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Great souls, by nature half divine, soar to the stars, and hold a near acquaintance with the gods .- Rowe.

RAH, RAH, RAH, REFORM!

TOT counting Joe Singer, it requires 95 stenographers, pages, clerks, clerkesses, timekeepers, bottleholders and other persons in waiting, to administer to the wants of the 60 gentlemen who compose the house at Salem.

Of course, to persons who don't know what it is to be a statesman. it seems a large number. But it isn't. Real statesmanship is a solemn thing, and to some it comes but once in a lifetime, and then for only 40 days.

What were statesmanship without retainers and retaineresses! What were home without a mother!

Of course, the number of house attendants, bouquet holders and maids in waiting is not large. Is this not a reform legislature? Did the reforms not begin at the beginning, when, for the Eaton reforms the prohibiting of the janitors from making a fire in the basement?

Palsied be the tongue that says a house with a reform record so rigid, so Spartan-like, is employing superfluous attendants on statesmanship.

If any man imagines for one moment that there are too many clerks and clerkesses, let him stop and contemplate the bill to prohibit swearing outside incorporated cities and towns. Let him ruminate on the penderosity of this long-awaited measure, and then let the saddening thought come to him of what Oregon would have missed if the gentleman who introduced it had never been born. Then if he undertakes to say there are too many clerks, may his tongue cleave to the roof of his

on the reform wagon. If it be reor two and a half per statesman, to handle the business.

Of course, the public must understand that when you run a reform legislature, you have to ladle out plenty of clerkships to hold the men in line. You can not be a tightwad in a reform session. If you tried some other way the governor wowld slip something over.

Nay, nay, my countrymen; real reforms like the house is giving us are don's book, "The Two Islands." always dearly bought. You must not complain about the presence in the state house of a few extra creations in millinery, when Upton, Carpenter and the other brave boys are struggling onward and upward for the imperishable glory of our magufficent commonwealth.

THE ELECTROCUTION BILL

S THE legislature certain that capital punishment will be retained in Oregon? If not, will it pays to install an electrocution process at a cost of \$20,000? Who would buy the outfit, if the elector- which the drivers cannot exceed. ate should decide two years hence to abolish the death penalty?

There will be a vote on capital punishment at the next election. The entrance of women into the franchise will afford the Ince. tive for the re-trial of the issue. The votes of women may result in abandonment of the death penalty. If it should happen so, there will be no need of an electric chair. If he death penalty should be retained, there will still be time to provide for killing the condemned by roasting instead of by choking.

Oregon is not along in considering abandonment of capital punishment. The Washington legislature is preparing to submit the issue to a vote. So is California. So is Utah. So are other states. The whole country is

debating the question. The whole country has noticed ishment, there are six times as many of the two states being about equal. The whole country has observed that there are fewer homicides per capita time. and a smaller increase of crime than in states which have capital punishswiftly changing the public mind on who makes the experiments and sonally responsible for violation of into a conviction that the death penalty does not deter, but actually en-

courages murders.

sally described as being even more in time also. ghastly than the broken-necked vic-

tim dangling at the rope's end. chair.

A SPECTACLE

in Portland next Saturday. building, a trade school building, a down to regular business. new building for the Couch school,

It is the manner in which this election is to be held that constitutes the spectacle. There is to be place for a city of 250,000 inhabitants is a travesty on the ballot.

The voting will be on the fourth loor of the Tilford building. The polls will be open from one to four o'clock, a period of three hours. What a marvelous process for ascertaining the will of an electorate in which every taxpayer in the city period in case the regular officials blessedness of single tax. It is an out is entitled to a vote!

The election is held under the pro-

It is doubtful if there is a statutory process more antiquated and appliances of enforcement. inefficient in the whole United States. It seems incredible that so there were substituted the aweeping since Multnomah county biennially attorneys and sheriffs. abandonment of one committee and sends so many statesmen to Salem to legislate for the public welfare.

SIGNS OF GOOD FARMING

izers is more or less neces- prosecutions shall be made. sary to him. Nitrate of soda is at

mineral rose from 1,259,000 tons in tution. 1902 to 2,504,000 in 1912. Of this 427,904.

solved to apply a triple-distilled in- 1892 and 1902. Between 1902 and ourchases was 114 per cent between sponsibility. stead of the present double-distilled 1912 the gain was 159.8 per cent. guarded, appears in the bill at reform discipline, it will take about Its use is rapidly extending in every Salem, and it ought to pass. 67 more stenographers and clerks, country in which it has been introduced

Chile has been hitherto the only important source of supply. The export is regulated by the Chilean government. The worldsis being combed over for undeveloped deposits.

Whether Southeastern Oregon can become a producer will be a matter that a veto would get away, or in for serious inquiry after railroads reach the long stretch of long dried beaches of the ancient zea so graphically described in Professor Con-

A BACK EDDY IN OIL

worked by the dissolution of are to the city children? Standard Oil by our Supreme | Did any wealthy Portlander ever Rah, rah, rah; rah, rah; re- strike of taxi drivers in London?

> was raised recently ten cents a gal- grounds and parks? Whereupon the drivers went out on strike.

rent out the cabs to the drivers children! daily these last buying their own oil. The rate of hire is fixed by law, The taxi companies and the drivers entered into an agreement last March on the rate of pay, based on the then price of oil.

People there looked on the taxi drivers as the spoiled children of fortune. The men produced their books and proved that they cannot face the rise of ten cents for oil and keep body and soul together. And the taxi cab companies are not making money, but many of them on the verge of bankruptey. So the Londoners must either accept a rise in fares of the cabs or the price of oil must come down

PARCEL POST WORKING

P TO January 22 the total numthat in California with capital pun- Engraving and Printing has been ly or to restrain trade. forced to increase its rate of printcapital punishment, the population first four days more than 200,000 unlawfully held is prohibited. Merin states without cap.tal punishment average of 100,000 in a very short mission, and discriminations in

The results of experiments on the ment. These inexorable facts are of express carrying depends largely directors of every corporation perwhat are the prepossessions of the the laws. It fixes the penalty at im-

Bender. Nor is there a man in the Oregon papers exchanged parcels with cities \$1000. It is a statute which means existature who can establish that varying from 90 to 1344 miles. The that the way for trust magnates to tions it will be necessary to use the dectrocation is more humane than parcels weighed four and a half keep out of jail is to obey the law. avering. It is a debatable issue pounds. The parcel post won in comover which scientists themselves dis- petition with the express companies no property right. It is no assault

Meanwhile, why spend money on special container provided. The con- gram by which the people can reother vote in two years on capital experiment weighed 6 ounces, and finance, production and distribution. punishment, and after that there with the dozen eggs weighed just. The passage of the proposed laws may be no need of a \$20,000 electric over a pound and a half. Postage, will complete the regeneration of within 50 miles, was 8 cents. But New Jersey. It will make of the the container was good for various state that was the shelter and asy-5 cents. Therefore the paper adds progressive commonwealth in the SPECTACLE will be presented this last 5 cents to the original 8 union, all due to the statecraft of cents postage, and sets 13 cents as one quiet man. It will be in the guise of a first cost of shipping the dozen eggs. school election, the purpose of But the more eggs sent, up to the the expectancy respecting the change which is to ratify a five-and-one-half- 11 pound limit, the cheaper the post- to take place within the next few mill tax levy and authorize the issue age and the cost of the container in weeks, in the American White of \$1,000,000 school bonds. The proportion, while the container was House. bond issue is to secure funds for the good for many trips. Even eggs will construction of a new high school not be excluded when the people get

Various complaints are made of and for the purchase of additional the regulations under which the service started. It is urged widely that the distinction between the parcel post stamps and the ordinary postbut one polling place. One polling that the limitations of places where age stamps be abolished-and also parcels shall be mailed be relayed.

A PENDING BILL

BILL at Salem proposes to give the executive authority to appoint special district attor-

do not properly enforce the law. Many of the states have a similar visions of an old law which time has provision, some of them even more worn out and Portland outgrown. drastic. The executive is under oath a soap maker, a small man, a Jew and It is a farcical proceeding so far as to enforce the law, but, by a curious a single taxer. What right has he to testing the will of the electorate is neglect of legislation, is without au- send his naphtha tainted dollars into a thority to direct the officials who free state before the inhabitants? It is hold in their hands the power and

As a matter of fact, so far as enforcement is concerned, the governor by man alone. Every true Christian impossible an arrangement should is largely a figure head. The real enhave continued so long, especially forcement is in the hands of district octopus. Having taken our god, our

gon for district attorneys and them, not even money. But thanks to sheriffs to determine for themselves what laws they will, and what they is on the watch and never again will will not apply. Whatever the law, the octopus set its slimy foot over our but the figures given are sufficiently HEN a farmer starts to im- it has long been and still is, very doorstep or snatch us from our fireside, exact for common purposes. prove his farming methods largely a matter of choice with the His bill (Thompson's) will give that them you can, for instance, tell in a the use of artificial fertil- district attorney as to whether or not rest so long needed by some of us of moment how far away from you a thun-

There have been notable instances once the most essential and the cost- in which laws were as completely erately or ably take so much as a drink the sound of the thunder, and multiply liest of the materials. The in-nullified as though they were not crease or decrease in the use of ni- on the books, and that by the pertrate is a barometer by which the sonal will of a district attorney. It interest in intensive farming may is, in fact, personal government by I. and R. (Nishativereferendum). Herethe district attorney instead of pop- after when the eastern liquer octopus The world's consumption of this ular government under the counti- wishes to refresh the male and female

There are many who insist that total the United States imported in an additional safeguard against such California or the Pacific ocean, one ma-mile. 1912, 481,786 tons, valued at \$15,- public prosecutors and sheriffs as rine league off shore before they can The farmers of the United States They hold that, since the executive It takes more stenographers and began to appreciate the value of ni- of the state is charged with enforceother per diem persons in waiting, trate about the beginning of the ment of law, he should have the autwentieth century. The increase in thority by which to discharge, the re- state. (Only questions pending under like average velocity man ear, while waves only half an inch gress, makes bold to say Woodrow Wil

Such authority, properly safe-

PORTLAND CHILDREN

GREAT army of 300,215 children visited Portland play grounds during the months of part of September, 1912.

It was the effort of little city dwellers to get a breath of the great outdoors. It was the struggle of the Holland and Switzerland, but at least Washington, with more than double our little ones to get away from the we shall now sleep even more profoundstony streets and granite walls into by than formerly, secure in the belief a place where there was room for that our babies are safe and the agitabreathing and pastime

Did anybody ever stop to think TITHO would think that the re- green grass, these mid-city glimpses action on the price of oil of sunshine and a miniature country black to white, stifle human thought

Court would find expression in a stop to think what infinite pleasure might be given thousands of little It seems that the price of taxi oil, tots for this and all future time by or petrol as the Londoners call it, a gift to Portland of other play-

What nobler monument to any Portland name than one of these In that city the taxical companies patches of green covered with happy

LIGHT FROM NEW JERSEY

HERE is an impressive hint in seven bills recently introduced in the New Jersey legislature. They are understood to reflect the president-elect's trust policy, and they point straight to the

doors of the jails. The aggregate of their provisions will, if all the bills become laws, make it impossible for the buccancers of Big Business to monopolize markets or fix prices and keep out of the penitentiary.

The proposed laws forbid combinacompetition or to fix prices. stocks must represent money or property. No dead horses, and no let her dwindle into insignificance. anticipated profits shall be capitalized.

When one issue of stock replaces ber of parcel post stamps another the amount must be the thought. 339,500,000. The Bureau of into another to establish a monopo-

In the case of existing holding parcels were mailed in New York, gers are to be permitted only on the

prices are prohibited. One bill is the cap stone of the comparative cost of parcel post and structure. It holds the officers and prisonment for not more than three For instante, the Chicago news years, or a fine of not more than

It is a trust program that violates

body under electrocution are univer- cents and, in a big-majority of cases, only stock jobbing, over capitalization, market grabbing, price fixing The critics of parcel post base and the other schemes of robbery in their case on 12 eggs, sent in the the name of business. It is a proan uncertainty? There will be an-tainer in the Farm and Fireside's sume their old time control over

rips and was worth getting back for lum of syndicated wealth, the most

It adds to the impressiveness and

Letters From the People

publication in this department should be writ-ten on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 300 words in length and must be ac-companied by the name and address of the sender. If the writer does not desire to have the name published, he should so state.)

The Savior of Our State.

Portland, Jan. 25 .- To the Editor of The Jeurnal-Another vampire is on our trail and will suck our life blood while it holds us in its talons and fans us to sleep with its wings unless we are ressafe bet that his wife fails to get her cued by the vigilance and patriotism of money's worth. Senator Thompson, Joseph Fels has been sending his famous Naphtha soap dope into Oregon to wash her clean of neys or sheriffs for a limited land monopoly and give her the double rage against which the weak and pov erty stricken inhabitants of Oregon should be protected by a protective wall higher than the tariff. Joseph Fels is none of his business. He openly boasts the unchristian doctrines that all mer. are brothers, legally enforced monopoly should despise him. He is an octopus of the first water and a Jew-a Jew ten commandments and our Christ from It is a common practice in Ore- the Jews we want nothing more from ordinary temperatures, with a speed of the true spirit of American indepen-1140 feet per second. At lower temperaand at higher temperatures increased, five years in the pen if we directly or der storm is raging. You have only to rapid as the flight of a bullet, indirectly, corporately or incorporately, count the number of seconds that elapse considerately, considerably or inconsiderable between the flash of the lightning and as in iron, provided that the direction within the state of Oregon furnished by that number by 1140, which will give that in which the fibres of the wood any octopus whatsoever, leering and you the distance of the cloud from run, but if the lurking beyond our confines to influence which the discharge took place. The light travels more than 900,000 times as us as to any matter pending under the hardly got started before the former reaches you eye. Since there are 5280 voters of our blind state on the prohi- sound of thunder, or any other sound feet in a mile, it is evident that the bition question they will have to march transmitted through the air, takes about pitch. in a solid phalanx to Vancouver, Wash., four and two thirds seconds to go a he I and R, are in the game). Anticapital publishment, labor questions, etc., must either be financed by us Oregonians as free American citizens with all our constitutional rights and our senses

or a neighboring state or up in a balloon half seconds. There are imaginable forward at the same rate,

to receive our pay. This is going to be especially hard on fat men. True, the octopus might organize an Oregon corporation with the majority of stockholders residents and figureheads and still June, July and August and a insist on pouring money down our unwilling throats. The octopi could print their infernal machinations in San Francisco and bombard us as the radicals St. Louis. It is not wealthy, either. used to bombard France from Belgium. We cannot expect to spend as much as tion of human thought has once more been successfully controlled by law, as' it always has been (nit). Hail to law. what a privilege these tiny patches of lawyers and lawgivers! They can put use it. back the tides, order the seasons, change

and control human conduct. Mighty law! Mighty Thompson! W. S. C. Dock Bill Discussed.

Portland Or., Jan. 23 .- To the Editor of The Journal-Your editorial in a recent, issue anent the dock bill is a very timely one and deserves the due consideration of all your readers, and particularly our representatives at Salem. The bill is a very mild one, just and equitable, and must meet with the approval of all honest men; in fact, such bill has been due a long time. Spoadic efforts have been made for many years by a few who have always advonted the free use of the foreshore for the benefit of all the people of this city. The riparian owner of land has no claim superior to the non-riparian owner of land; this is a principle of law so well established the world over, and acknowledged by the United States preme court, that it requires no further ple who have plenty or for those who

omment. There are still a few old men living alleged free reading room is a delusion he can remember the circumstances and a snare, and should no longer be under which the various acts were allowed to tempt men who are hungry passed that tried to give the riparian and homeless, inside their doors. What owners a quasi title; therefore the a travesty on justice-and in the name

facts are known. This bill asks only simple justice. Without this, Portland could never be- | land is no secret. That many of these come a thoroughly equipped scaport; are in this condition is due to the fact tions, to limit production, to stifle and it is right up to the legislature, that they listened to the alluring tales whether it will serve the people of this of Christmas baths in the Willamette, great state and help to keep her in the of the all-the-year-round roses in the

The claim that has been so often and city boosters and the real estate interso foolishly made that the foreshores ests of the country; with the result of the Willamette are swamp lands is that men have literally flocked here too silly to deserve even a moment's from the east until there are 10 men printed and distributed was same. One corporation shall not buy lands in Oregon, near some of her riv- is a conservative estimate. ers, I know to be true, but they were not near Portland.

Inasmuch as there is a provision in homicides as in Wisconsin without ing to 12,000,000 a day. During the companies, the voting of securities Oregon pass upon the equity of the rithe bill to have the supreme court of parlan owner who has improved the foreshore, it should not be lost sight of that many of these improvements have and the postmaster predicts a daily approval of the public utilities com- carned fabulous sums of money and have paid themselves many times over; while, at the same time, these flimsy structures, veritable firetraps, have caused other property owners great expense in paying extra premiums to protect their interests against fire.

Referendum for Prodigality.

GEORGE POPE.

Portland, Or., Jan. 25 .- To the Editor supposed to represent us at Salem inreferendum again. We know that a certain amount of money is required to pate. The horrible contor lous of the in sums ranging between 5 and 23 on legitimate business. It attacks well aware when this quantity is ex- one available road engineer," and also carry on the various department of state

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

The high school boys at Tangent have organized a band. L. B. Luper wil

Eugene Register: Establishment of fire lines and a paid fire department marks another step in Eugenes growth from a country town to a hustling city.

SMALL CHANGE

Patience isn't a virtue; it's a neces-

There is nothing as impossible as some people. If you have a kick coming put your whole soul in it,

Cold cash will burn a hole in spendthrift's pocket. A man thinks a woman odd if she ond for social uses.

does not try to get even, When you have a lawsuit to lose you can afford to hire a cheap lawyer.

There are lots of people in the swim who cannot beast of clean records. And many a man has repented leisure who never married at all.

Money makes the mare go-and et takes more of it to make the auto go. It takes most of us longer to make up our minds to do a thing than it does to do it,

An old bachelor gets a bad case of stage fright every time he thinks of marriage. If a man marries for money it's a carburetor.

Going to law is one of the most satisfactory requestions a man can indulge in-if he is a lawyer.

Some men are born great, some achieve greatness, and some manage to put up a successful bluff.

Every man lives to congratulate him-self that he didn't marry the first wopartment has arrived. The superin-tendent of streets of Portland informed Mayor Gilbert during the latters visit man he thought he was in love with. partment has arrived.

After a man has taken a chance it sometimes happens that he would be disappearing and that flushers would only too glad of a chance to put it back. be used altogether in the future.

circumstances in which the 18 seconds thus saved might suffice to prevent a Sound consists of waves, or vibrashipwreck. tions, which travel through the air, at

market has been limited and conse-quently the berries have been grown

only for home consumption. The es-tablishment of a drier makes a mar-ket and opens up an unlimited industry

for the farmers.

SOUND AS DISTANCE CALCULATOR

Still more remarkable is the difference between the speed of sound in air and in solid bodies. In the heavier metals, such as lead or gold, sounds travel at nearly the same velocity as in water, but in more elastic metals, like Knowing iron and steel, its speed suddenly increases to more than three miles per second, which is six or seven times as In wood sound travels about as fast

in which its waves move is the same as across the grain of the wood its speed is reduced to from a half to a quarter fast as the sound, so that the latter has of what it is in the other direction, the amount of change varying for different species of wood, How long are the waves of sound in

The average male voice, in ordinary

conversation, produces waves varying in Another useful fact to know is that are unworthy should be provided, accept the invitation. The new voters sound travels faster in water than in of a woman's voice are only from two being new in politics can stand it, but air, in the proportion of at least four to four feet. Waves 60 or 70 feet in think of us men. Thank heaven our leg- feet to one. In some experiments sound length, vibrating at the rate of 16 times in length, vibrating between 20,000 and son is right. The sound of a bell warning a ship to 39,000 times per second, produce a sound keep away from a dangerous shoat so shrill that it, too, passes beyond the would require about 23 seconds to ge range of our hearing, although it may five miles through the air, while the seem as hourse as the roar of thunder same sound could be transmitted to the hearing apparatus of insects. All about us, or we must go to California through the water in about five and a sounds, whether grave or shrill, travel

book that in all America there are not

ten engineers fully competent to build

a perfect wagon road." If such is the

case, where would we find an expert

we could afford to employ, as against

want to employ him? Or should we

To charge that the funds spent upon

the public roads in the past have been

utterly wasted and uselessly squan-

dered, because those in charge had not

been instructed by some, so-called road

expert is absolutely false and mislead-

ng, and those making such statements

are either utterly Ignorant of past con-

ditions and results or are deceiving and

misleading intentionally. I will admit

that some road money has been mis-

spent in the past, as it will be in the

future, but taken as a whole, the pio-

neers in our public road work have ac-

complished marvelous results with the

funds expended under difficult and dis.

couraging situations, and under unjust

adverse criticism, and they should be

granted just credit for their work, al-

though such work is not ample for

heavier traffic and for all future times,

Not to do so arouses resentment, ani-

mosity and inharmony and makes har-

monious work upon road problems more

If this meets approval for publica-

tion I will write another letter upon

permanent results from past road ex-

penditures, based upon personal knowl-

N. J. Sinnott of The Dalles.

Sherwood, Or., Jan. 21 .- To the Editor

f The Journal-Will you please tell me

through your paper who is the United

States representative from Oregon be-

GEORGE C. MITTY.

H. E. COLE.

not mere theory and assertion.

sides Hawley and Lafferty?

difficult.

competent engineer

ceeded. Members of the legislature the statement that "John F. Stevens, seem to pass bills appropriating \$500,the noted railroad engineer, says in his 000, or even \$1,000,000, with the same ease that they use in ordering dinner. Oregon is a large state in area, but its population is barely more than that of Boston, and not so large as that of older and wealthler states that might population, or California, with three and desire and be satisfied to employ an in. a half times our number.

The referendum should be used sparingly and not rashly, but it is an excellent fistrument of the people, and there are times when we shall want to A VOTER.

The Charge of Inhumanity. Portland, Or., Jan. 25-co the Editor of The Journal-The story in Friday's Journal of the arrest of 51 men who had sought shelter in a free reading room and of their heartless dismissal by the police judge should bring the blush of shame to every citizen of Portland. Where can men go who have no money and no work? It was to their credit that they were found in a respectable place. All of them agreed to work if work could be found for them. But how can men, without means of transportation, get to the railroad work-more than 100 miles distantthat the judge recommended? Seventy cents would not go far toward provisioning 54 men for the journey. sentencing of 180 days on the rockpile, f found in Portland without work, or loafing around public reading rooms, is indefensible. What are free reading rooms for, anyway? Are they for peoneed help? If for the former, then the of religion! That there are hundreds of men in enforced idleness in Portforefront as a great shipping state, or land of opportunity for the poor man, the west, that were sent out by the That there were some swamp for every job offered-and I believe that

How long will this thing be allowed to continue? Until thinking men and women rise in righteous indignation and place the ban of public opinion on this 'man's inhumanity to man." J. W. PEARSON.

Good Roads and Engineers,

Eola, Or., Jan. 22.-To the Editor of the Journal.-In the Journal of January 17 appeared an editorial entitled 'The Toll of Ignorance," in which the county judges and county commissioners, in convention, were severely criticized for passing a resolution against creating the office of state highway commissioner. Are not such officials representatives and servants of the people? And did not The Journal—If the men who are the people declare against creating the apposed to represent us at Salem in office of state highway commissioner last November? Such being the case, why should they have passed a resplution otherwise than that they did pass, if the people should rule?

Barking Up the Wrong Tree.

From the Louisville Courier-Journal. The New York Herald thinks that Woodrow Wilson talks through his hat." His recent Chicago speech, the Herald says, "was not the talk of statesman to a gathering of business men, but such a psychological effusion Roseburg Elks will build another story—a third—on their temple, at the cost of \$15,000. The new story will be used for business sessions and the secas might be addressed to a class of students, mischievous in its attack upon the country's courts and banks and business men and methods." Then the Herald proceeds as follows:

"Business men," Mr. Wilson said, "have Baker Democrat: The storm king has given the orange groves of California a try's resources. They certainly have extent of \$10,000,000. And this, too, near Los Angeles, where many Baker people are sojourning in an imaginary escape from cold weather at home.

The storm has not 'husbanded' but 'exploited' the country's resources. They certainly have developed our resources, as the increase near Los Angeles, where many Baker in our national wealth from \$7,000,000,000 and \$1,000,000 and \$1,0 not 'husbanded' but 'exploited' the countoday bears witness. His talk about Condon Globe: Two hundred and nine condon Globe: Two hundred and nine-teen rabbits, seven owls and one crow met their fate Sunday as the result of the big rabbit shoot held by the mem-bers of the Condon Gun club. B. K. Searcy's team won by 35 points. The losing side served the winners a ban-quet at the Hotel Oregon. surely attempts to suppress competition are now being drastically dealt with The assertion that 'honest men are now at a disadvantage in America' does not comport with the facts nor with Mr. Morgan's recent testimony that character was of more importance than col North Bend Harbor: Allen Kissam

laterals." has patterns made and castings poured for a gas engine which he has invented. It is something entirely new and different from all other makes of engines. The chief advantage claimed for the motor is that it will run without the use of any sort of an ignition set or carburetor. In this the Herald, having in its time wallowed many camels, and a few dragons, strains at a gnat. "Business men," so-called, are neither sugar, nor salt, to be taken gingerly betwirt fig ger and thumb. It was only at the la annual dinner of the New York Chamb of Commerce that Mr. Root spoke to t Marshfield Record: In no place will berries grow and yield more profusely than in Coos county, but heretofore the text of dishonesty in business life me drastically than Mr. Wilson, addressi the same type of audience, spoke

Chicago, Was Mr. Root "talking through

his hat?" In this connection the Herald's citation of Mr. Morgan seems infelicitous. Mr. Morgan is one of those who achieve the rare fortune of having their bad works somewhat more than counterbalanced by their good works. Mr. Morgan admitted under oath of having been one of a group of men who during term of years, subscribed millions of money to buy the presidency of the United States. Can such men be paraded as examples of commercial honor? Are they not proof of the truth of all that was said by Mr. Wilson and Mr. Root! Should they not the rather be lashed with scorpions? Is it not true that America reeks with the lust of money; that the get-rich-quick spirit permeates its business fabric; that the trail of the trade-mark is over us all? Shoul not every effort to cast out the Money Devil be approved? Should not ever

word spoken in warning be applaude But, the Herald takes the presider elect to task upon still another cour Again we quote our esteemed New Yo contemporary: 'In asserting that 'It is believed I

this country that a poor man has less chance to get justice administered to him than a rich man' we are sure that Mr. Wilson has been misinformed. It would be a sad day for the country if such a belief prevailed. It is unforindulge in these discouraging and disquieting flights at a time when business interests are sufficiently distracted by the tariff and 'money trust' hearings They differ according to the and agitation for legislation ranging from a new banking and currency system to regulation of the stock changes." The Courier-Journal, which is gen-

erally described as a "reactionary, whatever that may mean, by the yawpwhere in these United States the chance of the rich man before our courts of law. What with erooked judges and crooked lawyers and crooked jurieswhat with limerack technicality and the law's delay-the rich man has always a hope and something more than chance. Not in any country of conti nental Europe does criminal Justice hang so lax as in the states of the American Union. Our courts of criminal procedure deserve to be a scorn and byword when compared with the crim inal courts of England, France and Gers

The Herald may pique itself upon the prompt trial and conviction of Becker and the gunmen. The case was wholly exceptional. Nor is it ended yet. Th courter-Journal engages to bet the Herald a cigar that Becker—with money be-hind him—never reaches the cleation chair and that if anybody gets there

it will be the gunmen, who have neither money nor friends. The Herald closes its homily thus: "What we have witnessed within the last two months is not merely political change; it is a change in the attitude and judgment of the American people,' Mr. Wilson toly his hearers What we have witnessed in his election through the aid of business men, and they voted for him because they work weary of that very line of talk from rival candidate and relied upon Mr.

ing to unsettle business." Put the Wilson vote and the Roosevel vote together and we have an over whelming majority in protest against existing conditions. This is still furthe increased by the Debs vote. Mr. Will son is not amiss, therefore, in considering and calling the result of the election a "revolution."

Wilson's promise that he would do noth

Two types of men need to be taken by the throat; the rascally professiona politicians who, plastering themselve over with the party label that promise edge, observation and experience and! most, get in a back room and dispose o other men's interests and rights; and the rascally business men, who finance these professional politicians, taking their toll in class legislation, in special privilege, in charters and in franchise to rob their fellowmen.

No, dear old Herald, you are wrong dead wrong-and you owe it to a great fact to be more discriminating in you judgments.

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