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CHOICE OF TWO BAD ROADS. It is not questioned in the findings of the public service commission on the application of the Portland Railway Light & Power company for authority to increase fares that the company suffers a large monthly deficit in net revenues.

WHY BLAME LODGE? An attempt is made to hold Senator Lodge responsible for the election of Truman H. Newberry as a senator, though he had won the election by corruption.

THE INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE PLAN. Most interest attaches to that part of the final report of the national industrial conference dealing with settlement of disputes. The plan nowhere provides for compulsory arbitration and prohibition of strikes.

NORTHERN LIGHTS. Reports of observations made by physicists and explorers of the phenomenon called Aurora Borealis, of which there was an exceptional exhibition in these latitudes on Monday night, would fill a good-sized library, but they are characterized by inconclusiveness.

Those Who Come and Go. Twenty miles of barb-wire fencing is to be constructed by the Eastern Oregon Land Company in Malheur county within a short time and to prevent difficulties after the fences are up.

NEW DESIRABLE TRACTS LEFT. Former Acquaintance With O. A. C. RIDGEFIELD, Wash., March 22.—(To the Editor.)—An advertisement in the Oregonian regarding the value of the Southern Pacific railroad lands.

BEST SLEEP IN MORNING HOBS. Workers Deprived of Healthful Rest by Time Changes. PORTLAND, March 23.—(To the Editor.)—In regard to turning the clock back one hour, I am sure if the working class of people had a vote on the subject it would be in effect.

Value of Old Books. PORTLAND, March 23.—(To the Editor.)—I am in possession of an old volume of "Paradise Lost" of the date of 1767.

Many Available Helpmates. PORTLAND, March 23.—(To the Editor.)—In answer to a "mer" man's letter, should branch out a little more.

Cure for Reckless Driving. PORTLAND, March 23.—(To the Editor.)—The following should be a sure cure for reckless auto drivers.

cannot be converted into 7 or 8 cents by fiat of the people. Somebody must pay. As already said, the fare increase may be set aside as not only objectionable but as a doubtful remedy.

There is an encouraging promise of fresh eggs for the breakfast table of the man of ordinary means in the news dispatch from Roseburg in which is related the experience of Mr. Clingenpeel, a fruit grower of the Clatsop valley.

When Mr. Clingenpeel the other day took nine fine hens to the butcher and received in payment \$21.46, he realized that, even with feed at the high prices that we hear so much about, there may be money in the poultry business.

At nine for \$21.46, Looking Glass hens bring about \$2.38 apiece between which price and that of a few years ago there would seem to be a rather wide margin to take care of increased cost of feed.

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He does not wish the conference's plan to watch over the rights of the non-union man in the open shop or in the unorganized industry, for then it would fill the place which the union hopes to fill and it would weaken the inducement to join the union.

The position of Mr. Gompers is quite natural from the union viewpoint, for he wishes to gather all workers into the unions and to make them the sole agency through which workmen shall deal with employers and with the government.

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The sale in London the other day of the American thoroughbred, Tracery, said to have been bought for the account of Argentine sportsmen, is a reminder that although the race horse may have been thrust into the background in the United States by the automobile, there are still regions in which he may find a friend.

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Cabbage Hill, in Umatilla county, is so called because of the large amount of stink cabbage, which says County Judge Marsh, "smell something awful."

Indians were the chief population at Myrtle Creek when Edwin Weavers first appeared there 68 years ago. Mr. Weavers, who is registered at the Perkins, was an Indian trader in 1852 and went to Douglas county.

Farmers have the lumber on the ground and want to build and improve their places in that section between Dayton and the Iron bridge, in the east, in Grant county.

But for the storage water, Crook county would be in a bad way this summer, and even the storage water isn't too plentiful, reports County Judge G. Wallace Pendleton.

From the top of Stage Road pass to Wolf Creek it is all macadamized and you can go at 40 miles an hour if you don't mind "speed regulations," says department engineer J. W. Deschler.

One of the many residents of Fossil and Condon who are leaving that section to make permanent headquarters at the Fossil Hotel, is Fred Johnson of Fossil.

The baby judge of Oregon is County Judge Sawyer of Deschler, for he was appointed to the position less than a fortnight since.

There is more food value in cheese than in almost any other article of diet. If you have any doubt on this matter, just ask R. Robinson of Clatskanie, who is among the best dairymen in the county.

Horse races will be held in Canada pretty soon and so L. Galbraith of Independence registered at the Perkins yesterday on his way to the Dominion. He is taking some fast ones with him and expects to pick off a few rubes.

More Truth Than Poetry. BY James J. Montague. TIMES HAVE CHANGED. Former Prince Joachim of Prussia has been sent to jail for throwing a platter at a man who refused to stand when "Deutschland Lieber Allen" was being played.

When Bill the Kaiser ruled the Reich, (The German word for nation). His people that they quarrelled, And misdeeds like some guns, And all the solid, stolid Huns.

Attention, Candidates. The middle of the road is the surest place to get hit by the steam roller.

Complexity. BY Grace E. Hall. There is wine in the purple globules, And dew on the grapes at dawn, There is liquid of warm life flowing in the veins till the spark has gone.

In Other Days. Twenty-five Years Ago. From the Oregonian of March 24, 1895. Berlin—After a period of comparative calm, a shell burst in German politics today, when the Reichstag declined to congratulate Prince Bismarck on his birthday.

Portland's defeat in the second annual tournament of the North Pacific Whist association was made complete Monday when Tacoma carried away the honors.

United States Marshal Young of the district, in whose charge the work of taking the census about two months hence is placed, has received most of the necessary papers and blanks.

There is no Mayflower society of Oregon, although a large number of those eligible to the national organization live here.

IS THERE A BANDIT BUG IN YOUR HOME GARDEN? If you have, you ought to know how to make war upon him before he forages the fruits of your toil.

Professor A. L. Lovett, entomologist, of Oregon Agricultural College, is the author of a series of articles, featured in each issue of The Sunday Oregonian, which deal with the pestiferous insects of Oregon.