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### WEATHER.

Oregon, Washington, Idaho—Fair.

### "MOYER-HEYWOOD DAY."

Upon a certain day in the coming month the labor unions of the country will, it is said, make a comprehensive demonstration in favor of these two miners now under indictment for complicity in the murder of Governor Steunenburg, of Idaho, and for its especial sign and function, will proclaim the President of the United States the enemy of the workingman of America and the principal agent in forcing these men to answer the letter of the law for their alleged crimes. Well, this is going some!

We confess ourselves painfully ignorant of the plea upon which these two men, whose chief virtues are so far as we have been able to ascertain them, that they are members of the Western Federation of Miners, and in a grave predicament, both matters of which they were the sole masters in the original premises are elevated to such transcendent heights! Why are they canonized and made the crux of a movement such as this? Why are they any better than the million of honest workmen of the country who have to go up against just as hard conditions when they forget or transgress the law of the land? Who are they, that the laboring world should make them the arch-types of oppression and injustice? What extraordinary rights have they in such an instance that the nation itself is to be made the artiller as between them and their self-wrought destiny? It would seem that such a movement as this should have a predicate so large, so popular, so wholesome, so manful, as to need no bolstering, and if these were the elements prompting it, there would be no necessity for such an uprising; the sense of public justice would assert and exert itself so swiftly and so thoroughly, that no formal expression would be organized nor needed.

We would like a bit of disinterested coaching on this subject, and we are as hopelessly ignorant of where to go for it, as we are of the fundamental call for it.

### THE REPRISAL OF CAPITAL.

We are led to wonder, frequently, upon observing the adoption of some new and startling demand of organized labor, how long capital is going to meet the overtures in peace and silence, and if, at some untoward moment, it will not put into effect its one vital and effective reprisal of closing down business rather than continue the concessions.

We do not depreciate the least, nor largest, of the things that labor insists upon and are glad to see every rational advantage accrue to the element that has had more of denial than anything else through the years that are gone; and yet we believe the day is not far distant when some big organic system of disclaimer will be inaugurated by the money-powers that will be overwhelmingly disastrous to the workmen of the country. It is not impossible nor at all improbable, and should be reckoned with in the plans of the unions.

The patience of the public, always the scape-goat as between these elements of business, will not serve always to withstand the strain, and when that fails there will be a season

of depression which, in the light of recent activities and profitable progress, will be, to all men, alike, appalling in its strictures and results. It is worth thinking about.

### THE UP-TO-DATE ELK.

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The present year has on its roster of progress several such contributions to the growth and beauty of the city, and the new hotel, with the Elk building and the Savings Bank building, will form a group of which any city may be aggressively proud. There are more to come, and many lesser ventures, all of which will demonstrate just how live and liberal the sense of destiny is in this place. There is to be no stoppage along this line, and every dollar invested will come home to those who put it out, an hundred fold, in the early future. There is not a city in the Northwest with so assured a future as Astoria's and the work of preparedness is laid in just such premises as this; solid, practical, well-gauged, judicious expenditures of capital, that will return again handsomely and soon; and that the B. P. O. E. have made plain their strong confidence in that future, will be accepted as a rule of action by many another organization and business firm, to the wonderful expansion of the City-by-the-Sea.

### EDITORIAL SALAD.

Uncle Joe Cannon says Cuba will make wonderful progress when it gets a stable government. But Uncle Joe is too careful in his statements to fix the date.

Irrigation projects will slow up until the present reclamation work is completed. It is big enough to warrant a jubilee before taking a fresh start.

Mr. Bryan has emerged to repeat that somebody is stealing his thunder. But Mr. Bryan has on his hands a big job lot of thunder that nobody wants.

Mr. Harriman is giving out nothing for publication, which recalls his ordinary position on the witness stand.

A journey to Panama is a short cut to optimism, even though the Culebra cut is an incidental feature.

After all, San Francisco is second to Washington when it comes to a continuous shaking up.

Mr. Harriman says he got into politics by accident. He will probably get out by design.

Galveston has withstood fire, flood and hurricanes and is now ready for the earthquake test.

It seems to be generally agreed that our duty to Cuba is not a policy of scuttle.

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