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SEATTLE'S SHARY PYRAMID.

Storage of water in Bull Run Lake,

litical investment. It did not in Seatwhen an ambitious municipal lighting scheme was under way.

The City of Seattle employed three hydro-electric engineers at a cost of \$5000 to report on the proposed Cedar River dam. The report of these engineers strongly recommended that test bank would hold water after the dam had been constructed. The City Counthe contract for completion of the dam without making the recommended

ference an utterly useless dam that cost \$1,700,000. The hydro-electric engineers were right. The entire drainage of Cedar Lake basin seeps away as fast as it flows in. The remedy is to construct a concrete wall for two or three miles along the north bank of the river. If constructed, its cost will be enormous. If not built, \$1,700,000 will have been wasted.

Seattle's municipal plant was originally installed for the purpose of was reprehensible when used to put lighting streets cheaper than under him to confusion. Yet the Senate, in Seattle at present is paying the lighting department \$50,000 a year more for street lights than they would cost under contract with the private com-Public Service Commission. This high rate for street lights is endured to make up for losses on residence lighting. Residence lighting is the football of politics. Reductions in rates are made without justification and usually just before election, when city municipal ownership Councilmen are seeking return to office.

necessity of expending \$500,000 to instand of a priceless luxury, stall an additional unit to the auxiliary steam plant and another \$3,000,- for an additional hydro-electric plant. When Seattle incurs these new obligations it is evident that Seattle incurs these new obligations it is evident that Seattle cannot hope to pay out unless a monor of the light and nower businesses of harvesting a bountiful property of the property of harvesting a bountiful property of harvesting and nother \$3,000.

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Whith water unning to the Mexican of the Mexican with the second the measure.

Water the harvest in the massacre.

Joseph Lane was one of the mexican time as source of inspiration to me. They distinguished officers of the Mexican with the second that a source of inspiration t

neither investigation nor busines judg- treatment and pains. To retain public office they cut month and pile up deficits and indebtage back yard of a city such as Portedness. To gain the favor of other land. By using intensive methods a the cost. They pyramid public ap-

Service Commission.

Optimism of spendthrifts and indif-ference to public welfare of place clear of weeds, and the more thorhunters are ever the handicaps of oughly these tasks are performed the municipal ownership, to which may be more bountiful the ensuing crop. sumer may be concealed in his tax re-

Portland can profit from the Seattle experience by obtaining expert advice a tiny white ball over several hundred and by heeding that advice when it acres every afternoon.

SWING OF THE PRICE PENDULUM. According to Professor Irving Fisher, of Yale, high prices are the result of too much money and credit and of the speed with which they circulate, as well as of the quantity of goods in the market. He gives diagrams showing that during the last few years, in Sweden as in the United States, prices

have traveled upward as money in culation has increased. But what increases the amount of money? The immense excess of exports over imports, for it has forced Europe to gon as to the imperative necessity of thought led him to the side not apship to this country more gold than we erecting a new penitentiary should be proved by the majority of his fellow-can well use. Gold has thus become removed by reading the description of citizens of Oregon. But after lapse of cheap in relation to other commodi- the present building by one of the ties, so that a man gets more of it for convicts, which was published in The which old animosities have been cured, a bushel of wheat than he got for merly. The great release of credit by ing is not merely out of date and over- General Lane, will weigh all his activi-

At the same time the foreign de- the neglect of the state. mand for our goods has given labor employment at advanced wages. Export of these goods causes imports of out, so small that there is only room gold which reduce the purchasing to turn, so insanitary that the guards power of the higher wages, but the resign from ill health, and sickness is the world is made of both land and working people, not at first realizing rife among the inmates. There is no water, that National rights extend to increased their purchases,

thus adding to the upward movement extremes of heat in Summer and of invasion does not consist wholly of sethave drawn labor away from agricul- are of wood, which is dry as tinder or ture at precisely the time when nature rotting with moisture. There is mahas given us short crops. Decreased terial for a conflagration which might production of food is the consequence. take hundreds of lives. Men are com This comes when other nations have pelled to work in confined spaces, had short crops and are making unwithout proper light or ventilation and usual demands on our supply. Hence so damp that many of them suffer the bosnital would

the same date in 1917. If other factors in the cost of living have advanced at the same rate, the workingman whose portion has contributed to the troubles

fall and we shall all be just about as "war babies."

WHEN SECRECY PLEASES PACIFISTS. It is impossible to please the pacifists, or those persons who hide disloyalty to American interests under a cloak of pacifism. They have con-stantly asserted that wars are the result of secret diplomacy and that open dealings between nations would give San the people an opportunity to express their opinion and would prevent diplomats from getting two nations into a position from which there was no cape except war.

The diplomatic correspondence with Germany in regard to submarines has Storage of water in Bull Run Lake, been conducted in the open. Every which is a necessary part of the Daly note which has passed has been pubmunicipal light project, is unsafe and lished as soon as it was sent. When uncertain. It was so reported by J. W. the President called upon Congress to Morris, former City Engineer, at an authorize the arming of ships, the peoearlier date. It is confirmed by George ple were fully informed, for the many Edmonston, an engineer in Commis-sioner Dieck's department. notes which had passed had been the subject of animated discussion for two Such information does not always count a great deal against municipal enterprises fostered as personal po-United States came into Government possession it was published.

But many of the same men who had been crying out against secret diplo-macy protested that this note had been published for the purpose of influencing public opinion. It was of of economy. holes be sunk and other investigations ple and their representatives in Conmade to determine whether the north gress should know, in formulating bank would hold water after the dam their policy toward Germany, that Germany was plotting the partition of cil promptly filed the report and let the United States. If the President the contract for completion of the dam had concealed the Zimmermann note, he would have practiced secret diplo-macy of the worst kind, for he would The City of Seattle now has as a monument to political ambition and monument to political ambition and people in the dark about designs for torical reminiscences and historical people in the dark about designs for control of the city the destruction of this Nation.

The man who was loudest in protest was Senator Stone. He was angry with the President for putting before blind devotion to its absurd seniority interests abroad.

THE BACK-YARD GARDEN AGAIN.

After a Winter of buying vegetables all of politics. Reductions in rates remade without justification and sually just before election, when city funicipal ownership Councilmen are beking return to office.

These premature rate reductions and the failure of the Cedar River dam of the failure of the Cedar River dam of the failure of the Cedar River dam.

The failure of the failure of the Cedar River dam of the failure of the failu and the failure of the Cedar River dam tempting to apply facts and figures, make one of two things inevitable. The it is safe to assume that had all the residence rates must be raised or an vacant acreage in Portland been utilincreased tax burden be imposed to ized in growing vegetables instead of make up deficits. Moreover, to make weeds last season the potato would service dependable the city faces the have been a drug on the market all necessity of expending \$500,000 to in-

a monopoly there is reason to believe far advanced. The alternative is pothat service will cost consumers more lice prosecution under the anti-weed than if furnished by a private com-ordinance. Any contention that the pany under rates fixed by the Public land is not fertile enough for garden Seattle's experience with municipal growth of weeds. Land that will grow lighting is an amazing commentary on a tangle of weeds six or seven feet city politics. To get office men have high would nourish a fine crop of acceded to public clamor based on vegetables with a little preliminary

No one will know until trial is made the voter's light bills a few cents a how much can be grown in the averedness. To gain the favor of other land. By using intensive methods a voters they order extensions into terri- great deal more can be raised than tory where business does not justify on a corresponding space in the farm A few dollars expended in on a shaky foundation and seed, fertilizer and the necessary imleave to successors the job of salvaging plements is the only outlay required the wreck when the structure crum- for commencement. Thereafter a few minutes a day will keep the garden added pride of opinion and the ease Many amateur gardeners find both with which the saving made the con- profit and recreation in their back-They find the same joy in watching and caring for the sprouting stalks that others find in chasing

> After having been taught for several years in the Portland schools home gardening is less a dark art, and children provide the inspiration and enthusiasm for scores of garden plots. High cost of vegetables, based on scarcity and juggling of supply, should lend impulse to the movement so that the vacant acreage will be reduced to a minimum this Summer in Portland.

in the minds of some citizens of Ore-Sunday Oregonian. The present buildcrowded; it is unsanitary and is a ties in passing judgment. credit cheap by making it more abun- place of physical and moral torture, place of physical and moral torture, Senator Harry Lane did not inherit not through the acts of the men having mud-turile qualities either from his custody of the prisoners but through grandfather or his great-grandfather.

Men are confined in cells from which every ray of sunlight is shut But the high wages paid in factories cold in Winter. Some of the buildings ting foot by another on one's own ave drawn labor away from agriculare of wood, which is dry as tinder or chunk of dirt. We dispute that he interest at precisely the time when nature rotting with moisture. There is man herited his quibbles from fighting Joe playing both ends against the from rheumatism. The hospital would one end being diminished disgrace the brutal government which middle," one end being diminished disgrace the brutal government which production, the other increased consumption, while the middle is the world's stock.

Description of food of the track, so that it is and is so small that isolation of in- is done, the West will derive a certain

spreading rather than curing disease. wages are now 30 per cent higher is no better off than he was four years ago, while the man of fixed income is 30 in buildings where they are set at defiper cent worse off, and the man whose ance. It shuts hundreds of men and income has increased more than 36 per women in a building which the councent and who is spending more in pro- cil of any well-governed city would condemn as a firetrap. It supports of these two classes.

When money becomes dearer, the it maintains what is in effect a house munition boom dies, wages fall and la-bor drifts back to the farm, prices will to confine offenders against its laws in a proper place for their punishwell off as we were before, all except ment, discipline and reform, but the those who have made fortunes out of constitution forbids their treatment "with unnecessary rigor" and it re-quires that "laws for the punishment of crime shall be founded on the principles of reformation and not of vin-dictive justice." The punishment inflicted by confining men and women n such a place as the present penitentiary is characterized by unnecessary rigor, conforms to the principles of vindictive justice and tends in a direction the very opposite of reform. Though not intended, these are the

effects. ecessary that the proposed tax for the rection of a new penitentiary be voted in June. The purpose of the people in imprisoning wrongdoers is not to wreck their health, break their spirits, confirm them in crime or dease them into brutes who war on society. It is to seclude them from their fellow-citizens in order that they may be convinced of their errors, may gain that moral strength of character which they have been found to lack and may learn to make a living at an honest trade. That object can be attained only by total abandonment of the present buildings and by erection of modern buildings, adapted to disipline and reform and where the health of the prisoners will be pre-served and improved. This is a duty which cannot be shirked on any plea

Robert H. Down, is published in The Oregonian today.

the people a document which was an doubt as to the sympathies of ers are not surpassed by any other unanswerable argument in favor of Senator Joseph Lane during the section of the Coast in this respect, the policy to which the Senator was opposed. He was determined, if pos-sible, to thwart the efforts of the strongly toward the Southern cause. limited, and can absorb twice or three President to protect this Nation But in comparing grandfather and times the capacity of the

price memorials or attempted to blame upon their own heads the fate of those Americans who had been murdered or outraged on the Mexican border. made a Brigadier-General, was mendoned for distinguished bravery, and he acquired the title of "The Marion of the Mexican War." He was wounded at the battle of Buena Vista and it is said of him that "when the grape over our volunteers their brave General, though wounded in the shoulder by a musket ball, could be seen fifty yards in advance of his lines.

men by his impetuous bravery.' General Lane brought the same impetuous bravery to Oregon, upon his appointment as Governor of the terriory. One incident of his career has herein been mentioned. On another occasion, in 1850, with only fifteen men, he entered the country of war-ring Rogue River Indians. At a peace conference he was confronted by the hostile attitude of several hundred Indians. But with sheer bravado he quelled the sudden rising and personally disarmed the leaders among the red men. In 1853, at the head of a mall body of volunteers raised to quell another Rogue River uprising, he was wounded again in the left shoul-der. The mere fact of his presence as commander of the volunteers, when it There followed the famous conference between General Lane and Chief Joseph at Table Rock, one of the most place in Southern Oregon.

The obscurity and poverty in which Joseph Lane lived during his later life Any doubt which may have lingered pressible misfortunes of internecine conflict in which birth and habits of more than half a century, during the public thought, in considering

who enlisted in the Revolutionary War heredity he ought to be a fighter, a red-blooded loyalist. His forbears certainly knew-which he does not-that the sea as well as to the soil, and that

The Pacific Coast is quite willing to act upon Secretary Houston's suggestion and use its forests and water power in making paper for the East-Relail prices of food advanced 30 per fectious or contagious diseases is im-grim satisfaction from the thought tent between January 15, 1913, and possible. It seems to be a place for that the East also suffers from the

spreading rather than curing disease. embargo on the West's development. The state maintains a board of for the obstructionist derives his chief health to propagate and enforce the support from the East.

COMMERCE CONTINUES TO GROW. The last month before the beginning of Germany's unrestricted submarine war was marked by an enormous increase in American exports, the bulk of which went through the barred zone. The total for January was \$613,555,693, as compared with \$330,-036,410 in January, 1916, an increase of \$283,519,283. Of this increase \$192,033,724, or more than two-thirds, was in exports to the allied countries of Europe, while the increase to all the allied countries and their possessions was \$235,330,374, or nearly five-sixths of the total. Although the destruction of ships was much greater in January than in the same month of last year and though much of the goods included in the total was destroyed, the risk was not sufficient to deter shipments or sallings.

On the other hand, reports of foreign trade bear convincing witness to the increased effectiveness of the ockade against the central empires. Exports to Germany in January were nothing, though in January, 1916, they were \$48,542. The two voyages of the merchant submarine Deutschland doubtless explain the increase for the seven months ending January from \$272,981 to \$2,196,174. Austria has imported nothing from this country in the seven months, and in the corresponding period and

Imports have grown also, but the increase has been only \$251,000,000 as compared with \$1,266,000,000 in ex-\$1,000,000,000 of the latter increase. Trade with South America shows a healthy growth, exports having in-creased from \$97,000,000 to \$143,000,in- ever? 000 and imports from \$207,000,000 to

diately prior to the Civil War. These the demand of the Government for letters have started a train of his- wooden ships to be used as anti-subtorical reminiscences and historical marine scouts, as transports for the citations, one of which, written by Army and Navy and to carry our Robert H. Down, is published in The commerce. The Pacific Coast has unexcelled material for this type of ship, We think that there can be no and the Columbia and Willamette rivagainst the country which was plot-ting against it and in his eyes publicity contrast than similarity. contrast than similarity. is launched should, and doubtless will, Joseph Lane was a soldier and an take a first cargo of lumber or some is launched should, and doubtless will, illustrious one. If he had an opinion other Pacific Coast product to the on a National or international issue— Atlantic Coast or to Europe. Every and he generally had—he had a reasuch cargo will be a blow at the arrule, retains him at the head of the foreign relations committee, which should be the chief support of the mushy platitudes. He never held the sustained. But it will not be suffi-President in upholding our rights and theory that those who ventured into clent only to send first cargoes out: dangerous places where they had a in order to establish water traffic right to go and there had their "toes stepped on" had no call on justice or Government. completely, ships must come back with westbound cargoes and must ply regularly both ways. When that is One of the first acts of Joseph Lane, done, Portland will have a clear case Whitman. The threat held over the Cayuse chief was not one of armed neutrality. He offered no Bryanic pabulum. The Indian was given a choice of peace or war and the chief chose peace by surrendering five Indians implicated in the massacre.

Americans who had been murdered or a piece of land could erect any kind or butraged on the Mexican border. He was seigned and took the field. He was be a nuisance. Now he properly must conform to the public's ideas of civic

Grand Duke Michael regards the job of Czar as the hot end of a poker and and musket shot flew as thick as hall hesitates to take hold. He thinks it may cool, if he waits till the Russian people insist on his taking it.

When the fireboats deflect a river waving his sword and encouraging his into a confiagration, the old debating society question of the more powerful element is settled. The wets have it When a young woman, a house serv-

> and in the latest case, at Scattle, the cause should not be hard to find. The Zeppelin raids on London and Compeigne were probably designed to honor the memory or pacify the soul of the old Count.

ant, commits suicide, there is a cause

The mother whose children contract the measles has her worries, but they do not equal her relief in knowing they have had them.

This is not a good time to bear became known to the Indians, caused swords into plowshares, but it is just them to propose a peaceful settlement. right to turn breweries into condenser-

The brotherhoods' men who went remarkable occurrences that ever took out on time Saturday night can go back on the same schedule. What is there about the Capitol at

Olympia that causes insane men to mistake it for the asylum? Now for a long, strong pull to lift

paved road of progress. When the U. S, of Russia is doing ousiness, Mr. "Bill" Galvani can re-

Oregon out of the mud to the solid,

"The United States of Russia" has a dreamy sound, but occasionally dreams come true.

Nicholas ought to move to America ake out first papers and give his son a chance. Bootleggers who check baggage to

little way stations deserve what they

New Spring shoes are in sight and the skirts cannot begin to touch them.

Sveaborg will feel very lonesome when it hears from the rest of Russia.

There is something wrong with Dub Time to begin to worry about the June rise," which seldom comes.

It must be settled today-one way or

How to Keep Well. By Dr. W. A. Evans.

ribe for individual diseases. Re-r such services cannot be answered, ght. 1916, by Dr. W. A. Evans. by arrangement with the Chicago

WHEN YELLOW FEVER IS BAN-

corresponding period ending January, 1916, it imported only \$145,852.

Increase in total exports for the seven months has been prodigious—from \$2,182,898,752 to \$3,214,172.00 there were no trains and no business, and hungry men and women went into abandoned stores and took what they needed. And all of this in the latter half of the last century. And it hap-Europe has taken more than in a city not far from my home."

000,000 of the latter increase. "Yellow fever must have been a fear-with South America shows a ful scourge. Has it disappeared for-

Imagine this as a conversation be-tween a child and his grandparent oc-curring in 1930. The indications are

to their success.

The natural habitat of yellow fever is the Gulf of Mexico. From this home it spread north as far as Halifax, south as far as Argentina, and east as far as General C. C. Reed, and foresight of Governor Addison C. Gibbs, Oregon was snatched from the very maw of the Confederacy. That it was saved to the o their success.

The natural habitat of yellow fever is Portland.
page 22.) Europe and Africa. A hundred years (ago it was a scourge at times in New York, Philadelphia, and even Boston. The disease was beaten back gradually until no United States ports were subject to it except those on the Gulf of Mexico. Then it was permanently banked from the Hulled States.

More than 10 years ago it disappeared from Cuba, and then from Panama, vera Cruz, and Tampico. Soon after Havana became free. Rio Janeiro was cleared of the disease.

Now there remains no trace of yellow fever anywhere except in a narrow of General Lane. Lest history be per-

short ride on a limited train.

Since yellow fever is a disease of towns and not of the country, a better way to put it is that a few cities on the lowland shores of the northern coast of South America now constitute the only home of yellow fever, unless there are a few infected ports in South Africa. The International Health Commission proposes to rid those few ports of yellow fever by the same means that were employed to get rid of FOR AMERICA ABOVE ALL OTHERS

Yellow fever mosquitoes will still be

morphine and scopolamine, or hyoscin, hypo-dermically.

2. It renders the mother unconscious. The unconsciousnesses relates to ability to suffer pain rather than to general consciousnesses. The mother in "twilight sleep" knows what is going on but she is indifferent to it.

3. There is no particular after effect. The mother recovers from the drug and does not suffer as much exhaustion as when no drug was used.

4. The child is born narcotized, but it re-covers rather speedily.

4. The child is born narcotized, but it recovers rather speedily.
5. Not more than it would with labor
upder other conditions, "Twilight sleep" labor is somewhat more dangerous than otherlabor. When it is given in a good hospital with properly trained attendants it is
not any more dangerous than labor otherwise conducted.

G. D. D. writes: "I have something like a fever. It comes on about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. I get hot all over, but my head gets hotter than my body. Sometimes I bathe my head in cold water and it helps. What causes this?" REPLY.

Probably you have consumption. If you have only had it a few days it may be typhoid. Then there is malaria. But why continue guessing? Have a physician examine you carefully and make the necessary laboratory tests.

Wheat Bran for Constipation. L. A. C. writes: "What kind of bran is it that you recommend for persons who suffer with constipation?"

REPLY.

Wheat bran. Can be made into muffins, baked into bresd, or eaten as a cereal.

When Winter thrusts her cloak aside, When houses need no heat incide, When sleighs and cutters cease to slide.

When sky grows blue and clouds dis-When by warm winds my face is fanned, In mud and slush I firmly stand, And think about my garden.

My radishes will go in there, For lima beans that place bids fair, My squash—oh, that grows anywhere; I can't wait for my garden.

My hands are itching for the dirt, (They hate kid gloves so neat and pert), want to start right in and work In that old garden.

Concluding this mellifluous bard— Against food prices I shall guard By digging up my whole backyard And planting there a garden.

Omaha (Neb.) News.

"This is the hotel for us. I positively won't go to any other." "My dear, if we are going to spend the Summer we should consider well. There are much better hotels in that neighborhood." "But not one of them advertise such idyllic moonlight nights."

GEN. LANE IN CIVIL WAR CRISIS

Senator's Grandfather Southern Sympathizer, but Above Pacifists. PORTLAND, March 17.—(To the Edi-or.)—In the Portland Journal there ap-eared a letter by a "Member of Gen-ral Lane's Family," taking exceptions eral Lane's Family," taking exceptions to statements contained in the letter of "Reader," which appeared in The Oregonian March 8. This member of Joseph Lane's family goes to great length to make it appear that the General was always a loyal citizen of the United States.

In answer to the challenge made for the authorities. I quote Bancroft, Wis-

than it was. We have diphtheria, scarlet fever, and consumption everywhere.
We cannot do as we please of times for fear of catching some disease."
"You think conditions are bad. Henry, because you have not seen what I have seen. I lived in Memphis in 1879. I saw the people stampede in a wild flight when yellow fever came. There were less than 10,000 left in the city, and they stayed only because they could not get nway.

"I have seen guards shoot down refugees trying to escape the plague-stricken city. I have seen wagons, stacked high with the bodies of victims, driven to the eemetery. I have, seen bodies of yellow fever victims buried in long trenches, hundreds at a time. I have known times when there were not physicians enough to attend the sick or nurses enough to bury the dead; when there were no trains and no business, and hungry men and women went into abandoned stores and took what they the authorities, I quote Bancroft tory of Oregon, Vol. 2, page 455:

This "fortunate accident" consisted

This "fortunate accident" consisted of a wound Lane received in the arm from an accidential discharge of a pistol. Staying at the house of Jesse Applegate, "Lane revealed. the nature of his schemes concerning Oregon..." See Bancroft, History of Oregon, Vol. 2, page 455, note 27.

Joseph Lane, with Senator Gwin, of California, and a man named Tilden in Washington Territory, were backers and instigators of a movement to "steal the Pacific Coast from the Federal Government and hold it for the South" FIGHTING JOE LANE.

Two or three writers in the newspapers have discovered a sort of similarity between the attitude of Senator Harry Lane in the present National crisis and that of his grand-tional crisis and

Confederacy. That it was saved to the Union and cast its vote for Lincoln and not for Joseph Lane, the nominee for Vice-President on the southern slave Mexico. Then it was permanently ban-ished from the United States.

In the meantime it was being beaten back from the south in South America.

The Oregonian, the Argus and the Peo-back from the south in South America.

fever anywhere except in a narrow of General Lane. Lest history be perband of coast territory along the north and northwest coasts of South America—a narrow strip of infected territory not broader than a two hours' trip by automobile nor longer than a short ride on a limited train. Senate. While the copperheads of the selves on the slavery question, they were not of the contemptible type of pacifist that today gloats over the Nation's unpreparedness, taking their opinions from the sickly German propaganda and the mutterings of a few discontented Irishmen who would sacrifice the honor of the United States to vent their spite against England. ROBT H. DOWN.

yellow fever in Havana, Colou and Panama. When they do, the seed will be destroyed.

Foreign Born Citizen Declares for One Country and One Only. One Country and One Only.

Mrs. W. E. B. writes: "I would like severing myself from my native land, your opinion in regard to 'twilight the South of Ireland. I had no fault to find with my mother country. Neither last and how is it given? (2) What effect does it have on the mother? (3) adopted country. There the same as here I was subservient to law and orbad effect on the child?. (5) Would the last of the mother and its being the last of the good and gracious queen Victoria.

| Description myself from my native land, page 774: World's edited by W. J. Bryan, Vol. 9, page 254; edited by W. J. Bryan, Vol. 9, pag

seasoned soldier—yes, up in the bit with grit and perhaps some grace at the President's call. I deem it an honor leader to succor in word, deed and thought, the Joshua of the land. When I became a citizen of this Re-

public many, many years since, I imparted into my life the essence and spirit of this God-given land. When I was a foreigner I spoke as a foreigner. I understood as a foreigner, thought as a foreigner. But when I became an American I put away foreign things. I am loyal to the flag. It's impossible to hold allegiance to two nations or two masters for either I will hate the one and love the other or else I will hold to one and despise the other. I have no prefix. I am an American only.

LOYALTY.

the game of "500":

When is a heart a diamond, and a diamond a heart? Diamonds are trumps. Partner leads with small diamond, adversary follow with 10 of hearts, and I place the ace of diamonds. I thought to take the trick, but my adversary took the trick.

PORTLAND, March 17.—(To the Edi-tor.)—Please advise for what period heart when hearts are trumps; and the personal taxes are assessed, whether jack of hearts is played as a diamond from March 1 to March 1, or from when diamonds are trumps. There are January 1 to January 1. A. W. G.

From March 1 to March 1.

The Beavers' Opening Game

By James Barton Adams.

Back from the tair Hawaiian land our bail assaulters come, their faces beautifully tanned, their muscles firm and plumb; their eyes are bright, their hearts are light and in their cranial knobs the fire is burning for the fight with rival bally clubs. They rounded out in classy form where grows the spreading palm, where every whispering breeze is warm and flush with pleasing balm; they put it over pigtall blokes in a way that was a shame and taught Unc. Sammy's soldier smokes the fine points of the game. The tinkling ukuleis they played between their practice spurts, and mayhap in the gloaming strayed with Honolulan skirts. The eager demonstrative fan is storing in his nog the things he'll call the umpire when his judgment slips a cog, and fair fanette with closed eyellds lies in her couch and dreams of the key of the bastille, the work had less in her couch and dreams of the key of the bastille, the work had less the tail to washington. how she'll spank her dainty kids until she busts the seams when fav'rite home team laddle lands upon the pellet's hide and drives it through the fielder's hands and makes a safety slide. Soon will the tradesman leave his store, the barber shut up shop, the office man will lock his door, the smith his tools will drop, and all with one accord will prance on eager, hurrying feet to press the fullpess of the pants upon the bleacher seat. The yells of son of toll will blend with yells of millionaire until they into tatters rend the echoes in til they into fatters rend the echoes in the air. War news at which we long have stared will now be classed as tame, for, prithee, what is war com-pared with the Beavers' opening game?

In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago. From The Orogonian, March 19, 1892. Astoria.—The libel case of the State of Oregon vs. O. W. Dunbar, of Town Falk, has resulted in the conviction of Dunbar. The sentence was to one year The article concerned Samuel Elmore

Christine Nilsson's return to her ha-Christine Nilsson's return to her hative country of Sweden as the wife of the Spanish Ambassador, the Count de la Casa Miranda, rounds out well her romance of real life. She was a farmer's child on the hills when her gift of song was discovered, and after a most fortunate life as queen of song on two continents, she returns as a member of the Swedish court.

Patti Rosa in "Dolly Varden," at the Park Theater last night scored a tre-mendous hit in her winking song, "Over the High Brick Wall." Joe Cawthorne as a comedian was a hit from the start. as a comedian was a hit from the start. The Elks Lodge presented Mme. Rosa with a banjo wrought in red and white

A letter from Loring, Alaska, says W. W. Waud, of Portland, was drowned March 9 in Tongas Narrows.

Mrs. Lionel Stagge has written to The Oregonian an interesting letter of news events from Washington. She says that Robert N. La Foliette, of Wis-consin, who was the youngest member of the ways and means committee, is missed this season.

Mrs. J. H. Olds, of Lafayette, who has been in St. Vincent's Hospital here sev-eral months since an accident on an electric car, has been taken to her

Henry Hallam will sing "Then You'll Remember Me" in the production of "The Bohemian Girl" soon to be at the

Half a Century Ago.

From The Oregonian, March 10, 1867, New York,—Skating has been the great sensation of the Winter. For four

a matrimonial bureau at 139 East Eighth street, New York. Their ad-vertisement says: "Here the names of all respectable parties matrimonially disposed are registered and references

and introductions exchanged and ef-fected." The agency is to be on the European plan. Caleb Lyons, late Governor and ex-officio superintendent of all the Idaho-ans, the Boiseans, the Owyheeans, the Lewistonians and Shoshones, is in Washington City petitioning the Sen-ate for a bill of relief, authorizing the

robbed apparently while in a sleeping car between New York and Washing-Anson Dart, formerly superintendent of Indian affairs in Oregon, has writ-ten a letter to the New York Herald opposing the transfer of the Indian Bureau to the War Department.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs to credit him with \$45,550, "money dis-bursed without vouchers." Mr. Lyons lost the money December last, being

Dr. Charles Blach and Miss Lebenbaum, of this city, were married Sun-day, March 17. - Long years of happi-ness, doctor, to you and yours.

VERSIONS OF GETTYSBURG SPEECH Lincoln Classic as He Rewrote it Con-

tains Word Some Others Omit. LA GRANDE, Or., March 16 .- (To the Editor.)—Kindly inform us whether or not, as delivered by Mr. Lincoln, the word "poor" appeared in the Gettys-burg speech in the following sentence: "The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here have consecrated it, far shove our forces, power to add or de-

Queen Victoria.

I was at the bombardment of Alexandria, Egypt, in 1882; also took an active part at the battle of Tel-el-Kebir and know from actual experience what it means and how it feels to be wounded on the battlefield and on the scorching sands of Egypt.

At this time, however, I feel like a seasoned soldier—yes, up in the bit

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President's call. I deem it an honor There are slightly varying versions and privilege to have such a man as of Mr. Lincoln's Gettysburg address. After the dedication at which it was delivered Mr. Lincoln wrote it out for a fair given in Baltimore. The word "poor" appears therein.

PORTLAND, March 17.—(To the Editor.)—Kindly explain the following in the game of "500":

versary took the trick. Why or how A BEGINNER. when diamonds are trumps. There are no other suit changes. Your adversary was not entitled to the trick if the play

has been correctly stated.

PORTLAND, March 18 .- (To the Edi-

Editor.)—Can you tell me the where-abouts of the key of the bastille, the key that Lafayette sent to Washington IRA G. SOULE.

It is preserved in a glass casket hanging in the main hall at Mount Vernon, former home of George Wash-

Information on Coos Bay. GRESHAM, Or., March 17.—(To the Editor.)—Please inform me where I could get information concerning the Coos Bay country. MRS. J. E. Write to Chamber of Commerce at