(By Mall.)

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INDIFFERENCE TO FRAUD.

The other day a San Francisco grand jury returned indictments against ten and still. men for forgery in connection with cipal frauds were committed in referending a redlight abatement law, passed in 1912, held up for two years and then adopted by the people in another stage? 1514.

In Ohio scandals accompanied the first application of the referendum. Petitions were filed against a workmen's compensation law and two tax convicts and persons without legal residence appeared.

Washington, at the time of adopting ited the payment of petition circulators, yet extensive forgeries committed ent numerical strength.

In Oregon one man has served a sentence in the penitentiary for forging the point of speaking of millions when names to a Portland Anti-Saloon League measure. Several others infor forging names to a referendum of a State University appropriation, but aggregated more than 3000 names. Not long ago several others were indicted for forging names to a recall petition in Portland.

There is information in this conhas tightened solicitation of names to referendum petitions. Washington has and finished it in 1814 with 60,000 prohibited circulation of petitions altogether and has provided for registration offices, where the voters may voluntarily appear and invoke the initiative or referendum. But Oregon seems to view forgeries and corruption in connection with direct legislation not only with indifference, but possesses an element which protests against measures to safeguard the purity of the system as an interference

with the people's power. As a short but experimental step that could have done no harm, a measure was introduced at the last session of the Legislature which would have provided two methods of filing petitions-one voluntary and the other the one now in general use. It would have permitted a demonstration of the practicability of initiating and refer-

It received but scanty consideration. a good housekeeper the thought does this peril, had become urgent.

The attitude in this particular of not occur that screens keep flies within At the surface of the sea to

CAPTURED RESOURCES OF ALLIES. So much has been said about the

economic pressure on Germany resulting from the maritime blockade, which is presumed to have thrown the em pire entirely on its own resources, that the compensation Germany derives from occupation of her enemies' territory has been overlooked. This occupation places great resources of food and munitions at her disposal and deprives her enemies of those resources

in equal measure. Germany occupies almost the whole of Belgium and can add to her own food production that of this intensively cultivated country. She also has the benefit of Belgian coal, iron, gun and munition works, including the great Cockerill plant at Liege. Though she occupies only one-twentieth of the area of France, that twentieth includes one-tenth of the population and nearly one-half of industrial France A bulletin of the National Geographic society says that the occupied territory includes "the banner departments of

France," and it continues:

Almost the entire iron and steel industry of France lies behind the German lines, for here are the raw materials. Pas de Calais produces 60 per cent of the coal and Meurthe-et-Moselle produces 84 per cent of the French output. Germany is second nly to the United States in steel pro duction, her output being double that of Britain and half that of the United States. Control of the French iron disoutput of 3,102,000 tons a year, while his door and take away equality with Britain, which stands with John, who not only refuses to

second. The department of Nord, all but a few square miles of which is occupied by Germany, leads France in agricul ture and industry. Here and in Pas don't sell goods to me, you should not de Calsis, Meuse and Meurthe-et-Mo- sell them to John, Frank and Nicholas. selle are the great metal-working You are not giving me a square deal. plants, a great part of the land's tex-tile industry, the cotton, woolen and to you, if you will take them away in plants, a great part of the land's texlinen weaving, the working of lace and embroidery, the weaving of car- ers do. pets and dyeing, flour mills, brick kilns, distilleries, glass works, pottery orks, shoe and hat factories, tobacco factories, cabinet works and beet sugar refinertes. Here also is the most in-tensive agriculture. All of the cereals, your inability to comply with those sugar beets, fruits, hops, tobacco, flax terms is no fault of mine and your and large droves of cattle are grown, quarrel with John is no affair of mine.

France are in this territory. In Poland also Germany occupies they do in taking delivery at my door, much territory which can be turned my business would be rulned and they to her advantage. That country is a would have cause to accuse me of disgreat granary and cattle-grower, exporting about 27,000,000 bushels of

toes and tobacco. In the southwestern from Sam's door to the premises by the maritime blockade.

of his artillery. The coal, iron and war munitions from the United States

Night after night Mario Lambard saw the curtain fall on mimic trage-dies. The singers voiced their joy and woe, the orchestra wailed or laughed n sympathy. Then after a little white the lights went out and all was dark

Now the curtain has fallen on his securing signatures to three initiative own drama, as it will fall for all of us and referendum petitions. The printhe theater is void. In his opera there were beautiful spectacles, sweet airs, divine harmonies. Are they stilled forever? Or will the play be reopened on

THE DAY OF GREAT ARMIES. Whole pages were signed in one it has grown to a total of 750,000 men part: handwriting. One solicitor confessed and is still growing. That is a huge that he had copied names from an old army, according to old standards; yet telephone directory. On other petitions the names of dead men, lunatics, it is the smallest of all those in the and perhaps the Turkish. Its importance consists as much in the fact that it is the first line of an armed force the direct legislative principle, prohib- of 3,000,000 men which is to take its place beside the French as in its preshave by volunteer solicitors were uncovered.

In Oregon one man has served a dreds of thousands and have reached we talk of armies.

When we compare the strength of dicted at the same time fled the country. Several solicitors were indicted france with the strength of the armies with which the British formerly overa State University appropriation, but threw the French, we can conceive were never punished. Their forgeries what great results were in old times what great results were in old times our "vindictively Anglophile" atti-achieved with a relatively diminutive tude does not please Mr. Johnson, and French at Poitiers with only 6500 men Germanism in extremis" does battle of Agincourt with only 10,000 erature will be added to The Oregodensed record worth considering. Ohio men. Wellington began the Peninsular nian's discussions of the European war. war in 1809 with only 18,000 infantry men. His army was reviewed in Paris by the allied sovereigns, and he said that with it he could conquer the world. In the purely local battle Neuve Chapelle there were 50,000 Brit. ish engaged, and that is estimated to have been only about a sixth of the force in the field.

Not until the Boer war did Britain have more than 100,000 men engaged. In the Crimea she had only about a division and a half-not more than 37,500 men-and in the second Afghan war she had 71,000 men, all told. The largest force employed in the Boer war was 250,000 men. She has now be come, like her allies and her enemies, a nation in arms.

THE TRUE CHAMPION EGG LAYER, It is at this period of the year

against other forms of corruption in not seem to her worth while to pursue gines, but beneath the water the stor-elections and legislation is inexplicable. a single lonely, buzzing insect from age battery is indispensable. Mr. Edcom to room or window to window, What does one fly amount to? But if the one fly is not relentlessly slain, ten or twelve days later the woman of the household begins to wonder where all the flies come from. Perhaps a search is made for holes in the screens. Perhaps each sash is

made to fit better. Perhaps little John-nie is scolded for leaving the door open. But a more likely cause for their presence may be found in the following figures compiled by a scientific publication:

June 1.—One fly lays 120 eggs.
June 10—60 flies lay 7200 eggs.
June 20—3800 flies lay 432,000 eggs.
June 30—216,000 flies lay 25,920,000
July 10—12,960,000 flies lay 1,955,26 July 20-777,600,000 files lay 93,312,000,000

July 20—777,600,000 files lay 93,312,000,000 eggs.

July 30—46,656,000,000 files lay 5,598,720,-000,000 eggs.

August 9—2,799,360,000,000 files lay 335,-223,200,000,000 eggs.

August 19—167,961,600,000,000 files lay 20,155,322,000,000,000 eggs.

August 29—10,077,068,000,000,000 files lay 1,299,393,520,000,000,000 eggs.

Soptember 8—604,661,760,000,000,000 files lay 72,539,411,290,000,000,000,000 eggs.

September 18—35,277,705,900,000,000,000 files lay 4,353,564,672,000,000,000,000,000,000 files lay 4,353,564,672,000,000,000,000,000

Here are the mines, the foundries and factories, and the daries and farms, which are the pride, the wealth and the strength of modern France. In this narrow strip and norm France. In this narrow strip per cent of all coal mined in France, 90 per cent of all coal mined in France, 19 one had to shovel the flies away from the front door to get in. Yet the question, "Where do all the flies come stockmen out to the meetings. It be pretty slick by nightfall. from?" which confronts the painstaking housekeeper so often, generally has but one answer. It is "eggs-fly eggs. If you would have a clean house healthy house, spare not a single fly

UNULE SAM, THE STOREKEEPER,

Uncle Sam keeps a store, but has no trict adds to her supply 90 per cent delivery system. His customers must of iron going into the French steel back up their own delivery wagons to Beigium gives her 1,500,000 tons of chases. John does this and also rents Germany stands third in coal wagons to his friends, Frank and Nichproduction, and the French and Bel- olas, who are short of wagons, but gian supply may bring her up to an William has no wagon and has a feud from the Coast to the interior, it cu rent wagons to him, but has rented

> William says to Uncle Sam: "If you your own wagon, as my other custom

William says: "I have no wagon and nobody will rent one to me."

"I am sorry for you and should like to sell to you on the same terms as I your inability to comply with those and some of the best-known dairies of If I refuse to sell goods to him and his friends because you cannot do

William feels aggrieved as he sees cereals yearly, and grows beets, pota- load after load of goods hauled away

corner, adjoining Silesia, are mines of John, Frank and Nicholas, and he iron, coal, tin and zinc, and Lodz is transfers his grievance against his enegreat center of textile industries. mies to Sam and persits in blaming Both these regions are occupied by the Sam for his own unfortunate position. Entered at Portland, Oregon, Postoffice as second-class matter.

Subscription Raiss—invariably in advance: at least part of the deficiencies caused Sam to United States, John to Great trade, but it would cause the mer-Britain, William to Germany, Frank to Capture of an enemy's material re- France and Nicholas to Russia, this is all traffic from the Atlantic Coast by

sources is as important as the capture the situation as regards the export of water. foodstuffs of Belgium, France and Po- to Great Britain and her allies. Presbe able to use her resources against her inability to carry them safely to that part of the interior accessible to tion as the only fair one to be asst

JOHNSON VS. RICHTER A few days ago Mr. William Richter, of Hillsboro, wrote us a postal card, on which he expressed the following kindly sentiments:

Your news service is faultiess, but your ditorials are rottenly English. We Germans concede the right of everyone to alder the England, but we won't allow ourselves obe stulltified by calmiy accepting your asseverations of being unimposchably neutral in face of your vindictively Anglophie nterpretations of the cardinal points of the car.

In confident expectation that shortly somebody would answer Mr. Richter for us, his postal card was laid aside. The answer has been forwarded by The British expect their army in Mr. H. Johnson, who gives his address france to cut some figure, now that as Glisan street, Portland. He says in

In spite of your anti-English persuasion and defamation I and many more openminded persons will continue to believe in English methods and ideals. The English are not angels. Some are rotters, same as some Americans are, All the same, the English as a world power is the squarest-dealing world power, bar none. England has made and does make mistakes, but she is true to humanity. I have traveled in many climes and many countries and mixed with many nationalities and colors and have found such to be the case. Hence I believe in the English rather than in the ethics of Germanism as promulgated in this war; rather than in the distribes of the Fatherland: rather than in your editorial and Carolyn Wilson falsifications. Your attempt to make readers believe that you are unbiased and neutral is laughable. Any intelligent—not brilliant—person can find progermanism in extremis, in spite of the kind of aftermath allusion to the United States Government being in the same bucket as England, viz. holding back full reports of Governmental policies.

Now if Mr. Richter will explain why

Now if Mr. Richter will explain why force. The Black Prince routed the if Mr. Johnson will tell why our "proagainst 16,000, and Henry V won the please Mr. Richter, some valuable lit-

> MR. EDISON'S BATTERY FOR SUB-MARINES.

When Mr. Edison visited the Brooklyn Navy-Yard last December it was hinted that he had in mind an improvement for the storage batteries used on submarines. Such an improve ment has been sadly needed and now, ecording to the news reports, it has been perfected by the great inventor. The old storage batteries had one

fatal defect. Their principal part was a sheet of lead suspended in sulphuric acid, the whole being enclosed in a hard-rubber case. When sea water happened to penetrate the battery hamber and come in contact with the lead there was an immediate evolution of chlorine gas, which is a deadly If the men breathe it for any length of time it causes death. Even a small quantity of chlorine in the air ending laws without use or employ- that the head of the family resurrects sets up hemorrhage of the lungs. Sevment of solicitors and yet would not the window and door screens from the have interfered with the rights of those who demand the latter method. the pernicious housefly. But to many an improved storage battery, free from

At the surface of the sea the subison's new invention contains chemcals which can in no case generate chlorine gas. It is therefore no doubt destined to increase greatly the utility attending its navigation.

TO THWART STOCK THIEVES

The Times-Herald, of Burns, Harey County, says there is prospect that the Cattle and Horse-Raisers' Associa. tion of Oregon will hold its annual meeting in that place June 14. The only thing in doubt is the co-operation, or more properly the promise of attendance upon the meetings, of the cattle and horse owners of Harney

This association is one that has a ork before it which local organizations of the same kind cannot hope to As a preventive against accomplish. loss of stock from range or farm the ocal associations can comb only the neighborhood, whereas the state-wide although the old men have put up association is able to employ men to watch the stockyards at market points ers in the world. and thus thwart the thieves.

It is good business sense for the sociation as to secure the meeting years ago. of co-operation be manifested by a on all the lakes and sloughs, the boy ought to be an easy matter.

PORTLAND HAS A REMEDY.

The new rate policy of the transcentinental railroads is the logical outome of the Interstate Commerce Commission's incomprehensible abandon ment of the fundamental principle that water rates govern in competition with railroads. When the commission. adopting the zone system, departed from the established rule that rates to interior points should be the overland rate to the Coast, plus the rate loose from its moorings. If it shall accede to the railroads' plan of reducall the wagons of outsiders to the ing rates from the East to Spokane quarrel. mileage rate, the commission will expose itself to assault from points farther east, like Boise, Helena, Butte and Missoula, which would then pay a higher rate for a shorter haul.

No interior point distant from water transportation has any natural advanage over any other like point entitling it to favors such as the railroads pro pose to show Spokane. The commission cannot justly sanction such favors. It can get on safe ground again in only one of two ways. One is to restore the old rule that rates to the interior must be the rate to the Coast, with the back-haul rate added. would give Portland and other Coast terminals the advantage of natural location which they formerly had and which cannot justly be taken from The other is to base rates on them. distance throughout. That would deprive the railroads of practically all traffic to the Pacific Coast in competi-

tion with the Panama Canal, but it would deprive Spokane of the un-natural advantages given by the commission and proposed to be given by the railroads. The latter policy would chants of the city to carry practically

Portland has less cause for perturbation about the latest rate controversy than any other Pacific Coast city. for in a few days it will have the rem edy in its own hands to apply to part of the trade territory involved. her own resources unless her armies inability to understand that neutrality the Ceillo Canal is open Portland will need only to adopt the most economical transportation methods on the Co lumbia River in order to become independent of the railroad in trade with the Columbia. Steamboats and barges will need only to be supplemented by auto trucks in order that Portland may reach other inland points from the river without the aid of railroads. In Curry County. Paved highways from river to the back ountry would enable Portland merchants to ship goods into Spokane at rates which the railroads could not touch. Our remedy is the open river and good roads. We have the one and we are getting the other. With steamers on the one and auto trucks on the other, Portland could go ahead, se-renely indifferent to whatever the Interstate Commerce Commission and the railroads might do.

The New York Times gives the readng public some of the Bronte sisters' anpublished poems, which will pres ently appear in a small volume. oems are not mere literary curiosities They are full of passionate imagination, expressed with exquisite art. One by Charlotte, called "Eventide," minds us of Heine's heart-breaking 'Am Meer." There are only two verses, an excellent year. but they are perfect.

is not always as bad as his spokesmen depict him.

Amelia E. Barr, the novelist, has found a novel answer to the question why the Lord sends wars into the world. She thinks they stir up women to unselfish effort and are therefore, upon the whole, desirable. Similarly, we suppose, we cannot dispense with poverty and misery, since they pro vide a stimulus to the kindly emotions of the rich.

Rex, on the Newberg road, is to be improved. Those miserable ten miles are responsible for many an exploded tire and many a soul lost by profanity. When the road is "fixed" Newberg will e one of Portland's most agreeable suburbs.

The highway projected through the Modoc lava beds will open up an attractive region to motorists. The country surrounding Klamath Falls abounds with interest. The lakes, the mountains, the odd flocks of water fowl awaken the wonder of sightseers. But of the marvels surpass the lava beds.

who have struck so mightily the house as well as without. It does mersibles are propelled by gasoline enwho chopped off his remaining hand, Typhus follows in war's wake and

days the victims the furles overlook. But science is greater than typhus. It has discovered a vaccine that checks of the submarine and lessen the perils the monster's ravages. The discoverer is Dr. Harry Plotz, of New York. He will probably save as many lives as the European monarchs destroy,

The figures of Mr. Muller, the rate statistician, lead to the conclusion that the way to make money out of farming is not to farm, but to run a rail-That's another check to the back-to-the-farm movement. Glasgow is experimenting with

oung women as platform men on municipal traction lines. During the war with Peru years ago Chile used women and found they worked well. France is retiring its older general

officers to make way for young blood, very good front against the best fight-Somebody has just discovered the

existence of an ice trust in Portland. He cannot have had to pay any ice bills or he would have discovered it

who "goes in" three times a day will China has taken so long to awaker

that she should have both eyes open and should be stretching her limbs by this time. The British don't know what they

miss when they let those Oregon anples rot on board ship at remote Kirkwall.

The Texas town of Goforth is well named, but misspelled. Three of its quadruplets are in fair way of living. Sex of the three-legged calf at Rose

it is a heifer, with no kick coming. The air may be thick with peac umors only to keep it occupied until it becomes thick with shells.

ourg is not stated, but it is to be hoped

The weather is good and the player are good, but they need the "ginger imparted by large crowds.

The Hungarian Diet seems to regard nore expenditure on the war as good money thrown after bad. British cruisers patrolling this coast

need the exercise. They do not interfere with anybody. Hungary has had enough and re-

uses to vote more war credit

California will continue to hang, but Alaska is the other way.

Germans on the western battle line have the garden fever.

Sense and Nonsense. Culled by Addison Bennett.

Scout, Union. PEOPLE come back to Union not infrequently, after trying their fortunes in other places. William Mc-Cardle, who sold out in the town several years ago and went to Canada, arrived back to the city Wednesday and bought back the house and lot which he had sold on the eve of his departure for the North. He expects to remain here for the future.

Ask P. M. G. Burleson. The Dalles Optimist.

Spend a dollar at home and it still works for the community; send it away and you bid it an eternal farewell. Prohibition Item.

Coos Bay Times.
A four-headed rabbit with green eyes, whipped a hunter and killed two dogs Why, Bryan Needs All There Is.

Cottage Grove Leader. "Kalser Bill's throat overworked and seriously affected"—yet Bill Sunday and Bill Bryan are still able to articu-Why don't the Kaiser try loganberry juice?

How About Vardaman!

New people are securing land here and doing improvement work. The outlook for good crops was never bet-ter. There is work for every man and toam. Altogether the prospect is for

Is Teddy Loose Again?

"Give it up." "Well because the flow-ers have pistils, the buds shoot and the buil rushes out."

Motorists, in common with other patriots, will rejoice to hear that the purgatorial stretch between Tigard and Rex. on the Newberg road, is to be the place where the road yourself first and pray afterwards. Let's all go to work now in earnest. Let prayer rest. Don't pray for divine to the purgatorial stretch between Tigard and Rex. on the Newberg road, is to be

A Sensible Ending.

Bandon Record. J. R. Smith, whom report credits with the ownership of a gold mine on Lobster Creek, a goat ranch on Coos Bay and several castles on the Rhine,

the country Will somebody explain how the Clackamas County young man who committed suicide by hanging was able to the his hands so tightly that he could not rescue himself in case he changed his mind? This almost dis-

and a bunch of cotton batting with him and a bunch of cotton batting with him and put Oregon at the top of the list while working in the field and when he as the starter of this great work. There sees a gopher run into a hole he pours sees a gopher run into a hole he pours are no money grabbers in this transact some gasoline upon a wad of cotton and places it at the mouth of the hole and covers the opening with dirt. The gas fumes are heavier than air and go to the bottom of the hole. In an atthe top of the hole and the gas doe the rest. Remove cotton in about half an hour and Mr. Gopher will be dead. The plan will apply to many other burrowing animals.

Whiskerless Watson? Never!

Ashland Tidings. A stranger appeared in our midst last Saturday. His voice sounded fa-miliar and he appeared to know us. but it required several moments of careful inspection before we recognized Ashland's old friend, Judge Watson. The reason? The judge has unmercifully torn the hirsute adornment men are wont to call whiskers from off his and it must be that the whisters got tangled up in his rake, or maybe the hired man made a mistake when he plainest, baldest and most nause was burning brush. Mr. Watson is still alive and happy, but says that he has law of human reproduction could alive and happy, but says that he has to take a friend around with him for effectively circumvented by the flendation purposes when he visits ish ingenuity of mankind. If Dr. Marcellus spreads mosquito oll the banks.

CHANGE FROM APING ROYALTY suggestion for "Miss Portland" for Festival Finds Quick Favor.

nough to suggest a change from the human soul may lead to! ickening aping of royalty put on in every city in this Republic whenever "J. N. R.s" suggestion of "Miss Port-and" is good, also that an escort for Miss Portland," consisting of a popuincrease the interest in the rose show in all parts of the state; but do not imit the attendants to six, let every ilty in the state that will send or Let us have, then, Miss Rose Portland and her attendants, Miss Medford, Miss Eugene, Miss Astoria, etc. Yours for a democratic celebration. G.

Rate to Seaside and Lewiston PRESCOTT, Or., April 20.—(To the Editor.)—(1) During the Summer months the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway Company makes a roundtrip rate from Portland to Seaside o Is there any reason why persons living at Rainier, which is 46 miles down the river, should be obliged to pay the same rate as those living in Portland? Would the State Railway Commission take any action in the matter?

(2) Will you please advise me what the fare will be on the steamer "Un-dine," which the Commercial Club has chartered for a trip to Lewiston? A SUBSCRIBER.

dission to consider complaints as For round trip, \$7.50; meals and berths extra.

HORSES AND MULES FOR WAR Humane Society President Would Stop

Shipping Animals for Slaughter. PORTLAND April 21 .- (To the Edior.)-Would it be asking too great a favor of you to have the following article appear in the columns of your paper!

I have been requested by several people who are interested in the work of the Humane Society of Oregon to express my views on the subject of the sale of the 80,000 horses and mules to England for use in the cruel war now in progress, mention of which appeared in the daily papers April 18, 1915. There is a lot of praying going of all over the United States with nothing

at the back of it whatever. What is

the sense of praying when you have the Mollars to sweep your God and yourself out of all decency? Just im agine the people across the ocean coming to this country to buy all the poor forses and mules and these people who are selling them and the buyers as well praying to God to stop the war. If these would-be human beings are so delighted in killing each other, that is entirely a different matter, but to force our animals to face such an outlandish thing as this is an outrage. Miss Nettle Spencer; Surveyor, Why don't the villains who are selling Porter; Coroner, Dr. Applewhite. these mules go and face the same thing themselves that they are forcing the innocent animals to face? No, men of this type are the biggest cowards on earth. The dollars in sight would make New York Sun.

We can think of no great Southerner, not forgetting Josephus Daniels, who would have made such a triumphal progress up the east Atlantic coast as Jess Willard has contrived to endure without taking the count.

Hermiston Is All Right.

Hermiston Herald.

Hermiston Herald.

The dollars in sight would make these cowards stoop to do anything.

Now, I claim these animals have some rights on earth, just as man has, and they should be respected, and in my opinion these \$0,000 mules and horses that have eight days to live on the battlefield have far more intelligence than the hypocrites who are selling them or the purchasers, either, who are praying for peace and helping who are praying for peace and helping who are praying for peace and helping the war on to the best of their ability. It reminds me of a man trying to put out a fire by throwing on gasoline. There is just as much intelligence displayed in one case as the eother. The London Methodist Recorder takes an interesting view of war, which, it says, "is always under the complete control of God's will." The Recorder says the Germans have been raised up to punish England's sins, just as some authorities held that the great earthquake was sent to punish San Francisco. Fortunately, the Lord is not always as had as his spokesmen."

Oought to Go to Mexico.

Cos Bay Times.

"I never saw such a man as you are," remarked the Central avenue man to the Knocker the other day. "I really believe you hate yourself."

"Well, why shouldn't I?" the Knocker help carry on such a warfare, and all be Christian nations supposed to be highly civilized. I may be severely criticised for expressing my views on such an important subject as the above such an important subject as the above Lebanon Express.

"Yes, the submarines are deadly, but the aeroplanes will get them yet; but say, do you know why Spring is the most dangerous time of the year?" "Give it up." "Well because the flowers have pistils, the buds shoot and the god naver started that god naver sta

God never started that game over there, and if he did not start a thing, The Minor Details Count.

Lebanon Criterion.

The main argument for a good road is repairs at the right time. This seems to be the place where the road force of Linn County falls down; they Let's all go to work good in the property of the

and horses from the State of Oregon

for one year.

This would be my suggestion: Let the Governor of the state issue a proc-lamation to this effect, as was done a few years ago by ordering a legal holi-

Lobster Creek, a goat

Bay and several castles on the Rhine,
was in Bandon this week on his way
from the land of sour dough and gold
to the confines of the Coos Bay country.

"I. the Governor of Oregon, deciars
a legal holiday for a period of one year
from April 25, 1915, to April 25, 1916,
for the purpose of protecting the
mules and horses of the State of Oreron, by prohibiting the transfer of all gon, by prohibiting the transfer of all horses and mules from Oregon to other states or territories for use in the war How many of the young men of the country do you know who are looking in Europe, or other purposes. Any perthe country over for girls in \$2 son or persons buying horses or mules dresses? The young man who consults in Oregon for use in the European war his purse rather than his heart in mat-

for one set of men it certainly can for others without any quibbling. Those Of Value to Farmers.

Ione Journal.

A farmer tells us that he has practically rid his farm of gophers by the use of gasoline. He carries a bottle and a bunch of cotton hatting will be more a bottle gon as well as the more than the more properties. tection. I want the women of O gon as well as the men to stand by

tion whatever OREGON HUMANE SOCIETY. By A. Cowperthwait, President.

"NURSE'S" PAMPHLET ATTACKED Devoted Mother Points Out Work for District Attorney to Do.

PORTLAND, April 21.—(To the Editor.)—Your item, April 21, regarding the shortage of babies desired for adoption, calls to mind an incident

ered by me reading a pamphlet writ-ten by a person passing herself off as gon. a trained nurse. I am not certain that the name is genuine. I am inclined to money has been expended demonstrate think that it is assumed, for I cannot that the commiss bring myself to believe that any self-respecting woman would sign her real cerned, knowle physiognomy. Mr. Watson has been a name to such lewd and obscene writ-farmer now for the past two weeks ing as this pamphlet proved to be, and it must be that the whiskers got In it were given the most minute and In it were given the most minute and

Think of a condition of society which permits such horrible printed matter to fall into the hands of innocent young siris! Think how such gross and scurrilous stuff may debauch the heart and mind of a young woman! Think of the MEDFORD, Or., April 21.—(To the shameful and blasphemous knowledge shameful and blasphemous knowledge as that of artificially restricting the development and birth of an immortal

I have heard that thousands of these pamphlets have been distributed in "J. N. R.s" suggestion of "Miss Port-land" is good, also that an escort for can I understand the motive, unless it

"Miss Portland," consisting of a popu-larly elected young lady from each Certainly those who are responsible of the principal cities of Oregon would increase the interest in the rose show and souls of pure young girls are blast-ed as a result of such vile literature those who brought it into our community will have to answer to eternal God for their sins.

Meanwhile, is there no law which the

District Attorney, who is a clean, moral man, can invoke so as in some way to stop the further spread of this poisonous obscenity among our young peo-ple, and especially our girls? A DEVOTED MOTHER.

South American Trade.

WALLA WALLA, Wash, April 21.—
(To the Editor.)—To whom would I address a letter for information regarding business conditions in Chile, Brazil and Argentina? Would it be les are handled similar to the cusof this country, such as the undertaking business.
DAN J. HENNESSEY.

Address letters of inquiry to "The American Consul" at the principal cities in the country about which you desire (1) It is the business of the Railroad information. American Consuls are loto rates, but we cannot forecast the cated at Bahla, Para, Pernambuco and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Iquique, Punta Arenas and Valparaiso, Chile; Buenes Ayres and Rosario, Argentina

Twenty-Five Years Ago

From The Oregopian, April 53, 1890. New York-The American Federation f Labor has issued an appeal to all members excepting carpenters and joiners, saking them not to take a part in the agitation and demonstration for an eight-hour day, until the result of the first great struggle—that of the carpenters—is decided.

Washington-Senator Mitchell yesterlay addressed the Senate, urging a change in the procedure of electing United States Senators. He said there had been 15 changes in the Constitu-tion and asked what one had been un-welcome. He also declared the pres-ent system of chosing Senators unrepublican and vicious.

Corvallis, Or.—The Benton County Democrats nominated the following licket yesterday: Delegates to the state convention, S. G. Thompson, Allan Parker, John Burnett, M. M. Davis, P. Avery, P. Scott and L. E. Cauthorne: State Senator, S. G. Thompson; Representatives, Jess Foster, R. H. Gibson: Judge, E. Holgate; Sheriff, William Mackey: Assessor, E. Skipton: Com-Judge, E., Holgate, Sheriff, William Mackey: Assessor, E. Skipton: Com-missioner, Wesley Hinton: Treasurer, M. P. Burnett: School Superintendent, Miss Nettle Spencer; Surveyor, A. 1.

All teachers of the city schools will meet on the evening of April 26 at the High School to hear an address by State Superintendent McElroy and a paper on "Physical Training" by Mrs. paper on "Physical Training" by Mrs. Martin, vice-principal of Failing School, Professor Ackerman, of Holladay School also will participate in the programme, as will Professor Gault, of racoma.

The Seattle Press Club has been established and officers will be elected next Saturday,

The number of guests entertained at the new Portland Hotel is astonishing. For several nights there have been scarcely any rooms vacant and travel is already increasing with the coming of Spring weather. Those very persons who once declared the hotel was far too large and that it never would be filled, now are realizing it is if anything not large enough.

It was reported yesterday that Dan prague intended to run for Constable South Portland against Sam Simmons, who defeated him two years ago, but as Sprague has moved across the line some time ago, he is out of the precinct.

As George B. Markle and wife were eturning from the funeral of William herman yesterday their horses took fright from an electric car at Eighteenth and B streets. One of the horses umped over the other and in the mixip the harness was broken and a general smashup and runaway was immi-nent. But before the buggy was upset Mrs. Markle was helped to the ground. Several of the firemen from the engine-house came to the assistance of the couple and prevented what appeared would be a disaster.

The James G. Blaine Club is planning a rousing meeting for next Thursday, and intend for it to stir Republican enthusiasm to a high pitch.

Mr. Olin L. Warner, the sculptor of the Skidmore fountain, has spent part of the Winter in this city in a studio of nts own building on Johnson Hill. Mr. Warner has had commissions from W. Ladd, Charles Ladd and from C. E. S. Wood for the group of the five Wood children, and for a life-sized medaliton of General Gibbon, commanding this department.

Delegates to the Democratic state convention are arriving. Pennoyer seems to be the choice for the Demo-cratic nomination for Governor, J. N. real and Ed McKee are spoken of for chairman.

OREGON BUILDING IS APPRECIATED

D. G. Lively Says Recent Criticism of Interior Not Warranted.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 19,ism about the interior arrangement of the Oregon building. Exposition of-ficials are more than ordinarily busy men, but after reading this criticism I took the opportunity of paying a visit to the Oregon building to see for myself the work that had been done by

the Oregon commission.

As a result of careful investigation I am able to say that the trust reposed in the commission has been well placed. The problem of filling so large a space been successfully building and its exhibits attract a great number of visitors and I made it my business to ask a number how they were impressed by what they had seen. Without exception the answers were

The exhibits of photographs, the movthat came to my attention the other ing-picture display of Oregon activities and resources and the entire arrangement of the building constitute a splen-

The balance sheets showing how the that the commission has been economicost of everything connected with an exposition, the results accomplished in revolting details, expressed in the of money is little short of marvelous plainest, baldest and most nauseatingly indecent manner, as to how God's home economic class of the Oregon Agricultural College attract numerous visitors and have won for the college and the Gregon building many expressions of praise. The officials and attendants in charge are always present, and are eager and willing to show visitors about. D. O. LIVELY,

Chief of the Department of Livestock. EVENTIDE.

The house was still, the room was still, Twas eventide in June; caged capary to the sun Then setting, trilled a tune

free bird on that lilac bush Outside the lattice heard. He listened long—there came a hush, He dropped an answering word CHARLOTTE BRONTE.

Chesa Game by Mail Wanted. GRANTS PASS, Or., April 13 .- (To the Editor.)—Could you give me the name and address of some person who would care to play a game of chess by correspondence? If you can do so I will be very much obliged. Am only an

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