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WATER WAYS THE SALVATION AND SAFEGUARD OF OREGON.

THERE IS NOTHING that impresses an American in Europe more than the use by the people there of water communication, and the comparative neglect of the same means of transportation in this country.

Why? The answer is but our shame. Two great railroad systems use their power and wealth to build up and increase the trade of that city.

In 1,000 miles the Columbia winds and flows from the mountains of British Columbia until it finally pours into the sea.

To the sea the river is gladly bearing its burden, but above The Dalles it is only fretting away its usefulness as it flows on and on forever.

SUSPENDING BUSINESS FOR THE REVIVALISTS.

FROM 11:30 to 2 o'clock tomorrow Portland will be a "closed town" in an unusually literal way.

run here years ago, and indeed up to recently. Powell was accused of being a defaulter to the county in a large amount while serving as county clerk and was once indicted though on a relatively frivolous charge.

There has existed a good deal of misapprehension regarding the nature and character of the present movement. It would not truly express it were it to be characterized as a movement more or less localized according to the cities visited by those who are now leading and directing it.

What a pity to see so many of these good-fellow grafters and professional pull possessors in distress. No wonder the G. O. P. is locally in a state of humiliating doubt and distraction and that even Chairman Frank C. Baker, who single-handed and alone piled up a majority of 43,000 for Roosevelt, is speaking scarcely above his breath.

HARD TIMES FOR THE G. O. P. IN OREGON.

SAD TIMES these latter days for the erstwhile and even but lately G. O. P. in Oregon. Long shone the sun of political prosperity on one faction, then on the other, but under this new, strange, unexpected, and to many, inexplicable policy of honest men only in office and no grafting, long-honored heads are bowing in surprised sorrow and long-grafting hands are becoming nerveless and uncutting.

The time to register is now. Conditions are such that an opportunity may be presented at the polls to get the men desired for public office and who will consider public office a public trust.

Small Change

Taxes are generally well paid up. Still many will remain unconverted. Only two months till the fair opens. After a few more winters spring will come sure.

Woman's Perfect Form in 1905

Miss Elizabeth A. C. White, president of the Dressmakers' Protective Association of America, whose theories of the adjustment of the corset as the basis of a perfect figure have been demonstrated during the week on living models at Masonic temple, has outlined for the women of Oregon the three essential features of the perfect figure of 1905.

Letters From the People

Portland, Or., April 1.—To the Editor of The Journal.—The incompetency of the county judge in his treatment of the sheriff of this county calls for more than a passing notice as the hands of the people who elected him, and it seems strange to me that a protest has not been made in the name of the people. The sheriff had hardly assumed the duties of his office when the judge started the ball rolling, to take the feeding of the prisoners away from him and install a machine man in charge of the county kitchen.

The Play

The real source of wonder in the operatic performance by the Follies youngsters is the completeness with which everything they attempt is done. The group of ten company and change in its hands the score and libretto of a comic opera just as it came from the author, and ten to one there will be some numbers and a good deal of dialogue cut before the dress rehearsal.

Oregon Sidelights

Work progressing on the Woodlawn foundry. Car shortage up the valley complained of again. Yoncalla is to have four new brick buildings.

Lewis and Clark

April 4.—The day is clear and pleasant, though the wind is high from north-west. We saw several articles for the present, which we shall send in the baggage. They consisted of a stuffed male and female antelope with their skeletons, a weasel, three squirrels from the Rocky mountains, yellow bear, a mountain sheep, wolf, those of the white and gray hare, a male and female blue-rain or burrowing dog of the prairie, with a skeleton of the female, two burrowing squirrels, a muskrat, and the muskrat and Minnow, the horns of the mountain ram or bighorn, a pair of large elk horns, the horns and tail of the black-tailed deer, and a variety of skins, such as those of the red fox, white hare, marten, yellow bear, and mountain sheep.

AN IRISHMAN FROM SPAIN.

From the Washington Post. King Alfonso selected St. Patrick's day for appointing as his new envoy to the United States, a diplomat of Irish descent, bearing an Irish name, and chief of the family which is so proud of its Irish origin that it celebrates each year St. Patrick's day in the chapel which it names the church of the Holy Spirit in the parish church of Ortova.

PARADISE FOR THE MEN.

From the Boston Globe. Paraguay would seem to present the smallest chance for woman's rights progress to be found on the earth. In that country there are seven women to one man. Consequently, the men are petted and taken the greatest care of. Everything that is unpleasant or risky is done by the women. The streets are cleaned, ships loaded, and the open driven by them, and they even go to war as substitutes for the men. It is only an application of the law of supply and demand, and some lazy men probably think it a beneficent one.

WALTER FULLER

Walter Fuller while on route to visit his best girl last week fell into a slough near Mr. Connelley's last Sunday, but after a hard struggle managed to get out. Munkers correspondence St. News. But did he not see the girl?

THE STUPIDEST MAN.

From McClure's. The stomach proper has ceased to be a serious problem to the surgeon. He can invade and explore it with impunity. He can even, if circumstances demand, relieve the owner of it entirely, and so arrange the case that the functions of nutrition are successfully maintained. To be sure, the patient can never thereafter derive such pleasure from his meals; he must restrict himself to a rigid diet; but for all the other affairs of life he may be as competent as before. There are today several stomachic men who are earning their daily predigested ration in occupations varying from clerk to expressman.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

From the Chicago Chronicle. The Russian emperor's determination—or alleged determination—to continue the war does not impress the world as heroic. When a people is invaded and threatened with extermination, as the Netherlands were, and persists in the face of overwhelming defeat to face the enemy again is something glorious in it and it is generally successful in the end; but a war of aggression in a foreign land, at the end of a 3,000-mile single-track railroad, is entirely different. It is not a case for heroic perseverance, but for philosophic submission.