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MONROE DOCTRINE FOR THE WORLD In his speech to the Senate President Wilson proposed a revolutionary other, could justify him in such a all, proposal. Such a change is taking neutral nations and has disturbed the with the much larger results to the belligerents. It has proved the isolation of the United States to be a dream that we did not. of a bygone period in the Nation's tangling alliances is shown to be outthat a peace-keeping alliance with the

Peace until the conclusion of the present war; he makes no claim that the United States should have a part in arranging the terms of peace which will end the war. But he defines with sufficient distinctness the principles on which the treaty of peace must be pased if the belligerents desire the United States and other neutrals to oin them in maintaining as perma nent the settlement which they make. Any terms which the victors may extort because they have the power, without regard to those principles. cannot obtain a guaranty of permanjoin, for "a victor's terms imposed the first requisite of permanence. new balance of power cannot have the plicant's who has not had the advan-support of the United States, for it tage of his training. It is not the pur-

little. The consent of the governed must be a prime requisite in rear-rangement of boundaries, hence the forth that the university and college right of nationality must be recog- are educating for their life work highnized. A divided Poland, half free, school teachers, manual training half under foreign rule, would not teachers, home economic teachers, onform to this idea. The highways doctors, of the sea must be neutralized and neers, architects, agriculturists, pharthrown open to all nations. The free-dom of the seas, for which the United not grade teachers. The line is drawn States has long contended, must be defined and established. Armaments fessions and occupations are reached. must be reduced to make them "a power for order merely, not an instru-

peace in conformity with these printhe United States should be help out? willing to join them in preserving it with this Nation's moral, economic and physical forces, even though this would mean abrogation of the Monroe Doctrine. We could well do so, for right, to use Mr. Wilson's words, hand peoples about from sovereignty To that assertion Monroe opfrom the consent of the governed." United States to aid the South American republics in maintaining the indeorder to preserve this American principle against the doctrine practiced by If all other na tions were to join the United States in adopting "the consent of the govas their guiding principle in maintaining the world's peace, occasion for its assertion as applied to the American Hemisphere alone would have passed away. By

claim to participation by the United school districts of Multnomah County States in the peace conference which it would in a large sense be a superwill end the war, it will be necessary supervisory board. for the belligerents to make terms which will be approved by this coun- which was published in large part in duty. try, if they are sincere in their desire The Oregonian yesterday, that he has to follow up the peace conference with examined into the constitutional the organization of a peace league. phase of his proposal. Elaboration Should either the entente or the Teu- on that point would be interesting tonic alliance, flushed with victory, and informative. The charter of the the boys on the farm but of doing dictate terms which the American people would not approve, the leading authority in city matters in the City neutral nation would stand aloof, Commission. Section two of article Kate Barrett, of Virginia, who is conother neutrals would probably line eleven of the constitution provides ducting a propaganda for better livup with it and peace would still rest that the "Legislative assembly shall ing conditions for women in the counnot fail to have great influence on municipality, city or town." Probably and on the demands of the nations, ity to levy taxes for city purposes arduous enough and lonesome enough They would have in mind Mr. Wilson's solely in its Commission or Council. as it is, without condemning every statement that this Nation cannot The Oregonian does not set its legal titler of the soil to bachelorhood. Even keep out of the next war, and they learning above that of members of the constantly increasing prices of having the great power and resources apparent conflict between the consti-

fairs. We need education on interna- ing upon the people, is one reason for tional affairs, and this war is forcing the high cost of government. us to study them. That we may con-FORTLAND, OREGON.

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That argument has not looked by the author of the time comes for action on the peace-league proposal, it is well that the interval has not looked by the author of the comes for action on the peace-league proposal, it is well that 1.75 among nations, and when the time comes for us to fulfill the obligations 3.50 which will be imposed upon us, we 3.50 shall "play up." Once in, we must not draw back, for it must not be said that the nation which led in this movement was the very nation which

> COMING HOME-SOME OF THEM Twenty-five thousand Guardsmen but our own battery and troop are left to fight fleas and chase jackrabbits through the sagebrush. Doubtless the little Oregon clique of dissenters to the plan to bring the boys home, just as soon as their residence.
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> The Domestic Relations Court of done.
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> Chicago has issued a statement to the effect that, in the disputes brought before it, not more than 1 per cent are due to mothers-in-law. The court situation is becoming serious. Mrs.

cause they are unable to see that they mother-in-law's married daughter, natural that this should be so, are of slightest value to their country though it may be her son. are of slightest value to their country

place by means of a war without set out to get Villa dead or alive is wife. One Oregon judge a few years that she is in demand will have the precedent in extent, in violence, in returning without Villa and with that destruction of life and wealth and in its inevitable consequences to the human race. It has inflicted injury on doesn't want our soldiers there. We went in because it was our duty-so normal flow of their lives to a degree we said-and we didn't care what Carwhich seems slight only by contrast ranza said, or thought, or did. Eviwith the much larger results to the dently we do care. We always did other, must accept all the responsibilit is evident that

dated, wise as it was in his day. The we have always caved in. He had the the drunkards are men, and in one certain other things. Mrs. Barrett way or another much conjugal unshows herself intensely practical by The Mexican adventure has cost

whole world is our only sure way of escape from being drawn into the next war.

It has not done anything except to "chasers" of the other sex are men, that he must make whatever read-Mr. Wilson does not contemplate the add another humiliating chapter to possibility of forming the League of the recent record of American diplo- frivolous women. But there are com- necessary for the purpose.

WE WONDER.

The Oregonian believes the people of the state will be surprised to learn that a graduate of the University of Oregon or the Oregon Agricultural College, although each has an equipped and operating department education, is not permitted to teach in ency in which the United States will the rural or grade schools of Oregon without examination for a certificate upon the vanquished" would not have before the public examiners and that A his status is just the same as the apsupport of the United States, low would lack the essential stability; pose of The Oregonian just now to say there must be "a community of that a change in policy ought to be made, but it would like to see a dismade, but it would like to see a dismander of the oregonian just now to say the second like The President's definition of the line to which the warring nations must hew in making peace, if they desire American co-operation in its maintenance, cuts both ways. There must versity and college and presents an analysis of the maintenance of the question and to learn the form qualified educators why it is so. The Oregonian has seen a pamphlet which describes the work of the university and college and presents an analysis of the company of the control of the control of the cuts o

be equality among all nations, big and argument as to appropriate service for lawyers, journalists, engi-

All this is interesting, quite interesting. We hear that the great need of aggression and selfish of the grade schools is qualified teach- tactics soon begin to cloy. When the ers, and that the facilities of our one If the other nations will restore normal school are overtaxed. Is there no way for Corvallis and Eugene to

MR. FENTON'S PLAN

The Oregonian has long held the idea that tax-levying and tax-spending the league of nations which the President contemplates would extend the ever they are now closely joined. The theory underlying that doctrine to all two are lodged in one body in the city nations. Monroe promulgated that of Portland under its existing form of doctrine in opposition to a league of charter. But there is now more or nations which frankly asserted the less separation in the several other "to districts in which special levies are imposed. County government would be like city government if the Sheriff Clerk, Assessor, Surveyor and School doctrine that Superintendent constituted the taxgovernments derive their just powers levying authority. But they do not. The Board of County Commissioners, declared the readiness of the whose actual handling of county funds is limited, levies county taxes. The school district differs from the city plan pendence which they had gained, in in the same particular. The board of directors are so removed from intimate administrative functions that they are business men who give only

trict work. These facts raise some doubt as to whether the plan proposed by Mr. Fenton for a separate tax-levying commission for each county w produce the economy claimed for it if only separation of tax levying and so doing they would expand that princover the whole world-a tax spending be considered. It would perhaps be a valuable adjunct fo most notable triumph for the Amerithe city, but in the port and county affairs and in those of the eighty-four

It appears from Mr. Fenton's letter. city of Portland lodges the tax-levying an unstable balance of power. not enact, amend or repeal any charthe President's declaration can- ter or act of incorporation for any future is that the farmers will be unof the conference every other city charter vests author- rural life will be doomed. Farming is would not welcome the prospect of the bar, but merely points out this farm products would not atone for it.

sibly thrown into the scale against a matter calling for elucidation. Serious controversy over the pro-ity can be constitutionally created in "flerce competitive life of the city." posal that the United States revolu-each county, there is in spite of the but the attitude of the farmer toward tionize its foreign polley is to be ex- over-rated importance of separation the work of women discourages then pected, but only by discussion can the public be educated and public opinion formed on the subject. Our relations with other nations have run so smoothly and we have had so little amountly and we have had so little transfer in the quarrels of Europe that we have confined our attention too closely to our internal aftering and tax spending out the work of which a highly necessary and an integral part in the father of the college student, the bill?

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They hold the father of the college student, the tax levying bodies, farm scheme, but the bill?

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That argument has not been overlooked by the author of the proposal. nothing of the admitted fact that

MOTHERS-IN-LAW.

The mother-in-law has been for-mally vindicated. She is an indispensable institution - an ornament and a necessity in many American the road and goes to town occas dared has ever said it?

The Domestic Relations Court of done.

Women are not angels, except in the to take the girls into account. happiness can be traced to drinkinvite any critic or doubter to canvass time or not. the facts within his own knowledge.

It might be well also for him to and to put her on the pedestal where she belongs.

THE WYOMING PLAN. Approval by school officials in sev eral Middle Western states of the 'Wyoming plan" of military instrucsolving the problem of making boys her grandmother more efficient without at the same time running counter to the extreme pacifist sentiment that is met with in every community. The plan owes its origin to the initiative of Lieutenin 1911 was stationed at Fort D. A. Russell and who, because of his in-mechanical and manual diterest in the education of boys, asked which women are capable. ganize a cadet corps in the Cheyenne require these qualities. High School. This had been tried before in the same school but had been abandoned for want of sustained in-

ual of arms and the simple marching novelty wears off, attendance, not being compulsory, soon reflects general lack of interest. Lieutenant Steever therefore introduced the competitive and the athletic element. tion drills in the manual of arms are held at intervals; there are first-aid contests, in which the girls have a part; and the cadets are divided into squads for such exercises as wallcaling. A squad of eight Cheyenne boys can now go over a wall more than eight feet high in less than six seconds, and carry their guns with The scheme of division into scaling squads is typical of the system. There are some large and some small boys in each, so it is possible for even small boy to belong to a winning of mere snipers. squad. Thus interest is stimulated in

The present military director of the school, E. A. Walker, says that the popularity of the plan has been fully demonstrated. About 75 per cent of the students enrolled in the high school at any one time are found in other activities, including scholarship contests by squads, Summer camps and various social affairs. The idea of military training is nicely propor-tioned to the general plan of improving the boy's physical condition, in-stilling obedience without servility, promoting discipline and the spirit of emulation, and giving instruction in roung men to defend it, they would be

It is not alone a question of keeping something more to make the place attractive for girls, it seems. Mrs. Section two of article Kate Barrett, of Virginia, who is contry, says that the real danger of the It is the farmer himself who is to of this Nation, undiminished by war, tution and Mr. Fenton's proposal as blame, Mrs. Barrett finds. She says matter calling for elucidation.

But if a central lax-levying authorare better suited for it than for the

being disinclination to part with fair share of the incoming cash for purposes peculiarly feminine. To say estimation it is the best reason average farmer's kitchen lacks modern improvements that he insists on for other departments of his work, the farmer's wife lacks the oppor-tunities for diversion that come to her husband. He is "out and around" a good deal, in the ordinary course of his work; he meets his neighbors on families and an outcast from precious ally, where he almost always finds few of them; yet she has from time to discuss the issues of the day few of them; yet she has from time immemorial been made the unhappy butt of cheap jokes by witless jokers; and as a class she has suffered in the general esteem. But as an individual the mother-in-law of one family is the mother of another family. Who has ever dared say a word against a mother? Who that might have dared has ever said it? sun to sun, woman's work is never

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mother full and anxious period of watchful waiting confronts them. respect is a mutual affair, and dechange of foreign policy for the United States. Only a radical alteration be a request not at all unreasonable, in the relations of this to other nations to each tions, and of other nations to each opinion that they are right about it the part of the husband rarely fall the part of the husband rarely fall growing in popularity among thoughtto meet adequate response from the ful city men. Realization of the fact rears—the man was chiefly to blame. In the want columns of certain matri-Probably this is an exaggeration. monial magazines would make it ap-It is not always-perhaps not even pear that the pressure already is be-

It is evident that the reconstructed care. But we let on for quite a spell ity for serious conjugal differences. back-to-the-farm movement will need of a bygone period in the Nation's We have been very tender about life. George Washington's policy of preserving peace by avoidance of enbluffed and blustered and bloviated, and imperfect man, unless one or the bluffed and blustered and bloviated, and imperfect man, unless one or the more recognition, a more definite and so has Carranza; but in the end other were translated. But nearly all share in the rewards of the work, and or mentioning as one of the most imthough the world has far too many justment of his hours that may be paratively few cases where strict fealty only one of the items in the bill on It is the finest exhibition of fruitless and impotent marching up hill and down again the world has seen in a laxness or betrayal by the wife. This is a somewhat sweeping assertion, but way, and it is up to the farmer himwe believe it is quite true; and we self whether it shall be checked in

> The back-to-the-kitchen movement collate mentally the records of the should receive an impetus from the mothers-in-law of his acquaintance difference between the modern kitchen and those in which our grandmothers used to work. There is a great advance from the old-fashioned stove which was constantly fed with wood r coal and the modern gas or electric stove; also the kitchen cabinet saves many a step, and aluminum utensils tion, as recently announced in the are kept clean much more easily than news dispatches, serves once more to those of copper or from. The modern bring into prominence this method of housewife has a picnic compared with

> The news that a girl of 14 has qualified as a radio operator does not ause as much surprise as it would have caused two years ago. ant, now Captain, E. Z. Steever, who has brought to light, both in this country and in Europe, the wonderful mechanical and manual dexterity of for and obtained permission to or- a positive find to manufacturers who

Rev. Thomas Jenkins, viewing with alarm the divorce evil, expresses the belief it were better for man to hool Lieutenant Steever's first important 'em up abreast than tandem and It waxed well on to luncheon hour step was to adapt the drill to the de-mand of young students for something to keep up their interest. It has been of the war he may see a solution along

And unto dinner rolled.

The Lobbyist's uncanny power
of the war he may see a solution along
Still kept him buttonholed. he lines he will not prefer.

> The latest baseball scandal shows what might be expected of the Coast How still that old, determined cuss true. Also it shows that when the merit and in spite of adverse plans.

With every allied merchant ship armed and with many Americans on board them as passengers or members of the crew, the armed-ship issue threatens to come up in more persist-

The Republicans of the next House appear to be divided between those who want to fight and those who prefer merely to snipe. The people would not place much confidence in a party

The Russian commander-in-chief ees victory within the year, and the Kaiser is sure of it; but "little old For with his bill he well may kill Lloydy" is saying nothing while arranging for something great.

If Superintendent Steiner had turned the cadet corps and almost all of his attention to big business instead them take the work at some time in of cure of the insane, he would have his attention to big business instead the school course. There are various been a brilliant success, judging from

> barred the nude from the films, overlooking a fact that the semi-nude is

> Report has it that the raiders in

Wilson would better clean up one books or Bible study. all the better fit for the necessary affair at a time. Suppose he settles

A Harrisburg editor has sold out and gone into fuel. He will find his

thing with the meat and potatoes in the hash holds the man's heart. Wilson has precedent for promoting Roosevelt pegged up

Dr. Wood, it will be recalled.

office puts the Honorable Myers, P. M., on the "firing" line.

many days until the Governor signs

Gleams Through the Mist. By Dean Collins

THE LIGHTS O' SALEM TOWN. Oh, shining lights o' Salem That come as Solons there; How lobbyists still trail 'em, And buttonhole and nail 'em, For nothing can avail 'em A hiding anywhere.

Oh, shining lights o' Salem, In legislative halls, How uplifters assail 'em, How sore constituents fiall 'em, And many letters mail 'em And give 'em many calls,

Oh, shining lights o' Salem Who carve the hopeful bill, How oft we'd like to jail 'em; Our fav'rite hopes, they whale 'em: Our bills, how they curtail 'em; Until it makes us ill.

Rhyme of the Ancient Lobbyist. ere is an Ancient Lobbyist, Who stoppeth one of three; Now wherefore grabbest thou wrist?

And wherefore stopp'st thou me? The hour is set, the bunch is met In you committee-room; Leave go, old gent, the six per cent

Doth keep me filled with gloom!" He holds him with his glittering eye. "I have a bill-" said he. Our cash is spent! The six per cent

Will crab thy bill, pardiel" The Solon he stands like a stone, With boredom in his soul,

moan And grips his buttonhole. He holds him with his glittering eye, And makes him pause and list,

While the Ancient Lobbyist makes

And thus speaks on that graybeard guy,

The Ancient Lobbyist, "There's lots of gents, like Smith and Spence, You're always glad to hear;

Like this I'm offering here. I think 'twill cause, 'mong all the Upon our lengthy shelf,

But they've no bill for good or ill

A reg'lar thrill; and this here bill-I wrote also myself. Some time ago, as you must know, In Tiflis or in Kiev, They had them frame one much the

same. As you can well believe. "In view of that, I'm aiming at The introduction here

In Oregon a sim'lar one I hope that I am clear." The sun's rim dipped, the stars came

out. The night came dark and cold; The Ancient Lobbylst still did spout And kept him buttonholed.

He shifted here, he shifted there To ease each weary joint, While the old fellow pawed the air, But came not to the point.

Meanwhile in the committee-room, Before his colleagues' frown, Unto a dark, untimely tomb His fav-rite bill went down.

It waxed well on to matin song

And breakfast bell, I wist, And still he prattled right along, That Ancient Lobbylat. . Meanwhile some peeved constituents

Who wait at his hotel, Remark: "He must be crooked, gents Else why hide out this spell?"

I could go on describing thus For many another verse

Went on from bad to worse. And I could rhyme about the time The legislator lost, And how the guy talked long and dry

Until his eyes were crossed. How when the moon with tender light The Statehouse did anoint, The guy affil talked, the second night,

And came not to his point, But it were best I should arrest My verse ere too long drawn, And at its end I should append

And tack this moral on: He worketh best who dodgeth best All lobbyists great and small, For with his bill he well may kill

Your time and take it all. Your time, or make big dents In future hope and crab your dope With your constituents,

BARD'S BONE-DRY SAENGERFEST. Referring to the lyric of W. J. S. last Sunday, in which he attributed to us the verses written by Eaton, of Grass Valley, and presented in the ltor.)-The incident published in The

When I used to could buy it by the glass.

And my life is dark and dreary. Be still, sad heart, and cease your crying:

In California there is no bone Your lot is the common lot of all Move south and again be beery

Determined to Be Exact.

AUDITORIUM IS CHAMPOEG'S NEED Mr. Ross Suggests Change in Brownell

Bill for Pioneer's Monument. PORTLAND, Jan. 22 .- (To the Edtor.)-It would seem that the building of monuments to Oregon pioneers may

scome a fad in time. In The Oregonian I noted that Mr. Brownell has introduced in the lower house bill No. 134, appropriating \$5000 for erection of a "pioneer monument"

for erection of a "pioneer monument" at Champoes.

Not long since another movement was made for the building of a monument to the pioneers, to be erected on the Columbia River Highway. Yet there is already a neat, plain, substantial monument at Champoes, bearing the names and commomorating the deeds of the 52 men who participated, on the American side, in the proceedings of May 2, 1843, that resulted in bringing the Oregon country under the Stars and

Stripes.

This is the sentimental side of the Champoeg situation, but there is a practical side that is of great impor-

The pioneers and their friends like The ploneers and their friends like to assemble on "Champoeg day" on this same historic spot where that memorable meeting of 74 years ago was held and hear the story of that day retoid. But truth tells that not one-half of those come who would like to if there were better seating accommodations and a roof to turn the drops that are always liable to fall on an Oregon day in May. Old men, old women and little children have to stand around in

in May. Old men, old women and little children have to stand around in the rain or take shelter in some hospitable barn or friendly shed until such time as their boat, train, car or team comes to carry them home.

This is not the first time this matterhas been discussed through the columns of The Oregonian. Governor Withycombs also called attention of the Legislature, now in session, to the need of islature, now in session, to the need of, not a monument, but an auditorium at

Champoeg. .

Some years since a number of citizens bought a suitable tract of land, including the site of the old Champoeg meeting, the State of Oregon afterwards came forward and reimbursed the purchasers, who had only bought to save the land to the state. This land now belongs to the state. Lately the ploneer society has changed the day of annual meeting to the first Saturday after May 2, to accommodate the school

children.
It seems to me that one monument in being and two in expectancy is enough in that line, So if Mr. Brownell, of Clackamas, will permit I would like to amend his House bill No. 124 by striking out the word "monument" and inserting the word "auditorium. ED C, ROSS.

SQUARE DEAL FOR SCHOOL HEAD Writer Commends Board for Intention to Retnin Mr. Alderman.

PORTLAND, Jan. 22 .- (To the Editor.)-It has been a matter of considerable regret that the writer and others BIBLE IS QUOTED ON DIVORCE have noted, for some two or three years, continued attacks upon the head of the Portland schools by one of the dailies of this city. In fact these as-saults commenced before the Superin-tendent had had much of any chance or time to make an impress upon these

It is certainly a mistake to place a person over the Portland school sysperson over the Portland school system for only one or two years and expect the high standard that a city of 250,000 population should attain; and the School Board is to be congratulated upon the announced determination to extend Mr. Alderman's term for at least two years longer.

Workey didn't he quote what Christ condoned divorce.

Mr. Alderman had made a reputation as a school man, first in the public schools, then as County Superintendent of Yamhili County, then at Eugene as a professor in the State University and at the head of the city schools; then, finally, as State Superintendent. The record was such that the Board selected him from a large field of prospective candidates; now they should make it not less than a total of five or six years, at least one of which will not be hampered with the necessity of standing for re-election. When our under teachers have practically a life job it is time the head should have some consideration in that direction, and also in that of making transfers and changes that he may deem for the good of the schools. Certainly this is only just and proper if he is to be held responsible.

The present City Superintendent is not infallible by any means and has his faults, but he is making a determined effort to bring our schools to the front, at least that is the consensus of opinion of those best in position to judge.

cision at which he has arrived.

A PATRON.

HE DID NOT HAVE HORSE SENSE

Preacher's Career Confirms Homely Judgment of Salem Pioneer. PORTLAND, Jan. 22,-To the Ed-

Saengerfest, we wish to deny his ac- Oregonian of Hon. A. Bush, of Salem, the nude from the films, overg a fact that the semi-nude is
demoralizing than the alto-Eaton did actually uncork the lyric referred to.

The C. O. B. furthermore is even now leading into our midst another sweet the time pastor in Salem) to send him a preacher for the Klamath Falis singer, who travely have the send him a preacher for the Klamath Falis singer. many valuable lines not connected with warfare. At the same time the training is of such nature that should the country need the services of these lines not connected when needed. They know the value singer, who travels incog, and asks the time in the Willamette Univerto be announced as "Bibulous," which sity preparing for the ministry. I set the country need the services of these Wilson would better clean up one affair at a time. Suppose he settles with the trainmen before enforcing a world peace.

Anyhow we don't think much of his school closed he was ready, with his world peace.

Iows:

world peace.

Even Mexico may go dry. It will soon come to the point where no man can get a drink this side of the equator.

A Harrisburg editor has sold out lows:

It will sold and dark and dreary; It rains and the wind is never weary; It rains and the wind i

My life is dry and dark and dreary;

My voice is cracked and my eyes are bleary;

My thoughts still cling to the days that t at once and asked him to give me money to pay for fixing up the buggy, so the prospective pastor could be off.

"What do you want to send that fellew down there for? He hasn't sense enough to be a Methodist preacher! I'll give you money to buy him an ax if you'll set him to chopping cordwood, and that's what that fellow ought to do. A chap that can't manage a horse better than that should not be allowed to preach, and besides, that fellow was never cut out for a preacher anyway!"

"Well," he added, "how much do you want" I had seen the carriage shop man and found out the cost, which I told him.

In Other Days

Twenty-five Years Ago Prom The Oregonian of January 25, 1802.

All is not peace in the sacred precincts of the Courthouse. Assessor
lears and County Clerk Powell are havng it out between themselves and the
other officials are looking on with interest.

The Chamber of Commerce last night the Chamber of Commerce last hight elected officers for the coming year. Those elected were: Thomas F. Os-borne, president: Charles H. Dodd, first vice-president; Samuel Heitshu, second vice-president; W. S. Ladd, treasurer.

monument at Champoeg, bearing the names and commomorating the deeds of the 52 men who participated, on the American side, in the proceedings of May 3, 1843, that resulted in bringing the Oregon country under the Stars and Stripes.

This is the sentimental side of the

London, Jan. 22.—The neglect of the German Kalser to observe the respect due to the Duke of Clarence is resented in court circles here. The Emperor went on a shooting expedition to Buchsburg on the evening of the Duke's death, although he had been appraised his condition was desperate.

The Chamber of Commerce building has progressed rapidly since the wea-ther cleared up. The Iron for the sec-ond floor is about all in place and a good start has been made on the walls of the second story.

Half a Century Ago.

From The Oregonian of January 23, 1867.

Nearly 18 months have passed since the death of the principal conspirators in the assessmation of Abraham Lincoln, and still the plot remains a mystery.

D. Cavanaugh, secretary of the Hi-bernian Benevolent Society, has issued announcements of the grand benefit ball to be given March 18 at Oro Fino Hall.

F. G. Schwatka, Jr., has been appointed to the West Point Military Academy.

Nearly every German Prince has at least \$100,000 invested in American se-curities and the King of Hanover, who has been notified that he cannot return to his throne, has half a million in our loans.

W. B. Carter, editor of the Corvallis Gazette, has been in Portland for a few days on business connected with the Grand Lodge of Good Templars.

King Peppel is dead. Peppel was the African native whom English civilization tried in vain to win. His visit to England was an event noted in the news, but he returned to his palace—three mud huts—on the banks of the river Bonny. His annual income was placed at \$75,000 and his subjects were native traders. native traders.

Christ Held to Have Condemned Insti-

carist Held to Have Condemned Institution Unequivocally.

CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 21.—(To the Editor.)—The Oregonian contains a letter from an ex-minister, a divorced man, was claims that he is still a Christian and undertakes to criticise the church because he was not received with open arms after his divorce by the church, or at least by his fellow-preachers of whatever denomination he belonged to at the time of his divorce.

extend Mr. Alderman's term for at least two years longer.

It is true that if a man is in large measure a failure he should not be retained in a position any longer than can be helped, either in the highest department or in any other, but it is equally true that he cannot make his impress upon, nor accomplish desired ends in one or two years, in a place as large as this, and the fight was begun upon him before such opportunity was given.

Mr. Alderman had made a reputation as a school man, first in the public schools, then as County Superintendent of Yamhili County, then at Eugene as a professor in the State Unigene as a professor in

of opinion of those best in position to judge.

Old Indian George, the ancient "Lo" sent forth his annual guess; the earth would be entombed in snow in town It is understood that Dr. Drake has declared that after careful examination and inquiry he believes that the best interest of our schools will be conserved by the re-election of Mr. Alderman, and that for more than one year. A large number of people voted for the doctor because they believed the would give this and other matters just such painstaking consideration, and they find no objections in the decision at which he has arrived.

A PATRON.

would be entombed in snow in town and wilderness. He said the moss upon the trees, the fir on Thomas cats, the honey stored by wildwood bees, the nuts by mountain rate and many other signs he read with Injun instinct told bring us arctic cold. Our whiskers would be frozen hard and break off at the roots, our toes their frozen nails discard and litter up our boots; the rivers would be locked in ice when Kaiser Lear we faced and this northwestern paradise would be a snowy western paradise would be a snowy waste. Full many who believed in George up in his neighborhood laid in a double extra large supply of coal and wood; snow shovels farmers bore away from stock in rural stores so they could clear the paths when they went out to do the chores. But now the birds are coming from their haunts way down below, the busy bees begin to hum, the tender plants to grow, the crickets chirp their gladsome notes, the tree toads nightly sing and other welcome things denote a coming early Spring and those who heard the obsolete old redskin relic prate would not wear mourning should he meet with Ananias' fate but fuel dealers of the land should gratefully cough up and place within his tawny hand a silver loving cup. JAMES BARTONADAMS.

ANSWER TO BACHELOR'S PRAYER. I would not ask a city life, With city noises loud, For oh! I feel so lonely there

Among the busy crowd. I want the sheen of meadows green, The sweet, untainted air.

I want to feel the evening breeze Come stealing through my hair.

I want a little bungalow
And lots of flowers, too,
A small white kitchen, where I'll reign
And show what I can do.
I want a dog and tabby cat,
And pigeons up above;
But, first of all, I want the sort
Of man whom I can love.

I do not ask a perfect man,
If there is such in life;
For just imagine such a saint
With such a faulty wire. In moderation he may smoke
And chew, and, though I'd care,
If good, sufficient cause arose,
I'd look for him to swear.

And not afraid to fight;
Who'd stand pat for his principles
And what was just and right;
And when perchance oid Father Time
Is dealing each his share
I trust that fate shall guide his hand—
This only is we prayer.

POLLYANNA.