Mazatlan.

tary cuspidor. What next?

ALASKAN POLICY IS CRITICISED

Pioneer of Railrond's Suggests Alternative to Government's Plans. STRELNA, Alaska. March 20 .- (To the Editor,)-Having read your article on the purchase of Alaskan railroads and the comment from a sub-scriber in your edition of March 14, it awakens interest in myself because 1 am as vitally interested in the suc-cess of a Government-built railroad as any Alaskan can be. The writer has been a resident of this Northern counbeen a resident of this Northern country since 1991; was the organizer of the first railroad ever projected or thought of for the development of the Copper River region, as will be seen from the files of The Oregonian of the year 1995, and is thoroughly acquainted with the merits of the various routes and their possibilities of development from a railroad standpoint. creation and which they had unsparingly denounced. It was a practical

I am in favor of the Government uying both the Alaska Northern and he Copper River roads. Then it should scrap the whole of the Seward project and all that portion of the Guggen-heim line between Tasnuna and the coast. It should then connect Tasnuna with Valdez and continue the road from Chitina to Fairbanks. Then, if there is any money left helid a f there is any money left, build branch into the Kotsina district, as other along the Kuskalina, and tap the Matsuuska coal with a short line from Portage Bay. If this plan were followed and a reasonable tariff inaugurated, the system would be on a paying basis in two years.

the Government merely buys the rhere had been counted apply the line of the highest and the successful in creating a business for a servatives were beginning to look the line than the present owners. The talk of the 'agricultural possibilities' may be all right on paper, but the Susitna Valley is no more valuable for farming than any of the other valley of Central Alaska, and when you come down to real hard facts, the only suc-cessful Alaskan farmer in the one who keeps as far as possible away from the railroad, for the simple reason that he cannot compete with the producer from Oregon or Washington. Then about one year in three the frost stays in the ture and the cold, damp Fall closes in apon him, followed by a seven months
Winter, bringing in its wake plenty of
time for repenting of his folly in trying to combat the forces of nature.

Beyond these "agricultural possibili-

ties," or rather "impossibilities," what inducement is there for railronding? There are a few quark mines, it is true, but these are close to tidewater and afford no such tonnage as the cop per mines of the Wrangel Mountains per mines of the Wrangel Mountaine.
The coal proposition on the Matanuska would be off the Susitna route, and why the Government should build 500 miles of road through a barren coun-try when it can reach the same ob-jective point in 350 miles via Valdez,

If the Government's reason for not buying the Cordova road is that it is owned by the Morgan-Guggenheim peo-ple. I consider it a great injustice. The Morgan-Guggenheim syndicate is the only combination of capital that amounts to anything that has come that into this part of Alaska. It has spent many millions of dollars in its devel opment, and the United States Govern-ment never took the trouble up to that time even to ascernain whether jhis part of Alaska bad any value or not t was only when the Morgans and Suggenheims entered the country with Washington took notice and raised the hue and cry that these people were trying to gobble up the country. Then came the flood of balderdash about the untold billions of treasure in the Alaska storehouse, and the idiotte ravings of the conservationists. The consequence was that the inflow of capital was stopped, the country was bottled up for the use of posterity, and the people who have invested their all are left "holding the bag."

What Alaska needs is half a dozen syndicates like the Morgan-Guggenheim and they should be given a free

helm and they should be given a free hand under the same laws that built ip the Western states, for be it knows that were the Rocky Mountain states governed by the laws of Alaska they would be where they were 50 years ago,

And this brings me back to the great coal proposition of the Alaska fields. Granted that the Government builds a rallroad to them, who is going to op-erate them? A leasing law was passed come to Alaska in ballast to get a cargo of Matanuska coal at higher prices than it can be gotten at Nanai-mo. The railroads don't use it for the tective tariff in favor of Alaska to form four additional states out of the territory included in the original refer fresh vegetables to those have been taken north in cold e.

correspondent's unfavorable of the prospect that Alaska to form four additional states out of the territory included in the original republic of Texas.

Apparently Congress has already siven authority to Texas to divide its of new political forces with which he must reckon.

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Correspondent's unfavorable is only a question of time when Uncle scars again yesterday in Kent. Their work probably was reconnected as the few bombs dropped did little damage.

A two-fold purpose seems to have retary of the Interior that goes into of the prospect to the will be a constant or production of the prospect to the will be a constant or production of the prospect to the substant or production of the prospect to the will be a constant or production or the production of the prospect to the will be a constant or production or the production of the prospect to the will be a constant or production or the production of the production of the production of the production of the production And if the mines are not to be Obregon, one thing is certain-there operated, why spend money on a rail-

are many more dead Mexicans than a few days ago.

Is Germany trying to provoke Holland to war? If so, why? There is an interesting subject of speculation for the war college.

At Calumet & Hecla, where not so long ago all was turmed and killing, the miners have Just been given a 10 guence, the freight and passenger rates it remain undeveloped. As a consequence, the freight and passenger rates are prohibitory, and the country is retarded. With the district only fractionally developed, there is tomage sufficient for two railroads, but, as the Government does not care to build a competing line, it should buy the a competing line, it should buy the Copper River line, abandon its objectionable features and make it a trunk line to Fairbanks, with branches to the coal on both sides. This can only be done by making the Coast terminus at Valdez, the only town on the Coast that is self-sustaining.

We of the copper district have no interest in the Coast towns. We need it over the shortest route and one that cau be maintained within a reasonable cost. This is impossible with a line cost.

cost. This is impossible with a line over the Copper River flats. The pres-While Europe votes bonds for destruction, Multnomah County votes them for construction.

ent road has always been run at a loss, and the outlook for it under Government control is no better. The Government cable to Alaska is supported by the Alaska business and the charges Back in Missouri a man 101 years old is about to remarry—a nervy proceeding.

The carpenters' strike is a sign of prosperity in Chicago or it is a sign of Spring?

The Carranza gunboat used slow provided for the salute off Meratian provider for the salute off Meratian

# Folly of Big Words.

A Dallas man has patented a saniary cuspidor. What next?

The boy who has the price can be ocsted this afternoon,

Washington (D. C.) Star.

"Some men uses big words," said Uncle Eben, "de same as a turkey spreads his tailfeathers. Day makes an elegant impression, but dey don't prepare to real meat."

Half a Century Ago

From The Oregonian, April 17, 1865.
The Oregonian is published this morning with heav; black column rules, their heavy black faces turned in mourning over the assassination of President Lincoln, which occurred in Washington on the night of April 14 as the President sat in his box at he theater witnessing the play, "Our American Cousin." Secretary Seward was also stabbed

assassin in his home on the same night. It is not known whether it was the ame assassin that shot President Lin-

President Lincoln died, according to reports, at 7:20 o'clock on the morning of April 15. Andrew Johnson, Vice-President, or the morning of April 15 assumed the office of President, taking the oath

before Chief Justice Chase, Wilkes Booth is the name of the assassin of the President. He is an actor and the brother of the distinguished actor, Edwin Booth.

It is reported that Quincy A. Brooks of Portland, has been appointed United States Assessor of Oregon, in the place of Thomas Frazar, whose term of ofrice, it is said, has expired.

The Canyon City stage had trouble with Indians at Birch Creek on its last upward trip, but the Indians fied in fright before they accomplished what seemed to be their purpose.

Mr. Harrison Olmstead and family take their departure for the East today on the steamer Brother Jonathan

W. H. Newell, editor of The Dalles Mountaineer, has returned from Wash' ngton. He says the appointments for Oregon are substantially as follows: Colonel William Logan, Superintendent of the branch mint; Captain John Smith to succeed Colonel Logan as Suground too late or the rains are too perintendent of the Warm Springs Resfrequent, so that his crops do not maervation; Quincy A. Brooks to succeed Thomas Frazar as Assessor: A. G. Hovey, Receiver for the new land office at La Grande: Owen Wade to succeed Mr. Starkweather, resigned, as Register of the land office at Oregon City

> al. Mr. Shelby was known to be unthief's act is a dastardly one

Through the courtesy of Purser Hoyt, of the steamer John H. Couch, we are in receipt of a new paper pub-lished at Honolulu, Sandwick Islands. It is called the Ka Nupepa Knokao, through the most populous part of the country, is a question that is puzzling the old-timers.

lished at Honolulu, Sandwick Islands, it is called the Ka Nupepa Knokao, Buke I Helu I, and is replete with inconcerning the na tives and the islands.

> The Democratic convention of Washington Territory, which met at Olympia last week, after a session of three days nominated James Tilton, of that town, as delegate to Congress

Man Would Give Two Days' Work PORTLAND, April 15.—(To the Ed-itor.)—I was actually afraid Wednes-day the bond issue would not carry. I felt disappointed and as if I didn't live amongst a class of people that would sacrifice their every

interest that they might work a hard-ship on others.

I ought to have known the bonds could not fail, even if there were many untruths and absurd statements being nade. The results of the election mean more to Multhoman County and Portland than the people seem to realize. Let us all rejoice.

I am anxious to give two days' work wherever it will do the most good.

HENRY CUMMINGS.

# An After-Dinner Speech.

Puck. Mr. Haberdash (preparing an afterdinner speech)-Emily, who was it said Give me liberty or give me death!"? Mrs. Haberdash—Harry Thaw.

### Twenty-Five Years Ago

From The Oregonian April 17, 1890. Washington-The tariff bill was final-Washington—The tarm on was must by reported to the House yesterday, and the most encouraging feature of it is that it places sugar on the free list. This, of course, brought out a strong protest from McKenna of California.

James Lotan is now the supreme bocs of the Republican "machine" of Oregon. He is chairman of the State Central mmittee, and occupies the throne so ing occupied by his political adver-Joseph Simon. seemed to be quite popular with the convention which met yesterday and put up the following ticket: Congressman - Binger Hermann, of Boseburg.

lovernor-D. P. Thompson, of Port-Secretary of State - George W. Mc

Bride, of St. Helens. Treasurer - Phil Meischan, of Baker Supreme Judge-R. S. Bean, of Eu-State Superintendent-E, B. McElroy,

State Printer - Frank C. Baker, of

Salem Washington-In the Senate, Mitchell has given notice that Tuesday be will address the Senate on his constitutional amendment for the election of Senators

McMahon's circus opened its week's ngagement here yesterday, and, despite be threatening weather, there was a arge crowd on hand, which went away well pleased.

A balloon ascension was made in Portland yesterday by William Lange, an amateur, who gave one of the bert ascensions of the season. In making his descent he came down on the roof of a house near the motor line, and the lady inmate was much frightened by the unusual occurrence

The article in the Evening Telegram yesterday as to the disappearance of Wilbur F. Knapp, the bicyclist, may give apprehension for which there is no occasion. Knapp is rusticating out in the country.

Saturday morning A. D. Shelby's and Seventh streets has been sold for \$55,000 cash; the quarter block at the preper hung there in mourning of the terrible calamity at the National capital. Mr. Shelby was known to be un-The northeast corner of Washington has been sold for \$32,000 cash. All of those sales have been reported by Rus-sell & McLeod's office, 147 First street.

Of Zola's new novel, "La Bete Humaine," 45,000 copies were sold on the day of lesue, it is reported—a record that has not been quite equaled since the days of "Nana.

Under New Prohibition Law. HEPPNER, Or., April 12.—(To the Editor.)—Would you answer through the columns of your paper the following question? How much intoxicating liquers can a man have in his posses-sion at one time under the new prohthition law which was enacted by the recent Legislature? The question arose here yesterday, one party stating that it provided for two quarts of whisky and 24 quarts of beer, and another party was of the opinion that you could procure two quarts of whisky or 24 TWO REQULAR READERS.

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Standing Timber.

PALMER, Or., April 12.—(To the Ed)-or.)—Will you kindly inform me brough your paper which state in the Inion has the most standing timber; union has the first four rank?

Oregon has nearly one-fifth of the standing timber in the United States, or about \$45,000,000,000 feet: Washington is pext, with 391,000,000,000 feet; California, with 381,000,000,000 feet and

# Goethals, the Canal Builder, in the Sunday Oregonian

Joseph B. Bishop, who for nine years was secretary of the Isthmian Canal Commission, presents an intimate view of the personality and the characteristics of General Goethals, the modest Army engineer, to whose energy and genius the Panama Canal will be a lasting monument. Mr. Bishop was for seven years in close daily relationship with General Goethals and knows more, probably, of his manners and his methods than any other person. This story is preliminary to a series of stories by Colonel Goethals himself, in which the Canal builder will tell in his own words how the Canal was constructed and what effect it will have on world commerce.

# OTHER FEATURES WILL INCLUDE

Under the Sea in a Submarine. This strange tale of the sea was written several years ago by the late Morgan Robertson. It tells the story of an accident on a submarine similar to the recent disaster to the F-4 at Honolulu. The manuscript for this story was found among Mr. Robertson's effects after he died.

Students of Naval Warfare in Portland.

Did you ever know that right here in Portland young men are being trained every day in the arts of naval conflict? Did you ever know that they have estimated with scientific precision the effects of an invasion by a hostile fleet and that they have calculated what action will be necessary to meet any such emergency? Members of the Oregon Naval Militia on board the Cruiser Boston are doing these things and an Oregonian staff writer tells in an interesting and entertaining manner the story of their accomplishments,

A Battleship Built on Land. Modern nations, in protecting their shore lines, are building stationary battleships to form a first line of defense for their exposed cities and fortifications. These structures really take the form of artificial islands built up from the bottom of the sea. They are equipped on top much like a modern superdreadnought and fitted with

#### mighty guns. An illustrated story will tell all about them. Predatory Animals Must Be Exterminated.

Uncle Sam is making constant warfare against beasts of prey that infest the National forests and that destroy domestic animals and crops. The forest rangers and other employes of the National forests are engaged in this systematic effort to rid the country of these pests. A full-page story, with photographs, describes this work.

# Moulin Rouge Is Destroyed.

Paris' famous dance hall, recently burned down, and its passing recalls some of the interesting events in connection with the place, which really was an institution in Paris. Sterling Heilig offers an entertaining story describing the place and relating some of its past history.

Donahey's Full Page. William Donahey, the gifted artist, has prepared another full page of entertainment in which the adventures of Prince Ahmed and of the Teenie Weenies are given due attention.

# Anniversary of San Francisco Earthquake.

Next week San Francisco will observe the ninth anniversary of its disastrous earthquake and fire. How the city has recovered from its ruins and how it has manifested its perseverance by completing the most wonderful exposition in the world's history will be told in a complete descriptive story.

# Much Additional Reading.

Other Sunday features will include another instalment of the Exploits of Elaine, a front-page colored cartoon showing Uncle Sam in the attitude of opening the season's baseball game while the warridden nations of Europe look on in wonder and awe; the sections devoted to schools, society, dramatic affairs, automobiles, real estate,

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