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THE COUNTRY'S FARM WEALTH.

less so than this year, when the value of the country's agricultural agine the country is hard up.

The farms of the country, excluproducts, yielded crops amounting in value to \$7,412,000,000, or about \$1,270,000,000 for livestock, \$800,-000,000 for dairy products and \$600,000,000 for poultry products, making a grand total of a little over

in quantity this year as in some others. This is true of both wheat and corn, but the price is higher. Corn remains the most valuable crop and was about up to the average of though much less than the crop of \$50,000,000, or 26 per cent above the five-year average. The United States produces about four fifths of the world's yield of corn.

1906, the record crop up to that

season were unfavorable, but it exchanges, and call it "trading." turned out better than expected, as The cause of the farmers' union that of seed, is estimated at \$650,-000,000 or \$675,000,000.

and falls 5 per cent in quantity be- broadens its work. low the average of five years, but will have been worth at the farms at least \$500,000,000. Oats show a falling off, both in quantity and tobacco crop is smaller than for many years, yet its value is more The speaker has great potential made a record crop; and hops lapsed probably defeat these measures, even 3-cent fares in that city. The pri-4.6 per cent below the five-year aver- if a majority of the members of the vate corporation, in opposition to age in quantity and 20 per cent in house favored them. The grounds which Johnson has been construct-

report sent out, no mention is made with the wishes and interests of is a notable victory, and was won of the fruit crops, or of vegetables country merchants. It is true that after a seven years' fight by one except potatoes and sugar beets, many people of this class are op- man. But few cities have mayors which would add greatly to the to- posed to the parcels post, but we like Tom Johnson. tal. Altogether, while a large part have not heard of their being opof the season in most of the coun- posed to postal savings banks. Many try was discouraging, the results, of them, however, after reading the a position as mining engineer for owing partly to better conditions later, but more to high prices, are the parcels post, very satisfactory. In all-around agriand never can be a country equal to report is correct, really acts in the less. And probably there are men

AOKI'S RECALL.

Japan for the United States. The the common people. fusively friendly as Aoki; it may tion against the parcels post and terested. wish to send a different type of a postal savings banks. The parcels

at least for a good while to come.

WHERE GAMBLERS PLAY THEIR no longer. STAKES.

the secretary of agriculture, gurated throughput the cotton belt, served first the Republican party,

so long existed without public pro- the people, and is so still. This optest is a national Blemish. The position proves it. speculators manipulate the markets by sinister methods and fleece the PARTISANSHIP IN ITS ULTIMATE producers out of profits that ought to be the legitimate fruit of the latproducts exceeds all previous recter's toll. The Chicago wheat pit ords, and the figures are available is one of the worst handlcaps with just when a good many people im- which the farmers have to contend. The speculators and gamblers who Goebel murder. The heat of parinfest it are more devastating pests tisan feudism is so intense that reathan the grain aphis or the green son has almost ceased to be a factor sive of dairy, livestock and poultry bug. By the system the western in the political life of the state. The grower with wheat on his hands is impartiality of the courts is quesforced by self-preservation to bet tioned, and the spectacle the other \$88 for every man, woman and that the price will go up, while it day was the sheriff, accompanied by child in the country. This is a often serves the purpose of the gam- partisans of each side in the selecgreater sum by several hundred mil- blers to bet that it will go down, tion of veniremen. The best guar-Hon dollars than was ever produced They know the devices for bearing antee of social order is the unquesbefore. And to this is to be added the market, and work them with tioned authority and sanctity of the wonderful precision. They pay for courts, and when these fall into no grain, handle no grain, take no doubt and distrust, social chaos is part in pushing the grain industry, almost reached. Frenzy rules in but are blanks in the world's work stead of reason and factionalism and that deposit an occasional few dol- fury are everywhere. In the Pow-\$10,000,000,000 or about \$120 per lars as margins. Their business is ers case a chief witness of the proseto bet on what the price of wheat cution has fled, and there are will be in the future, just as the pro- charges that the defense paid him fessional bets on which bunch of \$2,000 to disappear. Each side cards counts the heaviest in the charges the other with hired assassi-

staples like wheat, cotton and corn is a hapless condition, made disshould be, in their marketing, a tressing by a continuance of several the last five years in quantity, mixture of business and gambling is years. It is the fruit of a hot-headed mischievous and wicked. We pass partisanship, cultivated, nursed and When the coin is in the 1906 or 1905, but the value is \$1,- laws to prevent gambling on horse aroused to an undue intensity. It races, but permit notorious and dis- is a condition from which any state reputable gambling of the most de- may well shrink, because of the inmoralizing type to be the basis of security, treachery and trouble that our crop sales. We hedge a few it engenders. Yet, in spite of the sports about with laws to protect Kentucky spectacle we have in Ore- So he finds the old cracked tea Next in value comes hay, or cot- them from each other, but commit gon those who want the state par- And he slips into the wardrobe, ton, the value of the former crop the unpardonable folly of tolerating tisanized and who weep with a being not easy to estimate accur- a sales system in which our farm- widow's coplousness because, forately, but it is thought to be worth ers and cotton growers are lambs sooth, our people are not more in-\$65,000,000 more than that of to be shorn and birds to be plucked tense in their partisanship. at the sweet will of speculating The earlier portions of the cotton the head in wheat, cotton and corn published in The Journal last Sat-

corn did, and its value, including in moving to reduce their crop mar- the subject, although it was the keting to a legitimate and business most important news that has been basis has the rays of sunlight in it, published for many weeks. Indeed and it will be good for the country both of our local contemporaries im-Wheat is the fourth crop in value if the organization strengthens and mediately devoted themselves to Oregon, is probably the smallest chief

savings banks and a parcels post. ice. than ever before except last year; power over legislation, so much that rice, both in quantity and value, if he chooses to exercise it he can has at last won his long fight for In the summary of the secretary's leading but the intimation since his last victory to surrender. is that he is acting in accordance and will adopt the 3-cent rate. It

cultural production there never was ment that Speaker Cannon, if this job, at that figure, or even somewhat interest of the country merchants. who can come as near earning it as He only uses the known opposition Mr. Hammond did. of some of them as an excuse for serving the railroads and express MBASSADOR AOKI'S explana- companies, as he has always done which had been reduced did you tion that his recall was to give when their interests came in conflict him an opportunity of making with those of the people at large. dairymen have raised wages. But a verbal report on various "Uncle Joe" is a plain, blunt, coun- we are glad if they are prospering; matters; need not be accepted very trified sort of man in appearance and if they will sell only pure, unadulliterally. The language of diplom- manner, and his style suggests com- terated milk, all else will be foracy is frequently framed to avoid radeship with and service of the given. close contact with the truth. Yet common people as against all spethere is no good reason to doubt the cial interests; but appearances are sincerity of his further statement, deceptive, acts count, and "Uncle any probability, as to when the New as follows: "My return cannot be Joe" has always been the very faith- York banks will resume? Has the construed in any way as an indica- ful friend and servant of all the "in- rest of the country got to sit suck-

government knows very well that The parcels post, as the postmas-Japan is disposed to be one of her ter-general has clearly shown, would heat friends and to remain on terms not hurt, would rather help, the of the greatest amity with her. Any country merchants. They can get a other suggestion is not to be enter- hint to this effect from the fact that tained." The Japanese government the other day the board of trade of may desire some ambassador to this Chicago, where the mail order houses country who is not so openly and ef are mostly located, passed a resolu-

different points of view; his object terest of about minety-nine hunmay be chiefly, as Aoki says, to con- dredths of the people of the counfer with him verbally at length; but try. It would hart only the express either one or all these motives do companies that enormously overnot necessarily indicate hostility, charge the people, and the express Whatever sentiments a portion of companies' owners, the high-finance ward Americans, the Japanese gov- man and Gould. It is these whom ernment has no desire or thought of Speaker Cannon will please and serve going to war with the United States, by his opposition, not the people. He imagines he can fool a majority, as he has done long, but he can do so

Postal savings banks are another most excellent thing to get. They HERE IS sound common sense should have been established long in the movement in the south ago. Only special interests, opfor the suppression of gam- posed to the masses' interests, have bling in cotton futures. The prevented their establishment. There best sign in the situation is that At are many strong arguments in their is gathering such strength that it favor, not a single one against them. promises to be successful. Texas The people want them, need them; has passed a law prohibiting the they would do the people great practice and so has Arkansas. The good, be of great service; but widely organized farmers' union is Speaker Cannon is not serving the pressing the issue and it is probable people. He never did, and he is too that similar measures will be inau-old to begin now. He has always The practice of gambling on crop and second and along with that of industries in which more people futures is an evil, the elimination of service necessarily the plundering are engaged than any other, and on which is long overdue. It is a na- corporations and interests. He has tional curse, and the fact that it has always been a disguised enemy of

> in the trial of Caleb Powers nation and conspiracy, and the air The fact that great national is thick with passion and tumult. It

the sweet will of speculating lunatics and sharpers who make their bets and beat each other over the head in wheat, cotton and corn the head in wheat, cotton and corn published in The Journal last Satthey and Sunday. No other paper the man that hides the dimes, whether one is in a mansion and the other in a hut. Whether one walks with a shuffle or the other with a structure of the other with a urday and Sunday. No other paper in Portland had a line or a word on When the days later, the Oregonian announces the 675,000,000 bushels produced AGAINST THE PEOPLE, OF -coincidently perhaps with the arrival of the eastern papers-precisely the same facts that it sought PEAKER CANNON, according to discredit when they appeared in quality, barley gained heavily, pota-toes are worth \$190,000,000. The to a Washington dispatch, is the Journal. This is but one illus-toes are worth \$190,000,000. The Meyer's projects for postal riority of The Journal's news serv-

Tom Johnson, mayor of Cleveland, of the speaker's opposition are not ing municipal lines, has concluded

John Hays Hammond has resigned postmaster - general's explanation the Guggenheim trust that is said changed their minds and now favor to have commanded a salary of \$1,-000,000 a year. His employers can But we do not believe for a mo- get plenty of applications for the

> Among the things the price of hear about milk? Perhaps the

But is there any certainty, or even tion of unfriendliness on the part of terests" that have been plundering ing its thumbs all winter because New York won't play?

From Dr. Wilson's Diary.

From the Pittsburg Post, We passed, in the course of an hour, two dead cows and more than 50 dead chickens. A strong smell of gasoline pervaded the atmosphere and there were

Sherlock Holmes became greatly in "Do you think there will be any auto-mobiles in the next world?"
"What do you care? You'll be dead," "Watson," exclaimed he, after deep wish to send a different type of a postal savings banks. The parcels thought, "there has been an automobile the benefit of post is a measure greatly in the inwon't you?

Letters From the People

Buena Vista, Or., Dec. 4 .- To the times is all bosh. Come, let's reason toa a ready demand for all our surplus by the remarkable treasury plan of fiabroad at high prices. We have got just as much money as we ever had. Remember that there is no sort of condition to bring about hard times, no calamity or loss has befallen the

is all that is needed—don't let a few frenzied Wall street gambiers shatter your confidence in the banks, they have received their just dues in the

th the necessary vitality nothing more to be desired the least stagnation ensue and the whole body is put out of commis-

Just so with the banks. Withdraw your deposits and hoard them away in some old stocking or tin can, and you the same time adding fuel to the fire of distress. Money is only good for what it will give you, keep it circu-lating, the faster the better. Did you ever stop to think how fool-th it was for depositors to make a in on a bank?

Did it ever occur to you that only certain reserve is held to meet orexisencies and that the majority of deposits must be invested, other-wise no interest could be paid? In states where the banking laws are what they should be, loans are restricted to certain securities and the

banks are perfectly sound. There is no reason whatever for any ear concerning them and a run is pro-uced by unthinking people, who thus

When the Coin is in the Teapot

William D. Nesblt, in the Los

the stringency is stringent, and financiers explain it in the such a hypothetical case. only way they can, stocks are on a tumble and the market is a mark, And the proud and haughty magnate isn't singing like a lark; weeping for the water that is squeezed out of the stock When the coin is in the teapot and the

bilis are in the sock.

When the coin is in the teapot, then somebody had a scare,
And the plutocrat is bothered by the
isfting of his hair,
For he fears a gloomy future when today is far from bright.

And he hears the ticker ticking in the watches of the night;

And the lambs are not so ready to be

who have what that class is. and his roin is in the leapot and his one of these days.

So it's all of us together that have popular vote by a nine-tenths majority if submitted to the people. And even that fat-headed fellow, the New York financier is beginning to realize that the fool people will bust 7,000 more banks if they are not able to get a bank system that will give them the security afforded the savings of the masses by

give confidence a shock
the coin is in the teapot and the
bills are in the sock.

A Tribute to Our Governor.

From the Los Angeles Herald. George E. Chamberlain, governor of proclaiming for a while, executive, so far as physical stature is concerned, of any American state. But mentally he is big. He is far sighted and keen. He knows men, comprehends their motives. The bounds of his moral courage have not yet been measured—they have not yet been reached. His is not a suspicious nature, but the cheap politicians of Oregon who have endeavored to "size him up" have been measured, weighed, classified and put on the shelves where they belong before they could get anything more satisfactory than a genial smile from the governor.

Mount Scott people are hard to please. They kick if the cars run slow, and they kick if the cars are few and kick if the company puts on more cars, if those cars have ventilation all along the sides. If there were four tracks to mount Scott with a car every three minutes no other portion of the city would grow, and the lot speculators would become so rich that they could afford to guarantee the deposits in the Oregon Trust & Savings and then have enough left to buy out the Harriman interests. Let the people of Mount Scott be patient and hang on to the 'knocking" the story. At last, five executive, so far as physical stature is

nor.
There are those in the Webfoot state -and they are not so scarce as we of California may think- who say that the which has adorned the interior of the white House in the past. But, unfortunately for Chamberlain and for Oregon, the political pivot does not revolve in that state any more than in California. But Chamberlain may keep on being governor, it is quite likely, so long as he cares for the job.

Let there nobody ever thinks to remember whether he is a Democrat or a Republican. And that means that the heartbeats of the people of Oregon and of their governor pound along in the same rhythm. The people know that when they so to their chief magistrate. of their governor pound along in the same rhythm. The people know that when they go to their chief magistrate to ask him to help promote a worthy enterprise, whether it affects all the inhabitants of the state or those of some obscure community, he does not care so much as the snap of his finger whether they are Demonstrate. they are Democrats or Republicans of Probabilitanists. (He is a Democrat, but the only evidence of the fact is to be found in the election returns). They have learned that if they should go to him and begin by saying, "Now, gover-nor, I am a good Democrat," or some-thing like that, he would be apt to bid them a pleasant "Good morning, gentle-men; I don't know anything about par-tisan polities."

"Paternalism."

Joel Chandler Harris, in Uncle Remus'

Magazine. Thar never was a boy ruined in the wide world that his mammy and daddy didn't have a hand in the ruinin'. I've been watchin' it all my life, an' I know been watchin it all my life, an' I know it's so; an' if weve got for to have paternalism, lets have it shore enough. Whar we see a boy gittin' out'n the straight an' narrow path, let a duly qualified officer of the law take the mammy and daddy out to the back shed an' dress 'em down wi' a long, keen buggy whip, an' have the boy on hand for to see it well done.

When the daddies and mammies of this country declar' that they can't man-When the daddies and mammies or this country declar' that they can't manage the youngster they've fetched into the world, it's about time for the state to call 'em to taw. It'll be so arter awhile that a policeman will be detailed to go arm in arm wi' ever' boy in the land for to keep him from takin' a drink of whiskey or smokin' a cigarette, an' then the mammies and daddies kin sleep in peace.

From the St. Paul News.

Monocle and cigarette, Football hair and spats of fawn, Such is handsome Algernor

Algy once did glances throw At a girl he didn't know. But her beau, a husky chap, Came and frescoed Algy's map. Then as Algy off did jog, Algy was a sad, sad dog.

of the man whom Harriman, the rail-

Sadder and Wiser.

Cuffs as long as he can get,

THE PENALIZATION OF PATRIOTISM

which has \$100,000 capital stock, has asked the North American to inform prosperous than now. Record-breaking him, how his institution can share in rops have been harvested and there the 36 per cent profits made possible

> The North American asked in return how much circulation had been taken

nancial relief.

Running Shots

By Fred C. Denton.

(Written for The Journal.)

as the recent California special session,

our next generation of farmers might

amount of taxes to the public treas-

Oregon will go them one better

Postal savings barks would pass

California's Governor.

Lincoln Steffens, in the American

tion they scorned to notice then.

raise

If a special session of the Oregon

From the Philadelphia North American. Washington to ask that a larger pro-The president of a national bank, pertion of government deposits should be placed in this city. That reply was in substance:
"Philadelphia must look after itself

"Philadelphia must look after itself.
New York's needs are more important,
and the situation there must be safeguarded."

Standing sponsor for the Morgan plan,
he now puts forward a scheme of whose
benefits a large number of Philadelphia
banks cannot avail themselves. For
this city has no such discreditable circulation showing by the banks as New
York presents.

how much circulation had been taken out by his bank. His answer was, that the bank already had issued practically the full amount of notes allowed by its capitalization. We then informed him that he was barred from participation in the profitable scheme.

Secretary Correlyou, in accepting the Morgan plan, pays a premium to the banks which refused to do their part in the general effort to tide industry and commerce over the stage of stress.

banks which refused to do their part in the general effort to tide industry and commerce over the stage of stress.

He penalizes the banks which subordinated immediate profit to their sense of right, justice and good citizenship. These alone are shut out today from opportunity to share in the tremendous profits.

Patriotism is punished. A 36 per cent premium is paid for conduct which is tantamount to treason.

New York is the chief offender. New York's banking capital is \$115,000,000. The currency taken out by those banks is only \$59,000,000. Much of this even has been issued during the last few weeks under the persistent and commendable prodding of Comptroller Ridgeley. There is left \$56,000,000, which these banks could and should have issued, but would not.

Let it not be forgotten that the taking out of circulation is profitable to banks. A fair return is certain. But in New York it is not as much as can be made by catering in various ways to the gamblers of the stock exchange. All these things must be remembered to appreciate rightly the 'answer of by bankers with the people go unre-

All these things must be remembered commercial patriotism and fair dealing to appreciate rightly the answer of Secretary Cortelyou to the committee sent by the Philadelphia bankers to makes business treason profitable.

Noah's Voyage

[A Wisconsin millionaire recently paid a high price for a copper tablet egislature can be arranged for with as said to be Noah's record of his voyage. little expense and as much expedition Needless to say, the tablet was a fake the following being the genuine ac-Our George" should be persuaded to count.]

Weather bureau predicts "continued fair." Think they are a bit off, how-The people of Oregon could afford to build 1,000 miles of railroad and run the lines at a loss of several millions a ever, and have begun work on a houseboat. Sick of flats, anyhow. Aboard a boat I can laugh at janitors. And I always did think I'd look well in a capyear just to see Harriman get busy. And he would, don't doubt it, son, in tain's uniform. If our schoolbooks contained ques-tions in arithmetic like the following,

Large crowds watching me build. Everyone says it is wise of me to build my boat where there is no water, he cause then it can't leak so much. The get next to the true inwardness of land monopoly: "If one block of land in Portland on Washington street between cause then it can't leak so much. The family is much interested, the boys being very enthusiastic. Mrs. Noah wants three large closets in our cabin, but I told her they would take up too West Park and Tenth is worth \$600,000, wants three how many acres of farm land at \$50 an but I told hacre would it take to bring in the same much space.

Busy all morning putting in three large closets in our cabin. Ship nearly finished now, but no sign of rain. Got several of the animals aboard. The Some 20 years ago a "few crazy populists" said that the nation should guarantee deposits in the national banks. Now, even the bankers second the molaughing hyena makes a terrible racket all the time, and when a large beam fell on my toe he laughed immoderate-ly. Mrs. Noah doesn't like the color we Many German cities are assessing improvements at half the estimated value, but lots, exclusive of the imhave painted our ark, and wants it light blue, with a white stripe. Black is the only possible color; looks neat and

Had to knock a hole in the roof for the giraffe's head to stick through. Got through work very late tonight, as I thought the boat would look better if The most prosperous country in the world is New Zealand. There are no panics or strikes there, and a man is considered crazy who would buy land for speculation, holding it idle for a All aboard today. Boys delighted at prospect. Ark rolled heavily as wayes

All aboard today. Boys delighted at prospect. Ark rolled heavily as waves grew bigger and the elephant tripped on his trunk and fell on one of the fish. I was going to throw it away when Shem said not to waste it, but make it into a flounder. And that's how the flatfish started. Terrible commotion flatfish started. Terrible flatfish started. Terrible in the carnivora's cabin today. Found leopards trying to it was only the leopards trying change their spots. Put them in other spot and they were satisfied,

Missed three of the chickens today. every other civilized government on Boys all denied having seen them, but I found several feathers in Ham's the hyena laughed It will be Bryan vs. Roosevelt next loudly. Japhet said to me today: Do you know whom you most resemble with all this shipload of animals? year. Seeing as how Roosevelt has done so many things Bryan has advocated, the people may conclude to let Roose-velt do the suggesting and Bryan the "No," said I, "I don't know whom most resemble with all this shipload animals."
"You look," said Japhet, "like Secretary Taft coming home with the pres-Mount Scott people are hard to please.

ents he was given for the president. Ark landed on a mountain Don't want to get out until things have dried out a bit. Mrs. Noah insists that

disemba changed illegible here.]

From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Oregon Trust & Savings and then have enough left to buy out the Harriman interests. Let the people of Mount Scott be patient and hang on to the tailboards awhile so that other suburbs papers for the United States to remain papers for the United States to remain can grow that haven't half the natural advantages, delights and inducements to offer that this far-famed chunk off Governor Magoon has promised to name papers for the United States to remain the Milton-Freewater vicinity was in Cuba as long as practicable. As valued at \$500,000 this year. There Governor Magoon has promised to name have been shipped out from there in carload lots 400 cars, and nearly half Portland does not want to a day for the elections as soon as the full returns of the census are had, many of the Cubans are alarmed at the prospect that the United States may soon step out and render possible a

Magazine.

The first intimation the Californians had that their next governor would be Mr. Gillett came long before they were thinking of politics, in a press dispatch from Washington, which said that Mr. Harriman had nominated him. The congressman was not a logical candidate, he was not well known to the people of the state; he had not been thought of by any Californian who had mentioned his thought. And besides, any self-respecting people by any Californian who had mentioned his thought. And besides, any self-respecting people the thought and besides, any self-respecting people of the choice of a president is not in specting boss, any self-respecting people would not have accepted any man approved by Mr. Harriman at that time. Mr. Herrin, attorney for the Southern Pacific, accepted Gillett. He went to Ruef was to throw Schmitz due to the fact that self-government in the factional rivalries in the island die out. La Discussion and Eight. Reservant to the interest of Harriman's man. Ruef was to throw Schmitz die a Marino, other conspicuous Havana newspapers, give similar adseen his political mistress flirting with one Dingey, a well named seen his political mistress flirting with one Dingey, a well named for beautiful the will of President Roosevelt, he will have to remain in Cuba much longer beautiful to the will of President Roosevelt he will have to remain in Cuba much longer beautiful the will of President Roosevelt in the can do to check the discussion of his specific ment to the latter's large stock ranch on the resulting on the plant of the coast of the Republic of the fact that self-government that the servant of the same and the state's with the same and the servant of the same and the state's with the same and the same

States from time to our government dislikes. Europe our government dislikes. Europe quicker than the United States to grasp the fact that self-government in Cuba would be a failure, and that we would, in the interest of the Cubans and of in the interest of the Cubans and of he can consistently interfere with such agitation, be compelled not only to step into Cuba to maintain order, but to stay in. This is the view which to stay in. This is the view which to stay in. This is the view which to stay in the exponents of the bodiers, other than those who owe their positions to him, that they desist from urging a third term: but he has a right to demand that his appointees reftain to demand that his appointees reftain of the man whom Harriman, the rail-road king, picked out for governor of California. And the loval Republicans of California elected Mr. Gillett! And the citizens of that state treat him as if he were the head thereof and "their" governor!

Small Change

Enough's enough, of holidays as well of anything else. But Secretary Taft did not attempt to talk or write Russian.

Tillman must be envious; he says Rogsevelt is the biggest grandstand player in the United States.

only the rich can buy them.

The financial doctors disagree as to the effect of the gold cure.

Nobody wants to walk from Portland, regon, to Chicago, if he lives here. This is the third doums. It might as well be a case of three times and out.

still, there are a whole lot of people who are not guilty of hearding money. The bear dinner to be served by the president may be followed by a bull

So far Senator Bourne has not introtuced a bill to compel Roosevelt to run Banks that start a run on their debtors may not have lost confidence

No doubt the doums would have liked to borrow Mr. Taft, but it cannot be; he is needed in Ohio. On account of being discharged, a

Kansas cultor discharged a gun, wound-ing two men, one fatally. The Democratic party also resembles

the donkey in its patience and ability to subsist on unistles. There are yet a considerable number

of men who have not publicly proposed a plan of currency reform.

Chicago has a young woman police-man in attendance at the theatres, and a lot of loafers think she is the flower of "the finest. Since a man is expected "when in Rome to do as the Romans do," it is easily explained why Mr. Taft is rushin'

while in Russia. A magazine has an article on the ori-gin of profanity. That would seem easy; it must have been when Adam missed a figleaf pin.

To a birth announcement in a New Yors paper was added: "Thanks to Dr. on "Dr. — attending."

"Why should the hogs squeal?" asks

an Iowa paper. What would you do it somebody had you down and was stick-ing a knife in your throat? The Birmingham Age-Herald says: "We have happiness by the jugfull." We did not know before that Birming-

We suppose there are persons who will make a great to do because the president decided which of two men should get an office by flipping a coin.

ham was a prohibition town yet.

Pedestrian Weston reports that roads are better than they were 40 years ago. If he will repeat his walk 40 years hence he will see even greater improve-

A Spokane man, defending a divorce suit, says his wife threw things at him at the table because he "ate with his knife, and he goes on to explain that he had no chance to go to school and so got no education; therefore knew no better than to use a knife as knife" if he had no chance of school-ing? And even if not, is a wife justi-

Oregon Sidelights

Milton has organized a fire company.

A sawmilt with 106,000 feet a day capacity will be built at Pokegama next

The Clatsop Mill company and the Astoria Box company have cut the wages of their employes 25 cents per A rolling log broke a man's leg in the Blue mountains, and it took his companions nearly all day to carry him

on a stretcher to a train.

Again the revolver; one accidentally discharged sent a bullet into the face of a Union county man, and it ranged down into the muscles of the neck, causing a serious injury.

Among the names proposed for the combined city on Coos bay are the following: Empire, Coos Bay, Coosbay, Venice, Grand Harbor, Imperial, Golden Gate, Coosport, Coosalone, Bayport, City of Sunshine, Koos City, Coosburg, Smithville, Irishville and Coosillahee.

It is estimated that the fruit crop in as much has gone in smaller shipments. Besides this the Freewater cannery has purchased and cannel nearly 50 car-loads of fruit, which had previously not been marketed.

A Eugene man has killed a peculiar pheasant. It is a cross between the common native grouse and the Mongolian, or China, pheasant. It is some-what larger than the female of either bird, and is a beautiful specimen. It is the second one of its kind Mr. Hen-sill has killed. One other has also been killed in the neighborhood.

Merrill Record: J. Frank Adams sold this week to J. Monserrat 22 head of thoroughbred Hereford bulls for ship-

solid business interests of the island, native as well as foreign. A bill for the annexation of Cuba is likely to be introduced before the close of the approaching session of congress at Washington.

Indirectly.

From Tid-Bits.

After being conducted through an old church by the verger, a visitor-was so pleased with the officer's courtesy and information that he insisted on giving him half a crown. The man shook his head sadly. "Thank you, sir," he said, "but it's quite against the rules."

"I am sorry for that," said the visitor, about to return the half-crown to his pocket.

"But," added the verger, "if I were to find a coin on the floor it would not be against the rules for me to pick it up," in the man to continued, and the president relies on them to select the right man to continued, and the president relies on them to select the right man to continue them.