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Should Visit Oregon. While in the northwest Secretary Fisher owes it to himself to visit Oregon. This is the unanimous opinion of his friends.

Though he passed through the state on his journey to the north, he did not remain long enough in Portland to hear grievances the state has against the administration and congress in reclamation matters.

Oregon has large confidence in the purposes and talents of Secretary Fisher. It looks on him as one guided by ideas of broad justice and stern integrity.

Oregon has not been accorded justice at Washington. The state has been and is one of the heaviest contributors to the reclamation fund.

Oregon acres are as broad and as fertile as those of any other state. They are as badly in need of the vitalizing touch of water as are those in any other state.

of when the subject is fit for parole should be left to them. But proof of a change in character should be the test of eligibility.

This prisoner believes that a system of punishment based on these principles would redress several pressing evils—one, that the imposition of definite sentences by judges of varying temperaments and prejudices works injustice, greatly in favor of professional and case-hardened criminals and against accidentals rather than deliberate offenders.

NEW INVENTIONS. AN INVENTOR in Paris named Gaumont has, according to Modern Electrics, Chicago, accomplished the unheard-of feat of making moving pictures talk.

Picture film theatres will take notice that the public will soon refuse to be contented with dumb show, and that the pictured actors must speak their pieces as on a real stage.

FRINDLINES WITH THE POLICE. AFTER THE farewell address a day or two ago at the Winona Bible conference by the Rev. C. Silvester Horne, M. P., of the London Whitefield tabernacle, this social service minister and member of parliament, met the ministers present for a final interview.

REVIEWING THE FLEETS. THE BRITISH fleet was reviewed by the king a few weeks ago, and the German fleet by the kaiser, and the French fleet, for want of a single head, by the president and cabinet.

On emperor, king and president? Not only they, but every board of admiralty, every parliament, every chamber of commerce, every banker, and every newspaper in the three

nations knows exactly in advance the number, the age, the tonnage, the armament, the ships' companies, of every ship in the three displays.

Webb's crime was heinous. There will be those who will criticize Governor West for commutation of the sentence to life imprisonment.

OUR OTHER CROPS. PRUNES HAVE PASSED out of the experimental and non-profitable status in Oregon. They are coming to be recognized as one of the premier fruit crops of the state.

WHERE BEAUTIFYING PAYS. IN FIFTEEN YEARS Kansas City, Missouri, has spent, in round figures, ten million dollars on its park and boulevard system.

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realization from which any man must shrink. The power to deprive a condemned criminal or to give the law its course should rest in not less than three men, so after consciousness should not be borne by one alone, but be shared by a number.

Letters From the People. (Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should not exceed 300 words in length and must be accompanied by the name and address of the sender.)

Dr. Hinson's Course Criticized. Portland, Or., Sept. 5.—To the Editor of The Journal—Dr. Hinson, among other things, has been making some sarcastic flings and envious remarks about former pastors of his church from the pulpit.

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COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF. SMALL CHANGE. The mind does not necessarily age with the body. One could, nor a few millions, won't do for all people.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS. Banks Herald: D. L. Smith is having great success with his onion and celery garden. These were never grown in this vicinity before.

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