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The world is such stuff as ideas are made of. Thought possesses all things. But the world is not unreal. It extends infinitely beyond our private consciousness, because world of a universal mind --Josiah Royce.

THE END

will swing off into 1914.

As 1913 passes on and we look! these United States.

the farms, and to more than one generation of experience. half the value of the railroads of for every man, woman and child in . the United States

It has been a year marked by tremendous strides in national and social progress. As never before, men in all walks are constrained to admit that society is its brother's and a leader. keeper. The proof appears in legis- kinds of performances, but it never amelioration of mankind.

In government, there has been

creasing health, a lenghtened span sum of average per capita knowledge. Nor have we been torn with Civil war as were the hapless Mexicans. We are not divided into midst of famine, or pestilence as are people in many parts of the world.

Nor are we subservient supplistanding helplessly by while a Gen- to the small property owner. ghis Khan strikes off our heads and trembling under the lash and it in assessments.

the passing year.

PANAMA CANAL TOLLS

after the canal shall have been suc- hazard plan of fixing assessment THERE is abundant evidence of cessfully operated for two years, if, valuations. It is a system that, as the revenues derived from tolls of heavier burden on the small home the American constwise trade shall of the big property baron. ment and sanitation in the canal the Somers system with its accurate velopment in a year. zone, the president may put the valuations. free tell provision in force, prowided all diplomatic questions conberning it have been settled

above conditions are met, that American vessels in the coastwise trade shall pay the same tolls as other vessels

The resolution imposes conditions which propably never can be met, that the American tin plate industing than half of and villages.

If free tolls to American vessels try must go to the wall. The News which probably never can be met. are an advantage to them, it is not says: Britain would ever cousent to re-Britain would ever consent to re- of an academic doctrine of forcing com- cent over the 1912 crop. Dairy Houston Texas, the last two years, and cede from her present position. It petition upon our workmen, the Demo- products were valued at more than the result is that other cities in the is not possible that the railroads cratic administration is bound to de: \$21,000,000, an increase of \$5,000. Lone Star state are following Houston. would withdraw their opposition to stroy, or greatly cripple, certain indusarrangement which stimulates the best.

means perpetuation of tolls.

long-standing American policy, cent of the American output. the United States or Mexico:

OALLY

Canal.

A FAULTY SYSTEM

■IRCUIT JUDGE CLEETON holds that there is ground for a suit against the school levy. He finds that there is question as to the legality of the notice of the school meeting, and question also as to the legality of calling a meeting for one place and holding it at another.

The levy is accordingly to be sub-NIGHT the bells will ring out facts and the law will be finally mentable deterioration in the qualthe knell of the departing year, considered. Whether or not the ity of tin products available to the and the people of the world proceeding will end in the voiding American people. The high tariff of the levy, remains to be seen.

back upon its lights and shadows, one paramount fact will stand but for inferior tin plate, which fact, its joys and sorrows, there presses unchallenged; no other school meet- taken in connection with current in upon us a realization that it was ing like the latest one should ever prices, has resulted in high prices a-year of splendid achievement in be held in Portland. Orderly processes cannot come out of disorder. ticles purchased. The farms of the country yielded Sane and lawful government cannot an incomparable bounty, placed in originate in proceedings in which opening up competition will be jusfigures at \$10,000,000,000. It is a a full lung and a big voice count tified by tin plate. American manstupendous total of wealth, equal far more heavily in the deliber- ufacturers will find they must comto one fourth the entire value of ations than a first class idea or a pete in quality as well as in price.

A crowd of estimable and respect the country. It is more than \$100 able ladies and gentlemen made up the assembly, but none the less the occasion was near mob rule. There were awful moments when all that seemed necessary to have a hanging companies in Ohio. This is an atwith the directors as star performers was the appearance of a rope

before sheltered anything just like pected way. the school meeting. It is not a status that can properly be charged ures that are universally admitted other persons who performed, beof the average man. The breaking licus of money and with tremenexample of the entry of a greater ing one another, obviously contribhuman brotherhood into public life utes to exactly such turbulence and than has ever been known before. turmoil. It is the fault of the sys- vision by the casualty companies.

school levy is in the courts.

AN INJUSTICE

be made in his assessment. Indeed, no employer against such suits. ants petitioning a King John for a increase can be made in these assess-Magna Charta. We are not despair- ments, for the reason that that class Ohio compensation law and a simi- would make the petition represent pubing fugitives, fleeing from Alaric of property is assessed at its full value of compensation law and a similar on the large of property is assessed at its full value of compensation law and a similar on the large of property is assessed at its full value of compensation law and a similar on the large of property is assessed at its full value of compensation law and a similar of property is assessed at its full value of compensation law and a similar of property is assessed at its full value of compensation law and a similar of property is assessed at its full value of compensation law and a similar of property is assessed at its full value of property is as a second of property is as a second for our lives. We are not helpless ment which would equalize the burden companies there. The attorney gen-

piles them up at the gates of a con- in Baltimore, true in Portland, and written which undertook to give of paying circulators continues, practically every measure must be initiated quered city. Nor are we martyrs true everywhere. The big property insurance against injuries resulting in that manner, but I am confident the stoned and burned to death for con- owner is always able to take care from failure to comply with safety time will come when the duties of science sake. We are not poor of himself, and obviously insists opinion the insurance commissioner of the Slav. that he does not get the worst of that state compelled all casualty of that state compelled all casualty special compensation.

On the contrary, we are a free, others to do so. It is for that rea- them of their ground of attack ers or vehicles on election day, which sovereign, militant people, rich in son that small property owners against the compensation act. If have both been prohibited by the corall the gifts of the world, and as everywhere are always caught for a they could not write a contract in-such in renewed faith and sublime full assessment, just as Mayor Pres-suring against such losses resulting confidence we speed the parting of ton says. The Baltimore executive from such causes, they had no reaadded:

The difficulties of taxation are practi-cal ones. It is very easy to assess a cumstances, house worth \$1000 with land under it. The matter has been suggested

to American coastwise vessels. of the tax power is lost by reason The suspension would be subject of the inequalities in valuations. to these conditions: At any time it is a loss attributable to the hapin the judgment of the president, Mayor Preston insists, throws a

TIN PLATE IMPORTATIONS

from the United States. The Underwood tariff law is blamed for the fact, and the prediction is made that the American tin plate indus-

Congress should view the canal 15 per cent ad valorem; in the its greatest progress in the dairyfrom the American people's stand- Payne-Aldrich law it was 1,2 cents ing industry. point. When the Hay-Pauncefote a pound, about 40 per cent ad va- The value of Oregon's grain and franchise values exceed 80 per cent of treaty was negotiated a provision lorem. The Welsh manufacturers hay crops in 1913 was \$38,440,000, all the assessed values. was incorporated in the document have booked orders for about 40, as compared with \$43,488,000 in encouraged in every way, and so would which gives Great Britain the sem- 000 tons for delivery to American 1912. The greater part of this de- all classes of business and regitimate blance of ground for objection to canning and oil concerns between crease is chargeable against wheat, professions by such a reasonable ex-

adopting a canal program which prove that the prohibitive tariff ad- moving rapidly toward diversified -vocates are predicting disaster for farming. The charging of tolls to coastwise the American industry because of

Tolls are not collected on the great Under high tariff tin plate im- Livestock on the farms increased lakes, where the government has ports were insignificant in amount, nearly \$2,000,000 in value. There spent millions of dollars. Tolls are averaging 2000 tons for several was a falling off of 780,000 boxes in not collected on any river improved years preceding 1912, and dropping the apple crop, but the 1913 apples by the United States. As a domes- in that year to less than 150 tons. gained \$1,000,000 in value over tic policy, tolls should be charged That was when the people were the 1912 crop. Miscellaneous farm on government improved highways taxed \$40 on each \$100 worth of products scored substantial advances, if American coastwise ships are re- tin they used. Now they are to so that the year closes the best

There is no question about high be competition in quality of output as well as in price.

The history of tin plate in the United States since the McKinley tariff went into effect is that. jected to the vicissitudes of a fur-through exclusion of the foreignther court hearing in which the made article, there has been a lahas not produced apparent high Whatever may be the outcome, prices, but it has been accountable through decreased value of the ar-

President Wilson's program for

THEIR BLUNDER

N THEIR campaign for business in Oregon, some of the casualty companies are falling into ways titude of unfriendliness to the Workmen's Compensation law, an heavy loss of business in an unex-

The Oregon compensation act provides that an injured workman can passed two great constructive meas against the tumultuous ladies and elect to sue his employer or take compensation under the act whento be for the welfare of the whole cause the scheme of holding such ever it is determined by the comcountry, and especially for the profit a meeting for the spending of milfrom the failure of the employer to of party lines in their passage is dously conflicting interests confront-

Much is being made of this pro-Meanwhile, we of the United tem, and the system should be aban- They are making a campaign over States have been blessed with in- doned for a more enlightened plan. the state and urging upon employers It is the system that is chiefly this provision, which they claim is of life, and a constantly increasing responsible for the fact that the a vital weakness of the act. They represent the desire of 8 per cent of the say that the liability statutes are so broad and so indefinite in terms tain amount of money. that most accidents can be said to armed camps with evil omens on the horizon. Nor are we in the taxation, Mayor Preston of still has a right under the compensidet of famine or postilenes as result from violations of them. taxation, Mayor Preston of still has a right under the compen- gained, it certainly could be done more The citizen of moderate he pleases, that the compensation of means owning a small house is airead; act really gives no protection to the rather than in securing signatures of

prisoners in a war of conquest of taxation, would be a distinct benefit eral of Ohio held that a valid casuground under the lash and it is assessments.

ground under the iron heel of a He has time, moreover, to take companies to cease writing such conmeasures or candidates is no less un-

son to criticise the law for permit-The difficulties of taxation are practi- ting rights of suit under such cir-

ONGRESSMAN A DAMSON, body can assess fairly and justiy at to the insurance commissioner in chairman of the house commit- \$1500. But when it comes to \$20,000 Oregon, and he is of the opinion to the sum total of not to exceed \$1550 business superstructure will need to tee on interstate and foreign or \$30,000 property, such as warehouses that he has ample powers to make to any one taxpayer, according to ascommerce, proposes another great differences of contributions, there are the same exactions of the casualty sessed values. commerce, proposes another great differences of opinion possible. Some opponents of the same exactions of the casualty sessed values.

Some opponents of the idea use production must take place. This improduction must take place. This improduction must take place. This improduction must take place. The mine was located at the property. Fair investigation would the property thought of a representative of the cultrace the vein back into the mountains.

AGRICULTURE IN OREGON

vessels other than those engaged in owner and lightens the tax burden matched by progress in the smaller own a third of them. He does not own question. Better a peaceful change to be sufficient to defray the cost of That is why strong secret pres- munitles grew wonderfully in 1913, the town and city lots, nor the vast be driven back into the dark night of operating and maintaining the canal, sure has been exerted to prevent but their growth was not out of pro-

The state's fruit crop in 1913 and it will enable the "land poor" farm-This is only one instance, but it is a was valued at more than \$9,000,- ers to dispose of their surplus holdings stroy, or greatly cripple, certain indus-tries, even though its motives are of 000 in a year. This 31 per cent wanted in a community always attracts

There was an increase of nearly shipping would be a reversal of a competition amounting to five per \$1,000,000 in the value of the state's production of vegetables. ever known by Oregon farmers.

Efficient service was rendered protection having built up a large farmers by the Oregon-Agricultural tin plate industry in the United College. That institution produced States, and neither is there ques- the 300-egg hen as one of the year's tion about the ability of that in- big accomplishments. It was proved dustry to stand on its own feet at that pedigree is not so essential in the present time. Competition will securing laying qualities as proper ultimately benefit it, for there will crossing, careful feeding and good housing.

The year was marked by a well defined movement for placing the landless man on the manless land. The Oregon immigration commission is seeking out the highest class of European emigrants, families who wish to locate on the land. This movement is bound to have its influence on agriculture in the state. It is a movement along the right line, for Oregon's greater possibilities are found in Oregon's soil.

Letters From the People

(Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 300 words in length and must be accompanied by the name and address of the sender. If the writer does not desire to have the name published, he should so state.)

"Discussion is the greatest of all reformers. It rationalizes everything it touches. It robs principles of all false sanctity and throws them back on their reasonableness. If they have co ableness, it ruthlessly crushes them of existence and sets up its own conclusions in

Initiative Petitions.

Washington, Dec. 24 .- To the Editor of The Journal-It has been quite generally agreed that under the system of paid circulation of initiative and refer endum petitions two evils exist-the submission of many measures for which attitude that in Ohio resulted in a there is no popular demand, and the forging of signatures. To remove these evils I shall propose an initiative measure prohibiting payment for circulation of petitions but placing no restriction upon the right of the people to circulate petitions for any measure in which they feel an interest.

One of the fundamental purposes of the Oregon system is to increase the power of men and decrease the power of money. I am surprised, therefore, to find that there are some sincere advocates of better government who oppose the plan of prohibiting paid circulation of petitions. Most of those who oppose my bill acknowledge that it is right inprinciple but say it will not work satisfactorily in practice. I contend that if it is right in principle it will ultimately be adopted and will work in practice.

An initiative petition is supposed It does no such thing. resents merely the expenditure of a cer-

Possibly circulation serves to notify about 10 per cent of the voters that the measure is being sation act to sue in such cases if effectively by expending the money in the printing and circulation of copies voters to a petition which few take the time to read

The adoption of my suggested bill lic opinion, for the number of volunteer of gaining a livelihood. Who wants circulators would be in proportion to prosperity in Oregon? Then get busy

There is no doubt of it. It is true alty insurance contract could not be I admit that so long as the custom Baltimore, true in Portland, and written which undertook to give of paying circulators continues, prac-

care of his interests, or to employ tracts. The result was to deprive representative than the hiring of work-

JONATHAN BOURNE JR.

Home Tax Exemption.

tion amendment now seeking initiative mind that will divest itself of prejudice signatures proposes to exempt the home self-interest and preconceived opinions and the things a man or woman uses Economic freedom, I think, is the anto make a living with in the nature of swer to humanity's problem, but in or-

suspend operation of the provision of the canal act granting free passage. The estimate is that one fourth in Obio. a joint resolution to conditionally property owner, and that the assess companies be carried to extremes, the property. Fair investigation would afficulties. So devoted have the people thought of a representative of the culture of in land and still have no more taxes to effect its dislodgement, but in my to pay. Yet the opponents of the measure assume and declare that the exemptions would be borne by the farm- this question. There is no other road Portland's advance along ma- of reason, they assume that in Wash- was timely and to the point and it beterial lines. Progress in Ore- ington county the farmer owns the land hooves all thinking men and women to gon's metropolis has been values, when in actual fact he cannot apply their minds to this the greatest cities and, villages. Urban comthe rallroads, the franchises of public a lumaniturian and Christian business as well as the expense of govern- adoption in Multnomah county of portion to Oregon's agricultural de-ment and sanitation in the causal the Company and the causal t naked, raw land values and \$1500 in Oregon farms will grow anything improvements and personal property Leeded to sustain a human being, and The Journal today prints facts of out a cent more in taxes. The increase will be taken up by others. If It is the intention, until all the THE Buffalo News bewails the are illuminating, for they show that do well to get in some closer neighbors are illuminating. fact that Welsh tin plate man-Oregon's prosperous cities have the ufacturers are reporting orders and how a fittle social life. The values has just been submitted to congress? ufacturers are reporting orders land back of them. Oregon has an jacent to Portland would be greatly in-

ton county, with millions of capital,

increase in 12 months is further evi- more of it. Wherever in the civilized The present duty on tin plate is dence that Oregon bids fair to show world homes have been exemption from ber, quality and beauty. In many counties in Oregon the land, railroad and the average rate of 11.4 per cent, as free tolls. The United States govnow and next June. The American but the figures are inspiring, for emption as this measure proposes. In connection with other statistics on time in the same manner by \$80,000 tons a year. The figures they show that Oregon farmers are and time in the same manner by 800,000 tons a year. The figures they show that Oregon farmers are sessed values. The proposed measure could

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE

Tom Lawson does things in a big President Wilson is 57, yet not very Secretaries McAdeo and Houston havean unenviable job.

As a "regional" center Portland certainly cannot be surpassed. The Mexican generals seem not Loan sharks in many cities are having trouble, but none too much

The good-will flavor of Christmas should last throughout the winter. Once in a long while a sheriff resists a mob bent on lynchng a negro

What many cities dislike in urrency law is that it does furrency law is that it does ride for more regional banks. doesn't pro-Mexico will have another president

soon, it is reported. One is overdue. Huerta has hung on a long time. Does a man who has been hungry a good while and gets a big Christmas feed feel all the worse afterward? It is seldom that a divorced man

gets ailmony but why shouldn't he, his wife is rich and in the wrong? Chinese eggs, arrived via Seattle, will be eaten by few people who know they are such, unless for lack of the price of Oregon eggs, . .

Republican leaders want to "eliminate Rogsevelt" as a political factor; think other progressives would then come back. Easy thought; impossible task.

It as liquor that caused the death of 72 persons, mostly children and women, at Calumet, Mich. It is liquor that causes nearly half the crimes and doniestic troubles. Is it strange that there are prohibitionists?

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

The Standard says Stanfield "needs more farmers and more farmers need Stanfield's many and unequaled ad-vantages." And there you are.

Officials in charge of paving at Eugene have adopted the policy of narrow paving outside the business district or off main thoroughfares. In some cases the width will be but 24 feet.

snow was four feet deep. We finally reached Portland, where Mr. Way spent the winter, while I spent the winter in Yamhill county.

"When a man gets the gold fever in

their automobiles.

company will be organized.

Corvallis Gazette Times: The most interesting fact in connection with the figures of Multnomah county's assessment is that while 5465 dogs were found by the assessor in 1912, there were 880 listed in 1913. What's the

It's not so much the high cost as it's who gets it, in the view of the La Grande Observer, which says: "And cordwood has also taken its place with other commodities to help the high of living along. But few people regret paying the man who chops and hauls the wood his price, for most of us know the labor attached to the job. No middleman gets his when you buy cordwood from the boys who do the work."

equal share in all claims discovered and located. The destination of the ship should be determined by a majority vote.

"We sailed on April 21, 1852, with 63

OIL AND THE MONROE DOCTRINE

From the Review of Reviews. The most significant phase of the fields. Mexican situation, aside from the question of our responsibility, through the Monroe Doctrine, to bring about order the federals and rebels, is a large oil the efforts of a powerful British syndi- believed to be a part of the Standard cate, headed by the Pearsons, to control. Oil company, and the Cowdray or Pearthe oil-bearing regions of Mexico and son interests have been rivals in the other Caribbean countries. Sir Weetman Tampico region for years, besides which Pearson, whose title is Lord Cowdray, and who has been at the head of the British railway interests in Mexico for warships of the world are being built to some years, figured in the newspapers very largely during November and De- lest naval power on earth is naturally cember because of the action of the very anxious to secure control of every congresses of several of the Latin-American countries, believed to have been influenced by the United States. in refusing to sanction executive son interests to develop oil regions within their borders.

concession involving large sections of Colombia reputed to be oil-bearing, and including the right to construct harbor works and canals, which had been by President Restrepo last April, failed of confirmation in the Colombian senate late in November, and the Pearsons announced that they would make no further effort in that direction. The Costa Rican congress, on December 13. declined to permit the Pearsons to develop the oil regions of that republic, and later it was announced that Ecuathe bill which voters - could read. dor also was not willing that these the American continent.

> would not exempt an inch of land, a capital and dividend record of this sort foot of railroads, rolling stock or busi- is possible. ness buildings-only homes and means Who wants with the exemption measure.

ALFRED D. CRIDGE.

Humanity's Crucifixion. Portland, Dec. 30 .- To the Editor of of The Journal, you made a stroke for humanity's cause, Your statement was plete. The history of the human race is but an extended recital of long continued crucifixion, tragedy, that is not yet ended but which threatens to become even yet more terrible. This tragedy is the result of ignorance and human greed, and may be remedied by removing these two prime causes.

The conditions you portray constitute the shame and plague-spot of our ad-Portland, Or., Dec. 31.—To the Editor vanced civilization. The remedy is near of The Journal—The home tax exempath at hand and. I think, apparent to every difficulties. So devoted have the people thought of a representative of the cul- trace the vein back into the mountains. that it will require a tremendous force

Socialism offers the only solution of This is because, without a shadow for civilization to travel. Your editorial

What Cheer For 1914?

By John M. Oskison,

Have you seen the annual report of of the best answers made lately to the and the future black?

that national banks are commercial banks-that is, they take in the deposits of business people, and make short loans to other business peo. That is how they make their ple. profits. If business is stagnant, naturally the profits of the national banks fall lower than in brisk times. I call your attention to this ftem in the compa troller's report:

"Based on capital and surplus, the gross earnings of national banks during the fiscal year 1913 were greater by over 2 per cent than the year be-And shareholders received on fore. their national bank stock dividends at against an average rate of 11.01 per cent for the preceding five years.
You understand that dividends are

paid on the capital subscribed to keep the national banks sound; and we find that in the past year there has been an increase of 4 per cent in the capital of these banks, as against an increase of 3 per cent in 1912. Certainly business could not have shimned badly when a

Eritish interests should exploit its oil

Tampico, the port of the state of Tamaulipas, which was the scene of a fierce battle on December 12, between The Waters-Pierce there is an alleged Mexican company, the Huastica. In these days, when the consume oil instead of coal, the mightpossible oil supply.

It is not difficult to understand how or the presence of any large vested interadministrative concessions to the Pear- ests of a European power in Caribbean countries in the vicinity of the Panama lage. The Indians took all of the party canal, including the right to construct prisoners. As the ship broke up, the port works and canals, and by inference, later, oiling (fuel) stations, would be not only dangerous to the independence of the Latin-American countries In question, but prejudicial to the vital, It rep- granted by the ministry and approved national interests of the United States The right to exploit natural resources on such a large scale as such concessions would permit would be likely to involve a dominating influence by Europe on the governments of these countries in such a way that it would be in effect as much a violation of the Monroe Doctrine as the alienation to these European powers of territory on

Clearing house transactions through-The Journal In your editorial, "The drafts drawn by one business man in From there they were brought to Ports Day's Meaning," in the Christmas issue favor of another, or against another, in land. Some of the men who concise and yet comprehensive and com- or debit of the banks which are mem- of gold but they ild not know

> of all the savings of the country. Commercial bankers stand closer to island near what is now called Mitchell's the throttle of business than any other harbor, having been named in honor of men; and they have not found any real our captain, who was the first Amerreason for weeping. On the contrary,

The West and the East. From the New York Globe. west is west and that never the twain covered the gold. shall meet is given another rude jolt ture of the east. There is nothing, for It turned out to be a pocket about eight example, foreign or esoteric in the fol- feet wide and twelve feet deep, running lowing, written by the Hindu in Ben-

"Where the mind is without fear and e head is held high; head is held high; Where knowledge is free; Where the world has not been broken up into fragments by narrow domestic

cerning his desire for his country:

walls:
"Where works come out from the oth of truth: "Where threless striving stretches the

not lost its way into the dreary desert oughly. We found any quantity of good "Where the mind is led forward by We Thee into ever widening thought and wanted was good placer ground.

women's clubs and haren skirts are Alaska. We prospected there until fall, being introduced into the back towns when we came back to Victoria and of China. The world has shrunk a good from there went up the sound to the comptroller of the currency, which many thousand miles in the last 10 Olympia, where we sold our boat and years. Peking used to seem like a place traveled overland back to Oregon, bassin the moon. Now it is a neighboring ing throcity. The Yellow Peril is indeed 7pon valleys." us, but not in the guise that frightened pessimists who say that business is bad Emperor William. The occidentalized east may be offset by the orientalized

Annoving.

(New York Globe.) A Boston man has a son who has just entered school. He was supposed to be enjoying, it but one merning he walked into the dining room, where his father was having his breakfast, and

marked: "I'm tired of going to school, pa. I think I'll stop." "Why?" asked the father. "What is your objection to going to school?"

"Oh," answered the boy, "It breaks up the day so." Trying to Explain.

Washington Star.

pay board."

"Why do so many young men leave the farm?" replied Farmer Corntossel. "in most of the cases I have observed it was because they couldn't earn their salt as farm hands an' wasn't fixed to

IN EARLIER DAYS

By Fred Lockley.

"When I left Scott's Bar, late in the autumn of 1851," said Cy Mulkey of Roseburg, "I persuaded Abraham Way, a former resident of New York city, to come to Oregon with me. The weather Cove is on the way to the building had turned very cold. The night we of a \$20,000 municipal waterworks system, and will provide itself with a new city charter as an incident of the cuuntil there was 30 inches on the level In crossing the Calapoola mountains the

Condon Times: If this snow continues the farmers in Gilliam county will be so prosperous they will be wanting a demonstration train from the O. A. C. to teach them how to run the control of the control lumbia.

"Captain Mitchell was in Portland

portune to attack the present method farm in Yambill county. He wanted me of observing Christmas. to go in with him and buy the ship and make a prospecting trip to Alaska, I The names of 69 young men have been listed by those who are promoting the organization of a company of militia at Letanon, and the Express and saw him and he agreed to go with says it seems that beyond question the ship for \$3000, and fitted her up for a six months' trip. As many people were anxious to go north to prospect, we had no trouble in getting a full passenger

> "We arranged with the captain and the crew to run the ship, agreeing to give them an equal share in all discoveries made on our trip, in lieu of wages. We arranged the matter in this way: The captain, the crew, each of the passengers and oarselves should have an

> aboard. A good many of the people who went over the Chilkoot pass and went up to Dawson think they are sourdoughs because they went in '97. preceded them by about 45 years.

"The report of the gold discoveries in the north had been made by a discharged employe of the Hudson's Bay company in the summer of 1851. The discovery had been made by an Indian in that distressed country, has been center, one of the most important in brought down by the Hudson's Bay man created a good deal of excitement. "A party of 27 men fitted up the

schooner Mariana and sailed up the coast on the east side of Queen Charlotte Island between the mainland and the island. When about half way up the coast of the island, a southeast storm caught them and the captain of the Mariana decided to run into a bay near by for protection. The captain cast anchor not far from the shore, where an Indian village was. As the storm increased in severity the ship parted her anchor chains and the Marlana went ashore just in front of the Indian vilcargo floated ashore.

"The Indians of the far north at that time knew very little about civilization or trading goods. They ripped the flour sacks open, threw the flour away and kept the sacks. They tried to eat the soap, but it was so nasty that in disgust they threw away all the rest of the provisions.

"They held a council and decided to kill the prisoners. The chief of another Indian village, which was much stronger than the village in which the prisoners were held, happened to be there at the time and volunteered to take the prisoners to his own village and keep them until spring.

"In February three of the prisoners were taken to Fort Simpson, a Hudson's bay fort on the mainland. out the United States increased during Indian chief told Governor Douglas tha the year more than 3 per cent; and you he had 24 more white men at his yilknow that these transactions furnish an lage. Captain Douglas of the Hudson's excellent index of the state of business. Bay company sent word to Oregon It is through the clearing houses in arranged with Captain Douglas to go to the larger cities that the checks and the island and bring them to Victoria. a different city, or against another, in held all winter at the Indian village told are passed and charged off to the credit of secing the Indians with a great deal bers. Last year, the total amount of they had gotten it. It was these stories these checks and drafts "cleared" ran that caused the stampede to the north.

close to \$174,000,000,000—the increase "Before going, we learned from one was over five and a half billions; and of the men who had been a prisoner all that is a sum not far short of the total winter that the discovery was on the west side of the island. We sighted the ican who ever sailed a ship into that ther are well satisfied-and optimistic harbor. The harbor was about 20 miles wide at the mouth and 20 miles from the mouth a small arm of water extended back into the main harbor. was about four miles up this smaller The theory that east is east and body of water that the Indian had dis-

"When we arrived at the gold mine in to a wedge shape at the bottom. galese and translated into English con- Hudson's Bay company took \$160,000 out of the mine that season and next year \$60,000 more was taken from the

pocket. "It was the first gold discovered north of California, the discovery being made in May, 1851. The next discovery to be made north of California was at Althouse creek, the following year, and arms toward perfection:

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