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Moderation is not a halting between two opinions, when the thorough believing of one of them is necessary to salvation.—Thomas Fuller.

WHY OVERLOOK THE STEEL TRUST?

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MR. UREN'S PROPOSED LAW

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THE MESSAGE FROM HOOD RIVER

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DADDY'S OLD-FASHIONED NOTIONS

VAST OPPORTUNITY stretches out before the young men of the Willamette region. It is also an immense responsibility. Daddy does not believe in these new-fangled ideas.

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RAILROADS AND WATERWAYS

THE RAILROADS have shown their horns and claws again by refusing to grant reduced rates to the deep waterway convention to be held at Memphis next month.

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Buttermilk a Popular Sud

From the Pittsburg Post. "For a long time buttermilk was a sort of a specialty, but now it is becoming a sort of national beverage."

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Where Women Never Speak

By John Dennis Jr.

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Cure for Legislative Evil

Croy, Or., Sept. 18.—To the Editor of The Journal.—In your editorial, "Fulton and the Legislative Conscience," you refer to "that illustrious legislature that assembled at Salem, that howled and bawled through the corridors of the state house for 40 (45) long days and nights, and never organized, leaving the state a howling wilderness."

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Letters From the People

Portland in the Early Days. Albany, Sept. 11.—To the Editor of The Journal.—The effort being made to clean up Portland's waterfront recalls some pioneer incidents that took place in the early sixties.

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Small Change

State fair next week.

After boring 490 feet, Aurora failed to get water. Lakeview is to have a new 100-room brick hotel.

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Oregon Sidelights

Portland needs to be more aggressive. Help make the state fair a big success. Grain yields are satisfactory in the Harney valley.

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