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#### TOO MUCH GOVERNMENT.

Senator Weeks' comments on the growing interference of the Govern- be a judge, and nothing else. He ment with private business are given added weight by the controversy between the Treasury Department and himself to be influenced, consciously the Riggs National Bank of Washing-ton, D. C. Mr. Weeks said that he had read the correspondence between the Controller of the Currency and the Riggs bank and that no banker could read that correspondence without feeling cold shivers run down his motives and the fundamental soundback.

It is charged that Secretary McAdoo | Yet it is conceivable that a judge and Controller Williams have used might be impressed as a candidate for supervisory power to persecute the Presidency without dishonor but they are accused of having at- but united in its opinion of the merits tempted to dictate to it in matters of a certain judge, should unanimouswhich are its own concern and of hav- ly turn to him and ask him to accept ing thus attempted practically to run the nomination. There would be no taint or suspicion of connivance on his sented by the bank, and fits officers part in such a consummation, and the accuse the two officials named of call upon him would be sincere and having withdrawn Government de- spontaneous. How could any man reposits from it and of having insti- fuse to heed such a demand upon

busi- him? gated withdrawal of other Were not the Riggs bank unness. commonly strong and had it not the backing of the National City Bank of New York it could not have withstood such attacks. Its experience may well cause a tremor to run through any banker whose institution lacks these advantages and which may incur the The theory on which the suit is based ficials exercised with impartiality the powers they have assumed, individual initiative and competition in banking would be destroyed. The perils of the situation are enhanced when lawful authority is thus exceeded for the gratification of a personal grudge.

The Oregonian feels the more free to condemn such treatment of banks because when the Federal reserve law was under discussion we held fears of political control over banks to be vithout cause. We refused to believe that any man occupying such high positions of trust as those of Secretary of the Treasury and Controller of the Currency would prostitute his powers to political or personal ends. There is now good reason to believe that the very misdeeds then held to be highly improbable have been done before the Federal reserve banks have been in actual operation for six months.

The Riggs bank case brings to the

the elements of prosperity except one would control fifty per cent of the -confidence. The people lack confi-dence, not in business conditions, for cerns companies which have sested they are sound, but in the Govern- rights, ment. Men fear to launch new enter- and the rights. They own their power sites and they have established themselves prises because they cannot feel confi- in a way which subjects them to state dent that the Government will per- regulation but not Federal regulation. mit them to run their own business The Ferris bill would not extend Fed-

and earn their just reward. The Riggs eral regulation over them and it bank case is ominous of a state of would affect only water power develmind on the part of the Government opments of the future on sites owned which has produced a corresponding by the Government. state of mind among the people.

THE HUGHES STATEMENT.

Justice Hughes announces that he s "not available" for the Presidency. The bill fills no need in that respect He is not in any sense a candidate. He cannot permit his name to be used. He is a member of the Supreme Court lies. The Government power sites also from the almost entire tone of How to Remit-Send Postoffice money of He is a member of the Supreme Court Hes. How to Remit—Send Postoffice model of the B a member of the Supreme court and with the personal check on your of the United States, and it is clear that he put all ambitions for the Pres-full, including county and state. He is a member of the Supreme court of the United States, and it is clear that he put all ambitions for the Pres-full, including county and state. I court 18 The prevent trust control, but would en-prevent trust control, but would en-courage capital to invest in them. But to d0 pages, 5 cents. Foreign post-forbade the use of his name in con-by payeent of a licence or rental nection with the Republican Presidential nomination, and it is not at all surprising that he should reaffirm remotely or otherwise is not only any attempt to regain control for the needless but unbearable.

Justice Hughes considers it beneath the dignity of a judge to aspire for political office. It is more, in his estimate. It is a violation of a true con-

#### The San Francisco Argonaut conception of a judge's duty to his contributes a critical and discriminative analysis of the literary character of science and to his oath. He should Ambrose Bierce-presumably the late Ambrose Bierce-inspired by renewed should regard all matters of purely private concern in an entirely imperreports of his death in Mexico. It is sonal way, and he should not permit taken for granted that the story of his appearance with the allled armies in Europe is groundless; and that nothing definite or authentic has been heard from him in America since December, 1913, when he wrote a letter to his secretary at Washington giving time be seeking great honor or glory the information that he was for himself. Villa's army. Bierce was more than The high integrity of the Judge's

70 years of age, and in bad health, and it is easy to assume that he met ness of his position must be conceded. his fate in some tragic way in the Republicanism":

midst of the Mexican conflagration. The Argonaut places Bierce at the the Riggs bank for the gratification himself, and with real benefit to the head of California's literary army, for of private vengeance. They have au- Nation. Let us suppose that a Nabut it says that he lacked wofully the thority to see that the bank is solvent tional convention, unable to agree but it says that he lacked wofully and is conducted according to law, upon a candidate for the Presidency, element of constructiveness in writings and for that reason his talents were largely unrecognized. Says the Argonaut:

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It is said that early disappointment been brought against that city for large damages for injuries suffered in a fit-

ney accident emphasizes the derelicdispleasure of the autocrats in the is that the jitney is a common carrier affair, if they are so unfortunate as and refused to prosecute certain faand as such it was the duty of the to have had only one-exist only in vored corporations. municipality so to regulate its operastory books. A predisposition to mortion that the welfare of its patrons bidness may indeed have been aggravated by disappointment and misfor-

would be safeguarded. It may be a fanciful theory that the city by neglect of duty to regulate of American literature who made sorcommon carriers becomes financially did tragedy his handmaid and the in-hable for personal injuries they in- nocent ambitions and harmless deeds The troops already on the peninsula flict, but there can be no logical de-

hial that that duty exists. Since the tal and sportive fancy. There are in-accident occurred which is the basis deed one or two gentle tales from of the action jitneys have been put Bierce's pen, but they were excep-under bond in Washington and other tional. The dominant note of his for-regulations have been imposed. In mai writings was horror, and of his Portland they now operate as they newspaper offerings a bitter and mawill without restraint and no bond for licious irony. The writings of Bierce have been protection of passengers is given or is to be required.

pressed in an initiated measure re-

endum. Even assuming that an im-

the jitneys in defiance of public opin-

ion, that hardship would have been

But the vote on the ordinance will

mean nothing. The "noes" will repre-

sent the combined opinions of those

who want no regulation and of those

UNCLE SAM: PRICE BOOSTER

When the Government inaugurated

saling the one in force as in a refer-

ney protection.

but shortlived.

THE JITNEY FIASCO.

The ordinance adopted by the Com- in a set of fourteen or fifteen volumes. mission, lacking as it does a bonding They are gloomy reading. provision and weak as it is in other particulars, has been subjected to the A TROPICAL CIVILIZATION.

referendum. The opportunity to vote on it satisfies no one except those who favor no regulation whatever. If front the whole subject of Govern- adopted it will possess that assumed in the Canal Zone expresses highly

publican in 1916, but how that state will sideswipe a reactionary candidate or a re-actionary platform. Minnesota is perma-nently programive. **Twenty-Five Years Ago** Mr. Davenport also found an earn-From The Oregonian, May 5, 1890.

est effort in Western States to put Washington-Senator Hearst is mal their government on an economic ing a strong bid for the construction of two battleships for the Pacific Coast business basis, and he declares that the time has come for enlisting in the the time has come for enlisting in the service of the people, not installing in control of the Governmeut such progressive business men as Henry Ford and Thomas A. Edison. in control of the Government such

Nor is the Ferris bill needed to The people are in no mood to put At Senator Mitchell's request forestall a possible monopolistic grab the reactionaries in power as the only refuge from Democratic incapacity of power sites at present unappropriated. Such sites are now effectand depression. That is the concluas to include Aurora. sion to be drawn, not only from Mr.

Davenport's articles, but from the utand offers no permanent relief from terances. of progressives who Valley. ourage capital to invest in them. But Government from the hands of the bosses and machines and have taken materialized. by payment of a license or rental affairs into their own hands. They grounds of a which inevitably falls upon the con- are now disposed to settle down quiet- as grounds. sumer and does not come back to him |y in the new groove, watchful against

ready to welcome the aid of big business men in running the Government for the service of all.

Next year promises to be a good year for the Republican party if it head. rejects the leadership and advice of the men who led it into the ditch. the men who led it into the ditch. Those who would turn the party from the course which its masses wish to follow must be rebuffed at the outset, for the voters have acquired the habit of independent voting. If called upon to choose between the two evils of Democracy and reaction, they might prefer Democracy, even after four years of that bitter medicine. with

Here is a typical Democratic campaign arraignment of "reactionary

Republicanism": Mark Hanna was its exemplar, Aldrich i great captain, and Penross is its high prim Piati was one of its cunning, crafty, secr manipulators and Mr. Roosevelt has a mitted to us how it controlled at Alban how it administered the Vice-Presidenc and how it even invaded the Americo White House and helped exercise person dominion there, not stopping at the di cussion of campaign contributions with Harriman, accepting the guidance of a Mc Harriman, accepting the guidance of a Mor-ran in flying a quietus to a competitor of the steel trust, and authorising no prose-cution of great corporations that had been generous campaign contributors. It is a kind of Republicanism against which nearly 4,000,000 Lincoln Republicans protested in 1912, when they abandoned the old guard leadership of the Roots, Lodges, Cannons and Peirroses and went by regiments, bri-gades and divisions into the ranks of the Progressive party. They are Lincoln Repub-licans, but not Penrose Republicans. These 4,000,000 Lincoln Republi-cans left the Republican party, no Harriman, accepting the guidance of a

THE JITNEY FIASCO. A report from Seattle that suit has that like the murderer in Macbeth, he doubt, because they wanted to put was so "incensed" that he "reckless back in the White House a President what he did to spite the world." who permitted the bosses to "invade" But the tale is probably apochryphal. its sacred doors, discussed campaign The men who fail to get over their contributions there with a Harriman, early love affairs-or their one early accepted the guidance of a Morgan

insula near the neck, say from Karatune, and he became the stormy petrel lik to Cukuragan, would admit the allies to the Sca of Marmora and enof minor men the subjects of his bru- could dig the tunnel in a few weeks nial that that duty exists. Since the tal and sportive fancy. There are in- with the aid of plentiful dynamite.

vided on the question of entering the war. For some hours its action was uncertain, but finally the bolder opinion prevailed. There was some expectation that the government would be wrecked by internal dissensions,

# LIGHT IS TURNED ON DIRECTORS Physiognomist Reports on Photos of

### Chamber of Commerce Leaders.

ASHLAND, Or., May 3 .- (To the Ediaces, and after looking over the faces of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce as published in The Oregonian May 2 I will give you a brief reading. I was born in Scotland and raised in ireland; went to the national schools education; then emigrated to America; settled at Darlington, Lafayette County, Wisconsin, where I lived for 40 years. My life's work was farming and mining. mail route between Oswego and Wil-sonville has been ordered changed so

I was born in 1853. Two years ago I sold my farm in Wisconsin and came to Ashland, the beauty spot of the world, and was glad to get to such a paradise. I hope to remain here the belance of modern Stillwater, Minn,-Millions of feet of fine and valuable timber are being de-stroyed by forest fires in the St. Croix

balance of my days. Well, here goes for a brief reading of the faces of the prominent men of the metropolis of our grand adopted The National Baseball League

Henry E. Reed-Too fond of arguing

to extremes. Emery Olmstead-Should have been

a minister. Has fine morals. A. G. Labbe-Always wants every-thing to go his own way.

udgment, but cannot stand oppositio

I guess you will find this is all right. I. MacNAB.

Great Britain has been completed and plans for introducing the American National game on the Island have not tate: W. F. Woodward—Too impulsive. C. C. Colt—A man of good judgment. Nathan Strauss—Altogether too stub-orn and set in his ways. materialized. The principal football grounds of the country will be utilized O. M. Clark-Very erratic

E. T. Bartlett reports four feet o snow in the Hungry Crea country in Jackson county. Creek mining

W. J. Hofmann-A man of good judg-ment. Will do to follow. A. J. Kingsley-Fair judgment, but a little narrow. Dean Vincent-A solid fellow for him Albert Haynes, a Union County rancher, was thrown from his horse and one of his bones thrust out of the aclf C. English-A man stuck on him-J. self. socket. He was badly gashed on the

Hon. E. L. Smith, of Hood River. Or.

leader. J. C. Ainsworth-Too slow; takes too much time to make up his mind. E. D. Timms-A little too conceited.

Mr. and Mrs. Cummings, who reside on a ranch near Shanghai, were badly burned last week. They were burning a big log when Mrs. Cummings' clothes

southed may be also was burned. tempted to aid her he also was burned. ittle selfish for his own town. Not big enough for a state man. He is all portland.

of Minnsapolis, accompanied by his es-timable young wife, has been spending a few days in Portland. "Portland re-minds me more of Minneapolis than any place on the Coust." said Mr. Bell yesterday. "I was here two years ago and yeaterday. "I was here two years ago and now I am astonished at the growth in that time." Mr. Bell and Mrs. Bell, who was formerly Miss Clara Pearson, were schoolmates of an Oregonian re-were schoolmates of an Oregonian reporter in the Minneapolis High School

John E. Cronan-A man of fine judg-Arthur D. Marshall, brother of Architect George Marshall, has been appoint-ed to a position with the Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington. ment; will do to lead or follow. Abso-lutely fair and just. Never jealous.

L. Allen Lewis-A good follower. Is fair and just but easily influenced by his friends. Has no use for his enemies. KEEP THE TARIFF IN POLITICS. Thomas Kerr-A very able man but Non-Partisans Are Denounced by Penet in his ideas.

M. H. Houser-A little stuck on his dleton Man, Who Opposes Commission.

PENDLETON, Or. May 2. -- (To the Editor.)--I noticed in The Orego-nian an article entitled, "Shall we drop the tariff issue?" I do not agree we ideas; hard to influence. Robert Kennedy—Will do no good un-cess he can have his own way. E. L. Thompson-A man of good and rogressive ideas.

with you on that issue. I will say first that a real non-par-Franklin T. Griffith-A very fair man,

be an and a splendid judgment and is been splendid judgment and is tisan is a nobody. There is no non-partisan, but some low-down person who has not enough

nind to be anybody. The so-called non-partisans are hyp-crites pretending to be non-partisans, but in reality are bitter partisans in-tending to do some dirty work. The talk of taking the tariff out of politics is bosh. It has always been the talk ever since I can recollect.

STATE'S RIGHT TO WATERPOWERS I distinctly remember the campaign of 1844, when Clay and Polk ran for President. I remember singing "Hur-rah for Clay and the Constitution, tar-iff, banks and distribution," which Correspondent Hopes to See Reserva-

in, banks and distribution, which shows that tariff and the currency were the issues then and they were the issues in 1912 and they will be the issues indefinitely in the future, and why? The Constitution says that all revenue bills must originate in the inverse house of Computer

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revenue bills must originate in the lower house of Congress. Does The Oregonian want to take away the people's rights? Are the scheming politicians better judges than the people? I think not. Then don't try to cheat or deceive the people. If the People are in power they will

By a non-partisan commission we do

not mean a commission of non-parti-

sans, for we have much the same opin-

ion about that brand of politician as

ommission composed of men of both

of high character, who unanimously

reported facts to guide Congress. We

have not proposed that Congress be de-

Republicans could not find an issue after the tariff was taken out of poli-tics. The tariff as an issue has been

THE FAIRER GLORY,

victories in 1884, 1893 and 1912 show.

Nor could their ranks be riven.

ocrats, as their

more useful to the Dem

From The Oregonian, May 5, 1865, Clarence J. Prentice, son of the ed-itor of the Louisville Journal and an especially virulent rebel, lately under-took to capture Taxwell, Tenn. He had 150 men. The place was held by 50 men under Lieutenant Jennings. Prentice demanded surrender; Jennings refused; a fight ensued and Prentice was whipped most decidedly. Instead of taking the place the rebel was forced to send a flag of truce so he could bury his dead.

Half a Century Ago

pire in 20 years, but many of the leading statesmen are anxious for speedy end.

We are told by a friend that some time ago a gentleman by the name of Robinson, of Roseburg, in Southern Oregon, went to Mexico to satisfy himself as to the advisability of emi-grating there. His friends in Douglas County anxiously have awaited to hear his decision, as the question of their own emigration depended largely on it. Mr. Robinson, after traveling considerably in Mexican territory, now advises them that it would not be a favorable move and is discouraging the plans. General Jo Lane was asid to be one of the most determined Res-Guy W. Talbot-A man of splendid judgment, fair, and a good man, to follow. Phil Metschan-Just medium in judg-

John Lane, son of General Jaseph Grant with the Army of Northern Vir-ginia. John had risen to be a Major in the Confederate service. At the commencement of the war he was at West Point. It is a pity he used his milliary education on the wrong add military education on the wrong aide

General Sherman will have a nice time reading in the newspapers com-ments upon his ireaty with Johnston and Breckinridge. The editors are handling him quite freely and it will have a tendency to make him more nervous than ever.

Bierstadt, the artist, who traveled through Gregon some time since, seems to have electrified the world of fine arts with his magnificent portrait-ure of Mount Hood. Alex T. Stewart ure of Mount Hood. Alex T. Stewart is said to have offered the painter \$20,-000 for the work.

Edgar Piper-Jealous that his own own does not get the lion's share of verything; needs to widen out a bit. Frank E. Smith-A man of very good J. S. White, Supervisor, has depu-tized B. P. Cardwell to collect the road tax in District No. 4.

# NEW FISHING LAW LAMENTED

#### Use of Nets Between Oregon City and Oswega Held Fatal to Sport.

PORTLAND, May 4. - (To the Editor.)-Last Winter during the session of our Legislature there was a great deal of argument regarding salmon fishing in the Willametta River at and near Oregon City. The sportsmen wished to close this river to net fishermen from the falls of the Willamette to a point near Oswego. A compro mise was eventually offected and there was enacted a law closing the river to all fishing, except with hook and line. from the falls to the Oregon City bridge. Unfortunately this law does not become effective for some little lime yet.

I trust that those who opposed the champions of a closed river have had an opportunity of observing operations at this point for the past month. Every day a great fleet of boats could be seen on the stream, in each of which Correspondent Hopes to See Reserva-tion Policy Defeated. ROCK CREEK, Or, May 3.-(To the Editor).-The object of this letter is to commend the deep interest you are taking in behalf of Oregon's rights in leasing power sites in this state. You are no doubt aware of the fact that Jackson and Polk both argued that it was unconstitutional for the from sales of public lands to internal improvements. See Jackson's mes-and December 1, 1834, and Polk's Teto message of December 15, 1847. These arguments how event

A tunnel through the Gallipoli Pen-

The British Cabinet was sharply di-

collected by some one and published

but after Burns and Lord Morley re-A United States official who has signed harmony was restored and it is seen public service both in Cuba and stronger now than ever before,

The teachers in the Franklin High

Dr. Marcellus' all-Summer

paign against files ought to bring re-

his

Bierce was rarely or never constructive. He was forever festooned with the scalps of his enemies, and he made enemies and mur-dered them with the hand, or rather with the pen, of the expert. But he was never a builder. He had gibbets for our mistakes, but never a laurel for our virtues. He could wield the lash with a certain pitiless delight in the process, but the equality po-tent implement of praise and encourage-ment was not in his equipment.

BIERCE'S WRITINGS.

ment activity in and regulation of business. Such abuses had grown up ple's laws" under unrestricted private conduct of business that the Interstate Commerce Commission was created and its pow ers have several times been extended, and the Sherman anti-trust law was in not providing a suitable ordinance passed. When the Monetary Commission proposed a Federal reserve system under control of a federation of banks with a minority of Govern ment directors, a cry went up that this would clinch financial control by the "money trust." The late Congress passed substantially the same measure with the exception that it substituted control by the Government for control by the banks. A commission has also been created to regulate inproper hardship had been imposed on ternal trade and is yested with au-thority to declars when competition is and is not fair. The people felt so keenly the ills inflicted upon them by unregulated railroads, the money trust and the industrial trusts that they set up these new rules.

If the conduct of the two principal members of the Federal Reserve Board be any criterion we have not greatly mended, and may have weakened our condition as regards banks and we have cause to fear what the indifferent as to what it shall be. Federal Trade Commission may do to industry. The Interstate Commerce Commission has done some valuable service and is the least open to criti- the forestry conservation policy it was cism, but it, too, has shown a disposi- presumed that the National forests tion to stretch" its power by setting would not only serve as a permanent aside fundamental natural laws source of timber supply but that the temperate regions of the Northern through motives of policy. No other Government through ownership of Hemisphere, but perhaps there is no explanation can be found for the de- forests would regulate the market insuperable obstacle to something still cision in the intermountain rate cases. price of timber. Instead of utilizing Express rates, which were excessive, the National forests to bear prices the is already great promise of advancehave been reduced below a profitable Forest Service for years has demanded scale. The advances in freight rates the prevailing price for stumpage, the Southern Hemisphere, but those were first denied and then delayed. Whenever the price of private stumpfor no apparent cause than fear of age has gone up the Government price has climbed to the same level. At no

Public regulation of business has time has the Government undertaken fallen far short of the expectations of to force down the market price of its advocates, but we are offered not timber by underselling its private merely more regulation but actual competitors. operation of business by the Govern-There is not an exact parallel be ment. The Postoffice Department is tween the forestry problem and the far from efficient and its parcel post power problem, for the Government rates are full of glaring absurdities, does not propose to develop power. such as a tyro in traffic business could But the Government does prope detect. It shows a deficit by robbing lease its power sites and derive reve the railroads with no apparent excuse nue from them. The Government will except that the railroads formerly impose conditions on its power les robbed the postoffice; also by depriv- that will not be imposed on the priing settlers on the frontier of postal vate power companies which were in service. Yet it has the audacity to the field ahead of the Government ask authority to mismanage tele- and own their own sites. Moreover graphs and telephones also. The banks long-distance Federal regulation tends are to be subjected to regulation in to increase the cost of the commodity smallest detail by vindictive offi- regulated. Whenever the Governmen cials. The water owned by the West- attempts to derive revenue from water ern states is to be leased and taxed by powers not already appropriated and a Federal bureau and the Government regulate their use at long range, it is to be the perpetual landlord of a will put the private companies in a huge estate equal to the personal preferred position. Either they will holdings of the Czar. We are to be underbid among consumers the proj-given proof that the converse of Jef- ects held under Government lease or ferson's dictum is true, namely, that they will increase their own rates. In that government governs worst which the first event new development will be discouraged. In the second, the

In this tendency of the Government Government will have done as it has to meddle with, regulate and run with the forests-encouraged a rise in overything may be found the explana- the cost of an important commodity. For these reasons Secretary Lane tion of the slow and hesitant pace at was not fortunate in the choice of an which prosperity returns and enterprise revives. With abundant capital argument in favor of the Ferris wa-in the banks, great crops selling at terpower bill. The report, he cited,

If one is locking for reaction in Minnesota, a must go after it with a fine-touth comb. . . I think Minnesota wants to be Rehigh prices and an active foreign de- that waterpower companies were premand for our products, we have all paring to effect a combination which

encouraging opinions about the future sanctity which attaches to "the peo of the tropical regions of the world. School have made an interesting apand discourages their In his opinion those regions, in spite plication of the "extension" idea. amendment; if defeated it will be preof their present drawbacks, are des- Friday afternoons they give lectures sumed that the public desires no jittined to develop a more advanced civi- to the pupils of the Creston School.

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lization than has been seen elsewhere. It is pleasant to note the gradual dis The Commission has been negligent He seems to expect that the shores of appearance of the notion that a teach-the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean er's duties are strictly limited by the with an emergency clause attached Sea will some day excel the rest of walls of his classroom. There is an emergency. The public

the American continent in art and litsafety is directly involved. The emererature, much as the Mediterranean gency, it is true, would have foreregion has at times excelled Central stalled a referendum, but a city elec-

and Western Europe. ults. A few days' aimless swatting tion was near at hand and public dis-· There are some obvious grounds for of the pests is all very well as an approval, if that doubtful element existed, could have been as well ex-

views of this kind. The tropical parts amusement, but more thorough work of the earth are far more productive is required to extirpate them. It must Labor is begin by destroying their breeding than the temperate zones. more disagreeable on account of the places. enervating temperature, but this is

compensated by its greater returns. Russians are not responsible for all Moreover, the difficulty of working continuously in the tropics is inthe casualties this Spring, An Aus-trian working on the Hood River creased by the obstinate disposition of highway examining a charge of dyna Europeans and Americans to cling to mite that was slow in exploding yoltheir native habits of life. They inplaned into a canyon seventy-five feet sist upon dressing as they did at home below.

who desire more and better regula- and frequently refuse to modify their diet. The results of such unreaso The "ayes" will represent those are usually disastrous. No doubt the who believe something ought to be more northerly peoples will ultimately done with the jitney problem, but are

about the depressing effects of life

Great Britain is now going after the real fighting men, with drop of the standard to five feet one inch. The learn how to accommodate themselves x-footer looks grand on parade, but to tropical conditions as far as food, dress and hours of labor are conit is the sawed-off Tommie who fights. cerned, and we shall then hear les

All the murders in the Colorado our correspondent has. We mean a strike were not committed by Lawson parties. President Taft appointed such

and his followers. Justice will not be The world's best civilization has thus far uniformly developed in the done until the murderers among the a tariff commission, composed of men mine guards are also convicted.

The patrolman who went to sleep on duty offered valid excuse and will prived of power to draft revenue bills. There is no cause for alarm lest the better appearing in the tropics, There be forgiven. He worked overtime be-tween beats, which, by the way, is a ment in Australia and other parts of bad practice in the bureau.

Oregon clams are said to be excep-

tionally fine this Spring and it is to be hoped the supply will last until the beach resorts are well populated.

said-They stood like heroes true; 'Gainst mighty odds they fought and The Sebastian case at Los Angeles is reaching the acute stage, now that gressive candidate for Governor of he is being shot at through the win-As only brave men do: Before the brunt of the attack, By focz to frenzy driven, Nor lead, nor steel could drive them

Ground squirrels in Douglas will He discusses the prospects of the Republican party in 1916 as hinging on chatter in glee when the news spreads its choice between reactionary and that a woman hunting them shot her-

progressive leaders and programme, self in the foot. suming that, with the progressiv element in control, the Republican

The Kaiser is said to look much older. Why not? He has troubles on party will receive the support of those who turned against it in 1912, while hand that will bring lines into his reactionary control of the Republic- face. ans would mean Democratic triumph

Those were heartless robbers who He considers no third party as a fac-Thus by implication another rode in a jitney bus and despoiled the Progressive party leader returns to the chauffeur of his collection of nickels.

Mr. Davenport finds no trend toward The American ambassadors are be eaction in Michigan and Minnesota, oming ambassadors for all nations which are not on speaking terms, the states he discusses in the current

Outlook. Michigan, which voted for Mr. Roosevelt in 1912, "is in general Nothing but severe prison penalties will put a stop to reckless driving of automobiles.

> It is high time Kitchener's army began the war.

> > Greetings to the great port of Lew-

All aboard for Celilo!

appoint a Republican commission; if the Democrats are in power they will appoint a Democratic commission, so there you have it. From the close Cleveland's Administration until the enactment of the Underwood tariff

bill there was a balance of trade in our favor of over eight thousand mil-llons of dollars and no nation ever prospered so fast in the history of the If it had not been for Roosevelt, La-Follette, Murdock and company filrting with the free trade goddess, the Re-publicans would have been in power

ery resourceful

The pope you will not consider me as intruding on your time when I call your attention to the fact that there is already a conflict as to whether the state or Nation controls these power sites. One ruling by the General Land Office in regard to one of these power sites that I saw a few years age says as long as this one-quarter section of land is reserved "It cannot be appro-priated for any other use." The state controls the use of the water for power or irrigating ditch to be located across this one-quarter section of land, known as power slits hand is the same as any other owner's. If I own land that corporation of Gov-ernment wants it can be condemnes and sold and thus be annormore to for the section of and the same as any other owner's. If I own land that corporation of Gov-ernment wants it can be condemnes ret and our country would have kept Increasing in wealth and power. Deprive the party of its most potent planks in its platform and the Repubcan voters will stay at home and the tourbons and demagogues will exploit the country to fill their own pockets. Hill says. "Experience has shown that every general revision of the tar-iff, whether for better or worse, means two years of doubt, hesitation and bud business." He ought to know better, for it is not true. Business discounts a bad tariff immediately and times get hard, and a good tariff brings immediate revival in business every time. S. P. HUTCHINSON.

ernment wants it can be condemness and sold and thus be appropriated for public use. Can any court compet the interior Department to deed or

Government land along these

ch These power site reservations are in many instances only sections are in good advertisement. They keep the Summer boarders cheesed up, thinkin' mebbe the first thing they know they'll see a couple of 'em on the dinner table."
is already patented to settlers. No further settlement can take place. One of these sites was surveyed about 14 years ago, and it was resurveyed this inst Winter, and so far as the general public knows it may be 14 more ere anything more will be done. The graving purposes, subject to cancediation on six months or a year's notice. I hope you will continue your intersee, that One you will continue your intersee.

tion on six months' or a year's notice. I hope you will continue your inter-est in the legislation now pending, to see that Oregon is allowed to develop along natural lines. Those who have read Senator Borah's speech in Phila-delphia see how Idaho is handicapped by these reservations of public lands, and does Oregon fare any better? J. E. DAVID. "They saved the day," Lord Kitchener J. E. DAVID.

"GOD IS LOVE."

The fleeing years have onward rolled Like waves across the sea Since the faith of Jesus lulled The storm of Galilee, And yet, O World, the kindiy voice That spoke the troubled sea Still bids the stricken heart rejoice; Still calls O Man to the Gainst each auccoeding wave of death Still calls, O Man, to the Though ages vast should onward sweep 'Til earth shall be no more Yet not in vain shall sorrow weep On life's uncertain shore. For, hark! The voice of Jesus at Above the strife and roar hope divine forever dwells; God loves us as before And listening souls at last may hear The rustle of a wing; The Lord of Galilee is near

And heavenly voices sing: "God is love." He feels the tears That mortal eye outpours: Through all the sad departed years His mighty love endures. He sent the star of Betblehem, Which stood ofer budghes budghes Which stood o'er Judah's hill. A guide in other days to men, A promise to fulfill

GEORGE H. SANDS.

and December 1, 1854, and Polk's veto message of December 15, 1847.
These arguments have ceased to be used and are not invoked in suits now pending in state and United States courts in regard to land grants and dummy entrymen.
Cleveland's wish, expressed in his message to Congress on January 17, 1895, seems likely to be law as inter-preted by state and National courts--that the time is unlimited in which a state or nation can sue to recover lands which have been patented by dummy entrymen or obtained by non-compliance with law by railroads.
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### Argument for Chickens.

Washington (D. C.) Star. "Do you think it pays to keep chick-ens?" "Yes," replied Farmer Corn-tossel; "a few chickens are a good ad-vertisement. They keep the Summer

#### Criticism on Shooting. Washington (D. C.) Star.

"Why do you compare my marks-manship with lightning?" asked the recruit. "Because," replied the in-structor, "it never hits twice in the same place.

Take Care of Your Furs With the approach of warm weather the moths begin to get Furs and woolans must seek places of safety. Modern storage has devised al most perfect preservation -- usually of a kind equally good against fire and other dangers. From time to time the place where proper protection may be had are advertised in The Oregonian. A little information promptly acted on may save you many dollars.

But that is the mission of news paper advertising, to save you time and money.

That swept the hillside, gory, They turned not from the war lord's breath. But won, 'tis said, fresh glory. At last when was secured the creat, The enemy slow retiring. Relieved, these men had earned a rest-Where unexposed to firing. Then as death's specter stalked the height His face grew livid, grinning; for, lo! the carnage there in sight Bespoke their ranks' sad thinning. The corpses strewn about the field Made sad indeed war's story: Scarce doth it satisfaction yield

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back

That comrades sarned such glory,

Ah, better is that glory won Through strife of competition, Where man sees not his work undor Through war's stera imposition; Where victor and the loser gain Theorem of the loser gain Through sharing some new blessing, In place of spreading grief and pain And every ill distreasing. E, PLACKETT.

anism," but it is "established as a Though the state "would like to be Repul

lican, if there is any monkeying with popular freedom, Wilson will run far ahead of his ticket" in 1916. Of Min-

ston.

lands again are in a temperate zone. REPUBLICAN BUT PROGRESSIVE. Political tendencies in the West are

thoroughly recommitted to Republic

commonwealth of progress."

nesota he says:

being studied for the Outlook by Frederick M. Davenport. The nature of these tendencies is indicated by the

fact that Mr. Davenport, who was Pro-

New York last year, treats the Pro- dow of his home. gressive party as no longer a factor