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range would make an agreeable variation in moving-picture scenery. No state has a monopoly in that line, and movie patrons like variety.

THE GREAT RECONCILIATION.
The National Progressive Committee, representing the Progressive party, or what is left of it, calls for "a national spirit and soul which views the doctrine of peace as a national duty, and which will unhesitatingly make any needed sacrifice to uphold the American standards of humanity and justice."

AS TO THE WEATHER.
Portland is passing through quite a "spell of weather." But as far as the storm has gone no records of long standing have been broken.

WHO IS PROFITING?
Figures compiled by the Insurance Press on the fire losses in 1915 might lead us into some interesting speculations as to achievements in fire prevention but for one annoying fact.

VICTORY FOR CONSCRIPTION.
Breakdown of the opposition in the House to the conscription bill testifies to the revolutionary change which has come over British opinion on enforced military service since the war began.

AT THE TELEPHONE.
The official forecasters must remember that Portland knows when it has enough.

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EGGS AND DEMOCRATIC JOKERS.
Poultryman is Fine Fellow Except When Tariff is Discussed.
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In Other Days.
Twenty-Five Years Ago.
From The Oregonian of January 15, 1891.
The Hotel Perkins has been leased for ten years, and the furniture sold to Nathan Blum, of La Grande. The formal opening will take place February 4, which is H. S. Perkins' birthday. He will then be 62 years old.

Half a Century Ago.
From The Oregonian of January 12, 1868.
It is said that there are unclaimed deposits to the amount of \$10,000,000 in the savings banks in New York. These millions have been accumulating for upwards of a century and are now regarded as part of the capital stock of the banks.

San Francisco, Jan. 11.—A preliminary meeting to inaugurate the Pacific Coast will be held shortly.
A splendid ball is offered this evening at the Willamette Theater upon the occasion of the benefit for the worthy manager, Mr. Ward.

One of those cases rarely detected, that of selling liquor to Indians, was yesterday brought to light in the Recorder's Court. The guilty men, John Collins and Charles Chinook, were each held to bail in the sum of \$100 and \$200 for the next term of the Circuit Court.

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