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## WEATHER.

Western Oregon and Washington

Fair.

## GRAFT.

There is a world of meaning in this  
modern and convenient term!It is synonymous of a hundred  
crimes and misdemeanors and a very  
complexity of reproach, the chiefest of  
which it is exceedingly hard to determine.Primarily, of course, it stands for  
theft, deliberate, skilful, well-glozed  
theft; theft artistic, scientific; refined,  
delicate, tender-handed yet full handed,  
theft; theft bold, coarse, inconsiderate  
and of amazing audacity, but theft  
always.Concurrently the cult embraces all the  
nasty concomitants of deceit, fraud,  
false pretense, lying, bribery, forgery,  
record-tampering, every trick sanctioned  
by dishonor and prompted by self-  
security. It is without limit of any  
sort whatever as to leaguery personnel,  
means, objective, achievement, and re-  
source of action. It never distinguishes  
the poor man's money from that of the  
rich man; money, God's, Man's AND  
the Devil's, is the one, simple purpose  
of graft and the grafter spurns every-  
thing on the hither side of it with a  
thold, and all things too clean for sub-  
in its flagrant uniformity.Organization is its cardinal principle,  
with sacred silence as its close fellow;  
its ramifications are endless, safety be-  
ing the only line of demarcation; its  
active doctrine is the removal of impe-  
diments, such as people, motives, meth-  
ods, and all things too clean for sub-  
stantial safety and constant contact; it  
has no peculiar habitat, it enters every  
field where money circulates and flour-  
ishes where the circulation is the  
greatest; it scruples at nothing but  
scruples and halts only at the bar of  
the law, but not until it has exhausted  
itself in trying to leap even that; it  
operates on no especial lines, and nothing  
is too sanctified for its invasion nor  
too tender for its despoiling touch; the  
courts are its play-ground and legal  
processes its relaxation; false swearing  
is the acme of its arts, and subversion  
of perjury the chiefest of its graces; it  
victimizes the living, the dying and the  
very dead and no known thing in human  
compass between the cradle and the  
grave is free from its polluted try-  
out; it is no local evil; it is state-  
wide, national, universal, and the bitter-  
est, most dangerous, feature of it all  
is the common, unrealizing, temporizing,  
cowardly acceptance of it, everywhere.For supreme audacity, openness,  
adroitness and scope of graft, this country  
is conceded to be in the lead, and  
the proof piles up hourly and every-  
where in support of the questionable  
distinction. There is no fiction in the  
premise; it is adamantine fact, without  
a saving shadow of ambiguity or plau-  
sible doubt. We are IT. The fabric of  
our governmental, political, business  
life is honeycombed to the core; and we  
stand self-exploited, and apparently, un-  
ashamed. Nor are we but sacrificing com-  
mercial honor and lowering every stand-  
ard that was once our boast; we are  
yielding, all too readily, our anchorhold  
of patriotism, than which we can do no  
more utter thing nor one more fearfully  
charged with danger to the land and  
the people thereof.The damnable truth of this crops out  
on all sides, stares us out of counten-  
ance, compels our thought and arouses  
our anxiety; but few, if any, attempts  
are made to create popular and ag-  
gressive sentiment against the dreadful  
conditions, deepening, growing, looming  
by the sheer indifference of every  
agency that might contribute to its  
elimination. We have become so used  
to the name and game that we actually

## The Evil Effects of Wall Street Panics.

By Representative PHILIP P. CAMPBELL of Kansas.

EVERY business man realizes that the prosperity of the country is threatened by the panics in Wall street due to the manipulation of STOCK GAMBLERS. The hue and cry that is raised every time there is a slump in the stock market causes a feeling of apprehension that makes capital timid and thus DISTURBS THE GENERAL BUSINESS SITUATION. It is in this way that such panics become a positive menace to the COUNTRY'S welfare. I shall go over the interstate acts for the purpose of ascertaining if there is not some law that will put an end to tremendous gambling operations in New York. It seems to me there ought to be legislation that will prevent stock operators from gambling in the SECURITIES OF COMMON CARRIERS that transport interstate commerce.

I do not know that there is any such law, and if not congress should enact one. If the situation cannot be reached entirely by the federal government congress should CO-OPERATE WITH THE STATES in reaching it.

**STATE LEGISLATURES CAN ENACT LEGISLATION THAT WILL PREVENT THE MAINTENANCE OF PLACES WHERE PEOPLE CAN BUY AND SELL STOCKS ON MARGINS.**

use it in a humorous sense, with flip-  
pan fun, and coarse sport.

From Minneapolis, to far Key West, from Bangor, hither, the country is gridironed with shameful records of this foul thing; and the word has gone to the world's end, that we are its most devoted votaries and its most expert. Surely we have some recourse of salvation and the time is propitious for its use, unless, indeed, we are lower than we think and vitally amenable to the desperate culmination that lies in the non-resistant, apathetic attitude we have assumed to this relation.

Public indifference to crime becomes an elemental part of the crime if it is permitted to run the length, and in the matter under treatment, it has about reached the last limit of indulgence!

## EDITORIAL SALAD.

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General Kuroki picked a winner at Belmont Park. The general is noted his luck that way. He picked a lot of Russian horses to win on the Yaul and they got to northern Manchuria first.

Boss Ruef pleads guilty to a penitentiary charge, in order, as he says, to quiet the excitement of his family. They must be anxious to know where he spends his evenings.

The March hot wave, according to one theory, was caused by the comet. If nature must indulge in airships it ought to confine itself to something agreeable.

American society will hardly be satisfied until the details of the Corey-Gilman nuptial shall be reproduced by the moving-picture machines.

The President contemplates a trip down the Mississippi to see for himself if the walking in the river is as good as it is said to be.

The country is not surprised to hear that Ohio has failed to find a bicycle built for two that will accommodate Taft and Foraker.

Business conditions are so good in the United States that property has expanded into Canada, Cuba, Panama and Mexico.

A little over a year hence, in convention assembled, Ohio will speak for itself when the presidential roll is called.

The number of men who knew cotton would be a valuable commodity this year is on the increase.

The President's enemies knew, if they kept after him, he would finally take to the woods.

As usual, the strike at San Francisco is being laid at the door of John Doe.

Dr. Raupert says all spirits are depraved. Then they are not American spirits.

Any one who doubts the importance of babies has but to turn to Spain.

Vesuvius, Stromboli and Ohio were reasonably quiet at last accounts.

## IF YOU DON'T

succeed the first time use Herbine and you will get instant relief. The greatest liver regulator. A positive cure for Constipation, Dyspepsia, Malaria, Chills and all liver complaints. Mr. C. of Emory, Texas, writes: "My wife has been using Herbine for herself and children for five years. It is a sure cure for constipation and malaria fever, which is substantiated by what it has done for my family." Sold by Hart's drug store.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

## FIRST NATIONAL BANK

at Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, May 20th, 1907.

## RESOURCES

Loans and discounts .....	\$740,550.82
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured .....	7,794.78
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation .....	25,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds .....	500.00
Bonds, securities, etc .....	50,930.00
Furniture and Fixtures .....	1,590.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents) .....	113,321.81
Due from State Banks and Bankers .....	31,776.16
Due from approved reserve agents .....	148,431.55
Checks and other cash items .....	33.65
Notes of other National Banks .....	100.00
Nickels and cents .....	560.40
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie .....	\$203,000.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 percent of circulation) .....	1,250.00
Total .....	\$1,130,839.17

## LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in .....	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund .....	12,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid .....	30,839.66
National Bank notes outstanding .....	25,000.00
Due to State Banks and Bankers .....	3,527.96
Individual deposits subject to check .....	\$727,920.61
Demand certificates of deposit .....	230,025.94
Certified Checks .....	1,525.00
Total .....	\$1,130,839.17

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop.

I, S. S. Gordon, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

S. S. GORDON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of May, 1907.

V. Boelling,

Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:

G. C. FLAVER,  
W. F. MCGREGOR,  
JACOB KAMM,  
Directors.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

## Astoria National Bank

at Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, May 20th, 1907.

## RESOURCES

Loans and discounts .....	\$489,882.66
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured .....	3,401.41
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation .....	12,500.00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits .....	50,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds .....	3,000.00
Bonds, securities, etc .....	55,504.22
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures .....	4,288.25
Other real estate owned .....	8,233.41
Due from State Banks and Bankers .....	5,366.58
Due from approved reserve agents .....	329,235.32
Checks and other cash items .....	7,788.88
Notes of other National Banks .....	2,450.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents .....	128.24
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie .....	\$88,525.70
Legal tender notes .....	1,695.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation) .....	625.00
Total .....	\$1,055,624.67

## LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in .....	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund .....	40,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid .....	17,513.27
National Bank Notes outstanding .....	12,500.00
Individual deposits subject to check .....	\$850,535.36
Demand certificates of deposit .....	75,421.07
Time certificates of deposit .....	300,654.97
United States deposits .....	50,000.00
Total .....	\$1,055,624.67

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop.

I, J. E. Higgins, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. E. Higgins, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of May, 1907.

M. C. MAGEE,

Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:

GEORGE W. WARREN,  
GEO. H. GEORGE,  
A. SCHERNECKAU,

Directors.

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