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graced by perjury, forgery and suppression of evidence committed by certain officers, it is to be desired that the judicial inquiry may go to the bottom of this miserable business and that the nationalists, anti-Semites, "patriots," and so forth will not be more than usually crazy until the truth is established.

Mark Hanna's monumental hypocrisy was never so vividly exhibited as in his article against socialism in the February National Magazine. He warns the country against the growing systems of co-operation among workmen and the widening sentiment in favor of community of interests among the masses, but never a word of condemnation for the voracious trusts. Never one sentiment against the combination and co-operation of capital for business purposes. Never one word against a selfish system of government favoritism which has been the bane of the masses and the enthronement of the few, in this government. Union among the people, he brands as a dangerous tendency because of the lack of experienced heads to guide such an enormous force as the united people. Organization and co-operation are right and proper among capitalists. Community of interests are beneficial among large concerns, but dangerous among the thinking, patient, sovereign people of the nation. Hanna talks about devoting his remaining years to the restoration of the rights of the masses, in a tone that would be interesting to Americans if Hanna's past record and present practices on this subject were not so well known to every school boy.

Many of the leading exchanges that come to this office have enthusiastically endorsed the high valuation of property fixed last year by Assessor Strain, in this county. In every instance where the papers have mentioned Mr. Strain's little book, on assessments, they recommended its just principles to the assessors of the various counties. This endorsement of Mr. Strain's policy is not confined to Oregon, but Washington and Idaho papers and officials have unqualifiedly praised his efforts to raise values and secure a uniform assessment in every county in the state on railroad property. Following the initiative made by Unadilla county, Multnomah will raise her assessment this year. In that county the valuation of property is \$10,000,000 less in 1903 than 1893, and the levy in 1893 was but 27 mills, while in 1903 it was 46 mills, or 70 per cent higher than in 1893. The first question a homesteader asks, when he comes to a new place, is the amount of the tax levy. A low levy is a perpetual inducement to settlement and must be contended for more and more by Oregon assessors.

The Athens Press takes exception to an interview in the East Oregonian from one of its own citizens, in relation to the time of the arrival of the mixed O. R. & N. train in this city. If the Press takes an interest in the welfare of the people living in Athens, who are compelled to transact business at the county seat, every day, it will cheerfully sign the petition to the superintendent of the O. R. & N. for a change in the time of this train to an earlier hour, to permit the country people to come to the court house, transact their business in the afternoon, and return home the same evening without being out the unnecessary expense of remaining away from home over night. The petitions for this change are now being circulated by the residents along the branch line, and the Press will be given a chance to show its loyalty to its patrons.

The Interstate commerce commission reports that there are about 219,000 miles of railroad in operation in the United States. But where on any part of that enormous mileage, is there a sleeping car, containing a berth in which a man of dignified inches can stretch himself at full length?

A Chicago minister says that he, along with the rest of the preachers in that city, have been spending too much time talking about the New Jerusalem and have not paid enough attention to Chicago. He says he has neglected his duty and has seen abuses and lawlessness go unrebuked.

The Lewis and Clark fair corporation has let the contract for printing 300,000 descriptive books to three Portland job firms. The newspapers of the state will do the rest, free of charge.

SIZING UP JUDGE PARKER.
He is said to be an able lawyer and just judge, but he has never occupied a place in the real political life of New York. His presidential claims rest largely on the fact that he carried the state of New York when he was a candidate for judge of the court of appeals in 1897. Another element of impersonal strength with Judge Parker is in the fact that he lives in New York. It is still regarded as a pivotal state in presidential contests. Beginning with 1864 when McClellan made his hopeless run, all democratic candidates were from New York until Mr. Bryan swept the Chicago convention off its feet and attracted a following that gave him two nominations. The state was lost by McClellan, lost by Greeley, carried by Seymour, carried by Tilden, lost by Hancock, carried twice and lost once by Cleveland. The record shows that the state fluctuates even when her own sons are in the field and that her vote is not determinative.

TWO MAIDS.
The world's a garden; life's a road that passes near and winds away. Within its close two maidens are Who scan each traveler afar— One brightly clad and one in gray. The maid in shining garb is Joy, And few that pass are healed by her; Demurely she conceals her face— The other, Woe, goes forth apace. To boldly meet each traveler.

—Chicago Record-Herald.

GENERAL NEWS.

Five cloakmakers of New York, employing 2,000 hands, have granted their employers' demands, thus averting a strike.

George A. Rose, cashier of the Produce National Bank at Cleveland, O., has been arrested charged with embezzling \$189,000.

The 33d annual meeting of the Women's Union Missionary Society of America is being held in New York. It is undenominational.

There are 500 cases of typhoid fever in Leadville, Col. Cause is unknown, but supposed to be contamination of the water supply.

The chairman of the senate committee on territories declares that all statehood bills will be turned down during this session.

E. S. Hildenburg is on trial at Eldora, Iowa, charged with murdering his third wife. He is suspected of murdering the first two.

There will be 20 miles of main aisles in the buildings of the St. Louis exposition. The measurement does not include the short laterals.

A trust to control the mill supply of Chicago has been organized with a capital of \$4,000,000. It is chartered under the laws of Maryland.

It is alleged that one of the richest gold deposits ever struck in the Southwest, was found lately in the Santa Rosa district, Arizona.

The will of C. F. Dees, the lately deceased lumberman of San Francisco, sets aside \$700,000 for a library for the University of California.

Norman Selby, ("Kiss McCoy") the pugilist, has gone into voluntary bankruptcy, alleging that his liabilities are \$25,246 and his assets \$150.

Denver is in the throes of an investigation of the late election. Wholesale charges of fraud are made and a dozen arrests made of election officers.

A New York bank will loan the Chinese government \$1,500,000 on the security of the output of the Ham Yang iron mines, and at 6 per cent interest.

J. W. Warr, of Clinton, Iowa, president of the Iowa Building Association, pleads guilty to embezzling \$31,000, though it is said his shortage will equal \$100,000.

Fifteen hundred carpenters and other builders of Patterson, N. J., have returned to work under an agreement with the employers to arbitrate their differences.

One of the finest geological specimens in the world is a petrified ichthyosaurus recently uncovered near Coquimbo, Chile, and the property of the University of California.

E. A. Earler, a New York banker, has been declared insane. His delusion is that evil spirits are bringing tremendous influence to bear upon him to kill President Roosevelt.

The cold wave in the East has disorganized the California fruit market badly. It caught 2,000 carloads of fruit in transit, which will be sold at a greater or less loss, and much of which is ruined.

E. E. Plough and M. H. Kelly, of Spokane, claim to have invented an engine which by the simple manipulation of a lever can be transported from a locomotive to a stationary engine or vice versa.

Financial agencies in New York are authority for the statement that the United States Shipping Company is to be reorganized with Chas. M. Schwab at its head and a capitalization of \$30,000,000.

NORTHWEST NEWS.
Albert Stags was arrested in Portland on Thursday for passing bogus checks.

Nine sawmills of Aberdeen have closed down because of the overproduction of lumber.

Mrs. D. S. Rutherford, of Grant's Pass, shot and killed a monster cougar, near her home, Friday.

The total rainfall at Astoria, for the past three years is as follows: 1901, 44.79; 1902, 54.03, and 1903, 34.13 inches.

Grant's Pass has passed an ordinance closing all saloons, card games, cigar stores and billiard parlors on Sunday.

The Grand Ronde Lumber Company, of Perry, will get out logs for 12,000,000 feet of lumber in this season's run.

Mrs. Randolph W. Apperson, mother of Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, and grandmother of W. R. Hearst, died at San Jose Friday morning.

Henry Cable, a pioneer mining man of Baker county, who gave the name to Cable Cove, above Sumpter, is dead at San Jose, Cal.

Three Greek laborers were instantly killed in a rear end collision, near Ogden, Sunday morning, between a gravel train and water train.

B. L. Capwell, a returned Nome miner, committed suicide at Seattle Saturday night because friends conspired him for his continuous drinking.

Engineer Ladner and Fireman Rimsley were killed by a runaway train of coal on the Canadian Pacific, near Ravestock, B. C., Saturday night.

Two masked robbers held up a feed store in Portland and took all the cash from the register and relieved two customers, securing altogether about \$150.

Dan Jackson, a negro, was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary at Portland, Friday, for robbing and leaving an old man in that city last month.

Albert Arneson, a noted Pacific Coast baseball player, is under arrest for robbing J. W. Glover, Friday night, between Spokane and Medical Lake.

Erickson's gambling house in Portland, which has been closed since the difficulty with the wife of a gambler, was now running full blast again.

The jury in the case against T. W. Parker, the forger who escaped from the county jail, was held in session for minutes after retiring to the jury room in Portland, on Thursday.

A Corvallis man who raises Chinese pheasants for sale is getting rich in the industry. The eggs for hatching sell for \$2.50 per dozen and a pair of the grown birds sells for \$5.

The chief of police at Roseburg, had a two hours' chase after a crazy woman who eluded him and hid in alleys, cellars and closets, Friday afternoon, in attempting to escape.

EAST OREGONIAN UNKNOWN NUMBER GUESSING CONTEST

Every Subscriber to Have an Opportunity to Guess on a \$100 Rubber Tired Buggy

We Will Give Away, Absolutely Free, a Cushion-Tire Buggy, now on Exhibition in the Show Window of the A. Kunkel & Co. Implement House, Two Doors South of the East Oregonian Building.

The East Oregonian has purchased from the A. Kunkel Implement Co., a \$100 cushion tire buggy. It is a beauty, strong, serviceable and well finished. For each year's subscription to the Weekly at \$1.50 or for every similar amount paid on the daily or semi-weekly the subscriber is entitled to one guess at an unknown number of three figures, that will be placed in a sealed envelope. This is not a drawing lottery, or gift enterprise of any kind.

How to Participate.
Each receipt for \$1.50 for the Daily, Weekly or Semi-weekly East Oregonian, to any address, the person to whom the receipt is issued, will be given an opportunity, absolutely without cost, to have a guess at the unknown number, and the person or persons guessing nearest that number will receive as a present and without any compensation whatever, and merely as an expression of good will on the part of the East Oregonian toward its subscribers, the \$100 cushion tire buggy advertised in this paper and on exhibition at A. Kunkel & Co's Implement house two doors south of the East Oregonian building.

For each \$1.50 paid the holder of the receipt will have an opportunity of making one guess. For example if you send \$1.50 for one year's subscription to the Weekly or \$2.00 for one year's subscription to the Semi-weekly you are entitled to one guess. If you pay \$5.00 for one year's subscription by mail to the Daily you will get three guesses. If you pay \$7.50 for one year's subscription to the Daily delivered by carrier you will get five guesses, or if you pay \$7.75 for six months of the Daily by carrier you are entitled to two guesses.

No commission is allowed to any agent or solicitor for securing subscribers under this offer, and the person so subscribing does it with the understanding that the East Oregonian is accepted as payment in full for the money paid.

Unknown Number — How Prepared.
Monday, January 18, the following committee of business men met at the office of the East Oregonian and formed the unknown number that will get the \$100 rubber-tired buggy. The committee consisted of M. A. Rader, the furniture man, E. T. Wade, the real estate dealer, G. A. Robbins, proprietor of the Owl Tea House, Glenn Winslow the jeweler, and A. Kunkel, the implement man.

Ten numbers from one to ninety were cut from a calendar. These numbers were sealed up in 10 different envelopes by the committee. The 10 envelopes were placed in a hat and thoroughly shuffled and shaken. Three members of the committee then took out one envelope each, which were marked one, two, three, in the order in which they were taken out.

These three envelopes were then placed in a larger envelope and sealed and a wax seal placed on the flap and delivered to the chairman of the committee, M. A. Rader to keep until the day the buggy will be drawn. The remaining seven envelopes containing the other numbers were then burned in the presence of the committee, thus insuring an absolutely unbiased drawing.

Each and every one of the committee was thoroughly satisfied with the absolute fairness of the method of selecting the unknown number, and signed the following statement: "We, the undersigned, were present at the East Oregonian office Monday afternoon, January 18th, and assisted in forming the unknown number according to the plan published to be used in the East Oregonian guessing contest."

Under the rules of forming the number, it is impossible for anyone, not even the members of this committee, the publishers of the East Oregonian, or anyone else to know what the number is.
(Signed.)
E. T. WADE,
A. KUNKEL,
G. A. ROBBINS,
GLENN WINSLOW.

Upon the day when the envelope is to be opened and the buggy awarded to the person guessing nearest to the number, the numbers will be assembled in the order in which the envelopes are marked. It may be as low a number as 012 or as high as 987. As a matter of course, it must be three different figures, as no figure was used twice. Somebody will get a splendid \$100 present when the 975 receipts have been given out. The unknown numbers will be

formed by putting together the three numbers in the order as marked, one, two, three, on the envelopes on which they are contained. The unknown number will not be assembled until the guessing contest is completed, hence no one will know what it is to be until it is publicly announced to subscribers.

Limited Competition.
The number of receipts issued in this contest will be limited to the number of guesses possible in the range of the numbers between 012 and 987, as the unknown number must be composed of a figure within those limits. The unknown number cannot be less than 012 nor more than 987.

To be a perfectly fair and legitimate guessing contest the number to be guessed at must be and remain absolutely unknown. There must be no chance for the East Oregonian, the committee, or any subscriber to know the number and this plan will insure that result.

The receipts for this guessing contest will be numbered in duplicate, but the stub will be only for the purpose of identifying the subscriber who is the successful guesser—each subscriber writing the guess number on the back of his receipt—each one making his or her own guess at the unknown number. As soon as the receipts are all sold the guessing contest will be over and the nearest number awarded the buggy.

How the Guesses are Made.
On securing a receipt for \$1.50 the person wishing to guess will write his guess on the back of the receipt in ink or indelible pencil, writing only one guess on each receipt, and depositing the same in the sealed ballot box provided at the East Oregonian office for that purpose. Subscribers out of town will be allowed to make their guess in the same manner, and send the same in a sealed envelope plainly marked "East Oregonian Guessing Contest," and they will be deposited in the box. The seals on the box will not be broken until all the receipts in the guessing contest are sold—975 receipts in all.

Subscribers can get their receipts any time after the committee has met and drawn the three numbers which will give the lucky holder of the receipt with the same number the buggy.

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The Pony

Fleeced lined hose for boys and girls. Regular price, 25c

19c pair

A limit of 3 pairs to each customer.

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Ladies' glove-grain and calf button shoes, regular value \$1.50, sale..... **90c**

Ladies' calf and vici kid lace shoes, regular value \$2.00, sale..... **\$1.60**

Ladies' box calf and vici kid lace shoes, turn and welt sole, regular value \$2.50, sale..... **\$2.19**

100 pairs misses' and children's grain button shoes, sizes 8 to 11, 12 to 2. Regular value \$1.50, sale..... **75c**

33 1/2 Reduction on all this season's newest styles Ladies' jackets.

Needle Books—Each book contains 3 needles, per book..... **1c**

Ladies' fleeced lined wrappers, full sweep regular 85c kind..... **50c**

Regular \$1.50 kind..... **85c**

Regular \$2.00 kind..... **\$1.10**

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These represent the bulk of a great special purchase of silk