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than the most moderate of men," but that he will never live under a government that tries to tell him what he shall do.

INDEPENDENCE AND THE PRIMARY.
The Eugene Guard makes the amazing assertion that The Oregonian has "branded the voter who scratches his ticket as a perjurer."

MR. HOOVER'S AFOOLNESS.
It may be an old-fashioned opinion but we are not yet ready to relinquish it, that it is exercise of an important duty of citizenship for one who believes in political party organization and in bi-party elections...

MR. HINES' VINDICATION.
In order to promote "clearness of understanding of the facts," Director General Hines of the railroad administration has issued a pamphlet to the editors of newspapers.

BREAK THE DEADLOCK.
No higher testimony to the value of Viscount Grey's letter as an aid in breaking the deadlock on the treaty than his position in the opinion expressed by ex-President Taft in the Philadelphia Ledger.

Justice of the Peace Beals of Seattle upsets the adage that "few die and none resign," although that referred to male officeholders.

When boys of 12 and 9 start on a hunting trip with a rifle a casualty may be expected. Long ago it was customary to keep the gun out of a boy's hands until he was 14.

The barbers who propose to increase their rates on haircuts to 65 cents should be severely curbed, says the editor of the Oregonian.

Mr. Hoover has done much to relieve himself from consideration by either party as its candidate for president. It is to be presumed that any great personal following that he commands will be left to his own care.

BY-PRODUCTS OF THE TIMES
Poet's Domestic Tragedy Related in Verses Written From Time to Time.
A shattered romance in real life is related in a series of poems, herein numbered as chapters, of which N.Y. Bralley of Greenwich village, New York, is the author.

WILSON AS A NAVAL STRATEGIST.
President Wilson is presented by one of his admiring lieutenants in the new character of a great naval strategist, to whom first occurred the idea of the convoy system and of constructing the mine barrage across the North sea.

HELP FOR THE ARMENIANS.
The claim of the perishing Armenian people on the sympathy of the world is founded on the principle of conduct that makes the story of the Wood Samaritan the greatest of all the parables.

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Those Who Come and Go.
Mr. Jensen Asserts That Costly Plans Are Hatched of Continuity.
PORTLAND, Feb. 9.—(To the Editor.)—Believing that Portland people, as a rule, are not familiar with expenses of and procedure in preparing a complete feature film up to the time it reaches the Portland censor board, the following will be of interest.

It looks as though Leonard Wood had the edge on his rivals for the republican presidential nomination, but his edge does not seem a certain one.

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More Truth Than Poetry.
When Shakespeare climbed into his rusty pajamas...

Today when on Broadway a drama is landed, in his for another, producers beseech you to buy the ticket.

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He stood apart with wistful eyes while others romped and played. With shining medals and lony slights yet not one whit afraid.

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