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FROM THREE SPEECHES.

present Administration is war. I think the alternative of the policy of with honor. . . . We are not courting struggle, but I do say with ing in a period of National humiliation .- From speech of Mr. Hughes before Union League Club of New York.

The alternative of a weak and vacilship of all, and where only the most tional destinies. inexcusable blundering could drag us

In the greatest crisis that we have seen since the Civil War, in the greatthe world has seen since the Napeleonic wars, it is our duty and privilege to stand once more for the principles for which the men of the early 60s stood; to stand for peace, honor ably and sincercly by every honorable expedient, but to stand for it in that effective way which means that the standing for it asks it as a right in the spirit of justice, and does not cringe for it as a favor to be granted contemptuously by a wrong-doer.— From speech of Theodore Roosevelt before Union League Club.

If Mr. Hughes is made President, we can count with absolute certainty that not the group of the greatest leaders in the land will be able to Portland levy is 8 mills and higher.

Mexico one that assures peace? do not consider that keeping us out o war.—From speech of William H. Taft before Union League Club.

EXPLANATION MAKES IT WORSE,

The more President Wilson explains his action in permitting the railroad law through Congress, the worse he makes his case. That bill was justified by a large proportion of those Congressmen who voted for it, on the plea that it was an emergency measure necessary in order to avert a calamity threatened by the brother hoods. But Mr. Wilson defends it on its intrinsic merits, saying that when the railroad managers refused to grant the eight-hour day "because it is right," he "went to Congress and asked Congress to enact it." Without regard to the threatened calamity, the President tries to justify the haste Congress showed.

Mr. Wilson says he "saw at once" that one part of the controversy was arbitrable, but that another part was From the beginning not arbitrable. it had been in his mind to put this the true significance of the "sane' legislation through, for he had learned that the whole temper of the legislative body of the United States was medical men the story is most graphic parental discipline had gifted him is In favor of the eight-hour day," that when told in terms of the relative told in a few phrases, which may be every Legislature in America that has The Journal of the American Medical voted upon it" is in its favor. There-upon, while the brotherhood chiefs heid the stop-watch, he told Congress of the country, comparing them with daily to make "the journey of two to jam through the bill which they demanded, or which was the minimum they would accept as the price of calling off the strike. learned legislative opinion held that as good, when only one case was reare to his mind sufficient ground for of the work that has been done to The Life of Napoleon confirmed "his followed easily. It's always that way. Congress to act without deliberation, bring this condition about, one must already dawning idea that, if a man with limited discussion and under the impulse of fear, in a manner totally fewer than 417 cases in thirty states. was already half done." "It was his unbecoming to a self-respecting legis. The number has diminished steadily habit," we are told, "whenever any unbecoming to a self-respecting legis-lative body. For a precedent we must back to the days of the French revolutionary convention, when the temporary revival. Jacobin mob overawed the majority and dictated the action of the minor-When the strike was threatened, suspected cases. he saw, further hesitation and dis- jaw, and these, of course, were treated memory.

and Congress enacted into law that part of the brotherhood's demands occasion. It is a triumph of reason Scotch employer handed him his first bitrable, namely, the wage claim, and left unsettled that part which he The most optimistic advocates of the ye keep right on ye'll mak' your way holds not to be arbitrable and there-sane Fourth movement at its outset, in the world." And Hill said: "I fore to be a proper subject for legislation, namely, the actual eight-hour The Adamson law simply requires railroads to pay for eight hours' work the wages which they now pay for ten hours. It contains no prohibition of more than eight hours' work in a day. The only incentive given railroads to limit the working dents not causing death in 1903. The United States, and after working on day to eight hours is the higher rate number varied in succeeding years, of pay per hour and the requirement but with a general trend downward, down the Atlantic Coast, he struck that overtime begin with the ninth in- until in 1916 it had fallen to \$50, the West to visit a schoolmate in Alberta. stead of the eleventh hour, but the first big drop coming in 1910. Still, Missing the last "brigade" which left rate for overtime remains the same 850 accidents in one day, all for no for the Red River in the Summer of

paid. A commission is to ascertain what additional cost will be imposed on the railroads, with the implied intention of compensating them with an advance in rates. These rates will be paid directly by the shipper, ultimately by the consumer. The net result will be the taking of money out of the consumer's pocket to be placed in the pocket of the railroad man.

The President has sacrificed the principle that executive and legislaive bodies should not submit to coercion or dictation from a section of the people, but he has not established the eight-hour principle which he set out to establish. The sacrifice was creat but it gained nothing. When he saw at once," he did not see straight.

TAFT AND ROOSEVELT.

Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Taft met and shook hands at the Union League Club in New York, in the presence of nany hundred interested and expectant onlookers. There was nothing unoward, or sensational, or pyrotechnic or mawkish about the meeting. It was just a commonplace and formal reeting such—as Mr. Taft afterward described it — "as one gentleman hould give to another."

The thing happened as it was arno public reconciliation, no "Will" or "Theodore," no slapping of backs, no tears, no laughter, no cheers. the present Administration is peace course not. A publicly staged reunion would have been unseemly and insin The spotlight is no place for all seriousness that we have been liv- the reconsecration of a broken friend-

Yet there are millions of people lating policy is not war; it is a firm calamitous quarrel. It is more than West states take its cars and keep Insistence upon known rights in a a personal matter. It is a tragedy them. Would it fare better were car world where all nations desire our which has shadowed other lives and distribution in the hands of a Govfriendship and we desire the friend- which has gravely affected the Na- ernment department?

Now we see Taft and Roosevelt into strife. — From speech of Mr. standing together for peace, honor, most out of the Government. Such Hugheg before Union League Club. prosperity and America. A common patriotism has drawn them together: ber and public building appropriasense of duty will doubtless keep tlens, nem together. The way is open to of tr est crisis of the world as a whole that forgetfulness of private animosities between them.

> SIMPLIFIED CITY GOVERNMENT. The taxpayers have learned that it takes a great deal of money to run a city—as cities are now run. It costs more to conduct the affairs of the city of Portland than it costs for the state of Oregon. Yet the state has 100,000 people and the city 250,000.

The state has many large and im-

portant activities, such as an insane sylum or two, with 2000 permanent patients; and it has a state's prison, with a population of about 500. necessary outlay for the insane charges of the state approaches \$400,000 pe year; and for the convicts \$150,000 per year. Yet withal the state tax capitalists in the land, nor yet the per year. Yet withal the state tax group of the most powerful labor levy averages about 3 mills and the get one thing at Washington by threats or in any other way save by showing before a competent tribunal who must have modern equipment. There are street lights to be kept going—thousands of them. There are street lights and maintained. There are streets to be swept and Have we been kept out of war? Is cleaned after they have been paved. the treatment that we have given There are engineers to be kept busy. Had and there are inspectors-a horde we allowed Mexico to work out her them—to look after the health of the own salvation, as we have been told in the Indianapolis speech we ought to do, then we should not be responsible. diestick makers. The moral lapses as we are now, for conditions that of sundry citizens, who are unable to prevail in Mexico; and, therefore, accommodate their habits to the new when this war is over the policy we regime of prohibition and of various have pursued in Mexico is going to other citizens who are prone to go follow us, and we may have to an-astray from the strict requirements swer for our desire to punish one of a rigid code of personal conduct person, and to say to the Mexicans must also be unearthed and severely whom they may have to rule over dealt with; and all this means money. them and whom they may not have. I There has been in recent years a vast ision of municipal service directions. Where the useful and necessary ends, and the ornamental and superfluous begins, it is not our purpose now to declare.

But obviously there is in Portland now a great municipal establishment and there are five bosses. It is noiceable that in the recent budget not many proposals for new or special expenditures have been made; but the great burden of public expense is in the established departments. If there is to be a material reduction of the city tax, it will be through a simplified government, and not otherwise It will not come with a government divided among five heads-each running a little city of his own and determined to make the best possible showing for his department. It will come only when the city determines to get along with less, with fewer hands, and a smaller payroll.

TETANUS AND THE SANE FOURTH.

Owing to the fact that it takes time standing figures in the romance of a to compile statistics that are of value, observance of the Fourth of July last is only just becoming known. "the judgment of society, the vete of numbers of cases of tetanus reported. disappearance of this dread sequel to master. The facts the Fourth of July celebration. "saw at once" and that he preceding year had a record almost the eight-hour law should be enacted ported. But to understand the value gested thoroughly, and his reading of

suspected cases. Blank cartridge tered, the contents were his for all wounds are a fruitful cause of lockcussion became superfluous, in his more promptly than formerly, but timation. there was also a perceptible falling But in their haste, the President off fit all other fatal accidents traceoff fi all other fatal accidents trace-able to the celebration of the patriotic lage store at \$1 a week. When his which the President holds to be ar- over foolish insistence and it gives un- four weeks' pay, the storekeeper said: expected encouragement to the sane

> es so soon. That there is still much to be done, handed them over to my mother.' however, is shown by the figures as After four years with the Scotch-to Fourth of July accidents not acthat there were 4449 deaths and acci- of the Orient, but he made for the

o purpose at all. It did not even

culcate patriotism. very municipality of appreciable size has enacted ordinances regulating the use of firearms and the sale of fireworks, firecrackers and similar de-structive agencies, and in most places about engineering may prove useful these regulations are an armond the sale of fire-and, found reading a book on engi-neering, he said: "A little knowledge about engineering may prove useful these regulations are enforced. ccidents reported in later years have en principally from the villages and the country districts, where authority is not strictly exercised.

The variety of opportunity given for injury under the old dispensation s illustrated by the causes of all cases of lockfaw reported. In eighty-nine ases blank cartridges were to blame, ninety-four giant crackers, in sev enty-six powder, in thirty-three fire-arms and in twenty-seven toy cannons. There were 729 other fatalities, of which 208 were due to fire-119 to explosions and the remainder to giant crackers, toy cannons and various forms of fireworks.

Close analysis of the statistics seems to indicate that there is no middle ground. Absolute prohibition is essential. Nor can it be said that this will the alternative of the policy of the ranged it should happen. There was work a hardship on anyone. The boys are having a lot more real fun than they had in the days gone by and they are safer all the while.

difficulties encountered Oregon shippers in obtaining railroad cars suggest a question as to what the situation would be under who would be pleased to know that Government ownership and speration Taft and Roosevelt had agreed to of railroads. The Pacific Seast comblet out the ugly memories of their plains that the Atlantic and Middle

Experience proves that the section which has most votes in Congress gets It would be apt to prove of transportation facilities. were deficient, shippers in the several states would implore their Congressmen to besiege the railroad department with requests to supply their needs. The officials, with an eye to appropriations, salaries and jobs, would send the cars where most votes in Congress were at stake. The Pacific Coast with its sparse population and small representation would be apt to fare much worse than it now does, with non-political Interstate Commission and State Railroad Commissions to back up the railroads self-interest in providing cars. Oregon now realizes that the ques-

tion of car supply may be a question of life or death to the state's indus-Should we enjoy a situation log-rolling in Washington would decide between prosperity and ruin for our enterprises?

JAMES J. HILL'S EARLY LIFE.

The story of James J. Hill's early life, as told by Joseph Gilpin Pyle in World's Work, gives rise to the thought that it was a most valuable preparation for his great achieve-Its simplicity, its hard but healthy outdoor labor and its homely rirtues all contributed to make the lynamic character of the empire-builder. Doubtless Mr. Hill would have made his mark without this early training, but doubtless also he

We are accustomed to speak of men from poverty and hardship to greatit would probably be more nearly corect were we to say that these very things which we call obstacles pro-Not that such a man could be fashioned by what we miscall adversity at unless he possessed certain inherent it youthful preparation as Hill received neglect. ould not have made a great man ou of a weakling, for such a man would have gone down whimpering about his "hard luck." But, given the good raw material wherewith to make a great man, that training developed his qualities to the full and completed his equipment for the great deeds horsefeed? which have made him one of the out

wilderness conquered by civilization in less than two generations.

What was the equipment with which heredity, environment picked from Mr. Pyle's article. Hill was "desperately fond of readings. Association has completed compila- although bright and active and fond tion of the statistics from all parts of sport." At the age of 5 he began tel to master, William Wetherald, under-The stood him and set him an example of 'plain living and high thinking." had but few books, but these he dithat in 1903 there were no made up his mind to do a thing, it ever since then, with the single ex- new subject came within his horizon ception of 1909, when there was a to search out the highest authority he could find, to ask for a list of the This result is attributed only in part best books on the topic, to send for to the growing use of anti-toxin in them and devour them. Once mas-

When his father died, he refused to continue school, but insisted on help-"James, ye hae done right weel. only some thirteen years ago, hardly never felt so rich. I never expect to expected to see the fruition of their feel so rich again in my life, as when looked at those four dollars and

companied by tetanus. It is estimated desire to roam. His first visions were as that for regular time. The legal good end, are quite too many, and maximum number of hours which a railroad man may work in twenty-four is still sixteen. When the Adambou has the stupid way of celebrating is bon law becomes operative, the only indicated by the disclosure that in fortunes were linked to the town

change will be in the rate of wages thirteen years 1892 persons have been which he did more than any other paid. A commission is to ascertain killed and 44,801 injured. This served man to make great. He went to work on the levee as a clerk, he learned all about steamboats, finally The country has reached the point them through the rapids near Minne where its cities are reasonably safe apolls. He was "immensely popular, places on Independence day. Nearly the leader in many a madeap freak, a perpetual fountain of practical jokes," but he "did not read trash"

> "Kindness of heart" was one of his lasting traits. He volunteered to nurse a mere acquaintance who was sick with typhoid fever, then believed to be contagious. Learning on the patient's recovery that his last dollar was gone, Hill lent him \$50, saying when he was chrning money again he could pay it back. He was deeply disappointed that loss of an eye preented his serving in the Civil dence of one steamboat king after an-other until he finally, in the Spring of 1865, went into the transportation usiness himself.

This story enables us to trace Mr. Hill's career back to its beginnings. It teaches us that the same qualities, the same training and the same hab-its will carry any hoy to suncess, ac-cording to the measure of his ability. Few have the towering talents and character of Hill, but each can win by using and developing to the utmost those which he has.

One of the distressing results of the bad season for wheat experienced by some of the states of the Middle West and Minnesota and the Dakotas is that permanent effect it is likely to have on the future crop of that section, as well that Minnesota, in particular, has bas gone to considerable expense to raised this year a relatively small stage it. uantity of the kind of grain the armers have been accustomed to use for seed. Tests have shown that the shriveled wheat of this season's crop germinates readily enough, but the xperts at the Agricultural College nough to carry the sprouts through the soil to the surface when growth lished her composition and gave he farmer is to reserve for himself a sufficient amount of wheat grading No. 2 or better for his own seed needs, no matter how tempting may be the price now offered. There is a prosthat later on he will be compelled to take what he can set, and his would be poor "economy" if it acrificed next year's crop.

early \$78,000,000 less than in August. 1913, less also than in August of either of the two preceding years. Imports were \$199,000,006, or \$70,5000,000 more than in August, 1914. and more than in any of the five preeding years. The certain prospect is that, when war ends, our exports will vastly decrease while our imports rill vastly increase, if nothing is done n the meantime to even the balance. hen the flow of gold, which was \$410,000,000 to this country in the to poverty may be as sudden as it is

made it the more indelibly and the The protest of Britain and France more free frem blurs and blots be- to the United States against Carrancause of that training. He combined za's seizure of British and French in himself the sturdy, sterling virtues bank assets in Mexico is a hint of and later a vaudevillian, is play of his Scotch and Irish parents—a what might have been had those nations not been otherwise engaged. They might easily have called upon discipline of his Quaker teacher, President Wilson to enforce good bewhom he revered through life as "My havior by his protege or to permit dear old master." States cannot shirk responsibility to like Hill and Lincoln, who have risen other nations when it countenances contempt for its citizens' rights and ess, as triumphing over obstacles, but expects other nations to do likewise.

A Umatilla cowboy who was given a short sentence in state prison for duced greatness. They form the man, assault with a deadly weapon on a mentally, physically and morally, as man who called him "a sheepherder" the fire and the blows of the hammer is asking for parole. If he had killed mold, strengthen and temper steel, the libeler, no doubt a Coroner's jury up there would have called it justifiable homicide; but as he failed, it would seem he deserves at lea ualities of mind and character. Such slight punishment for unpardonable

hants to have the freight for carryng goods to Elk City reduced from \$480 to \$172.80 by the parcel post, out how does the carrier like it? Does the Government pay him enough.for

Napoleon may have died from caner caused by eating onlons, but if the average man can have them served thick on a steak done fust right he will take a chance or two until heart failure finishes him.

Other sections of the city are showng most commendable self-denial in the interest of South Portland by renouncing their claims to park improvements. All wish to blot out the Marquam gulch eyesore.

postoffice funds, that at Grants Pass, answered "Yes" and walked away to-reveals by confession that after the gether smilingly. But 'that's not the first "borrow" of \$200 the ethers

few laps ahead of the Belgian succor association in relation of horrors. The pity of it is, too, the details also have the appearance of truth. Yields of fifty-two bushels of wheat

to the acre are what draw Americans to Alberta. Continued big yield will be mostly due to the man, however, in Alberta or elsewifere. There is nothing odd in the demand of optometrists that all automobile drivers be examined and licensed.

Railways find examination of engi-

With the flax and sugar beet industries well established, let no man ask in deprecatory tone, "What's the

Jackson Sundown has returned to the reservation, to be "big Injun" until he dies. McGraw is getting old when he alows a grouph to affect him on the

With five sets of twins in the Riddle primary school, the riddle is plain. They are mostly Hughes voters who

Last day to pay taxes.

Stars and Starmakers By Leane Cass Baer.

Now we have with us or are to have with us-the musical wait-As if waiters can't be bad enough without singing about it. We haven't got them in Portland yet, thank heaven, but the wave is spreading. An enterprising New York song publisher's representative has found a new use for vaiters-to boost his songs.

Consequently twice every night in downtown cafe the guesta cannot get anything to drink or to eat for about ten minutes. During his time the waiters, colored gents who have been put on since the waiters' strike. put on white gloves and come out where usually pretty chorus girls and forus men frolic and sing the pub-Active, energetic, studious, loyal, it lisher's latest song: "Twice as Nice as is no wonder that he won the confi- Paradise, and They Call It Dixieland." I predict that a universal spread of

this vice will encourage eating at home. "Object Matrimony" is a tional success in Washington, D. C., and copie who have seen it say it beats the "Potash and Perimutter" series. So it has to go some to do that. Montague Blass and Jules Eckert Goodman colaborated on this new comedy. It is to go to New York later. The play is novel in construction and introduces some new types of Jewish characters. Irving Cummings, a motion-picture ero, is trying his best in the spoken drama, and his fine stage presence will is overcome other obstacles. Mathilda Cotrelly has a very good role, in the cast are Marjorie Wood, Jess Dandy, Wright Kramer, Jules Jordan, Jean Temple and several others. Mr. as others, through the production of Jean Temple and several others. Mr. undesirable seed. It has been found Brady has great faith in this play and

Alma A. Crowley, Oakland musician, believes a song written by her entitled "My California Rose" is worth \$5000. She brought suit for that amount in the United States District Court yesterday fear that it will not have vitality against Turner & Dahnke, an advertising firm. She alleges that they pubbegins. The plain duty, therefore, of away as a souvenir to patrons of the Tivoli Theater, when "Gloria's Romance" was playing there, without consulting her.

that much money. Personally I think no song is worth-

Eva Le Gallienne, only child of the post, Richard Le Gallienne, is appearing with Henry E. Dixey in "Mr. Lazarus," a comedy written by Harvey Exports of the United States in O'Higgins and Harriett Ford. The play August, 1916, were nearly \$510,000,- is a modern version of "Enoch Arden." 000. In August, 1914, when the war the long-lost husband appearing, takhad joined the Underwood tariff in loggings with his wife, who has striking down our commerce, they since been married, and in these condi-were over \$110,000,000. That was tions directing the affairs of his own daughter and managing generally the domestic difficulties of all concerned.

Margaret Anglin is appearing at the Empire Theater in New York in Somerset Manchan's comedy, "Caroline."

Eva Lang is heading a stock company it the Alacazar in San Francisco. John Halliday is leading man.

Mary Servoss, who appeared here last eason on the Orpheum circuit, is playyear ending August, will turn the ing the principal role in Morosco's newest play, "Upstairs and Down," in New York. Ida St. Leon is in the company, too. She first brought "Polly of the-Circus" to Portland, and came two years ago as Amy in "Little Women."

> Leo Carillo, once a newspaper man and later a vaudevillian, is playing a valet in "Upstairs and Bown." The play is a satire on the idle rich upstairs

newest splash in eccentric titles. A former Baker player, Walter Regan, is in the cast.

Reece Gardner, one of Keating Flood's discoveries a few seasons ago, is heading a tabloid musical comedy company in Denver. He calls his chorus the "Mostly Girls"

Florence Rockwell has sailed for Australia to appear there in musical comedy.

Fritzi Scheff's manager in her vaudeville tour this season will probably be her husband, George Anderson, He should be able to manage Fritzi if any-

Walter C. Kelly, the Virginia Judge, s to be in a new Winter Garden show this year. Walter C. Kelly, the Virginia Judge,

has deserted vaudeville for this season and will appear in a Win'er Garden production.

Laurette Taylor has a new play, Her husband, J. Hartley Manners, wrote it. "The Harp of Life" is its title. Here is a stage fact you may not

now: Mary Marble, she of lemon-pie fame, is not Mrs. Sam Chip. The names Sam Chip and Mary Marble have been linked for quite a number of years, so long really that most folks have had the impression that a minister had asked each, "Do you promise to love, The latest case of embezzlement of honer and obey?" and that each had gether smilingly. But 'that's not the case. Mary Marbie is the wife of John W. Dunne, who has the part of "The Grandfather Clock" in "The Clock Shop," in which Sam Chip and Mary Marble will star in Orpheum vaudeville at the Heilig beginning next Sunday. Formerly Mr. Dunne was a member of the firm of Wells, Dunne & Harland, which was sponsor for "The Awakening of Mr. Pipp," with Charley Grapewin and others just as fornous. Later he met and married Mary Marble, who was famous for her work in Hoyt comedies, musical stock and characterizations Mary Marble did not want to give up her stage work after marriage, so her husband became her manager and played small roles in her company, In every play Mary Marble has appeared in since her marriage 18 years ago Mr. Dunne has assumed a minor role while his wife starred.

And Mary Marble's sister is Anna Marble, who is the wife of Channing Pollock. Both of these are newspaper tolk in New York.

Willard Mack's newest play is "Her Market Value," with Mrs. Stuart Robson, Jane Grey and Margaret Greene in its leading roles. The play is in rehearsal now at the Eltinge Theater.

Charles Emerson Cook is after the Pepular Film Company for failing to up to its contract after he had arranged with the concern to use the services of Blanche Bates in some big pictures at \$2500 a week. Mr. Cook wants \$18,000 damages.

There is no calamity which a great nation can invite which equals that which follows a supine submission to wrong and injustice, and the consequent loss of National self-respect and honor, beneath which are shielded and defended a people's safety and greatness. The foregoing are the words of

a distinguished American. Who was he? Under what circumstances were they uttered? What was the result of their utter-How much do you know about

American history? Can you answer the foregoing questions?
The Oregonian has invited submission of essays on this quotamission of essays on this quotamission of essays on the plainty tion, but its authorship is plainly

a puzzle.

Let us now make it a guessing centest. Who said it? Whom does it sound like? It ought to be

NOT INTENDED AS GUIDE POST Placing of Oregon Trail Tablet at Mult-

nomah Falls Explained. PORTLAND, Oct. 2 .- (To the Editor,) The Daughters of the American Revos lution have noticed in The Oregonian an article signed by Leslie Scott, criticising them for placing on the Columbia River Highway, at Multnomah Falls, a drinking fountain bearing a tablet commemorative of the passing of the pioneers of 1843.

The Daughters of the American Revolution throughout the United States are placing these reminders of the heroism of our forefathers at points of

ism of our forefathers at points of historical interest, and wherever feas-thie, along the trails they blaged. Where they are still used as highways we endeavor to have them improved and incorporated into a great National system of thoroughfares which we are suitably marking. Few of these highways today are on the exact line of the original trails. Inexpensive markers are located on such parts as are no longer used, and more attractive ones are placed at most frequented points. Of what use would it be to place a monument beside a path no longer etting intolerable. He cited to the trodden?

reminder to tell us that the ox teams once.
of 1846 did not pass Multnomah Falls,
but is an ox team a necessary adjunct Por
of a ploneer? This tablet is erected to Pacifi

or a pioneer? This tablet is erected to the first who came as settlers.

Mr. Scott recites history correctly when he says that the pioneers of 1842 came down the river from The Dalles in boats, but offers no feasible plan for the marking of that mighty trail, nor does he take into consideration the well-established fact that the cattle of some of these first immigrants were iriven past the very spot on which our countain stands, and where it will continue to stand without fear that any stranger will be misled into the belief that our beautiful Highway, with its wonderful engineering, was the work of the ploneers of 1842.

of the plonears of 1848.

Except in a few places, the old trail in Oregon is no longer used, and is but a memory. The present country roads in some cases follow the same general direction, and in others more suitable locations and easier grades have been found to surmount the difficulties encountered by the plonear. countered by the pioneer. As the High-way is continued across the state, such places as can be authenticated as the old trail will be marked with tablets and monuments propertionate to their importance, and no doubt many atran-gers seeing these markings will con-caive the idea that the entire Highway is on the line of the old trail, but what does it signify if they do? Eventually we shall have a magnificent highway from the western to the eastern borders of the state. Much as we should like to see it, it is impossible to build it on the old trail at all points: first,

try and made this grand Highway a possibility by bringing civilization to the wilderness, drove across the state from east to west by such route as they could find. To what better cause can we dedicate our great thoroughfare than to the memory of the pioneer? It was with this thought in mind and Daughters of the American Revolution dent McKinley signed the measure and decided upon the present location of an April 20 sent an ultimatum to Spain their fountain. BERTHA B. ASH. hxing April 23 as the last date for a Old Trails Daughters of the American Revolu-

SOFT DRINKS CONTAIN ALCOHOL Found in Root Beer, Also in Brend.

PORTLAND, Oct. 4 .- (To the Editor) PORTLAND, Oct. 4.—(To the Editor)
—I wish to call to the special attention of prohibitionists an article appearing in the Literary Digest of September 23, entitled: "Soft and Hard Drinks," which states: "Even the strups used to flavor soda water contain chemically appreciable quantities" (of alcohol). "The laws of some prohibition states define as alcoholic beverages all those containing 4 per cent or more of alcohol, which would place the lighter grades of beer in the 'soft' the lighter grades of beer in the 'soft'

In the American Journal of Phar-macy, C. H. Lowall, a Philadelphia chemist, "shows that even so staid and sober a drink as homemade root beer may contain a very considerable per-centage of alcohol," and "even in bread centage of alcohol," and "even in bread making where yeast is used, alcohol is present to an appreciable extent," and "the unfermented graps juice of the market always contains small amounts of alcohol," and "it is very difficult to get away from alcohol entirely. Juley fruit is likely to contain minute amounts. Vinegar cometimes contains

ne bottle of ordinary PAUL DORSAL

PORTLAND, Oct 5.—(To the Editor.)
—For the benefit of those who use
red, white and blue bunting for deco-

rating, will you please state through the columns of The Oregonian the cor-rect way of suspending it? That is, should the blue or red be at the top?

Fire Prevention Day.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 4.—(To the Editor.)—Will you kindly give me any

In Other Days.

Half a Century Ago. From The Oregonian October 5, 1866.

New York.-A London dispatch says what larger volume than was expected.

New York .- Rev. H. C. Ladd, D. D., missionary bishop to the Southwest, de-livered the annual sermon yesterday at the 31st annual meeting of the bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

tract of land in San Josquin County, in California, proposes to plant 400 acres to mulberry trees and engage in the silkworm business The act granting aid in the construc-

General Nuglee, who owns a large

tion of a railread from Salt Lake to the Columbia River passed the Senate at the late session of Congress. It was not reached by the House. It will come up in December and its passage come up in December and is confidently looked for. A. B. Hallock, foreman of Multnomah

Engine Company No. 2, has been placed in nomination for chief engineer of the Portland Fire Department.

Among the passengers on the Fidelter last night were Jacob Stitzel and John Nation. These men went to the Sound for the purpose of examining the mills there.

Twenty-five Years Age.

From The Oregonian October 5, 1801. The Berlin correspondent to the New of the Caur, who in a moment of emergency acted in perfect accord. Europe would now be plunged in the throes of a war."

The facts, the correspondent says, were that the German Emperor, in a confidential

confidential conversation with Queen Victoria, intimated he would have to trodden?

These tablets are in the nature of a shrine before which the traveler pauses, his thoughts directed to the empire builders who have passed that way before him. We do not need Mr. Scott's make a friendly pact with France at reminder to tell us that the ax terms of the conversation and urge him to make a friendly pact with France at

> Portland yesterday formally won the Pacific Coast baseball league race by

Lady Olivia Taylour, who is seen to become the bride of Lord Henry Paven-dish-Bentinck, is said to be one of the most beautiful women of Europe

Tonight will witness the "opening" of the elegant cigar store of M. A. Gunst & Co., at Fourth and Morrison Miss Rosa Bloch, daughter of Dr. and

Mrs. Jacob Block, had the proud dis-tinction recently of receiving a diploma from the Royal Conservatory of Music and instrumental music An attempt was made Saturday night An attempt was made Saturday night to wigsek a car on the Waverly-Wood-stock line of the Willamette Bridge, Railway Company, at Division and Twelfth streets. No one was hurt. An obstruction was placed on the track.

Judge Holmes, who was recently stricken with paralysis on the right side, was reported in an improving

BEGINNING OF SPANISH WAR

First Formal Step Taken by Congress

in Declaring Cuba Free. because in many cases the engineering difficulties are too great; and second, and of more importance, the fact that the commercial interests make another that President McKinley declared war "Good Gracious, Annabelle," is the that the settlers who came to this count the facts.

Toute necessary.

The point of fundamental interest is authority of Congress. Please publish that the settlers who came to this count the facts.

President McKinley on April 11, 1898, asked Congress for authority to use the Army and Navy to secure the formation of a Cuban government capable of discharging its international obligations. Congress promptly replied by that we were keeping allve the memory of an epoch in the history of the state, and not simply marking a spot, that the a joint resolution declaring the people fixing April 23 as the last date for a

extisfactory reply. Almost immediately the Spanish Minister demanded his passports and the American Minister at Madrid was notified by Spain that diplomatic relations Chemically Appreciable" Quantities had ceased. On April 23 President McKinley called for 125,000 volunteers and ordered the North Atlantic squadron to blockado Cuban ports. Spain issued a formal declaration of war on April 24 and the Congress of the United

States declared war against Spain on April 25. by the United States ship Nashville, ncress the bows of the Buena Ventura, a Spanish merchantman, and the first action occurred on April 27, when three United States warships bombarded Matanzes

"ROUND-UP" REGARDED AS CRUEL

Misuse of Man's Power of Animals Declared Far From Commendable. PORTLAND, Oct. 4 .- (To the Editer.)-I should like to indorse the opinions of Mrs. H. H. Smith regarding ruelty practiced on dumb brutes at

get away from alcohol entirely. Juley fruit is Ilkely to contain minute amounts. Vinegar comelimes contains several per cent. Preserves or canned fruits contain it, and there are numerous other products which unavoidably and necessarily contain it.

The foregoing facts may come as a surprise to many who have looked upon homemade root beer as a strictly temperance drink. With beer averaging i per cent, it becomes apparent that three bottles of home-brewed root beer which have been allowed to stand for 10 days or over are squivalent to one bottle of ordinary brewed beer."

The cordial approval given these demoralizing exhibitions by the presence of many well-meaning people seems almost incredible, but their presence does not make it right from any point of view. The spectators—even less than the human actors, who might see some profits in view—must be almost devoid of all humane feelings or sympathetic tendencies, for low any kind-hearted person could view the crueity presence does not make it right from any point of view. The spectators—even less than the human actors, who might see some profits in view—must be almost devoid of all humane feelings or sympathetic tendencies, for low any kind-hearted person could view the crueity presence deview the cruel and ugly means practieed on the dumb creatures in order to make them perform certain wild feats is beyond the conception of any one with a spark of humanity in his breast.

Man's misused power ever an animal rating, will you please state through the columns of The Oregonian the correct way of suspending it? That is, should the blue or red be at the top?

SUBSCRIBER,
The office of the Adjutant-General of the Oregon National Guard says that there is no military regulation on the subject. Red at the top is regarded, however, as the logical arrangement.

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If foolhardy men or women wish to take chances in any hazardous per-formances whereby their own lives or VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 4.—(To the Editor.)—Will you kindly give me any information you have regarding the fire prevention day, which I believe is October \$? (1) Is this a National, state or city movement? (2) What is the plan for the day and in what way can the schools help?

DE GARIS REEVES.

(1) National. (2) Consult H. P. Coffin, chairman of the Safety First Commission, police headquarters, Portland.