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FEWER DEATHS, MORE CARE.

If any consolation is to be had from the fact that there were fewer fatalities from automobile accidents in Portland for the year ending December 1, 1920, let it be taken. Twenty-eight persons were killed as against forty-two during the previous year. The driving public, it may be, is becoming more careful; or perhaps it merely had better luck. Twenty-eight dead is exactly twentyeight too many. The time will never come when casualties will, be enwhen every motor-car driver understands all the risks, and consciously takes none of them.

The record shows 10,038 accidents, of which 5961 were due to careless-There were 1896 collisions, caused by refusal to give the right of Why anyone having the right of the road should persist in keeping it, when he is aware that a mishap is likely to occur, through the thoughtlessness or stubbornness or recklessness of the other driver, is astonishing evidence of the perversity of the human mind. There are some men, who would deliberately run a little car into a five-ton truck, if the truck traversed their rights. Road rules are made for convenience and for safety, and they should be as flexible in actual application as the emergency demands.

The traffic chief, Captain Lewis, thinks that an automobile should be to impound water brought to a full stop when approaching a main thoroughfare from It would result unquestionably in fewer collisions. Everydredth time, which always comes, the man-in-a-hurry runs into somebody or something, unless the other driver is cautious and is able to get providence, it is said, over fools and frunken men, but none over flying chief protection of the rash and meadows.

such rule can be enforced unless there is an officer at every crossing. possible to eliminate the grade crossing in many places, nor to keep up the campaign for greater carefulness and good sense among the men and women who run automobiles.

HOUSEWIVES, WATCH FOR FRAUD, One of the first acts of the house been to pass a bill aimed at a fraud rise in prices. Being required by the manufacturers found themselves in a predicament when cost of materi- of nature lovers to offend them. als rose to the point where they were correctly, but not in such large type as to attract attention, and would trust to the consumer not to notice that point and to observe only the size of the package, assuming it to

be full. In introducing a bill to make deceptive packages fraudulent, Representative Haugen displayed one containing three ounces of potato chips which was less than half full, another containing spaghetti only a quarter full, a candy box with a ise bottom that occupied a quarter of its capacity, and a bottle with indented panels which made its contents much less than they appeared. Spices are packed in boxes with Isinglass fronts through which the conis opened the half or two thirds of on the principle of cost of haul in space above the isinglass is empty. One of the most ingenious frauds is Portland's behalf. putting olives in a bottle which magnifies and prevents them from fit-ting close together. When the house-to pay higher rates than Astoria for

duced by Representative Mann to Portland, it stopped at Portland to teen months after its enactment on the plea that "packages are ordered rate as they asked to Astoria. They a year and a half in advance" and have done so and still do so because that that time must be allowed in which "to dispose of the packages owned in the best of faith by everybody after purchase from the manufacturer, and in most cases in the best facturer, and in most cases in the best make up a cargo. Astoria has only and because passengers of faith by the manufacturer him- one single-track railroad and the travel by the same route. good faith on the part of the mer-

spaghetti, for spice just as high as the isinglass in the box, and for magnified olives few in the bottle.

Back in Kansas, where they start is a great hubbub over a proposal to 12-3 per cent. An ocean vessel ig-\$8.00 that the voter should register before

. 5.00

We are as a world deep in the trough of a wave of reaction. Free speech and a free press are restricted. Free government is thereby threatened. The Kanoas farmers now have a real grievance. Is 1.36 in the queer that just as the farmers have a grievance the forces against whom they complain are restricting the primary—restricting it by putting in a registration provision, which will cut down the number of farmers and their wives who will vote?

Postage Rates—1 to 16 pages, 1 cent; 18; 22 pages, 2 cents; 34 to 48 pages, 3 cents; b to 64 pages, 4 cents; 66 to 50 pages, 5 mary and have grown used to it, to nats; \$2 to 96 pages, 6 cents. Foreign stage double rate. tration, even if the books are to close several months before an election. If enough in protection of his or her when he is unable to vote because of his own neglect. A primary is for them, according to the preamble of the original Oregon act. Registration is a record of eligible voters, devised to prevent a raid at any election of floaters, ineligibles, repeaters, and non-citizens, and it helps to purify the ballot. Evidently the Kansas farmer thinks the ballot is pure the ballot. enough; or, if it isn't, it is not worth the trouble to make it more whole-

Mr. Bryan is so well satisfied with the workings of the primary through tirely eliminated, but it should come out the United States that he wants a uniform presidential primary, to be held on the same day, with first, second and third choices. Hiram Johnson has gone to Washington with a bill in his pocket for a presidential primary for all the states. Hiram does not like conventions, Conversely, conventions usually do

It is quite generally agreed that something is the matter with the primary; but the doctors do not agree as to what is to be done about It should be agreed, however, that if there is to be a presidential held on the same day.

THE BEAUTIFUL AND THE USEFUL.

Dr. Mather, the national park dithe national parks. His protest other.

against extension of the waterpower Before the United States entered against extension of the waterpower law to the parks led President Wilson to approve it on condition only that an amendatory act excepting Driven from the sea, Germany was one knows, but not everyone heeds, that an amendatory act excepting Driven from the sea, Germany was bare gratification of the physical the dangers of rushing at high speed the parks should be introduced at out of the field. Britain was so enacross a well-traveled street or car this session of congress. Senator grossed in the war that it could so little enpenditure of energy. While track. Ninety-nine times in a hundred the way is clear but the hundred the but. When due of the but when the but when the but t duced the bill. When some Idaho farmers sought the right to build a United States fell heir almost with-Yellowstone park, a great uproar as it could handle, and began to capirrigators said the land in question country lacked the machinery for was an unsightly swamp, but the foreign trade, the knowledge of the devotees of scenic beauty say it has needs and tastes and products of five Pacific coast states are meeting several waterfalls and mountain strange peoples, which

what he seeks is worse than useless, for he misleads those whom he This is impossible, but it is not im- should inform. A nature-lover sees ish colonies and even the mothe only scenery, where an irrigator will able to appraise its best use. Then he may realize that an irrigation which has grown out of the great reservoir is more sightly as well as pure food law to mark the quantity a power plant near the outer edge of to influence the military action of of goods contained in a package, a park may be very useful to pro- the United States in such manner

There is so much waterpower outcompelled to raise prices. If they side of the national parks that the age, business would be injured. If want to invade those sanctuaries of they reduced the size of the package nature for many years to come, and will decide that a full stomach scenery, since emptiness lovers should cease to worry.

SHIPS AND DISTANCE RATES Quoting the interstate commerce commission as saving in the Columright to lower charters than Portland and eventually she will secure tents can be seen, but when the box the differential." It bases the claim

Whatever fear may have been enwife opens the bottle, she finds small charters has been dissipated by ex-olives and very few of them. perience. Though freight from the lefer operation of the bill until eigh- be loaded on shipboard and ships cames to Portland for it at the same ugh there may have been cars for one cargo would congest its ood faith on the part of the mer-ant, there was none on the part of her cargo at Astoria she would

railroad rates from the inland em-pire and charter rates on the ocean.

marriage license, a parson-auditor to

franchise to register, there is no loss or the ferryman. Doubtless they mined as far as possible to trade quarreled over which should do the within itself. The Canadian governlows, their troubles quite naturally connecting it with Australia, failed to arouse the sympathetic in-terest that this quasi-official compe-

> Though wholly neutral in the fee marrel, we should like, purely as a and its oil agreement with France porting proposition, to see the present quaint custom prolonged awhile. By making ceremonies simpler, and nicker, Vancouver may in time be able to marry Portland couples faster than Oregon courts can di-

RÍVALRY FOR WORLD TRADE.

The cable controversy between the Inited States government and the struggle for control of means of international communication between the United States and Great Britain. That struggle is but an important feature of the intense competition for world trade which has begun between the two nations. Not only control of cables for official and ommercial use is involved. Transmission of news, especially the kind of news that governments desire to circulate as propaganda, is also con-cerned. But shipping, fuel supply, to 54,718 in 1920. Reindeer roam in marine insurance and internationa finance are also involved. As to all rector, is much wrought up by at- these factors in world trade, the two tempts to develop waterpower and | nations have become rivals, and each strives to score points against the

taking much of Germany's, and the reservoir in the southwest corner of out effort to as much of Germany's was raised by lovers of the wild. The ture much of Britain's. But this strange peoples, which Britain had to agree on uniform automobile acquired through centuries of com-The chief protection of the rash and heedless driver is the care and heedless driver is the care and promptness of other drivers, and the againty of the pedestrian.

The railroad ensineers think that automobiles should be required to come to a full stop at unprotected come to see nothing that conflicts with a full stop at unprotected come to see nothing that conflicts with a full stop at unprotected come to see nothing that conflicts with a full stop at unprotected come to see nothing that conflicts with a full stop at unprotected come of the sum of one site of the sum of the sum of one site of the sum of one site of the sum of one site of the sum of the sum of the su discovery of German economic pene tration in all lands, including Britcountry, began at that time to evince see a dam site, or an electrical en- alarm at the appearance of this new coloring of the rock where a pros- would be welcome, anxiety for it was pector will see the red iron cap of a moderated by consciousness of the copper veln. An investigator, to be great industrial and commercial ex-of any use, should have his eyes open pansion which would follow for this to whatever is there and should be country, letting loose a far more able to appraise its best use. Then dangerous commercial rival than Germany had been.

reservoir is more sightly as well as more useful than a swamp, and that United States to fight, Britain sought was indeed classy and classic. ducers without coming under the eye that it should not, so far as could be prevented, extend into the field of commerce or equip this country with vessels for war of such type and quantity as could be used in commerce. That is doubtless the ex-planation of attempts to place Britsold at a certain price, there would the same is generally true of irrigalish representatives on the advisory the same is generally true of irrigation. They met the difficulty by using a container of the same size as before but only partly filled, and would state the cuntents the water of the parks will be needed feated. It would have suited the to sustain the life of the nation. British far better if the shipping When that time comes, the people board had confined itself to building ships adapted to transport troops much to be preferred to eye-filling and war material, but unsuited to detracts commerce without costly alterations. from taste for natural beauty. But Britain probably was very willing to that time is so remote that natureprovide all the ships needed for war that could be used in commerce with little if any change. But the first shipping board saw that the only use for its war fleet after the war would be in commerce, and that such an opbia basin rate decision that Portland portunity to establish an American merchant marine should not be negfeared a demand from ships for higher rates for the additional disthat policy in operating the flee tance of 100 miles from Astoria, the Astorian says that "Astoria has a and in selling ships, though with better zeal than judgment. The people will look to the present board to make the merchant fleet a more effective instrument for extending

on the principle of cost of haul in rate-making, which was sustained in Portland's behalf.

Whatever fear may have been enmportance to ships. It gives a nation direct, speedy communication by vantage in time over those whose Though these tricks are contemptinal and empire could be hauled to the house was induced by Representative Mann to Portland, it stopped at Portland to will influence foreign opinion favorably to its policy and trade, and to block that of other nations which may have an adverse effect, or to fullify its effects with a prompt re-

and because passengers had to The specific charge of betraving good faith on the part of the merchant, there was none on the part of the manufacturer who resorted to such palpable fraud. He must have made enough money by his deception to compensate for what would become unsalable through immediate enforcement of the act, if he were required to redeem all that remained in the hands of merchants. Mr. Mann is too tender with such men, but he had his way.

Therefore the housewife would do well to look out during the next it would either have to secure part of her cargo at Astoria she would probably have to come to Portland first for that which should go in the lower hold, then go to Astoria for the next batch and then come to Portland again for her deckload. If transcontinental freight should be delayed till the ship had sailed it could be diverted from Portland to some other port to go on another ship within a few days without additional charge. If sent to Astoria she would probably have to come to Portland first for that which should go in the lower hold, then go to Astoria for the next batch and then come to Portland first for that which should go in the lower hold, then go to Astoria for the next batch and then come to Portland first for that which should go in the lower hold, then go to Astoria for the next batch and then come to Portland first for that which should go in the lower hold, then go to Astoria for a valuable contract in Brazil, is an example of dishonomable use of cable control which calls for decisive action by the United States. Nothing short of dismissal and punishment of the guilty official and payment of damages to the corporation to a British competitor, whereby the latter was enabled to underbid for a valuable contract in Brazil, is an example of dishonomable use of cable control which calls for decisive action by the United States. Nothing short of disminstal and punishment of the guilty official and payment of damages to the corporation to a British competitor, whereby the latter was enabled to underbid for a valuable contract in Brazil, is an exampl Professional Marriage Official

Ought to Take Chances With Others THE DALLES, Or., Dec. 16 .- (To the Editor.)-The controversy about marriage fees reported in The Orego-

around the corridor, three county commissioners to act as witnesses and kiss the bride, regardless of consequences.

Britain is our chief rival. That commissioners to act as witnesses country is entrenched in possession of the greatest merchant marine, themselves open to the charge of becontrol of cables extending to all ing such), especially when they, make The original Green had lands, fuel stations at convenient distances on all seas, and the greatest accumulating marriage fees, it seems international banks, marine insurtance of the marriage fees, it seems to me good discipline for them to take messing—no officiant being required for ships which has long held the the law. But a clergyman who is an —or perchance it was the toll keeper field. The British empire is determen have.

It must be remembered that at the tition with courteous ministers of the gospel arouses in Vancouver. British government holds Mesopo-

> In order to compete on equa terms, the United States should have show his claws.

Dawson City that every home is stocked this winter with the largest supply of cheap but appetizing caribou meat ever known, the preliminary figures of the census of Alaska show a falling off of the population herds to the very outskirts of the settlements, but people leave the territory to seek the costlier living of "the States." Something, it is plain, is essential to happiness sides low-priced meat. or thought they were, population increased steadily. As soon as it became a question of easy living, but nothing more, the exodus, as the

gineer a power site. The nature-lover will enthuse over the brilliant the United States against Germany idea and may be hopeful sign or

Depend upon Hugh Walleca to keep up the dignity that attaches to play ducks and drakes with the country, letting loose a far more to representing this nation. "May dangerous commercial rival than I not present this here Deutscher?" says the French host at the dinner. "Forget it!" says the Tacoman, which

in Portland so far this year were the they get in the way of cars that are going too fast.

Now there'll be a rush for jury duty following the experience of that Spokane jury in a bootlegging case, which drank up four pints of the evidence trying to reach a deci-

at the postoffice if some would mail their packages at branch offices. where there is not so much business

Postmaster-General Burleson predicts the postoffice department will poverty and unrest in both city and lose \$36,000,000 in 1921 unless a change is made. Let him be easy.

THOMAS WITHYCOMBE. The change will be made.

alleges in her divorce complaint that her husband not only fails to support her but monopolizes the car. Aren't some men mighty mean? Burleson has a deficit of seventeen

millions and blames congress that it is not that much surplus. Poor busi-

down and out for good. Must be disappointing to a despondent young woman who takes poison with sulcidal intent to find she still

police enforce the anti-muffler cut-

Looks like the constabulary was trying to make Filipines over on the "good Injun" plan.

Sugar at retail is near the 10-cent mark, still about twice "normalcy." Nobody is going to grieve on learning the sugar refiners lost money.

the size of the Christmas bonus.

Issues are joined and the Christ-mas turkey will-come high.

full of potato chips or a third full of back to Portland at the shipper's censors to British competitors of SQUAUBLE OVER FEES UNSEEMLY

BOY! PAGE A BOOKMAKER.

Efficiency, we call it, when the city of Vancouver provides in one building the man who issues the subject calls for international regulation and subject calls for international regulation and subject calls for international regulation and the lation of cables, which will prevent discrimination, betrayal of secrets or abuse of the right of censorship and will secure prompt punishment of son has ever questioned the officients against these rules.

This prepagative of clergymen normal regulation at regulation at regulation and the country of the prepagative of clergymen por-This prerogative of clergymen nor-

mally remains unquestioned for the reason that a clergyman should not for having ability to secure regular employment and a fee in his case can be regarded as remuneration for the disturbance of his daily routine of duties. It should be assumed that erally damp, with a drizzle. magistrates and clergymen have daily programmes of work, just as other

time a wedding is taking place a call for a clergyman to visit the dying may be coming in. For such and kindred reasons no man should consider himself excused for paying a marriage fee. On the other hand bap-tisms and burials which require time and change appointments proper bring no fees except in cases of latter sort when a person to be buried minister's time is a demand particuinrly when the parties are transients Under those circumstances a bill for the use of the electricity for lighting the church and for pumping the organ and for sexton's services ought to be presented in addition, and similarly in the case of weddings.

The privilege of active membership in a church normally carries with it the right to a funeral from the edifice and baptism at the font without cost. Marriage, however, involves more than church affiliation. And marriage fees are matters of decency. To quarrel about the matter in public excuses legal interference in what beexcuses legal interference in what belongs within the province of eliquetto
and courtesy. It would serve the
quarreling ministers quite right if
public disgust should be responsible
for enacting a measure lowering the
regular fee from \$5.00 to 50 cents.

GEORGE G. HOISHOLT,
Rector St. Paul's Episcopal church.

FARMERS NEED EXPORT BOUNTS Partiff Alone Would Merely Promot Gambling in Margins.

while the secretaries of state of the Pacific coast states are meeting agree on uniform automobile aws, let them not forget the necestary of regulating road hog motor ruck drivers. Every truck should the sense of the example of the price of wheat to the American farmer is the price paid at Liverpool, England, less the cost of freight and comfand, less the cost of freight and comfand, less the cost of freight and comfand, less the cost of freight and comfand.

The 50 cents import duty precludes any wheat being imported into the United States, but this does not help the farmer any, and that import duty allows the gambiers and speculators

margin. Neither producer nor consumer is helped in the least. saw that put in effect by the Keene, Leiter and Hutchinson corners when the import duty was 25 cents per bushel.

come immediately operative to the ben-efit of American agriculture, and the American farmer would not need class legislation for federal loans, nor co-operative marketing He would be able to do business as a real American business does-get credit at the national and state banks and pay the national and state banks and pay the same interest on money. In order to that the fix the minimum price of \$2.25 on wheat, as suggested by W. C. Lyon in the article referred to, it would be necessary for the federal government to place \$30 per ton import duty and \$30 per ton export bounty on George wheat.

wheat.

If all our rural products were put on this basis we would add 100 bil-lions of dollars to our national wealth overnight, and poverty would be swept out of our rural and city life forever. The low ebb of rural life, in America is the cause of all our poverty and unrest in both city and

OLDER WOMEN MORE PARTICULAR That's Why Some Middle-Aged Men Seek Young Wives.

matrimonial conversation? Thus it has ever been, the women must help the men to see. Men are less progressive than women, perhaps with a reason, but that is another question. The time may come when men will be glad to get even wrinkled helpmates for we are some judges of looks ourselves.

Let the men revise their ideas of matrimony as they have had to revise their ideas along business lines and as we have all had. PORTLAND, Dec. 16 .- (To the Edi-

wount for experience on the face of a woman just as much as they do on the face of a man. Few women of the face of a man. Few women of the want men with no experience of C. E. Cushatt of Salem; J. W. Huff of Baker, and O. D. Dowd of The Dadmintster to his daily wants and be a companion to him.

Men Ara meanly.

a companion to him.

Men are merely trying to justify themselves in not marrying women of their own age, when the truth is. of their own age, when the truth is, they can't get them. The older a woman is the more particular she is, which accounts for so many men of middle age marrying young girls.

If my experience as a companion and a housewife does not off-set my few facial blemishes, then I have little respect for "Mr. Widower's" judgment anyway and prefer my book and cat as companions.

Frank Durbin, hop dealer of Satem, and once on a time an active democrat and office-holder, was a Portland visitor yesterday.

Perry Otteson, chief of the commissary of the Admiral line, is at the Multnoman from Seattle.

Charles B. Walker, handling dairy

Those Who Come and Go.

islands sounds something like a prison sentence, but it isn't. For that period Howard W. Steward, son of a change the direct primary law. It is surprising to note that the chief provision of the proposed amendment is the simple and usual requirement that the voter should register before an election. William Allen White, who speaks for Kansas to the world through the Emporia Gazette, is all the up over the diabolical assault on the primary. Says he:

We are as a world deep in the trough of awave of reaction. Free essech and of a wave of reaction. Free essech and of the proposed amendment is the same rate to the place where the cargo is, but a difference of makes the same rate to the place where the cargo is, but a difference of makes the same rate to the place where the cargo is, but a difference of makes the same rate to the place where the cargo is, but a difference of makes the same rate to the place where the cargo is, but a difference of makes the same rate to the place where the cargo is, but a difference of makes the same rate to the place where the cargo is, but a difference of the proposed amendment is the simple and usual requirement that the voter should register before an election. William Allen White, and curious valued at the Multino-should be, by the way, patterns of gentlemanliness.

A marriage fee, or any kind of fee, should not be looked upon as a source of revenue, but rather as a thank of fering for blessings conferred or refering for blessings conferred or refering for blessings conferred or reference of a competitor in business or an an analysis of the marriage fee, or any kind of fee, should not be looked upon as a source of revenue, but rather as a thank of fering for blessings conferred or reference or an election. William Allen White, the way, patterns of the calles to all parts of the way. Proposed in the trough of marriage fee, or any kind of fee, should not be looked upon as a source of fering for blessings conferred or reference or an election were established ou them, for at the time of their discovery the islands were uninhabited. The Pribliofs are best known as the rookery for furbearing seals. Thousands of seals resort to the group of islands for breeding purposes and they select the in bloom. There are no trees on any of the islands, but a few hardy shrubs struggle along. The climate is gen-

a fleet of 150 tankers," said Capyards is ready to deliver the 12,portant item, and then there is the cost of the fuel which the boats them-selves consume." The Libby, which selves consume." The Libby, which was launched this week, will be the second 12,000-ton tanker turned out in the Portland district and will be ready for delivery in about a month,

Gold Hill's chiefeindustry at prescreek, and adjacent to the Sleepy. Hollow ranch. The plant is perched on the hillside and makes quite an PORTLAND, Dec. 17 .- (To the Ed-

east are J. C. Nowell, accompanied by his wife and son; P. H. Coolidge, J. T. Shaw, J. H. Corcoran, N. Wigton, C. E.

in the negotiations pending for the regulation of fishing in the Rogue fiver. It is dollars to doughnuts that Dr. Smith will be a member of the senate ways and means committee when the legislature assembles next month.

Owing to the turn the election took there is no demand on Dr. J. W. Morcratic national committeeman for Or-egon, so the doctor-politician has deided to take a vacation. Dr. and Mrs. Morrow will leave this afternoon for Paso Robles Springs, Cal., where they will remain a month, or possibly may voyage over to Honolulu.

It was cold when a party from that they could hardly write their names. In the machine were W. New-ton of Madras; D. J. McLaughlin of Deschutes, and L. E. Thompson of

George H. Graves of Salem is at the Hotel Oregon. Mrs. Graves likes to drive a big, flashy car and when the Eiks held a state convention at Coos Bay once he took his car there and ever since Mr. Graves is as well remembered in Coos Bay as any of its prominent citizens.

Doctors must be somewhat scarce in Klamath Falls just now, for three of the profession are in Portland from that place. Dr. E. E. Soule, the city health officer, is at the Hotel Port-land, and Dr. P. M. Noel and Dr. E. G. Wisecarver are at the Benson. How-ever, Klamath Falls is pretty healthy.

Dr. J. F. Reddy of Medford is at

Henry M. Teel, whose name is as-sociated with the big irrigation proj-ect near Echo, is at the Imperial from Echo, accompanied by his wife.

John Burroughs' Nature

What makes a dog's sense of Should a wall be of uniform 3. Is the Canadian white-throated sparrow musical while migrating?
Answers in tomogrow's nature

Answers to Previous questions

is a confirmed epicure, and at plun dering henroosts an expert. Not th full-grown fowls are his victims, bu the youngest and most tender. Th birds, especially the ground-builders, suffer in like manner from his plun-dering propensities.

2. How do rays of light, shining through an opening in the clouds, rays of light one often sees diverging from an opening, or a series of open-ings, in the clouds, namely, that they are like spokes in a wheel, the hub or center of which appears to be jest there in the vapory masses, instead of being, as is really the case, nearly

93,000,000 miles beyond. 3. Are woodpeckers songless? A trait that our woodpeckers have I don't do nothin' wot I should that endears them to me, and that But I don't care, for blamin' me has never been pointedly noticed by Just helps to make 'em the our ornithologists, is their habit of drumming in the spring. They are sengless birds, and yet all are musicians; they make the dry limbs elo-quent of the coming change. (Rights reserved by Houghton Mif-filn Co.)

NEED FOR STREETS IS GREATER

000-ton tanker Worthington. "The Writer Would Save for Improvements by Eliminating Rose Festival.

PORTLAND, Dec. 16 .- (To the Edior.)-In The Daily Oregonian was an ger." The commissioners were called upon to modify the budget to provide \$15,000 for this fete.

but it is short lived. Millions of beau-tiful flowers are used and too soon their beauty is gone and they are so much rubbish.

There are many other pleasures be

sides attending a rose fete or motoring out on the highway in a sedan Save the money for street improvements and please everyone.

MATTIE B. ROSS.

CHARITY IS FOUND MISPLACED Writer Discovers He Has Helped Professional Panhandler.

old story, about not having eaten since the day before. His story sounded all right so four bits and I

parted company.

Thinking I would do a little sleuthing I decided to shadow him. In the course of ten minutes he had "mooched" three other believing pedestrians like myself, the last one, of the sum of one simpleon.

Suggestion From "Normaley."

Monmouth Herald.

Speaking of utility, there is a great chance for Luther Burbank to evolve a plant from the sunflower, the day house business. Am I liable for her house business. SubscribER. lia and the potato that will produce edible products above and below the ground and an ornamental plan that will delight all who behold.

More Truth Than Poetry. By James J. Montague.

Whenever Major Wotsisname Gits bunkered off the secon It's never him that is to blame 's never him that is to blame—
The guy wot made him flub is me.
hadn't ought of moved me head
When I was waitin' on the wall; He always sees it—it's so red— An' that's wot makes him top his

When Mister Blimp gits in the rough.
An' can't find where his ball is at, He hollers at me in a buff; "Look here, you caddie, you done

that! How kin I drive, do you suppose, the When you stand there an' scratch

Just when I'm gettin' off a shot? When Doctor Hoosis rims the oup, An' says "Excep' fer you, you pup, I might of made that hole in tar-

Instead o' being such a mutt, You'd know you hadn't ought to blink When I am runnin' down a putt!" An' that's the way it always goes, I just keep gettin' em off wrong. Them there three ginks can beat the

pros. Exceptin' when I come along. get bawled out on every tee, I don't do nothin' wot I should,

He Keeps a Rubber Stamp. If Mr. Harding insists on signing that come beneath his hand he'll have

Too Late Now. If we'd only known what the Puri-tans were going to start we wouldn't be celebrating their arrival.

And Fight It Out. If we were the league of nations, we'd remove the intervening populations and let Russia and Turkey get together. (Copyright, 1920, by the Bell Syndi-cate, Inc.)

In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago. The Oregonian of December Washington-The message of Presmitting diplomatic correspondence between America and England in ref-erence to the Venezuela boundary dispute, created a real sensation here

Philadelphia & Rioting is prevalent in this city as a result of the general traction strike and the city is all but at the mercy of a gang of hood

The farmers of Wallows have placed on the market this fall about 4000 head of hogs, which at the pre-

Commencing December 24, first class excursion passenger rates to San Francisco will be \$15, including Pullman berth, while second class rates are \$7.50, also including berth

From The Oregonian of December 18, 1870. Bordeaux,—Although the govern-ment has as yet learned nothing official people are rushing to this city

what about these professional Husbands Not Limble for Wife's Debts. "moothers?" STUNG. PORTLAND, Dec. 16.—(To the Edi-PORTLAND, Dec. 16 .- (To the Editor.) -- My wife and I separated years

> The husband is not liable for the debts of ne wife incurred in business

Christmas Cheer for World

Time was when Portland sent to distant cities and far lands for its Christmas toys. Some of them are still purchased in other marts, but a Yuletide fact worth knowing is that the city by the Willamette is now in the toy construction industry on its own account. And as for holly and other Christmas greenery-well, as for that, the rest of the country comes to us. De Witt Harry, in the Sunday magazine section, chats of the Christmas industry in Portland, with illustrations.

never twined her talent around a more romantic theme than do the facts in this story of a real lord and a genuine girl-who met in the sooty smithy of her father, the blacksmith, and who are soon to be wedded, whereupon the pretty English lass will become mistress of the stately home of Kinloss. The young master of Kinloss followed the hounds after the fashion of his fathers, and when his mount cast a shoe he led it to the village smithy-where Katherine Beatrice MacKenzie Jackman was deftly plying the bellows. A Christmas gift of a golden horseshoe will find its way to her stocking this Yuletide, and they will live happily ever afterward. Told in the Sunday issue.

undisturbed potency beneath the careless tread of America, declares Dr. Frederick G. Cottrell, chief of the United States bureau of mines -who perceives no cause for alarm, for many years to come, in the fuel situation. Where and how is this supply to be tapped? Let Dr. Cottrell inform you, in Rene Bache's exclusive interview with him, narrated in the Sunday magazine section.

How I Lost Forty Pounds .- Divas are prone to rotundity, often uncomfortably so. But for Frieda Hempel the Alps proved a sovereign treatment, and here and there, by many a crag and glacier, she left the two-score superfluous pounds that had vexed her. Mountain rambling, asserts the diva, is an heroic but entirely efficacious system of reduction. And in the Sunday issue, with illustrations both before and after she tells her own story of the adventure

Three Hundred Years After the Pilgrims .- This is a story in retrospect and the present, told by Joseph H. Applegate for the Sunday issue, and it deals with the approaching observance of Pilgrims' day, not only at Plymouth, Mass., but throughout the land that bears enduringly the impress of their ideals and character. Illustrated in the Sunday magazine section.

Talks With T. R .- A continuation of the diaries of John J. Leary Jr., close friend of the late Colonel Roosevelt, told in chapters that depict the man and patriot-militant, human, kindly, sagacious and filled with cleanly courage. In the Sunday issue.

All the News of All the World

American business houses, and though denied were not disproved. turbance the right to censor messages cannot be denied to the nation miles, to Astoria 316 miles, a dif-ference of about 30 per cent. Across United States has exercised that nian December 10 at once interests

things in the line of political reform, the Pacific ocean the distance is right, will want to exercise it in fundamental occasionally finish them, there about 6000 miles, of which 100 is but ture, and should mossibility of stopis a great hubbub over a proposal to 12-3 per cent. An ocean vessel igBut the virtual impossibility of stopure been responsible for a squabble of the Pribilof group. Mr. change the direct primary law. It is nores such slight differences and ping all leaks proves the necessity unworthy of professional men who Steward has arrived at the Multine- notes.

> Competition by the United States perform the ceremony and, just for world trade has fairly begun and or perchance it was the toll keeper field. The British empire is deterwork and get the honorarium, but ment now has railroads and steambeing rather coarse, impudent fel- ship lines which girdle the earth mother country, India, South Africa, and it has "all-red" cables across

partitions their oil interests in colonies and foreign countries. all-American steamship lines, cables, banks, insurance companies, marin register, fuel stations, and should se-cure an ample oil reserve by acquisitions in foreign countries. There is no reason why the rivalry should not be friendly, but if any attempt should be made to use cable control Western Union broadens out into a for underhand favoritism to British trade, the American eagle should

The police say that more than half the 19,038 automobile accidents fault of pedestrians. The trouble with the pedestrians seems to be that

Much bad temper and more impatience will be avoided in the lines

A woman who owns an automobile

President-elect Harding says em-phatically that there'll be no secret Colonel House is envoy for him.

out law against motorcyclists?

lf along with the 50 cents import duty there is placed a 50 cents export bounty, the measure would become immediately operative to the ben-

matrimony as they have had to revise their ideas along business lines and as we have all had to revise our ideas along religious and social lines and just see if this old world isn't a pleasanter place to live in Wrinkles sount for experience on the face of a woman just as much as they do on he face of a man. Few woman is the property of the state of Oregon

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book and cat as companions.

Charles B. Walker, handling dairy

Te Gedel . It is companionship we apparatus at Eugene, is an arrival at

WIDOW.

rocky shores in preference to the mainland. Seals, evidently, have been using the Pribliof Islands for countless centuries, and at one time the seal rookeries there threatened inter-national complications, when the United States government undertook to prevent peaching and raiding parties. The temperature has a max-imum of about 50 degrees and a min-imum of about 20 degrees above zero. It rarely gets below zero, although on January 25, last, the thermometer registered 25 degrees below. From June to August subarctic flowers are

"Within two years the Standard Oil company of California will have tain Hiram Mitchell, who is at the Benson, here because the Standifer ompany has the largest refinery in the west and it has a capacity of two tankers a day. To keep this refinery operating it is apparent that the oil company will require a great fleet of boats, especially if they are coming up from Mexico or South America. Contracts have recently been awarded for some 15,000-ton tankers, the largest tankers that have ever have Contracts have 15,000-ton tankers, the largest tankers that have ever been built. There is no joke about the oil ways, but its many side arrects are a built. There is no joke about the oil ways, but its many side arrects are a built. shortage. That is why the company is building an armada of tankers for the purpose of bringing oil in from other countries. The company is also building some small tankers which can go into Coos Bay and similar small harbors, these being of the Diesel type. The cost of operating one of our steamers is much greater than it was a few years ago, for the company not only pays its crews the best wages, but the food cost is an imput to serve their customers. Until we can have more street paving let us provided the company of the suburban streets. The Rose Festival has its attractions.

The Rose Festival has its attractions but it is short lived. Millions of beautiful to the company is daily annoyance to the numerous delivery men who have to travel through deep, almost impassable mus to serve their customers. Until we can have more street paving let us provided the can be under the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving let us provided the can have more street paving the can ha it was a few years ago, for the com-pany not only pays its crews the best wages, but the food cost is an im-

PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—(To the Editor.)—The Oregonian under the caption, "Farmers' Relief Voted by Senate," quotes Representative Young of North Dakota as proposing the following import duties: "Wheat 50 cents per bushel, rye 30 cents, corn 30 cents, barley 20 cents, flax 50 per Officials of the Pacific States Tele- since phone company who have assembled In Portland from California and the

In Klamath Falls a man has been found guilty of murder in the first degree for killing a man who boasted of intimacy with the killer's wife which she strengously denied. This who was a special law for federal loans of which she strengously denied. This words were the strengously denied. This words would be strengously denied the strengously denied the strengously denied to the strengously denied t

longer. If the resort doesn't strike the fancy of the demogratic leader he central Oregon arrived at the Per-kins, for they had driven by automobile and so numb were their hands

Notes. Eighteen months in the Pribilof

> 1. Do skunks rob henhouses? The skunk renders himself obnoxlous to the farmer by his partiality

If you had sense enough to think

they're good.

precious little time to do any presi-

to hear news of the sortic believed to have taken place at Paris. Intense excitement prevails.

We all know that the times are not that her are not journed until tomorrow.

Made Here

Rich Deposits of Fuel Lie Neglected.-Power and heat rest in

Let George Do It.—Infallibly he will fill your heart with laughter and your soul with contempt of shafn, the one and only George Ade, now writing in olden vein for the Sunday columns of the Oregonian.

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independently conducted by her.

Christmas Romance of Blacksmith's Daughter.-Laura Jean Libby

in avoirdupois.