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THE DOCTORS

HE DOCTORS are in conference in Portland. One of the marence. of world progress.

of their research made possible the the French, a literal charnel house. plied the information.

diseases that were formerly deadly, and is in hot pursuit of all the rest. It has conquered diphtheria and has

of one of the greatest of all discov- added good to the nation is immense. eries in bacterial diseases. Its exhas little realization.

The doctors have achieved far betstatesmen. We have no boast to and social diseases.

We have crimes of graft and cunning, crimes of murder, theft and arson, and crimes of poisoning communies with bad food. We have crimes of defiling the water, blackening the air and stealing whole forests. We have crimes of working oly of the natural resources of man, impossible. and crimes named and nameless, catalogued and uncatalogued.

failure. The real remedy is in fol- sible department chiefs. ploring underlying causes.

A KING THAT BEIGNS

NGLISH LOYALTY, the acceptance of the crown as the outward embodiment of the unity of the British nation, dates he became, politically, little more

It is strengthened also by the adoption of the crown as the sentimental sister nations which lead their own autonomous life.

There is noticeable in the press of Britain a tendency to exaggerate king is taken as a living flag. "The hall, loyalty that greets him, the world wide respect that he inherits, are.' as has been well said, "the tribute which his subjects pay to their own assured liberties and their unchallengeable independence."

All which, being true, is yet conreigns in England:

king and queen took themselves book: more seriously, and there was an amuses himself," was a saying of the his cell door." old French court, which set the tune for much of the social life of France to 400 persons in the little Illinois reciprocity, but they all disguise of that century. The new English town in one month. He had con- themselves as farmers. There are king lives an ordered and hardwork- stantly administered to those in mis- times when their deepfelt solicitude ing life, in which his queen takes ery and want. He had been content for farmers is inspiring. her full share.

politan as was his father, but is these things for others, but he could state of mind." If the learned doctor growing towards his grandmother's not save himself from the searing, would make the comment face to place, who knew more of the foreign hissing tongues of his congregation. face with Chicago people who sufpolicies and practice of the nations

than any of her ministers. has friends in every colony.

emonies of the coronation, has given him there, and in the process, anfull weight to the ancient traditions, other woman's name was added. something that will permit wife revived for the occasion, yet has not Again, he resigned and moved on. killers to fire a revolver without over-played the historical side of kin- Everywhere he was the victim of the doing harm? ship. He has taken the various same story, each time grown larger. classes of the nation to share in Worn out in the hopeless maze of the many doings of the coronation the unequal struggle, he returned to a Mexican city the other day, but, week. In this, too, he has repre- Harvey, and went to work as a comsented his people, whose modern life mon laborer. With mind and body is colored with the old.

hap described. But in descanting do his work. To dull the ache withon the disappearance of the king's in, he took to drink. Down and and cannot be overlooked.

AN ARMY OF BOY SCOUTS

HEN A NEW movement has taken hold so strongly that thirty-five thousand of its members can be collected in one place, and there 'reviewed en masse, it has surely come to stay.

The boy scouts make the kindergarten class to the Y. M. C. A.

The underlying idea of absolute good to the one, developed by association with his fellows through voluntarily accepted rule and discipline. but enjoyed at every stage, is the ary. The only question in the matter same. The sense of comradeship, of seems to be that the great diva fears vels of the time is medical sci-enrollment in an army by companies Medical men are abreast and battalions, of just enough drill to give cohesion without fatigue and They can point to a splendid monotony, of life in the open air record of achievement. The results with just a touch of wildness, even of savagery, all this appeals to the building of the Panama canal. That boys. The imagining of it all, the undertaking was for 18 years, under perception of its possibilities, the framing up of the organization, Under American effort its construc- shows the deep knowledge of human, tion is as safe for life as the moun- or rather boy, nature in Baden Powtains of Oregon, and the doctors sup- ell, its inventor, which inspired him in the original but very successful Medical science has corralled many defence of Mafeking that made him famous.

Real work made into real play for It has almost eliminated smallpox. the thousands of these boys in the scout life, and the service to humana firm hold on meningitis. It has ity that it inspires, will make it made Havana as habitable as Boston. easier for them to live clean and In the application of autogenous healthy lives. If every one of them vaccine, it seems on the border line be helped on but a little the total of

It is a truly democratic army that plorations in the unknown and un- these boys make. Weak and strong, trod fields of medical truth are a rich and poor are in their ranks, phase of human endeavor, attracting with even chances of leadership and the devotion and research of brilliant promotion, based on the estimate of men, of which the busy multitude the company and the baltalion for the most worthy.

It was indeed fitting that the new ter than have the sociologists and king should review the young army -recognizing the nation's approval make of our progress in curing moral of the peaceful soldiers who have made so early a start.

MINIMIZE OFFICIALDOM

T WILL be no mistake to minimize the number of officials under Portland's proposed new govern ment. One of the troubles with little children, of building unfit ten- the present system is a multiplied ements that produce crime and dis- officialdom. It requires so many ease, and crimes of living on the men that they are too cheap. Govwages of fallen women. We have ernment has to go through so many crimes of white slavery, crimes of hands and be tinkered with by so overcapitalization, crimes of monop- many functionaries that efficiency is

Simplicity is the inexorable rule Unlike the doctors, the political century trust has a directing head, efficient work and turn out copy and moral scientists have not found answerable to the board of directors, cures and preventives for diseases. and a few responsible heads of de-Our only remedy for social malady partments. A big university has a is personal punishment, and tested directing head, answerable to the by results personal junishment is a board of trustees, and a few respon-

lowing the example of the medical When a flood destroyed Galveston, scientists and going deeper and ex- it was determined that ordinary city operated smoothly and quietly withgovernment was not competent to cope with the crisis and direct reconstruction of the city. The great plan of simple and compact administration was applied as a heroic measure, and it brought results.

The city was rebuilt. The effectiveness of the plan was transcenfrom the time when the political dently demonstrated. The scheme leadership of the king ceased, and was so successful that it attracted general attention, and is in operation than the registrar of the will of an in more than 100 American cities. The noiseless machine is merely a and everywhere with complete efficiency.

Government that is equal to a hond of union for dominions and crisis is good for all occasions. The writing world, and at the same time need for proper discharge of public responsibilities makes government

always a crists. The new Portland plan should be the importance of royalty. But this simple and compact. Salaries should is in no sense to be taken as evidence be big enough to attract big men. of a surrender of any part of public Department chiefs should be few rights. It is a result, rather, of enough to make generous salaries complete conviction on the part of possible. Full provision should be is in active progress. From 380 tons Great Britain and her overseas do- made for cutting away all the dead in the dominion in 1880, production minions that their rights are secure timber and removing all the official has grown to 63,300 tons in 1909.

GOSSIP'S VICTIM

Ill., was presided over by the ing material. Rev. John Higgs. A few weeks sistent with the saying the king ago, he ended his earthly career by of Canadians in the extent of rehanging himself in a cell of the Har- sources in asbestos. As the cost of His position of influence has vey police station, the place where transportation to London of the magrown as his direct power politically he had often gone in earlier years to terial from Russian quarries is from has declined. As King Edward reclaim the fallen. So changed was \$35 to \$40 per ton, serious competipassed and King George took his the Rev. John Higgs that the lock- tion is not feared. place a decided, though subtle, up keeper, who in the old days knew change pervaded the social life of him well, failed to recognize, him, non-radiating material are constantly England. The headship of the na- and when he had cut down the body, found, and it is but in the beginning tion took on a new character. Both made the following entry in his of its usefulness now that cheap and

"John Higgs, laborer, committed immediate response. "The king suicide today by hanging himself to

with a pitiable salary that the church King George is not such a cosmo- might prosper. He had done all Dr. Wiley says "heat is simply a

By sly insinuations and cowardly fered so last week, he would doubtinuendo, the reputation of Pastor less arouse their minds to a state of No part of the wide empire of Brit- Higgs was blackened. It was all heat. ain is strange to this sailor king, for through a bit of whispered scandal he has traveled far and long. He linking his name with that of a

weakened from his bitter experi-Influence can be felt far better ences, John Higgs was not able to rule the influence-the powerful in- down he went, until he was finally doned his farm because lightning fluence of the reigning king of Eng- arrested and sent to the Harvey cal- struck it every time there was a aboose. A few weeks ago his jailer storm. entered the name of John Higgs upon his books as a suicide-but he failed to put opposite the names of those who had driven him to his death

It is not a pleasant story, but it is pregnant with meaning.

ARTISTS BURNT OUT

HE CABLES carry the news that it is just possible that Madame Adelina Patti may headline coming season at a tremendous salthe baleful effect of two performances a day on her voice.

It is doubtful if the American public will look forward to the coming of Patti with great display of en-Bernhardt and Ellen Terry are too staterooms with a single berth there recent history.

beheld is the presentation of the something akin to pity for these great women who refuse to accept gracefully the inevitable decay of their powers and talent, and the applause is more of reverence than enthusiasm, compassion rather than compensation.

We love our old women of the stage. We glory in their achievements, but we remember them most tenderly when they abdicate their thrones in the dignified elegance of their shadowed years with all their keen genius and talent intact.

It might be truthfully added that we are a sentimental people, and are wont to resent the commercialization of faded powers.

THE NOISELESS TYPEWRITER

LEADING typewriter company is now selling a new model visible writing machine and meeting with such success that the blind machines are a drug on its old blind models for rent at a charge of \$5 for three months. It is difficult, however, to place the blind model at any price in competition with the visible machine.

of modern business. A twentieth forward, but operators can do as with as much celerity on the blind machine as on the visible. The improvement is more in the imagination than in reality.

The great demand in the typewriter using world today is for a noiseless machine-one that can be out extinguishing conversation in the immediate vicinity; one that can be used near a telephone without spoiling the message; one that can be operated in the hotel room without causing eviction by the management; one that can be used in the home without throwing the members of the family into nervous prostration.

A noiseless typewriter is a greater problem in mechanics and the man who is first to solve it will confer a boon on the commercial and the reap great riches.

ASBESTOS

CCORDING to the last consular report from Owen sound, Ontarlo, Canada, immense extension of the asbestos industry and their autonomy absolute. The rubbish in the offices at the city In the Black Lake quarries, in Quebec, it is said that 45,000,000 tons of asbestos rock is in sight. Five Christian church of Harvey factories are being established to shingles was begun, but now large Christian church of Harvey, supply the demand for this new roof-

Fresh uses for this protective and abundant supplies are in sight.

The glass trust, the paper trust, the lumber, trust, the fuel trust, and This man had brought salvation all the other trusts are opposing

Hiram Maxim says he has com-

out flash or sound. Why not invent

They threw flowers at Madero in remembering Diaz, let the herp of the hour reflect that later on it may be brickbats.

Still, it would be unkind to joke about that South Dakotan who aban-

Olympic's-Possibilities. From the New York Sun.

The supremacy of the Lusliania and Mauretania as the largest and most luxurious Atlantic liners afloat was ephemeral, and the triumph of the Olympic will give way after a while before the coming of the German 50,000 ton ship made in Ireland.

In speed the Olympic is inferior by several knots to the big Cunarders, but her accommodations are more ample and various, and in luxurious and splendid appointments she is the wonder Adelina Patti may headline maritime world. It was planned to make American vaudeville bills the her a floating summer hotel as well as a means of transportation for Atlantic passengers. She will carry thousands of them on every trip, and there is no reasonable desire that will not be sup-The stability of the great ship banishes fears of seasickness. Monot-ony flees before the arrangements for recreation and sociability. There are libraries for both first and second class passengers. There are suites of rooms including parlors for those who can af-ford luxurious seclusion. Of first class

So it may become the practice, if not the fashion, for the fagged and the ruins of a great art. The result is jaded to make a tour of the Atlantic both ways instead of a tour of the con-

Whale Meat as Food.

From National Geographical Magazine. Few people realize the great part which whale meat plays in the life of the ord hary Japanese. humpback whale, which is most highly esteemed, sometimes brings as much as 30 sen (15 cents) per pound; but this is unusual. Ordinarily it can be bought are prepared for human consumption, went for a steerage passage, and what remains is first tried out to From Baltimore he went di extract the oil, then chipped by girls us-

is most frequently chopped fine, mixed hands. The company is offering the with vegetables and eaten raw, dressed with a brown sauce.

The Indian as a Patriot. From the Klamath Chronicle.

The Chronicle was yesterday honored Visible machines are a great step by a visit from Captain Abraham Char-York. He treated with the Indian and live head of the Klamath Indian police accumulated money rapidly. He then birth har Astor has been potable aside. force, and his wife. The captain resides near Chiloquin bridge, and came down on the first passenger train run on the extension of the Southern Pacific there tomorrow and on the sixth.

The Indian is not slow to imitate In 1800 John Jacob Astor was worth his white brother, even in the matter a quarter of a million dollars accumuof a Fourth of July celebration, and the lated in the fur trade. His tastes were Klamaths propose to give up three days plain and simple, and his chief luxuries of their time to the expression of their were a pipe and a mug of beer. He was stitutions. include the ceremonies of such occa- 1839, he began to withdraw from comslons, including the reading of the Declaration of Independence, an oration, etc. Afterward they will have dances an oration. in war and peace costume, horse and foot races, ball games and other amusements galore. A hand of Warm Spring indians arrived yesterday to assist in the festivities.

Minds of Animals. From the Atlantic.

dogs, chickens and and thus the act tends to be repeated. This explanation calls for no ideas, no practically the same. memories, no images even, apart from believe that prices will continue to ad-immediate sense impressions. This explanation demands, of course, that the might prove to be a check. animal be endowed with the tendency to make movements of various sorts, the most stereotyped ones of which may be called instincts. Successive experimentation has shown that this form of learning is widespread. White rats, rhesus years ago manufacture of asbestos monkeys, crayfish, sparrows and raccoons, all modify their inherited tendencles to action in the same way.

Shooting Relics.

From the Youngstown Telegram. While in Chattanooga a few weeks ago a local man noticed an old colored man who carried his right arm in a sling. "What is the matter, uncle?" ked. "Is your arm proken?" "No, sah." grinned the old man, "It's

"Been hunting?" "No, sah. Ah been shootin' trees."

jes' gun sore.

"Oh, I see; target practice." "No. sah." "Then you'll have to elucidate." "Well, sah, it's like dis," the old man splained. "We go out into de woods an' shoots bullets into de trees. After a while de trees grows around de bullets little bit, den we cuts dem down to

sell to people fum de Norf as relics ob de battle ob Lookout Mountain.'

The Infallibility of the Finger Print

System. From the New York American. An English scientist, Professor Blum demonstrated that finger prints never change. As a student of criminology, he took an impression of the finger tips of the daughter of a friend at her birth, and every year since he has received from her an impression.

The girl is now 16, and the professor, are identical now with those taken when she was a baby.

Finger print records are the world's King George, through all the cer- lows. But, the cruel story followed the largest cannon can be fired withmost valuable aids in the identification

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE

Next things are harvest and vacation Too many recalls will recall the re-

The east side has the votes to get The pessimists needn't despair; they

can predict a rainy harvest time

Boy of 17 was killed at a charivari; nothing strange or unexpected about

Some men are bound to be insurgents, whatever occurs; would insurge in Par-

See's "bible" compares with Joe Smith's about as that did to the regular Christian Bible. An Everett man 103 years old married a "buxom" woman. The dispatch does not say how much he is "worth."

A strange thing is that tens of thou-sands of Chicago people could get out of its terrible climate, but don't,

In a little over a day it rained 5½ inches in Phoenix. Another rain may be expected in two or three years. To kill potato bugs, it is recommend-ed by expert authority to catch them first in the hands. How then to dis-pose of them is left to the captor's own

"Tis a word to be doted on dearly—chauffeuse, and it is no wonder it's much in use. Let it never be subject to scorn or abuse, and for printing it of Patti with great display of enthusiasm. The visits of Madame Bernhardt and Ellen Terry are too recent history.

It is delightful to believe that these wonder women of the stage still retain their youthful powers. But when one sits in the audiences the inexorable truth always stands out that there is no royal recipe for defying time. That which is actually

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

The Chinese lettuce pest is becoming menace in the vicinity of Salem.

The work of installing the \$15,000 water system at Lostine is now in prog-

Cane and knife and ring games were put out of business at Salem during the cherry fair, by order of the authori-

The Y. M. C. A. at Eugene has admitted 70 new members since June 1 and special effort for increase is to be continued.

Sheriff Hancock of Washington county has appointed J. C. Applegate chief deputy to succeed James H. Jack, who has been made a school supervisor.

Albany Herald: The Albany Commercial club received \$52 communications during the month of June through the Portland club and collected \$542. The Hillsboro Independent proposes an excursion of Hillsboro people to Tillamook to celebrate the completion of the P. R. & N. line to the coast.

The dwellers on the county farm of Lane county have been moved to their new home on the McKenzle farm, four and a half miles northeast of Eugene.

The police at The Dalles are in wait for a gang of bad little boys who throw empty beer bottles, rocks and sticks in front of passing automobiles and teams.

SEVEN AMERICAN FORTUNES

The Astor Fortune.

Astor family have added very largely tion to the rule that rich men's sons to the vast wealth now possessed by squander in extravagance what their Too poor to that family, the founder of this great fathers have acquired by hard work. buy beef, their diet would include little fortune was a German-the first John the large fortune left him by his father but rice, fish and vegetables, were it Jacob Astor-who was born in Heidel- was added \$500,000 left him by an uncle, not for the great supply of flesh and berg in 1763, and emigrated to this counblubber furmished by these huge water try, landing in Baltimore in 1784. Al- at his death in 1875 he left at least most immediately upon his arrival in \$200,000,000 to his two sons, John Jacob America, he commenced the gigantic and William Astor. operations which were to have a farreaching effect upon the young republic. Upon starting for America it is said portions are not only the flesh and that all he possessed was a suit of Sunblubber. Certain parts of the viscera day clothes and about \$75, \$25 of which

From Baltimore he went direct to New York where he secured a temporary ing hand knives and dried in the sun for home in the house of an honest baker. He earned his board and lodging by Whale meat is very coarse grained working for the baker, until he secured and tastes something like venison, but a position with a "kind hearted old Qua-has a flavor peculiarly its own. I ker," his principal duty being beating have eaten it for many days in succes- furs day after day, summer and winter. sion and found it not only palatable. His wages were but \$2 a week and his his wealth in American railroads, and but healthful. The Japanese prepare board, but he worked hard. It was his it in a variety of ways, but perhaps it first introduction to the fur business and the commencement of the largest fortune ever accumulated by a single individual in America up to half a century ago.

In 1786, with a few dollars capital, he set up for himself in the fur business ship sailed for that country in 1800, and he will remain over to see the celebra- splendid commercial transactions with Worlds." tion here today and will return to the the orient. This business he carried on agency to take part in the celebration for many years, and as his Chinese trade developed, his enterprises increased,

mercial life, and undertook no new enafterwards four fifths of his estate pire. went to his son William B. Astor. William B. Astor was given a liberal

Prices of Diamonds Increase,

From Consular Reports.

The prices of polished diamonds are controlled by prices of the rough stones monkeys and are really made in London, where do not reason out things, they do not the products of diamond mines are as-learn by being put through acts, nor sembled. The increasing number of learn by being put through acts, nor sembled. The increasing number of do they learn to the extent it is gen-do they learn to the extent it is gen-workers, in recent years, independent of the diamond trade societies and disre-ting the specialist rules regarding They learn new acts by accidentally hap- garding the societies' rules regarding pening upon modes of behavior that bring rates of wages, etc., has so far had no them pleasurable experiences. The effect in reducing prices. In fact, deal-pleasure of these accidental happenings ers report increasing prices and state stamps in an association between a that they are 10 to 12 per cent higher sense impression and the successful act, than a year ago, excepting those of small stones, like melees, which are These informants

> Two explanations of the advancing prices are made to this consulate. First: the syndicate controlling the rough-dia mond market limits production in order increase its profits. Second, vield of the diamond mines, as a whole, is decreasing; the Kimberly mine is vir tually exhausted of the best stones. These explanations are given according to the respective viewpoints of the parties who offer them,

How to Get Rid of Mosquitoes. From Munsey's Magazine,

Go over every square yard of the ter itory within 200 yards of your house and wherever you find a hollow in which water accumulates during rain, pool or marsh spot, a tub or ornaments pool, either fill it up, drain it, or coat it with coal oil. You will find, in hine cases out of ten that you have practirid yourself of mosquitoes and gnats.

is almost incredible that shortlived and trivial accumulations of water will suffice for some of these pests to breed in. Anything that will hold we-ter half an inch deep for ten days is sufficient. Even such an insignificant looking lake basin as a tomato can, a sardine can, an old boot or a broken piece of crackery, if it happens to be shaded so that the sun cannot readily evaporate the water which it catches during a rainstorm, will serve to har bor the noxious "wrigglers."

Ballingerism. From the Astorian.

It is very easy to understand the tone and text of Richard A. Ballinger's Aberdeen speech on Tuesday last, and especially his animadversions upon the polin writing from England to Colorado, icies of the initiative, the referendum where she lives, states that the marks and the recall, since the people of this country, after patiently bearing and closely analyzing his course as secre

While the later generations of the education, and was a remarkable excepand he managed the estate so well that

> John Jacob Astor, by continual pur chase and improvement of real estate in the most desirable quarters of New upon their judgment. York city, at the time of his death in 1890 was the largest holder of real estate in the metropolis. Instead of real evil influences that hover constantly estate William Aster devoted most of about the president. In conflicts fought out in secret these forces always win his business attention to railread development in which he was eminently

successful. William Waldorf Astor, a son of John Jacob Astor, with his vast fortune, deserted America to make his home in England in 1890, adding considerable to since going to England, in journalism. John Jacob Astor, a great grandson

of the founder of the Astor estate, is the son of the late William Aster. Upon the death of his father he-inherited an estate variously estimated at from \$100,000,000 to \$200,000,000. He is the only member of the wealthy family whose in a little house on Water street, New interests are associated with the country accumulated money rapidly. He then birth, Mr. Astor has been notable, aside began trading with China, and his first from the accumulation of money, in litmachanical his share of the profits amounted to made several valuable inventions and it to that place. Captain Charley says \$55,000. This was the beginning of his is the athor of "A Journey in Other

The corporations in which he is in terested have a total capitalization of more than \$200,000,000. He is a director in more than a score of the most substantial companies in New York city. Like his great-grandfather, a staunch and loyal citizen, the present John Jacob Aster has sided in conveying the flag of of their thin to the freedom of American in- in active business in New York city for his country far beyond the site of assistations. Today their program will 46 years, but toward the end of the year toria, even beyond the Pacific itself, carrying out, in fact, the dream of the American founder of the family-the terprises. Upon his death nine years building up of a great commercial em-

(Tomorrow-John D. Rockefeller.)

First in Silk Making.

From the St. Paul Dispatch. A bulletin recently issued by the cen sus bureau shows that the United States leads the world in manufacturing silk, with the possible exception of China, from which no figures are obtainable. We took first place from France in 1905, and have maintained our lead. We not only are the greatest manufacturers of slik goods, but the greatest consumers. Although we manufactured in 1909 silk worth \$196,425,-000, we exported less than 1 per cent

of the goods we made. Our silk industry in 1869 amounted to \$12,210,000. It was more than \$41, 000,000 10 years later. It had more than doubled again in 1889, when it was \$87,298,000. It was \$107.256,000 in 1903 and more than \$183,000,000 five years later. The per capita expenditure for silks in this country in 1880 was \$1.46 and in 1909 it was \$2.50. And all the increase in consumption has been taken care of by home mills. Our imports of manufactured silks have shown no increase in 30 years, the annual purchases varying little from \$33,000,000. imports of raw silk, admitted duty free, are valued at about \$75,000,000, indicating a margin of about \$121,000,000 a in the silk business for the Amer-

ican manufacturers and their employes Prisoners in the Open.

From Boston Traveler. If you had gone wrong, been sentenced to prison, put in stripes and shut up in a cell, and then if the warder came along with a suit of citizen's clothes for you, took you into the country, put you at work at your trade or what would you do? Run away at the risk of being captured, put back in risk of being captured, put stripes, and locked up in a cell? Or why. would you just do the square thing by ance? would you just do the square thing by ance? There are children starving working faithfully until your term expear? Friend, I wish you'd keep your pired and you were regularly dis- distance, with your stories bleak and

charged? are making just that experiment. Car- as at present, cranking up my mote penters and masons are put at work on car. There are workmen standing idla farm buildings and farmers set to plow- and they have no place to dine? ing. They wear no prison badge. They I'm, going to the bridal of a lady friend are not guarded. They are fed well and of mine. I have bought her gems and sleep in large, clean dormitories. They lilies, and I cannot spare the cash that are doing useful work. And they do not run away, They joyously serve out

Faithful Servents. From the Walla Walla Bulletin

"It is not believed," says an exchange that the vindication of Glavis and Incidentally Mr. Glavis and jobs back." Mr. Pinchot have been the kind of faithful public servants who do not care a whoop whether they ever "get their Jobs back" or not

Playing With Fire

Philadelphia North American

We believe that in the minds of the public there is no trace of doubt that Alaska mineral lands of priceless value would now be the undisputed property in perpetuity of the Morgan-Guggen-heim syndicate but for the wide publicity that was given to the proposed theft. The final invalidation of the fraudulent Cunningham claims, while nominally the act of Secretary Fisher, was actually the execution of President Taft's wishes. To understand how this can be true it must be remembered that President Taft changes his mind on mportant national questions quite as often as some people change their clothes, in accordance with general heat or cold and the way the wind is blow-

ing. The unpleasant truth is that we can-not recall a single instance in which President Taft has deserted the side of special privilege, when a raid against public interests was in progress, exepting when public sentiment has become crytallized as a result of wide publicity and has made an unmistakable demand which, if unheeded, would threaten Mr. Taft's ambitions. It is with this in mind that we view with apprehension the course being pur-

sued by Secretary Fisher in relation to

the Controller bay scandal,

The Dalles Chronicle: The postal savings depository has received over \$2300 in deposits in the two weeks since it was installed in The Dalles. Order secretly drawn and carefully kept There is much to know, much that the American people must know, about rder secretly drawn and carefully kept from public knowledge, dated Octob 28 of last year. President Taft himself. gave actual control of the same coal fields to the same syndicate. That surreptitious order, so far as the Mofgan-Guggenheim syndicate is concerned, was as valuable to that combination as would have been a title to the coal lands themselves. There are now many important but as yet unpublished facts either in the actual possession of Sec retary Fisher or easily obtainable for his use. But no information for the public has yet come voluntarily from the department of the interior.

We do not doubt the personal or of-ficial integrity of Secretary Fisher to this or any other matter. But our information is that Secretary Fisher, who has been constituted, with Hitchcock, joint political manager of the Taft cam paign forces, while in no way approving this breach of faith on the part of the president, has determined that it shall not become a matter of any greater public notoriety than he can prevent. We are confident that certain pub-

Fisher are deferring publication of important facts in their possession out of deference to his wishes. And in all candor, to our mind this does not reflect in the least upon the honesty or courage of such publications, but solely The stake in the Controller bay grab

Publicity is the only power which can

lishers of newspapers and magazines who have unbounded faith in Secretary

defeat their designs and compel the president to stand with the public. Therefore, we say that Secretary Fisher is playing with fire. He is overestimating his own power to cope with masked privilege, and he is underestimating the weakness of the man whom trying to renominate when that man is subjected to this hidden pressure by special privilege. Patriotism and not politics should have first call upon Secretary Fisher.

Tanglefoot By Miles Overholt



The press agent slipped in a tale for his

show, For he handed the boss a cigar; The borrower borrowed a ten spot or se, For he handed his friend a cigar; The senator who was "put over" at cost, Whom the newspapers scoided, and bullied and tossed.
Showed the world after all that but little was lost,
For he handed the voters digara.

"Don't take me to prisen," the poor gink implored. And he handed the cop a cigar; He promised the landlord to pay for his board But he slipped him a two-bit digar; "he "con" on his car ran ahead of his

No, the passenger paid only half of a dime, But he proved that to miss the last car For he handed the "con" a cigar.

There is magic somehow in the gift of a smoke— In the gift of a two-bit cigar; man will forgive e'en a practical joke If the joker digs up a cigar.
s the sesame, too, to the door of heart; It is purity dope, for the hate will de-

soothes mental worries and achings Say, pal, have you got a cigar? An Expensive Look. From the Detroit Free Press. "Did you ever gaze on royalty" It cost me \$3.75, and the "Just once. It cost me \$3.75, and the

Selfishness

(Contributed to The Journal by Wait Mason, he famous Kansas poet. His prose-poems are a gular feature of this column in The Dully

Do not tell me doleful stories of the

city's poor, I say, for I'm thinking of put you at work at your trade or the glories of the ear I bought today. farm and left you without a guard she's, a beauty and a hummer; nothing hat would you do? Run away at the finer passes by; and I'll have some fun this summer or I'll know the reason Or why. There's a widow needs assistharged?

At Guelph, Ont., the public authorities it gives my nerves a jar, when I'm bush would fix your Weary Willies with a bellyful of hash. Do not urge and do not press me-and I think it's mean and low, thus to worry and distress me, with your dismal tales of woe. There's a poor old woman weeping, that her sons have strayed afar, and in want her watch she's keeping? hand her this cigar. Ah, this life would shine and glisten like a snow wreath on the moor, if we dian't have to listen to these spiels about the poor!

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