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IF BOURNE is an issue, Harvey Scott is an issue. If one is dragged in as typifying the present method of choosing senator, the other should be equally in the spot light as illustrating the old method.

Bourne Jr.'s support for United States senator at the joint session of the legislature tonight, I hereby agree to see the full power of the Morning Oregonian and the Evening Telegram to defeat John H. Mitchell at the next senatorial election, and elect Jonathan Bourne Jr. in his place.

anything progressive and for the public benefit. He prefers Senator Platt's proposition, or Senator Carter's, both monopoly men, for an issue of certificates, because he believes that they could not be sold, and therefore the reclamation work would have to stop, or would be checked.

SMALL CHANGE Its too late to shop early. Billiards in several sections but none in Oregon. Perhaps Peary's yarn needs further investigation.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS Beattie road district levied a \$ mill road tax. A dog poisoner has killed 17 canines in Athens.

THE REALM FEMININE An Old Story. A WAVE of decency is coming over the French stage says a London special apropos of Baron de Rothschild's new play, 'The Lamourer' or 'The Footlights'.

THE LATEST AND GREATEST TRUST

NEWS COMES now of a gigantic money trust in existence in New York. A dispatch sent out from Gotham names J. P. Morgan as its head and says that within the past three months an understanding has been reached whereby six men and the interests directly allied with them can absolutely dictate the finances of the country.

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LOVE'S YOUNG DREAM OR HOW JEFF SCOPPOV HVEL GOT LEFT A NOVEL. Slowly the great orb of day sank from sight. The little bobolink had ceased to bob and the robin no longer robbed.

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Concerning the factoring this colossal money trust can exert in the country's finances, the dispatch says: 'It could call \$200,000,000 of loans any night and ruin any adversary. It could reduce credits to such a degree as to cause extreme money stringency and great commercial distress. It could tie up the cash holdings of New York banks by demanding certification of checks for enormous amounts. It could deplete bank reserves in New York by causing shipments of cash to any part of the country.

The accusation against Scott is so specific and positive that it even has the wording of the telegram written by Scott and sent by wire to Salem. As published in the American magazine, and as it appears in book form in Lincoln Steffens' 'Upbuilders,' it reads: 'In case I receive Jonathan

not more of a representative, a people's nomination, than one by a majority of a convention of 200 or 400 or 500 men, who obey the dictation of two or three or half a dozen leaders who are looking out for their own rather than the public's interests? There are no slates, or combinations, or bargains, or improper inducements, in the primaries. How about conventions?

Well Pleased With The Journal. Dear Journal, Dec. 21. To the Editor of The Journal—A few days ago I received a reminder from you in regard to my subscription to the Semi-Weekly Journal. I expect to call at your office personally before the time expires and renew my subscription for another year. You also ask how I like the paper. If I did not like it I would not take it. I like it extremely well.

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Goats Eat Trails Through Forest. Probably the most curious and remarkable method of making trails through a comparative wilderness has been adopted in the national forest reserve of California as an aid to the fire guard patrol.

Cheese Finds an Gratin. OAK a cupful of dry bread crumbs in a cup of milk for 15 minutes. Dissolve one teaspoonful of soda (scant measure) in the milk while heating. Stir into this paste a well beaten egg (two are better), one tablespoon of melted butter, two dashes of cayenne and a teaspoonful of salt.

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