Correspondent Takes Issue He Would Like to Be a "Con-With Statement That It Is fidential President" and Richest State in Union.

Portland, Nov. 15,-To the Editor of the Journal: I notice in the issue of "The Spectator" of November 8 the statement that "Kansas is the richest state in the Union, the per capita wealth

I am curious to know where the editor of that paper gets his information. In the Portland public library there and taxation, published in 1907, which gives the per capita wealth of the dif-1904. It also shows 22 other states with

What the government calls the western North Central group is made state in the group, shows a decrease of \$73 per capita. North Dakota prohibition shows a Jecrease; Kansas prohibition shows the smallest increase, and the next smallest increase is in South Dakota, that had prohibition from 1890 until 1896.

Hansas is Far in Rear. per capita banking resources of each come downstairs, where airy persiflage state, places Kansas thirty-second on holds forth. the list and the sixteen states having the thirteen Southern states.

they put forth the claim that nothing was a great crowd waiting for a speech

they put forth the claim that nothing ise so truly represented the general prosperity of the people as the percapita wealth in savings banks.

The report of the comptroller of the currency for 1912 shows the per capita wealth in savings banks at the close of business, June 14 of that year; only Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas have a smaller per capita than Kansas and one of these is a prohibition state. Prohibition Kansas has \$3.69 per capita in savings banks, while license Original or the doorway of his car.

"I'm not much to look at," he said. "Well, anyhow, you look darn good to me." yelled the man, waving his hat.

other state. This is a canard made use little of by every prohibition worker or grabbed him hysterically by the arm.

Crimes against the person.

of fact, in crimes against public policy she is twenty-fourth, that is, 23 states are better and 24 worse. In best in all of these, crimes against property she is fortieth, him as he was ascending to his car, that is, 39 states are better, and only eight are worse.

In crimes against the person, Kansas is thirty-seventh, that is, 36 better
and only 11 are worse. During 1904,
Kansas committed to prison 138.9 people for each 100,000 of population,
while Oregon only committed 77.8 people for each 100,000.

The government also furnishes us

The government also furnishes us basket. with facts as to the number of inmates enumerated in prisons on certain dates. June 1, 1890, 20 states had more people in prison in proportion to population than Kansas and 27 had

June 30, 1904, only six states had more people in prison than Kansas in proportion to population and 41 states had less. During this fourteenth year period, 26 states show a per capita decrease in prison population and 12 show a per capita increase; among the states that free worse during this show a per capita increase, among the ers that he would have a hard time last that grew worse during this period are the prohibition states of Kansas and North Dakota. From 1890 discipline and behavior, and then launched into a discourse on those to 1904 Kansas shows an increase of in prisons for each 100,000 of pepulation and makes the worst showing of any state in the Union except Wyoming. During this same period, licensed Oregon shows a decrease in prisons of 52.1 for each 100,000 of population.

During the year of 1904, 27 states had less insanity in proportion to pop-ulation than Kansas and only 20 states had more.

So far as paupers are concerned, Kansas ranks eleventh but even in this she is far below license Nebraska

which ranks third, Why is it the prohibitionist never 100,000 HUNCHBACKS

divulges the source of his information. If there are any later government statistics on per capita wealth, crime insanity and pauperism they are not in the public library.

H. HUSSOCK.

Opposition in Store for "Spugs." New York, Nov. 15 .- As Christmas is approaching the "Spugs," as the S. P. U. G. or Society for the Prevention of Un-necessary Gifts is familiarly called, are reopening their agitation. The ob-ject of the society is undoubtedly sensible, but it is extremely doubtful whether the society will be able to make much progress. It is true, the efforts toward abolishing the unsafe and insane methods of celebrating the glorious Fourth of July have to a great extent been successful here and in many other cities, but in that case only the fireworks trust was the loser and it was in the unfortunate position of being unable to use any arguments in favor of a noisy Fourth that would have appealed to the masses. In the case of the "Spugs," however, it is quite clear that they will find arrayed against them not only a solid phalanx of merchants anxious to do big holiday business, the combined childhood of New York and an over-whelming majority of their fond par-

Long Distance Rates Lowered. Francisco, Nov. 15 .- The state railroad commission rendered foday a decision reducing by 31 per cent all long distance telephone rates in California. The new rate will go into effect Feb-ruary 14, 1914, and will mean a saving to telephone users of more than \$500,000

# WHERE DOES EDITOR | CROWDS SEND THRILLS GET HIS FACTS ABOUT OF APPREHENSION UP KANSAS, HE INQUIRES AND DOWN HIS BACK

Let His Work Do Talking,

By Burton K. Standish.

Washington, Nov. 16.—Up to the pres-ent time President Wilson hasn't learned to enjoy addressing crowds. Which, in these days of persistent presidential travel and insistent inhabitants, is somewhat amazing. President Wilson, if he followed absolutely his own wishes and desires in the matter-which he is a government report on wealth, debt doesn't-would very rarely, if ever, give rear platform talks or make campaign speeches. What he'd like to do would

ferent states and territories for the year 1904. That book gives the per capits wealth of Kansas as \$1468 for golf now and then, let nothing else in golf now and then, let nothing else in the capits wealth of Kansas as \$1468 for golf now and then, let nothing else in the capits wealth of Kansas as \$1468 for golf now and then, let nothing else in the capits wealth of the capits were capitally as the capits wealth of the capits were capits were capits were capits were capits where the capits were capits were capits were capits where a greater per capita wealth and 16 of He would much prefer to be, as some terfere or draw him away from his desk these had a per capita wealth of more local newspaper wag here said some than \$1700, which he claims for Kan-days ago, a "confidential president," and these had a per taple.

than \$1700, which he claims for Kan-days ago, a "confidential president," and sas, and one of the 16 is our own state let his work and results do the talking

These same statistics show the per capita of the different states for the year of 1890 as well as for 1904; for this purpose they are divided into groups. What the government calls the out, "What, ho, Woody, old scout!" or 'Hooray for Woody!" He's ready and He's ready and western North Central group is made up of the states of Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri, Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota and North Dakota. The increase for this 14 year period in per capita wealth was: Kansas \$207, South Dakota \$237, Missouri \$252, Minnesota \$429, Iowa \$632, Nebraska \$677 and North Dakota, the other prohibition is the propur shows a decrease of the secret service by insisting on leaving the platform to willing always to shake hands, particuby insisting on leaving the platform to wade into a crowd to shake hands with some woman who is waving an index finger in the air and exclaiming that she wants to grasp the president's hand. Crowds and the bonhomie which all presidents must assume bother him. His mind, as he once wrote to Colonel House his friend, is a "single track mind," The report of the Comptroller of the that loves to grapple with great prob Currency for June, 1907, showing the lems, but hates to detach itself and

"Shows Eimself." smaller per capita banking resources Once in a while, though, the president are Indiana, Oklahoma, New Mexico and actually enjoys those exchanges of wit that come whenever a chief executive A few years ago when the prohibi- or any great man mingles with the rest tionists were using the savings banks of the world. One example of this oc-deposits of Maine as a measure of curred on a recent trip to Washington prosperity for that prohibition state, from Mobile. At Salisbury, N. C., there

tia in savings banks, while license Or-ita in savings banks, while license Or-ita in savings banks, while license Or-"That's why I voted for you, and I'm egon has \$22.64 per capita.

The Spectator editorial also raises the presumption that Kansas on account of its prohibition laws has less poverty, insanity and crime than any poverty, insanity and crime than any poverty that a canard made use little constitutional. constitutional,

publication.

Give Record on Crime.

The last government statistics on crime available, are for commitments to prison for term sentence during 1904. These are divided into three classes: "Crimes against public policy" "Crimes against property." and committee the commitments of the commitments to prison for term sentence during the line of route. The president directed that the whole affair, a most elaborate basket of yellow chrysanthemums and roses, be divided among the es: "Crimes against property," and mums and roses, be divided among the "Crimes against property," and women. One of them got the whole afrair and started off as fast as she could Kansas, we are led to believe, ranks st in all of these, but as a matter stretch and there was a mad scramble.

The President Blushes.

"Mr. President," cried a girl, grabbing You said divide-now In crimes against the person, Kan-didn't you?" and she literally hugged

At college and in college atmosphere, his vote in the primaries, he wan-dered about the college, acting as guide Oregon Shows Decrease.

June 30, 1904, only six states had ings and the treasures in a loving sort

> discipline and behavior, and then launched into a discourse on those very subjects. After it was through, though it was dark and very damp, he insisted on strolling about the cam-pus, talking over college matters with

> the president of the college Dr. Swain.
> He isn't very fond of having delegations greet him when he is on a train. The formality tires him. All formality does. He has abolished uniforms on his aides; he carries, with him only a stenographer to take his speeches; he never writes out a speech heforchand. He rarely even divulges what he is going to talk about.

# AMONG FRENCH PEOPLE

Paris, Nov. 15.—That there are in France alone more than 100,00 hunch-backs and over a million people whose backbones are bent in a way nature never intended they should be, is the contention of Dr. Calot, in a paper read Mefore a surgical congress here. Dr. Calot has made a lifelong study of the vertebral column and its allments and is considered an authority on the subject all over France.

The specialist declared that out of every 100 girls, 10 were more or less afflicted with curvature of the spine. He added that all "corsets," braces and similar "engines of torture," are of little value and only serve to "conceal the malady and hide the misery."

Show Stimulates Enlistment.

New York, Nov. 15.—The great military spectacle at Madison Square Garden last week attracted enormous crowds and proved a remarkable success in more than one way. If it was intended to help the universal peace move-ment by demonstrating clearly the horrors of war, the show must be adjudged a complete failure. Instead of inspir-ing the spectators with fear and horror the spectacle aroused in a most unex-pected manner the martial spirit dormant in many apparently commonplace and peaceful persons. It must be atgo farther and farther away (in time) tributed to this stirring exhibition that during the week of the show the re-cruiting stations of the United States army in this city, usually quite deserted, were crowded with applicants anxious to exchange their civilian garments for Uncle Sam's military uniform.

DIRECTORS OF THE PORTLAND ROWING CLUB FOR 1914



These men will handle the affairs of the Portland Rowing club during the 1914 season, which is expected to be the most successful ever enjoyed by the Organization. The directors, from left to right, are-Top row-H. G. Chickering, H. E. Judge, W. J. Patton. Bottom row-A. A. Pfaender, J. Letz and

stretches more than half a mile north-

A famous English divine once laid

The hyperdermic needle-that new

terror to the girl who walks out alone-has now a record officially in the police

young men later found to have occupied

is their sister and order a taxicab. Just as they are about to put their

still unconscious girl into the cab, sev-

eral girl friends of the victim appear, recognize her, and cry "Why, she has

he young men immediately get into

the cab and drive off. The girl is at-tended by an ambulance surgeon, sum-

vive until eight hours later.

sits enjoying the pictures.

no brothers."

### MURPHY MAY BE DEFEATED BUT HIS SMILE BEAMS ON

Tammany Boss, in Imminent Danger of Being Deposed, Appears Not Least Perturbed at the Prospect; Heartless Hennessy Is Loose Again.

By Gotham-Knickerbocker.

(By the International News Service.) New York, Nov. 15.—Will some kindly disposed person please take a list of much of New York's moral frailty to the steamship sailings around to Charles "Disintegrating effect" of Central Park. Francis Murphy, chieftan of Tammany Hall?

Mr. Murphy is game. He knows how to resign his self imposed task of managing the affairs of New York city and department of the city after much has New York state, Mr. Murphy merely been said in ridicule of stories of this smiles. But members of Tammany Hall modern successor to "knock out drops." are anxious to raise the cry "The Chief A young girl faints in the semi-dark-is dead! Long live the Chief!" And, ness of a moving picture theatre. She if, judging from the talk in the vicinity is carried to the sidewalk, where two of Fourteenth street, the Tammany minor leaders have their way, Mr. Murphy will either resign or be bounced unceremoniously into the cold.

Already Tammany assembly district eaders, district captains and wardheelers are excitedly discussing a prob-able successor to Mr. Murphy, Tom able successor to Foley, former sheriff, is the name most frequently heard, but as a matter of fact, there is little probability of Foley ever becoming the "chief." There are several reasons for this, the main one being that Foley has had too close an association with the underworld, has association with the underworld, has discovers a tiny pin prick, evidently too many friends of questionable character, to permit his occupying an office always the center of attack for the met-

ropolitan press.

The name of United States Senator O'Gorman has been linked with that of "Big Tom" Foley, as a possible suc-cessor to Murphy. Senator. O'Gorman, late of the New York state supreme court, may not like the linking of his name with Foley. Whether he warms to the suggestion that he succeed Murphy, only O Gorman could say, In order to "fire" Charley Murphy,

Tammany Hall may have to change the personnel of its executive committee. That committee may remove the lead-er of Tammany at any time it pleases -if it pleases. But the present executive committee of Tammany Hall is com-posed of—Charles Francis Murphy, or rather Charles Francis Murphy absolutely controls every member of the committee, which shows just how clever a Chief Murphy has been. In the days of "Dick" Crocker, James

J. Martin, who has since quit Tammany Hall, was a member of the executive committee, and at many of its meet ings, he very frankly and quite plainly told Crocker just what he thought of him. But there is no member of the committee today who would dare tell "Chief" Murphy what he thinks about

Curses! Heartless Hennessy! He is n again!

Just as Tammany contractors and "bagmen" were beginning to come out the front door justead of the back entrance, and to appear in their accus-tomed haunts undisguised, there came the alarming news that Governor Glynn will unleash Sulzer's watch dog of the state again. So the election isn't the only thing

Tammany has to be unhappy about.

"Reserve your table for New Year's." A man from out of town would be surprised to see this sign in New York res taurants now. But as a matter of fact, two months isn't any too early to make the reservation for the famous eve. New Year's Eve is Broadway's own hollday. At no time does the gay white way kick its beslippered toe so high,

cause the tinfoiled corks to pop so fre-

quently, and behave so much like Paris

at its liveliest-or a bit worse. As the theatrical district creeps farther and farther north on Manhattan Island, every year the question arises, where will it stop? A natural bar-rier would seem to be the south end of Central Park, at Fifty-ninth street. If it continues up along Broadway, it must

cratic side streets. But some such thing will probably happen. Gasoline Row did not hesitate. It now starts half mile south of Fiftyninth strest, swings around the south-west corner of the park and then

from upper Fifth avenue, and its aristo-

the most closely guarded "trade union" in the world, is apparently stronger than ever. Its sole rival, the "Little Board," or

offered for sale at the ridiculous price of \$100. And the brokers on the "Big Board" are complaining because the price of their seats has fallen from \$90,000 to \$40,000.

Movies Oust Legitimate Drama.

New York, Nov. 15.—The Criterion theatre, long one of the leading play-houses in New York and in the very heart of the theatrical district, is to become a moving picture theatre. Just how soon the change will be made depends upon the degree of success of the attraction now running at that theatre. Judging from present indications, the run of the play will probably not close show 'feature films" in that theatre for which prices of admission as high as \$1 can be charged, and to use the house as directly behind the girl, say she a sort of advertising venture for the films of the producing company.

> Urges Domestic Service as Career. London, Nov. 15, - Mrs. Cloudesley Brereton is leading an educational campaign to spread what she calls the old-fashioned ideas of the well bred English gentlewoman concerning servants.

moned by a policeman and does not re-That the women leaders of England from feudal times on have never be-In the back of her neck the surgeon kitchen science is her contention. She of a small hyperdermic needle as she The monopoly of the New York Stock educated women.

Exchange in the selling of high class securities, which has caused it to be called

Consolidated Exchange is out at elbows from a lack of business. Recently the exchange itself bought in a membership

lieved they lost casts by understanding believes most servant troubles are due to the mistress' ignorance. She advo-cates domestic service as a career for educated women.

## ABUSE HEAPED UPON JAPANESE OFFICIALS BY VICIOUS AGITATORS

Due to Popular Conception of Foreign Policy.

Tokio, Nov. 15 .- The assassination of Mr. Abe, the director of the Political Bureau of the Japanese Foreign formation regarding the proposed Office, is attributed here to the virulent abuse showered on the government at all times of crisis by the local press, Further details of the murder show

ninister at Peking, at Shimbashi Station, On walking back to his house he was set upon by two rufflans, hidden ield his hands from behind the other

death resulted the next morning. One of the murderers committed 'seppuku" in time-honored fashion, whilst another was arrested on board a steamer, trying to make his escape out of the country to Dairen, An accomplice surrendered to the metropolitan police. A remarkable letter was left behind by Mitsuru Okada, the assassin, who

committed "seppuku" in the house of Chiryo Sumloka, Tsukudo-Sho, Ushi-Murderer Leaves Letter.

The young man had asked Mr. Sumoka to inform the Inspector-General of Police of his whereabouts, and while Mr. Sumioka was gone he committed

seppuku, sitting upon a map of China six feet square. The missive is as fol-"I stabbed Mr. Abe, Director of the

Political Bureau. Why did I commit the nurder? "Japanese diplomacy has now reached

the limit of weakness. See what the diplomatic authorities are doing with regard to the present Chinese problem. The government's policy toward China at present has been solely drawn chrysanthemums and ivy, and the orthe weakness of Japanese diplomacy. In the weakness of Japanese diplomations. The present critical time he is behaving Miss Effic Pennick rendered a vocal himself as if he did not have the grave solo, Mrs. H. M. Huff gave a reading

affairs of the state at heart.
"Thinking of the present and future of the nation, and being impressed with regards as to its destiny, I have decided to sacrifice my life for the purpose of reminding the authorities of the nature of the spirit of the nation by assassin-ating the man. The act is the outcome of my sincere wishes for the welfare of

Vice to Be Movie Feature. New York, Nov. 14 .- The moving picture business has already grown to enormous proportions and is still develop-ing with rapid strides. There seems to be no limit to the enterprise and advertising ability of the film companies. Now it is reported that they contemplate to invade the field of "vice plays," and the Universal Film company has made a dramatization of the report of the Rockefeller committee on the white slave traffic. Films will be prepared which will be advertised under the title "The Traffic in Souls." These pictures, which, it is said, will be even more realistic than the scenes of the vice plays, are to be produced under the direction of the Travelers' Aid society and other until spring, but whenever the play should be taken off the "movies" will fare of young and inexperienced girls in move in. It is said that the concern the large cities of the country. The pictures are to be given a tryout at one of the New York houses in the near future.

SPECIAL MEETING AT

Girl Qualifies for Life Job.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 15 .- Mollie Mc Cafferty, chambermaid at the Hotel Hoffman, is now a life fixture at that Because the Irish girl put hostelry. Because the Irish girl put steeplejacks to shame she has earned \$25 and a soft job for the rest of her life.

Mollie climbed out on a sign sus

pended from the third story of the hotel on Woodward avenue and placed 300 electric light bulbs in it.

A motorcycle headlight that uses a

# SELLWOOD BOARD OF TRADE WILL DISCUSS CHARTER AMENDMENTS

Assassination of Director Abe Thirteenth' Street Improvements Are Rapidly Being Completed.

Sellwood, Nov. 15 .- That the people at

large have not been given complete in-

amendments to the city charter to be voted upon December 9 is the assertion of J. W. Campbell, of the Sellwood Board of Trade. The board will consider them at its meeting Tuesday. that He had gone to meet Mr. Ijuin, late The hard surfacing and replacing of streetcar tracks upon East Thirteenth street, from the Golf Links to Malden avenue, is being completed rapidly. behind the garden gate, and whilst one From the links to Spokane avenue worl on the car tracks is completed, while plunged a dagger into his stomach, in- all that remains to be done on street work is about three days' labor flicting a mortal wound, from which in asphalting scattered stretches. North of Spokane the our company will com-

> paving company has made little prog-Work on the Lambert avenue sewer. which will serve the East Sellwood district and connect with the Insley avenue sewer, is progressing satisfactorily. and will be completed about January L. Yesterday blasting was done on his boulders in East Nineteenth street. Jacobson & Bade are the contractors.

plete its work within a week, but the

The ladies of Blackmar circle will give a bazaar Thursday, November 20, in Wall's hall, East Thirteenth and Lexington streets. Dinner will be

served from 5 to 7 o'clock.

Miss Mabel Blosser, of Spokane avenue and Fifteenth street, who is to marry William Rickson, of Tenino avenue and Fifteenth street, within a few days, was the recipient of a delightful surprise shower Friday evening in the main lobby of the Y. M. C. A., at which nearly 150 friends were present. As the date of the wedding has been keen to be seen to be se date of the wedding has been kept se-cret, the many splendid wedding presents were brought to this affair. The building was beautifully decorated with wood M. E. church played selections. and sang a character song, and Miss Mildred Pierce contributed several viclin solos. Light refreshments were served. The affair was arranged by Mrs. Dr. J. W. Lehrman, Mrs. Hugh Knipe, Mrs. Alice Goodwin and Mrs. H. M. Huff. M. Huff. Sunday morning in Sellwood Method-

ist church Mrs. Felt, who has been engaged in mission work in India for 15 consecutive years, and who is now returning to her work there, after a furlough of a year and a half, will deliver an address. Her husband was formerly Methodist district superintendent in Jubbal Pur district, in which there are 10,00,0000 people, and where 500,000 people are served by one missionary.

In the evening the services will be closed with the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, conducted by Prof. J. W. Mc-Dougal, superintendent of the Portland district of the Oregon Methodist con-ference. This Sunday evening service will close a week of personal evanger-ism, conducted by the young people of the church. This was a part of the universal observance during the week of the "Win My Chum" movement. which was directed by Rev. Wilbur F. Sheridan, general secretary of the Epworth League, with headquarters

# MILWAUKIE MONDAY

New Schoolhouse and School Tax Levy to Be Discussed.

Milwankie, Or., Nov. 15,-A special meeting of the taxpayers of Milwaukie school district will be held at 8 p. m. Monday in the schoolhouse to discuss the matter of securing a new school-house and to fix the school tax levy for the coming year. Milwaukie grammar and high school had, during October, a total enrollment

of 266, with an average daily attendance

of 254, or 97 per cent. These figures are approximately the same as those for the corresponding period of last year. This coming week an interclass indoor baseball league for girls will be organized, with Principal R. Goetz as coach.
Upon complaint that cars of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company were being run over the new concrete

culvert just south of Milwaukie at a dangerous rate of speed, the company notified its employes Thursday not to exceed four miles an hour over the structure, and to run still more slowly if that speed proved dangerous. The women of St. John's Catholic church will give a bazaar, with dinner and supper, December 5 and 6, in

Grange hall here. A country fair will

be a feature, Herbert Williams moved to Milwaukle from Oak Grove Tuesday. H. H. McGovern returned Wednesday

from a short business trip to Newport. Cyrus R. Arnett, a recent arrival from Indiana, purchased a few days ago from A. B. Kammerer lot 6 at Irving and Adams streets. The property, which is 50 by 100 feet, is improved with a five-

SUPERINTENDENT SPEAKS AT SELLWOOD SCHOOL

Selwood, Nov. 15 .- City Superintenddent of Schools L. R. Alderman addressed an audience of over 250 people who filled to overflowing the assemb hail of Selwood school Friday night at a meeting of the Sellwood Parent-Teacher organization. The president, Mrs. W. H. Beard, presided. O. M. Plummer, of the board of education who was scheduled to speak, was un-able to be present. The Sellwood school orchestra made its first public appears ance. Miss Lillian Ward sang a solo and Mrs. Rev. F. H. Hayes contributed

At the pext meeting in December, as address will be delivered by Nirs. Aristens Felts, president of the Oregon Congress of Mothers.

Bermuda to Have Hanging, Hamilton, Bermuda, Nov. 15 -- II Armstrong, a negro, was so day to be hanged for the Chesterfield Paul, also a ne-

