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## not bech a mere partisan in office, but has recog that his duty is not primariy to the Democratic but to the whole people of Oregon. He has been Enouki to to rise above the petty considerations of

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aidninaistrative, ofpeceially those charged with importa
officerative thould be filled by men on whom the gore
could rely to carry out the policies to which he w pledged. But Governor Chamberlain has shown himself
a believer in the principle of a nondpartisan judiciary,
and he has striven consistently to eliminate poilitics from
the management of the state institutions. the management of the state institutions.
A conspicuuse illustration is afforded by the appoint
menent of I. T. Harris, a Republican, to the position o circuit judge. in the Fourth district, The people of
fistrict, which is heavily Republican, had elected a De
cerat, Judge J. W. Haniliton, to the circuit bench. W
the legislature created a seond judgeship for the dist
giving the governor the power of appointing the firm giving the governor the power of appointing the fir
Incumbent, he deemed it proper to give the offie, o
Republican, thus giving representation to both partie Repubican, thus giving representation to both parties
The wisdom of this course has been ratified by th
Democrats of the district, for in the recent primarie
when Judgee Harris was renominated by the Republiciens
Ho Democratic candidate was placed in the field to ru no Democratic candidate was placed in the field to ruu
againast him. The governor's adherence to the principl
of a non-partisan judiciary was again ilustrated when
inancy arose on the supreme bench. Up to that tim
 In many states the law requires that judicial appoint
ments shall be made so as to give both political parties.
in nearly as possible, equal representation. President as nearly as possible, equa
Rooservel has repeatedly re
to the federal bench, the $i$
-Wovernor Chamberlain has endeavored to equalize the
fepresentation of the two parties on the various state poards so thet the administration of the state institt-
fins may be as nearly non-partisan as possible. Th
Superintendent of the state penitentiary ind the con Superinitendent of the stante pentititentiany possible. The the com
mindant of the Soldiers' home iare both Democrats, bu
no political test has been applied in the selection of thei
sabordinates. Efficiency has been the sole test.
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harge experience, eppecially
Origation work, and his obvious qualification for the
position outweighed any party considerations.
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 of cost will be duplicated, if not multiplied esevera
times This is the present prospect, and there is no
reason to suppose or tope that it will change for the
better. There is an army of leeches, hangers-on, idlers. better, There is an army of leeches, hangers-on, idler
down there, doing nothing but drawing salaries. Th.
men with the pick and shovel, the men who do the re
work.


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Columbin, when a private contractor would have don
it within three years. So it has been with all such job
The government finall "got wise and sessibe enoug
to let such jobs out to private contractors

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## Now the government lets the jetty construction, th Gray's harbor mimpovement job, the Celio canal job an all such work out to responsible private contractors Why not the Panama canal? It is the only way to ge It don whe

 it done within any reasonable space of onime way to for anything lest than four or fife times its proper cost.
Supose Mr. James J. Hill or Mr. E. Harrima
had the Panama canal to tig it would be done, prompt
ly property, within the preseribed time and cost B
1y, properly, within the preseribed time and cost. Bu
Uncle Sam cant do it. He is loaded down with barnacce
and paraites and hampered with red tape and is
veritable old eripple. The only thing for him to do to let the contract for the whole business to so som
man like Hill or Harriman, and it will be done. Sup
pose the contractor does make a millione or two or
three or five militions out of it he he will deserve to do so
and if he made ten millions it would be money in the
government's thek



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