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OREGON'S POSITION ON THE MERGER

The value attached to the friendship of the Central and Southern railroads is evidently high. If it were not so, the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific would not be so assiduous in pleading their rival claims to the Central Pacific since the supreme court has made it an object of competition between them.

With so many alternatives before them, each bristling with contingencies and possibilities, the people of Oregon should deliberate deeply, dispassionately and with a long look into the future before deciding to which they shall give preference.

As the Oregonian has pointed out, the Central Pacific, the Southern Pacific says that its system and the Central have grown up together and have become so entwined that they cannot be separated without injury to both.

Development of school plant and facilities has been hampered for several years by lack of building funds. It is now hoped that the district will be provided with at least \$2,000,000 for carrying out of an immediate building program.

THE ONLY WOMAN MEMBER. Portland will take particular pleasure in the election of Miss Alice Robertson, representative in congress from Oklahoma, at the Rose Festival, not alone because she is the only woman member of congress.

Deprived of the Central, the Southern would have to grant it joint use of the San Francisco line, and either to arrange joint use of each other's parts of the San Francisco-Portland line or to sell its Oregon lines bodily to the Union or Northern Pacific.

If the Central Pacific should become independent and should make trades with the Southern to connect up its lines in the south, it might arrange to through traffic to Portland over the combination of their north-and-south line.

feeder and would, in the event of the Southern's retaining the Oregon lines, probably prefer to use them. Its sole outlet to the east being over the Oregonian line, it would be overshadowed by its stronger connection, which would dictate division of rates, would divert traffic over its own line, in order to secure all or the lion's share of the haul, and would not assist in financing the Nason line, as that would draw to the Central much traffic that might be diverted to its own tracks after giving the Southern the short haul to Portland.

Consolidation of the Central with the Union would give the latter its own line to San Francisco in addition to those it already has to Portland and Los Angeles, all connecting with its splendid line from Oregon eastward. Should the Central become independent, the Union's major interest would be in Portland, as it now is, though that has not prevented the Union from building docks and forming connections with trans-Pacific steamships at Seattle.

It is very confusing. Here is a system which, according to various accounts, puts an end to party bosses, yet the party bosses say they like it. Is it possible that the people of Washington want the direct primary repealed, and that because such is the will of the sovereign people the bosses are determined to thwart it?

FINANCE AND EUROPEAN POLITICS. German reparations are brought down, by the statement of J. P. Morgan, to a plain question of terms on which bankers would undertake to sell German bonds to the public of the world.

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payments as possibly leading to scaling down of the total. The very fact that Mr. Morgan discusses the subject solely from the standpoint of a banker explains the close relation between world finance and European politics, for his discussion of finance leads straight to politics.

By these displays of independence, sound sense and patriotism, the member from the second Oklahoma district has won the esteem of her fellow-members. She speaks for only a few minutes, but when she speaks they listen, and they would like to see her re-elected.

IS THIS BOSSISM? Political conventions are always machine-made and boss-ruled. Any primary standpatter will tell you that. Moreover, every primary standpatter can give you dates and incidents of twenty-five or thirty years ago to prove it.

COLLEGE TOWN ATMOSPHERE. Christian College, as it now survives in the Monmouth state normal school, does not stand alone as an example of the inspiration of an academic institution upon the neighborhood which gave it birth.

Try These Some Wash Day. (With humble apologies to Miss Tingle.) Take 7 1/2 pounds superfine fourth-grade Minnesota flour—it should be taken on no day in the week.

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The Listening Post.

By DeWitt Harry.

APARTMENT-HOUSE comedies are amusing. Take the case of the woman, new to the life, trapped in the automatic elevator. It was her second day in the building.

Here two women get in, smile and nod. "You going down?" they ask, and the novitiate is too frightened more than to nod; so away they go again for another round trip.

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Those Who Come and Go.

Tales of Folks at the Hotels.

Figuring that there was money in the fish business and that the industry is not being overdone, A. J. Higgins went into it and he has the baby plant on the Columbia.

George Melvin Miller of Eugene, Ore., is at the Imperial. He is here to meet his niece, Juanita, when she returns from Canyon City, Or., after spending three months in the east.

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Burroughs Nature Club.

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Can You Answer These Questions? 1. Is it true that cockroaches will hibernate?

Answers to Previous Questions. 1. How long does it take a peafowl's eggs to hatch?

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More Truth Than Poetry.

By James J. Montague.

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