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Irresolution in the schemes of life that offer themselves to our choice, and inconstancy in pursuing them, are two of the greatest causes of all our unhappiness.—Joseph Addison.

BOWLBY NOT all the people who opposed Highway Engineer Bowlby did so for selfish reasons. Some did it honestly, possibly from lack of information. Others, like the Columbia county group, did so because of local differences in which Major Bowlby was forced to take sides.

But the main attacks on the Bowlby administration were from those who wanted his job, and from those whose raids on the public, Major Bowlby opposed. He is not the kind of man some contractors want. He is not the kind of man some paying interests want.

CONSCIENCE IN BUSINESS PITTSBURG steel company has declined to enter bid on an order for shells to be delivered to the British government. The refusal was "for humanitarian reasons."

A DYING TRAFFIC THE opium agreement adopted by the Hague conference in 1912 has been signed by representatives of the United States, China and Holland.

ONE ECONOMY MEASURE WE WERE told all along that the transfer of the juvenile court from the circuit to the county court was an "economy" measure.

EARLY AERIAL WARFARE THE bombardment of a ship at sea by an enemy in the air is not a new thing. In the story of the fifth voyage of Sindbad the Sailor as related in "The Thousand and One Nights," it is a record that dates as far back as the tenth century.

concern. It was because of this general view that the juvenile court was originally placed in the circuit court. It has been said that the retirement of Judge Gatens from the juvenile court was desired by some of the politicians on the ground, as they declared, that he was winning too high a reputation.

A BEATEN BILL THE Oregon Senate defeated yesterday, even without discussion, the following bill, which had previously passed the House by a heavy majority:

Section 1. If two or more persons conspire either to commit any offense against the state of Oregon, or to defraud the state of Oregon or any city, or county, or town, or road district, or school district therein, in any manner or for any purpose, and one or more of such parties to such conspiracy do an act to effect the object of the conspiracy, each of the parties to such conspiracy shall be fined not less than the sum of \$10, nor more than the sum of \$10,000, or shall be imprisoned in the county jail not less than thirty days nor more than one year, or shall be imprisoned in the state penitentiary not less than one nor more than five years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

AGAIN THE REVOLVER RICHARD IMENTO started on a maniacal round of revenge last Monday afternoon in the Northern Pacific offices at Seattle. Before he was riddled by policemen's bullets he had killed Charles O. Dryden, a clerk; mortally wounded R. E. Patton, a timekeeper; forced Vera Lockhart, a stenographer, to jump from a second-story window, and fired several shots into a gathering crowd, slightly wounding William Haegel.

THEN AND NOW HISTORY repeats. President Washington, 125 years ago, was, in his thoughts of his country and his remarks to Congress, in almost identical mood with President Wilson today.

THE CONSULAR SERVICE CONGRESS has given a legal status to the merit system of appointments in the consular and diplomatic service. A law recently enacted places this branch of government about on a par with the army and navy, except that no retired pay or pensions are provided for.

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WHAT NEXT IT WAS said at Salem that Highway Engineer Bowlby could be retired, the legislature would increase the appropriation for roads. Major Bowlby has retired. Will there now be an increase in the road fund?

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PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF SMALL CHANGE A man's temper may improve with disuse. Pursuit of wealth is the great human hurdle race. A man who invests his coin in oil stocks is a well wisher.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS The name of the Coon Range school district in northern Lane county, on Scioe river, has been changed to Norkenzie by providing for it a more euphonious name. Defective walks have cost Forest Grove close to \$1000 in the past year, and the council is determined to provide for better pavement on the avenues by forcing the repair of faulty walks.

People Who Live Within Income By John M. Oakison. "I would give," said Samuel J. Tilden, "all the leopardskin of financial phrases that are in the old, homely maxim, 'Live within your income.'"

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THE OREGON COUNTRY "IN EARLY DAYS" By Fred Lockley, Special Staff Writer of The Journal. "When my father, General Joseph Lane, Oregon's first territorial governor, came back from Washington, where he had been a delegate from Oregon in 1852, we came with him," said Mrs. L. F. Mosher of this city.

Registration in liberal arts courses at the university, says the Eugene Guard, "is at its record point, with 85 students enrolled since September 15. The first semester enrollment was 75 and midwinter freshmen numbered 40, 100 former freshmen students made up the remainder."

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