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IGNORANCE OF THE EDUCATED. Among those literary lances of

Europe, knighted by popular approval, who have sought American shores to edify and instruct this considerable portion of their readers. that gifted essayist and merry jongleur, Gilbert K. Chesterton. A month or so ago it was the surprising Spaniard, Blasco Ibanez. Continually they come, and it is manie festly worth their time to cultivate public more than inclined to buy their books and lectures. Europe. we may hazard, is far too occupied with holding its hounds in leash, trafficking in boundaries, and passing the spurious coin of secret diplomacy, to afford a ready patronage of the fine arts.

The prodigious Chesterton, large in flesh and spirit, makes particular gathers not a whit of the gloomy romance that set V. B. Ibanez apart from the common herd, while he deigned to take our dollars. Instead he is the reincarnation of some fat old friar, worldly-wise and tolerant of sinners, who has a fine appetite for capons and carp and, withal, the triune gift of tune, philosophy and mirth. It appears that there may be something to learn from such a man, lessons that are not foggy with mysticism and that need no seer to read them. In most happy vein he is, so eastern reports reach us, treating at present of the "Ignorance of the Educated."

"Ours is the ignorance," Mr. Ches-

terton is quoted as saying, "that is not content with its ignorance, but must fill up the blanks in our knowledge with fancies and falsehoods. In other words, his logic is that when we encounter an hiatus in the sum, we throw in an unknown quantity of conjecture, call it fact and proceed as though the premise were no longer debatable but firmly This is surely a pet folly of those untrammeled thinkers who volunteer to do our thinking educated ignorance of America. Mr. Chesterton could not have been expected to know this friendly nation

The ignorance of the educated, in America, at least, is chiefly manifest through an almost total lack of contact with the man with the market basket. Introductions have not been made, and despite our assertion of democracy the fact is that a widening rift, not necessarily hostile, appears between those to whom life has been lenient and those who bear the old burdens of actual toil. thusiasta, rushing forth to grapple by direct vote of the people. Thus it is that many mistaken engiants are stricken down at every thrust.

Perhaps the plainest path to an illustration of this commendable but was that he drove the lesson home mistaken emprise lies toward that in a painful but nevertheless effecexcellent weekly, the Saturday Evening Post. Undeniably it has the interests of America at heart, STILL TRUE TO THEIR PRINCIPLES. and would speak for all, yet a certain type of personal experience story in which it specializes misses the average citizen by miles. These entertaining narratives deal with ton the London Nation says: men and families who, it is apparently the belief of their authors, typify the intermediate zone in our national cohesion. They were written by educated men, and would afford material for the broadening of Mr. Chesterton's theme.

The typical plot of these true-story sketches deals with families of con-siderable income, anywhere from principles" refers to a league or their strenuous and gallant accept- peace and promote disarmament, the relations. The World says that "it Faced by the need for readjustment, them by "the storm of war passion apartments or their city residence. capitalize that sentiment by making that the Russian people tolerate bedischarge all but one or two faithful the league, as his particular handiretainers, and courageously brave a work, precede or accompany the suburban existence in some modest nine-room cottage forty long min- opinion between him and his oppoutes from town. There the male of nents was on that point and on the good wife learns to mix an Irish senators declared for a league, but stew, and the bank balance mounts urged that it be formed after peace hopefully, and, in time, old friends was made. The criticism then made in rolling togs drift out to the exiles on Mr. Wilson's policy was that, in and fruse and moon and exclaim order to secure inclusion of the coveover their valiant enterprise and de- nant in the treaty, he sacrificed the clde to go and emulate them. It independent position from which he should be added that, in every in- might have blocked the efforts of stance, these sacrifices are made the allies to include some conditions possible only by renouncing mem- that were unjust. Notwithstanding bership in the most exclusive clubs, these blemishes, however, the treaty

these are not veracious accounts of dominate the conference. the great American struggle to make ends meet and lay by a college fund | peace of revenge." for the children. To the usual wage phrase the Nation has unwittingly earner or professional man the most lent itself to the purposes of Geris enviable. He perceives no hard-cf criminals when brought to justice munism, but his fanatic adherence ship in the stints they set them-to disparage the law by calling its to his doctrines—his severest critics

average American of today is, resame tomorrow. A trifle more pros- obligations that it imposes. perous, perhaps, finding it a little easier to wrest a living from the world, but always the sound and reliable backbone of our national life. His club is the home, or a fraternal organization. He grips a strap in the streetcar or steers an auto that needs everhauling. But when folk, educated ones, depict

American belongs to a country club.

TAKE IT TO THE PEOPLE.

The plan of the civic clubs to hold down taxes for the next three years sounds interesting. It is proposed to make an appeal to the various tax-levving bodies to pledge them-

selves to permit no further advances. the public will recall that a storm of protest arose from the city hall and the courthouse when the legislature proposed a limitation upon the sky was the limit. But the taxsupervision commission is now a fact; and it may be hoped that the city hall and the courthouse are in a more docile humor. After all, there is nothing unreasonable about the demand that taxes be not in-

It may be well to remind the civic organizations that the city hall and the courthouse do not contain all the time for preliminaries is past. the tax-levying institutions of the The west wants action. There is the sovereign peocounty. ple. Why not approach them? For example: Levies of taxes due

appeal to us. About him there to legislative appropriations in 1919 were \$3,202,685; in 1920, \$3,394,847. Small increase. Levies of taxes voted by the people

in 1919 were \$1,178,523; in 1920, \$6,098,258. Some increase.

held down?

A peculiar set of circumstances at tends the proposed recall of Governor Hart of Washington. It is proposed that the governor be recalled because he advocated and approved the poll tax. The poll tax was adopted because general property taxation had become unduly burdensome. If the governor shall be recalled the poll tax will still stand. To the load of now excessive taxation will be added probably \$200,000 for the expenses of the recall elec-

It seems that the recall has two functions. Ope of them is the getting rid of grossly inefficient or dishonest officials, the other is the gratification of resentment because the officer's purely administrative policies, honestly conceived, do not to very great confusion. But it does not comprise the chief fault of the nothing more.

It is a big task to obtain signatures to petitions, and the is-sue, although the poll tax in principle is generally objectionable, will not withstand close analysis. The property owner in Seattle now pays \$4 in taxes to the Portland property owner's \$3. Here we groan and protest over high taxes, create tax supervision commissions and other commissions to discover new revenues that will relieve the taxpayer. In both states a considerable portion of high taxation has been imposed with the economic problems of the parently the public has assumed that day, are in no sense champions of tax sources are inexhaustible. If the the people but Sanchos following a people of Washington are wise they doddering paladin. They tilt at will admit their mistake-admit diswindmills, profoundly convinced that covery that ability to pay taxes on real property has a limit. It will not help any to spend more public money to punish the one whose sole offense

Wilson's failure to hold his own with the allies at Paris and to secure ratification of his treaty at Washing-

The storm of war passion which seized the American people would in any case have robbed Mr. Wilson of any strong popular support for his healing principles and have thrown him on his own resources at Paris. America has no right to upbraid Europe for the bad peace. America, under any other representative than Wilson, was eager for a peace of revenge.

and giving up wholesale entertain-ment of one's dearest and most ex-bad peace," though it would have been better if Mr. Wilson had not It is respectfully submitted that thrown away the opportunity to

America was not "eager for By using that hapless plight of these characters man propaganda. It is the custom selves, everyday matters to him, and penalties revenge. In calling the tear witness to his sincerity—imhis comment is that if such as these treaty of Versailles "a peace of re- plies that rather he is moved by represent average America, then the venge" the criminal nation, Ger- temporary expediency, indeed by dire

Morning Oregonian | resources and privileges of the average | of stern justice, by which the criminal and that the soviet must save bolage American is not found in maganal nation should be deprived of all shevism in Russia by making temporary concessions to capitalism. the talk of the successful and to the ambitious appraisal of the climber, and it constitutes a charge of ignor- the limit of its ability, without whin- and on confiscation of food from

to the desire for a peace of justice, latively speaking, the average Ameri- by which the guilty shall not escape, abandon their practices and permit can of yesterday, and in the wisdom and for a league which they can of providence he will be much the join without misgiving as to the

A SURFEIT OF REGULATION. The regulations with which the waterpower commission has tied up development are an outgrowth of that steady extension of federal control which has prevailed during the last two decades, especially the last eight years. The one thought in the official mind has been to reach the government arm farther out to cover more business and more details of business, so that no might move without consent of some bureau, and so that there would regulating and supervising all a man's activities.

The features of the waterpower business that the former federal commission proposed to regulate are already regulated by the states, and the intent of the law is that state regulation should be accepted as sufficient. Some information may be required by the government as a guide in fixing values, depreciation and rentals, but the state methods It is a modest enough request, yet of accounting can probably be revised to satisfy the government's needs without having the work done again at Washington. The one fact which the former commission would them, and others like them, to which not see is that every requirement which adds to the expense and risk of the enterprise adds to the cost of power to the user, though they pro-

fessed to act in the public interest. Fortunately the commission is now composed of men, in the persons of Secretaries Weeks, Fall and Wallace, who will take a rational view of the subject and will not waste weeks in hearings and deliberations.

NOT WORTH THE RISK.

The question whether the United States should make a trade agreement with the soviet government of Russia resolves itself into this: Should a business man deal with one who openly avows that he will If the people will not agree to not be bound by any contract that hold down taxes, how are they to be he deems it expedient to break and that he will do his utmost to destroy the other man's business by the foul. underhand means of intrigue and revolutionary conspiracy? Those are the principles of action toward other countries upon which the soviet has acted.

It is said that the soviet has renounced its plan of world-revolution together with some of the principles of communism, as evidenced by the statement in its invitation to negotiate trade relations that "the soviet government has not the intention of intervening in the internal affairs with them and their further deten-of America." That is a most deception could not have been tolerated. tive assurance. The soviet government is the communist party, which is the third international, which conducts world-wide revolutionary propaganda with funds supplied by the sovet republic. It matters not that the effort to overthrow this republic is made by the men composing the soviet government under another name. Having absolute power Rooseveltian principle of "go and over every person in Russia, except do it" should be applied. It is a recall but in numerous instances of in those areas that from time to time small matter beside the demands our its application it has done that and are in revolt, even to depriving them allies have made, this surrender of of food and compelling them to a contemptible slacker-and it is But probably the Washington work for it, the soviet has power to the only instance in which the selfenlightened of these—by their own movement is no more than a flurry. prevent the activities of the third interest of the United States is apinternational and must sponsible for the acts of that body. The dictatorship of which it boasts fixes upon it responsibility for all

that is done by anybody in Russia. Treaties made by soviet Russia with other countries are cited as good precedents to follow, on the presumption that they are observed and prove that the soviet observes its obligations. The treaty with Poland was forced by military defeat, originally set in motion by President and those with the Baltic states were prompted by expediency, and all are formed when his term ended. Mr. observed with more or less fidelity Wilson refused support and the for the same reasons. The references made in a Moscow dispatch to other war he found that united financial ural shade of the feathers. treaties are an example of bolshevist cynicism. Revolutionary Turkey from falling entirely into the clutch is indeed a "natural ally," for Mus- of Japan and he revived the consortupha Kemal has made massacre a regular military practice and shows contempt for his agreements. The In fact Mr. Harding is continuing red government was set up by bol- a democratic president. shevist agents, with whom the treaty was made. Persia was freed from further invasion as an inducement to Britain to make a bargain. The best test of the soviet's regard for treatles is its conduct toward Azerbaijan. Georgia and Armenia. Its rule of conduct is expediency, and it often makes treaties in order more com-

pletely to deceive. Secretary of State Hughes is taken to task by the New York World for saying that convincing evidence of "due regard for the protection of persons and property and the establishment of conditions essential to the maintenance of commerce" must \$8000 to \$20,000 a year, and relates association of nations to preserve be the basis for considering trade American people were not robbed of is no concern of ours what kind of government the Russian people tolas every American family is faced, The experience of the war extended erate or what its attitude may be they dispense with all save one little and solidified sentiment in favor of toward property rights." Our consix-cylinder car, give up their choice a league. Mr. Wilson attempted to cern with the kind of government gins with its attitude toward personal and property rights if we trade peace treaty. The difference of with Russia, for the good and sufticient reason that trade takes Americans to Russia and brings into exthe species has adventures with form that the league should take. istence American property rights radishes and early potatoes, and the denies rights which Americans hold to be fundamental and violates or refuses to enforce contracts which Americans have made with it or its citizens, the government of the United States would shamefully de lude its own people by encouraging Americans to trade in the expectation that those rights would be re-spected. The only safe, straightforward course is that taken by ex-Secretary Colby, to inform our people of the conditions under which usiness can be done with Russia and then to let them do business at

heir own risk. Lenin's recent speeches which led the soviet to restore the right of private trading and of capital in private enterprise have been construct by some as renunciation of comaverage American is as squashy as many, follows that custom. It is a pecessity. He confesses that the device to avoid confession of guilt. world revolution which was to have

ance against those who should know ing about revenge and slavery.

better—a great deal better. The The American people still cling at great profit. Experience alone can prove whether these men will

> foreigners to trade in security. Britain is willing to make the experiment, and Premier Lloyd George credits Lenin's conversion. In defense of his trade agreement he urges the necessity of opening the resources of Russia to the world and the survival of bolshevist rule in at Lipman Wolfe & Co.'s Fifth street spite of frequent predictions of its downfall. But motives which are dates. controlling with Britain do not exist for the United States. The British empire is exposed at many points to the sort of attack that bolshevism makes, especially in its great Mohammedan population when it is the chief party to dismemberment of Turkey and to humiliation of the Caliph, the religious head of Islam. be a corps of officials inspecting. Red propaganda causes insurrection and may cause revolution, which means more military expenditure when the British taxpayer is groaning. Every move against the soviet.

no matter how clearly justifled by attack, is denounced by the labor party as an attempt to destroy "the only working man's republic" and causes threats of a general strike. Faced by severe depression of trade, the British manufacturers want to open trade with Russia on the bare chance that they may be able to do very fragile promise to stop propait in Britain.

The United States has no Asiatic quence to conciliate. Its trade with terrible. Russia never attained any magnitude and, in the absence of Russian goods to import, exports cannot be heavy. Much gold has already been exported | Couldn't wait any longer. Jen." "Jen: from Russia, and the latest information is that the soviet has only 175,000,000 gold rubles left, or about half that number of dollars. The trade of Russia under soviet rule cannot become extensive; its revival can only follow establishment of government that protects indi-vidual rights, sets the people free to work and trade for their own profit and lives up to the principles that govern international relations. test is necessary, let Britain make it. For the United States so little is to be gained that it is not worth the

Word that Neuf and Zimmer, the courageous Americans who attempted to arrest and return Grover C. Bergdoll, arch-slacker, have been released by the German authorities, "pending good behavior," is pleasing to patriotic ears. Whatever diplomatic usages they may have disregarded, the American public was tion could not have been tolerated. up Tabor 3412."
But Bergdoll is still in Germany, defiant and unrebuked, and it behooves the war department to see that the next event of the series is his surrender as an American criminal. Technically, this nation is still at war with Germany. While those who are versed in international etiquette solemnly discuss the matter, the is humarly possible,' ance credited to Secretary of War Weeks. Why the qualification?

Because President Harding has given his support to the bankers' consortium for China, some democrats boast that he has adopted one of President Wilson's policies. The fact is that the present policy was Taft and a consortium was being scheme fell through. During the ald was the only way to save China tium scheme-one of his few admissions that he had made a mistake.

read the papers, though he keeps a little cigar store in the north end, cigar stores" have on hand.

The problem of sex has got into the fig business in California and the male trees are to be restrained. This is the latest addition to popular knowledge. By and by we all will have learned so much we must go suddenly, the first Ford pulled up about on crutches.

If South Dakota changes her name to Roosevelt, the other would better change to Pembina, as was suggested for the whole territory more than forty years ago, and wipe out the later-day disgrace

examination for playground instruc tor; but the man with stumpage has when other means fail, persist in not reported on the number applying cropping up. One Portland man infor jobs.

Fifty men took the civil service

population. Let her import a milthe British isles and the needed men was put forth that cowbells might will follow from everywhere.

of departure. Belshazzar was not a public learning the writing on the wall.

chinook with light tackle has right to be "red-headed." The boxing commission is overlooking some good material around

The man who takes a 38-pound

the city hall. The local gas company sees the ommission and goes it one better.

"April showers bring May flowers"

The Listening Post.

Mysteries, Lover's Trysts, Despai and Tragedy Found on Street.

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As The Scout was examining the volume a worried-looking man rushed in, grabbed the book, ruffled the pages, ran his fingers through his hair, exclaimed "Missed box again the hair, exclaimed "Missed box again the hair exclaimed hair, exclaimed "Missed her again, the whole day lost!" and hurried out.

This dogs-eared and battered volume fills a unique niche in Portland's life. Its use is varied. Messages tender, commanding, despairing and beseeching crowd its pages. Comedy,

chance that they may be able to do some business. In exchange for the prestige of de facto recognition and for such benefit as Russia may derive from trade, the soviet gives the a note." He returns, no note, then the city; Joe, wild with anticipation. Columbia river highway, the ferry and a fair road on the Washington and a fair road on the Washington and a fair road on the Washington been separated for weeks. "Leave me a note." He returns, no note, then shore, it is predicted that people can prospectors had gone into the hill and discovered a precious metal, One of the means of the ricaded and locked. I asked the prespectors which had been bar-ticaded and locked. I asked the prespectors where the city; Joe, wild with anticipation. Columbia river highway, the ferry and a fair road on the Washington prospectors had gone into the hill and discovered a precious metal. One of them went on a surge. The other ganda in Asia and not to attempt then, hours after, the despair and desperation in that final message, empire to stir to revolt and has no did Joe do at Third and Morrison? pro-bolshevist labor party of conse- Did Geneva ever get to town? It's

And the pathos of this, evidently a mother and daughter separated. "Jen: Am in laces. Mother." "Mother: Meet me at OWK tin. Mother.' "Mother. Must have missed you, back soon. Jen." "Jen: Upstairs in tin"? Here lurk the possibilities of another mystery.

Or this, no name at top or bottom; romance here, all right, and you can bet they knew: "You poor lil' girl, I also am waiting. I am not deaf and dumb, so speak it to me." And the contrast, all illusion gone, even though he does call her Birdie: "Birdie: Wait, have gone to get shaved. tells Ruth in execrable French, "J'allez chez moi." And Emma who evidently writes that she is looking at the boys thus: "Am looking at ivory."

This must come to an end, so Mabs gets the last notice by her request for information about Gladness: "Call . . .

until the falling egg releases the door so that she can leave. As she like in the ensuing season. There goes out a little brush working on will also be the typical cowboy break. Another bill signed by the Minnein the nest and not laying her finish is sad, for she is trapped until the egg releases her. None coming, she stays cooped up until released.

Bain calls attention to the fact that a farmer can tell at a glance just now his birds are doing, by the number of marks on their backs. By changing the color of the marking fluid, it is possible to make an accu rate check by weekly or other periods and further careful choice of colors should result in an artistic effecwhen placed in contrast with the nat-

Poets and noticers in general are noting signs of spring. This week government of Bokhara was over- a republican policy after it had been like the last few becoming a habit. thrown by a bolshevist army and a cast aside, then taken up again by Out in the parks the gardeners began the harvest of the annual newspaper crop. Commuters are carrying home tiny chicks to start the home flock. Clothes are again out on the lines. Moving vans have been no was done out of \$1700 by the box ticed in action. A woman was seen trick. Education is costly to the drying her hair as she sat reading on foreigner. That sum, by the way, is a fire escape. The first street basemore than most keepers of "little ball practice has resulted in its toll of broken windows, but the real sign of old is absent, "Bock Beer,"

Tom Tilly vouches for this one:

Four Fords, none of which needed a horn, followed a street car on the Hawthorne bridge. The car stopped dead and the rear member of the quartet rammed it, driving it forward and knocked number two into the leader. Result, total elimination of head and tail lights.

Tales of garters with tiny bells, vidently designed to draw the gaze silver tinkle and actually saw one Canada is feeling the need of cute little bell. This is the first score to date, though there are others anxlion girls of marriageable age from lous to get in the game. A suggestion

serve when other means fail. The mystery of the late crowds that die at a boxing match, while most attend the all-night movies was pardie at home. The place of arrival tially solved when a young couple is of more concern than the point homebound at 1 A. M. confessed that they frequently took a nap in the early evening, as they were tired after their day's work, and went to utility, but he started the fashion of the show about midnight, taking their second installment of sleep in the THE SCOUT. early morning.

> Difference Is in "Licking." Baptist Boys and Girls. Visitor (comforting Tommy, who has upset a bottle of ink on the new

carpet)-Never mind, my boy; no us to cry over spilled milk. Tommy (indignantly)-Any dunc would know that. If it's milk that's spilled all you have to do is to call the cat an' she'il lick it up cleaner'n anything. But this ain't milk, an' mother'll do the lickin', is what ails

Those Who Come and Go.

Astoria is proud of its dock faciliies, which have been proclaimed by engineers as second to none on the Pacific coast. B. F. Stone, president of the port of Astoria, who has been Facilic coast. B. F. Stone, president of Nevada in the old mining district of the port of Astoria, who has been largely instrumental in the construction of the terminals, is assured of the port's future. "We have built for the future," said Mr. Stone at the future," said Mr. Stone at the future, and I am certain that the Columbia river shipping district will eventually be the largest on the random from the appointment book at Lipman Wolfe & Co.'s Fifth streat. door, where shoppers make their

Five hundred acres have been set aside at Seaview, Wash., for an auto-mobile park and the land is being cleared by the people, each contribut-ing a day's work. This is the word brought to Portland by Joe Knowles, "nature man," who is registered at beseeching crowd its pages. Comedy, tragedy and melodrama figure there so all may read.

What could be more tragic than Joe's stuff, possibly the same Joe noted above, who writes to Geneva:

"Geneva: Be sure and leave me a note as soon as you get in town. Joe." "Geneva: Hurry up, honey, am in a hurry. Joe." "Geneva: Have gone to Third and Morrison. Joe." "Geneva: Have gone to Third and Morrison. Joe." "Geneva is evidently just coming to the city; Joe, wild with anticipation.

What could be more tragic than Joe to transport machines across the river from the Oregon to the Washington shore. The people on the North beach are determined to make a strong bid for the summer visitor who rambles to the beach by the gasoline route. Formerly the only a way to get from Portland to the North beach points was by boat and, owing to tides and the like, no one ever knew when the destination would be reached. By means of the hours this summer.

"Business is rotten and I shouldn't "Gone to Third and Morrison." What be spending the money it costs me to did Joe do at Third and Morrison? take this trip," says M. L. Noll of Did Geneva ever get to town? It's Kansas City, Mo., who is at the Benson. Mr. Noll, of the Noll-Welty Lum-ber company, is visiting David Cole western manager of the concern. The Noll-Welty company has about 30 lumber yards scattered around the middle west and draws its supplies largely from Oregon and other west-tern lumber points. There is practically no construction work going on drapery. Mother." "Mother: Had to located, which accounts for the somein the territory where the yards are go. Jen," Analyze this. Where is what pessimistic sentiments of Mr. mother now? Has Jen caught her Noll. A new lumber rate takes effect yet? What is the meaning of "OWK today, which, it is expected, will cause an improvement in the market and a large number of orders are ready to be dispatched from western points, having been contracted on the new reduced freight rate.

Captain J. W. Siemans is in Portland on business and is at the Imperial. Captain Siemans has a bank at Klamath Falls which was ordered closed a few weeks ago. Unlike most banks, it refused to stay closed, and opened up again under its own power. This is said to be the sale interest. This is said to be the sale interest. Chas." And Helena, who opened up again under its own power. This is said to be the only instance of the kind in the state where a bank, ditions is most interesting. The late which suspended, has ever reopened. William S. Ladd told me that in boring the deep well, over 2000 feet, on his farm, now Laurelhurst, the drill went through five different forests. choke an elephant to arrange for stemming the tide. That the bank has resumed operations is a testi- GRAIN SPECULATION IS CURBED

way they did when they were bucka-rooing. George B. Marsden of Can-sota cha

were accompanied by Miss Susan controlling the organization for the Shepard. There is still a large amount of work to be performed be-stuffs between farm and city at a fore the highway between Vancouver, Wash., and Tacoma is finished but the fore the still a large fairer price for both.

Both these bills bear and city at a fairer price for both.

Both these bills bear and city at a fairer price for both. Wash, and Tacoma is finished, but the road is not in such bad shape as it was last autumn.

Honeymooning at the Multnomah are Mr. and Mrs. Victor Iverson. The bride was formerly Miss Anne Vaise of Renton, Wash. Mr. Iverson is connected with Mr. I

Portland was deluged with shirts from nected with Wood & Iverson, oper-the exchanges in Illinois is about to Boers are arming themselves. It is every conceivable angle. Straw hats ators of a sawmill at Hobart, Wash. do not seem so far away with days like the last few becoming a habit. This is the first trip of Mrs. Iverson would open the great board of trade in Chicago to farmer membership and the Rose City to either California or Washington cities.

Practically destroy for good all gambling in the basic coodstuffs of the people. Such an event would influ-

Bringing three orphan children from Scotland, Miss Edith Wood registered at the Seward from Birmingham, England. Miss Wood is taking the children to Eugene, where they will be reared. The youngsters have been much impressed by the size of the Atlantic coach and the size of the s the Atlantic ocean and also by the

Blackburn has been absent from Portland for many years and is re-newing his acquaintance with the Rose City.

and business property in Rockaway last summer while passing his vacation at that resort, has gone to the coast. The object of his mission is to supervise the construction of a bonds, federal reserve bank notes by to supervise the construction of a bonds, federal reserve bank notes by The city plaza of Salem is now becottage which will be erected adjaUnited States and certificates of ining improved and beautified. cent to the postoffice.

in Curry county, is among the Imperial arrivals. The dairy produce of the Langlois region is now forwarded to Bandon,

A woman-for no man would be so

their way to Seattle, and James

cash outlay of \$175.

James E. Danaher of San Francisco (To t is at the Hotel Portland. Mr. Dana-her is interested in the lumber in-sary

A. A. Hall, one of Tillamook's attorneya is at the Hotel Oregon

OREGON MINERALS INVITE STUDY

Mr. Lee Tells of Known Deposits Rumors of Others.

PORTLAND, March \$1 .- (To the Editor.)-The discovery of gallium by Dr. Ben R. Koering in our sister state of Nevada in the old mining district

third unit of our pier system is completed. This pier runs 1950 feet into the bay and is built of piling and concrete upon a sand foundation. A covered concrete shed, 160 by 1550 feet long, offers cargo protection and is so constructed that it will last aimost

of Oregon City, but am assured of its being quite extensive. There can And gosh, how father awore, scarcely be a doubt that silico, iron When he found in it was a claim scarcely be a doubt that silico, iron and the ochres exist in good quantities near Portland. I chatted with a Pennsylvanian who was working on one of the slopes of Mount Scott who told me that he was fully convinced

of them went on a spree. The other closed the tunnel. It seems that they deadlocked in a quarrel and went elsewhere. The story current was that they found gold. The presence of colors in the brook heading in Oak Grove and emptying into Kellogg creek would seem to indicate gold in the vicinity.

On the divide between Pleasant valley and Happy valley is a deposit resembling the phosphates we are bringing from Idaho to be utilized in the manufacture of fertilizer. Metal of some kind in the hill, near Albert Deardorff's is sufficient violently to disturb the really of disturb the needle of the compass. Certain parties have tried in vain to get leases on sufficient land in this locality to induce experimental boring for petroleum. Their form of lease may be somewhat one sided, but an agreement should be reached so that the plausible theories of their underground expert could be tested. If successful the enterprise would give an impulse to business never before

The study of local geological con-J. D. LEE.

monial to Captain Siemans, and when the institution reopened there was a bigger celebration in Klamath Falls

Minnesota Forbids Dealing in Futures

of Oregon and they will have one of buying of grain. Grain gamblers who and the star snaped spot on its and their yearly get-togethers, which means they will discuss the condition of the business for the past year and figure out what the game will look but their departure will be no loss 2. What is meant by a gallinative.

a trigger leaves a dot of marking fasts, with chow direct from the grub sots governor compels the grain and gallinaceous bird is the barn fowl fluid on her back feathers. If Mrs. wagon, and the cattle bosses will livestock associations to admit farm-have to eat out of tin plates the ers' go-operative associations to mem-etc., come under this head. They This law affects the Minne-Roads between Tacoma and Portland are in fair condition despite the long and continued rains, report Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Danforth, who arrived at the Perkins yesterday by automobile from Puget sound. They were accompanied by Miss Susan Shepard. There is still a large amount of work to be performed by stuffs between tacompanied by the properties of th

governor's signature.

More significant still, a bill to open
the exchanges in Illinois is about to

The Rev. Alexander Blackburn is registered at the Seward from Boston, Mass. Mr. Blackburn was formerly a minister in this city, having been succeeded in his pastorate by the Rev. J. Whitcomb Brougher. Mr. Blackburn has been absent from Currency and Gold Reserve.

Currency and Gold Reserve.

FORT CANBT, Wash. March 30.—
To the Editor: Can you tell me if our currency is all backed by gold, dellar for dollar? I would like to know the amount of currency and also gold, if you can tell.

Elackburn has been absent from Currency and Gold Reserve.

Federal reserve notes are backed by a gold reserve of 40 per cent and commercial paper rediscounted by federal reserve banks. The actual amount of gold behind them on March 15 was 60 per cent. National bank notes are backed by United States of a democrat be elected? a gold reserve of 40 per cent and debtedness, United States gold notes by gold to the full amount. United Langlois will be right on the Roosevelt highway, when that road is built. C. V. Woodruff of Lang-lois, which is a dairy shipping point of the United States, but in practice being supported by the gold reserve of \$150,000,000. There was in circulation on July 1, 1920, currency of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Twohy of the following amounts: Federal re-Phoenix, Ariz., are at the Benson, on serve bank notes, \$201,226,000; United States notes, \$346,681,000; national Twohy of Seattle is at the Hotel States notes, \$246,681,000; national Portland on his way to Puget sound bank notes, \$719,038,000; federal refrom California. They are members serve notes, \$3,405,877,000; total, \$4,of the well-known family of con- 672,822,000. Gold in the treasury and the banks totaled \$2,687,513,000.

Negro Population in Capital. PEDEE, Or., March 30.—(To the careless—left a round-trip railroad ticket to Chicago and a berth ticket in the writing-room of the Hotei Portland yesterday afternoon. The perfectly good ticket represents a state of Virginia. SUBSCRIBER.

There were 90,941 negroes in Washington, D. C., in 1910, and 671,098 in of Irvin S. Cobb and his manager? Julius Alm, who has been in Silver-ton almost since the time the town was incorporated in 1885, is regis-tered at the Hotel Oregon. Mr. Alm is in the general merchandise busi-

VANCOUVER, Wash March 30.-(To the Editor.) - To decide a control versy, kindly inform me if it is neces-sary to trump if you cannot follow sult after a lead in the game of MRS. C. B. D.

It is not obligatory to trump.

More Truth Than Poetry. By James J. Montague.

Trouble. The cat is on the pantry shelf
With eyes that bulge with fright;
The Airedale pup has hid himself Somewhere far out of sight: The little kids their lesson learn And neither romp nor sport, For father's income tax return

Was forty dollars short. It took a week to make it out And mother, in despair, Would say, "You must not stay about And hear your father swear." He'd pull his hair with frightful yanks Until it was a sight; He spoiled half a dozen blanks Before he got it right.

And when at last he put it in The big long envelope, He said to mother, with a grin, "Well, that is done, I hope. For forty dollars more.

He's locked up in his bedroom now And won't come out at all, and mother simply won't allow The kids to cross the hall. And everybody's frightened stiff, While every now and then They wonder what will happen if He gets it wrong again!

Coming to It. This isn't the millenium of course, and yet the railroads admit that their present freight rates are prohibitive.

Going Too Far. We state for the benefit of the blue law advocates that nothing exceeds like excess. There Must Have Been an Oversight.

Now that we come to think of it, where is that woman who was going o be appointed a cabinet member (Copyright, 1921, by the Bell Syn-dicate, Inc.)

Burroughs Nature Club Notes.

Can You Answer These Questions? 1. Do moles have any natural enemies to keep them in check?
2. What is the object of inoculat-

ing soil? 3. Are the humming birds found in different parts of the world alike?
Answers in tomorrow's nature notes.

Answers to Previous Questions

1. Why are negroes black? This is hardly a fair nature ques-Negroes are dark just as other living dark thing is dark be-cause of the color of the pigment of their skin. Nobody can answer why a race like Mongollans is yellow in complexion, or the native American Indian copper color, or the southern European races usually olive complexioned, and the Anglo Sa white. Nature gave them their Anglo Saxons ors, but we don't know how or

2. What enables the tree toad (Hyla versicolor) to change color? The why and wherefore in nature not always explainable toad or tree frog, as it is also called, is not the only batrachian to show the curious faculty of altering its coat color to suit circumstances. The object is protection by thus hiding rom enemies. In the chameleon, for nstance, the emotion or sensation of fear causes the coat to change hue. back for records has been perfected by N. M. Bain, an Oak Grove poultryman. For years chicken raisers have been trying to devise a system that would permit their culling drone heas from their flocks.

Bain's idea is a super-trap nest. Mrs. Hen enters to lay and is trapped until the falling egg releases to the super-from the latter of the business for the super-from the latter of the super-from the latter o

ceous bird? The most familiar example of a

In Other Days.

Twenty-five Years Ago.

From The Oregonian of April 1, 1896. Cape Town - War clouds are hoverng over southern Africa and rudely shaken and Germany is blamed

pleted, and the question of making her a suitable present on behalf of

The battleship Oregon is now

had been made to the street cleaning The second year for which engineers will be required to take out licenses begins today. Certificates to

the number of 341 have been issued. Fifty Years Ago. From The Oregonian of April 1, 1871. Washington,-Unverifiable news re-ports are to the effect that the chief

or a democrat be elected?

City licenses are due today and nust be paid on or before the 19th. At no time in the past five years has there been so much building going on in the city.

The number of school children in Union county is 876.

Signatures on Lease,
MERRILL, Or, March 29.—(To the Editor.)—Please advise me if a person wants to lease his land to an oil company or any other company is it necessary that both husband and wife sign it or only one party. F. Z

If the property is in the husband's name he can lease it without his wife's signature to the lease. Address of Humorist.

KENT, Or., March 30,-(To the Editor.)-Can you publish the address

Irvin S. Cobb, "Rebel Ridge," Ossining, N. Y. We have no information as

Marrying the Wrong Woman. Yonkers (N. Y.) Statesman. Flatbush—Do you think a man profits by his mistakes? Bensonhurst—Not if he marries the wrong woman he doesn't.