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THE BRIDGE PROBLEM

THERE IS no use for us to deceive ourselves. We of Portland have a problem that is to be met. The west side cannot continue indefinitely to compel 125,000 people on the east side to wait for open draws.

During 10 1/2 hours on one day last week the steel bridge draw was open 1 hour and 59 1/2 minutes. It was closed to overhead traffic nearly one fifth of the time.

Here is a loss of time that is out of all reason. It is a condition intolerable in any city of the prestige, population and prospects of Portland.

The future growth of Portland for residence purposes must necessarily be chiefly on the east side, because the hills restrict the west side, and business is fast encroaching on the west side residence district.

The men who are going to supply 95 per cent milk in Portland will get the business. People are fast learning that clean milk is safe, and more and more they will insist on having no other.

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But our friends the insurgents of 1909 do not inaugurate for any practicable purpose. There is not one of them who would not again vote for Joe Cannon for speaker against Champ Clark, and there is not one of them who would not vote for Nelson W. Aldrich for president.

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to all the government's work of improving rivers and harbors, that so small a number could not attend to the various projects satisfactorily, and that "in several cases it has been necessary to assign to important construction work an officer who has had no previous experience even as an assistant on such work."

Herein lies the main objection to the proposed bond issue. The expenditure of the hundreds of millions of dollars that ought to be spent during the next 20 years or less on rivers and harbors should be expended under the direction of a man of the highest reliability, and immediately responsible to the president.

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positives in station, the poorer classes. It is conceded that the Unionists or Conservatives will gain a number of members in London, and probably some in other large cities, but that they can gain 167 members, enough to make a bare majority, is improbable.

ARMAMENTS MAKE FOR WAR, NOT PEACE

ANDREW CARNEGIE, 1166 James J. Hill, has not only the faculty of succeeding notably in business, and making an immense amount of money, but also of expressing good ideas clearly and forcibly.

So is Carnegie. Indeed, it took a remarkable man to plunder, legally, the American people out of several hundred million dollars along one line of business.

ARMIES and navies exist under the plea that they make for peace. Three reasons are given. First, to be prepared for war is the surest way to secure peace.

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bridge over planned for Portland is the proposed high one at Broadway, and failure to build it is simply perpetuation of the dangers of an open draw tragedy.

If their fighting is to be as comprehensive as their preliminary debates, the Fourth of July affair between Mr. Jeffries and Mr. Johnsoning ought, as a patriotic event, to be extremely satisfying.

If Canada really owns the North Pole, we ought to send a bill for the controversial disturbances and distress of mind its discovery has brought on us.



THE MAKING OF A PROSPECTOR

John Johnson was reading once about a copper mine. That paid \$20,000,000 and the ore still showed up fine.

He also read that some men had purchased mines, then sold a hundred shares of watered stock and "Well, well," said he, "I have a scheme; I'll find a mine myself."

So one June day he took a hoe and rake and started out to find a mine like many other fools.

He wandered to the desert land and burnt his whiskers off. He climbed the chilly mountains and developed a feverish cough.

He froze his hands and ears and nose and also froze his feet. He then went to a lower climate, got crazy with the heat.

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COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE. The "assembly" will doubtless endorse Aldrich and Cannon.

Now we're getting some normal Oregon winter weather.

This week ought to show a big record in Red Cross stamp sales.

If that Capenog report is in his favor, Dr. Cook will doubtless emerge.

It is presumed that King Gus of Sweden belongs to the union, all right.

One story from Nicaragua is about as credible as another that contradicts it.

So far Representative McCredde has not introduced any sort of a baseball bill.

Comets are becoming numerous; end of the worlders will become more so also.

It is said that Zelaya has \$20,000,000 stowed away abroad. He can afford to retire.

So far as the administration is concerned the sugar trust seems to have been fully forgiven.

Wall street feels easy over the message says a good deal. Sure; Wall street never worries.

The strangers are practically all against assembly nominations. They have a good many votes.

Many Portland people who built some years ago have discovered that they didn't build big or high enough.

What is the matter with Patten? Is the nothing out in politics. In most places politics does need drastic doctoring.

Even if time and tide could be induced to wait for a man, they would long ago have given up waiting for a woman.

Late Christmas shopping wears out the body and sours the temper, in which connection no one can enjoy the holiday.

The Chicago First ward ball is to be a "concert." Republicans of Oregon are to have not a convention but an "assembly."

Evidently there is to be no reform or revision downward in the length of legislative messages during this administration.

But Zelaya would be foolish to suppose that the United States would get into a gunboat tour to Nicaragua some time during next year.

Secretary Wilson visited one forest reserve in Idaho, or passed near it, and then assumed to know all about Pacific coast forest reserves.

John H. Whyte, for while the official booster for the Astoria Commercial bank, is now business manager of the Shireveport, La., Times.

A Kentucky man was pecked by a hen so that he died. Many men are hen-pecked, but the wretched wretch who has the ill-fortune to live on a good while in their misery.

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FAMOUS GEMS OF PROSE

Mightiest of the Mighty Men—By Theodore Roosevelt

(From an address, as president of the United States, at the Birthplace of Abraham Lincoln, February 12, 1909.)

Yet perhaps the most wonderful thing of all, and from the standpoint of the America of today and of the future, the most vitally important war, the extraordinary way in which Lincoln could fight valiantly against what he deemed wrong, and yet preserve undiminished his love and respect for the brother from whom he differed.

And the nation; and, office or no office, he will stand for what he considers the best good of the Republican party, which is honesty with the people and confidence in their intelligence.

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THE REALM FEMININE

The Value of Homes. PROVIDING homes for his children when they marry is the way in which a certain Portland man of considerable means has found to dispose of a portion of his money to what he considers the very best advantage.

Public opinion has it that a young couple are better for starting on what the husband may have and working up for themselves. This father believes that if they are given a home many of the frictions and jars of the first few years will be avoided and they will stand a better chance for happiness and success than if they have to spend their first years fighting the rent man.

If there is anything at all to the man, argues the father, freeing him from the grind of paying for a home will give him freedom to develop and make the very most of himself instead of ruining him.

He believes that, say a \$2500 cottage and \$1000 or boy for the young couple mean five times that amount would mean 10 or 15 years hence. It frees the young man from a very great burden and gives greater chances for happiness and success.

Useful Information. MANY people have great difficulty in stirring flour and water into a paste. You will have no trouble if you will beat it with a Dover egg beater.

In removing lead pencil marks and other objectionable marks and dirt from paint, take a little turpentine and pour on a wet cloth, rub over the paint, and then wash off with clear water and it will disappear as if by magic.

To remove paper from a cake when it has partly cooled, turn it bottom up and brush paper with water until slightly dampened.

To remove a candle, first butter tin well, and then shake flour into pan and invert so it will all come out. When cake is done set cakepan on a damp cloth and it will come out very easily.

Apples a la Emperess. CUT six apples into quarters, remove the cores. Take a deep tin pan and butter it, place the pieces of apples in so that they do not overlap, pour half of a tumbler of water over them, and bake for 15 minutes to cook. Boil a cupful of rice in milk and then sweeten it. Pile it high on a dish and fill it with the apples, placing them in spots over it. The juice in the pan must be added, rub over the sherry and a piece of butter added, beating the butter smooth with the wine and juice. With a spoon pour this mixture over each piece of apple. Serve hot.

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