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Be not ashamed to confess you have been in the wrong. It is but owning what you need not be ashamed of-that you now have more sense than you had before, to see your error; more humility to acknowledge it, more grace to correct it .-

AMERICA FIRST

N the same tone of sobering sadness with which Lincoln pleaded for a united country in his presidency, Woodrow Wilson counselled with his countrymen Tuesday night, in an address at Washington.

The two men, each in his time, faced overwhelming issues. Only In the inner precincts of the White House was there knowledge of the tremendous problems that pressed down upon Lincoln. Only in the same inscrutable chambers, is there knowledge of the momentous issues that now weigh down the man who has succeeded to the place of Lincoln.

With the world out of equilibrium, with the clash of armed hosts directly and indirectly laying a blighting touch upon every nation on the planet, President Wilson spoke in a vein remarkably like the closing inaugural of President Lincoln. The words were different but the vision of this Republic and its purpose was the same. He said: No nation is fit to sit in judgment upon any other nation. * * I am not speaking in a selfish spirit when say that our whole duty for the present, is summed up in this motto "America first." Let us think of America before we think of Europe order that America may be fit to be Europe's friend when the day of Test of tested friendship comes. friendship is not now sympathy with the one side or the other, but get ting ready to help ootn sides when the struggle is over

These are words to appeal to the soher judgment of every loyal It is not the part of the busy at the hospital. States to sit in judgment over the fearful conflict in Europe. sympathy to be ready to help both sides and to help all when the inevitable hour of exhaustion and known. restoration comes. In that frightful hour all will need us and need' our aid, and as neutral Americans in a neutral America, we should be in position to have the abiding confidence of all the stricken peoples and thereby be powerful to

be of the greatest service to all. The vision that President Wilson has of the true policy in these tured in his concluding words. They are:

So that what I try to remind my self of every day when I am almost to remember is what the people at home are thinking about. I try out Not the talkative man, not the par-German or English, but who remembers first that the whole destiny of this present struggle, I would be enworthy to represent you. If I permitted myself to forget the people tude of unselfish purpose and digwho are not partisans, I would be nified neutrality. unworthy to represent you. I am not saying that I am worthy to represent you, but I do claim this degree of worlove America.

can it stand?

we should cherish our country, and created great confidence cherish it for the sake of our children whose country and protection it is to be. If we do not, who estedness of the United States. It

SHARING IN PROSPERITY

ONNECTICUT is a manufacturstatement showing aggregate resources and liabilities of state banks and trust companies, without territorial limits as they published in Commerce Reports, is interesting. Comparative figures ings deposits in state banks and trust companies increased \$858,-752; surplus increased \$121,765; loans and discounts, \$1,027,277; stocks and securities, \$164,254; checks and cash items, \$121,619. The net increase in assets and liabilities was \$722,017, a gain of TT 7 ISELY and sanely, the city Fisherman, the Sacramento river the franchise." one per cent in a month.

An even better showing was made by the savings banks. Deposits increased \$618,410, and in- low and Daly were out of sym- terest and profit and loss, \$325,- pathy with the new purchase, and pound and 107,845 eight-curve. terest and profit and loss, \$325,- pathy with the new purchase, and pound and 107,845 eight-ounce clares the New York Evening Sun, My dog is shot, while others run 007. These items were partly off- possibly another member or two cans. set but the savings banks in a questioned the plan. Action was month increased their net liabili- postponed to May 5.

the March increase in deposits, it will go bankrupt. which was at the rate of \$4.396,perity.

THE PAVING OFFER

ERIOUS interest is thrown around road paving in Multnomah county by the offer of R. S. Dulin and R. G. Mc-Mullen to do the work at 60 cents per yard, or under.

They say the seventy miles of paving can be done at a total cost, of \$493,520, including the \$50,000 that would be required for a paving plant to be provided by the county. The sum is \$393.520 less than the estimated cost at the \$1.20 per yard under which the bonds were voted.

These are large figures. They are presented by men who are reputed to be experts in their line.

Mr. Dulin is a chemical engineer of 22 years' experience. For the past five years he has been the official chemist for paving in Portland, Mr. McMullen has been for 13 years district engineer in the paving department in Portland. Last year he was engineer for Roadmaster Yeon in the road work in Multnomah county.

Paving interests say these figures are impossible. But the county commissioners are confronted with the offer, and they cannot afford to ignore it. Nor can the paving men afford to ignore it. To let the contract at higher figures without considering the Dulin-McMullen proposition at all would raise a public scandal that would shake Multnomah county to its foundations and that

A LINCOLN STORY

M. AMANDA KUHN died the other day in Philadelphia at the age of 84. During the Civil war her husband was wounded and she went to Washington with her only baby to nurse him

Mr. Kuhn recovered, but his wife stayed at the hospital to nurse others. There Lincoln became impressed with the woman's devotion to the infured. Her baby attracted the martyred president, and because it was a burden and anxiety to the loyal nurse. Lincoln arranged for the baby's care in the White House while the mother was

Mrs. Kuhn's death. We are a people compounded of the Lincoln's death, is responsible for are touched into the burning by kinsmen of those who are in the the story at this time. It is but fire bugs, is it not somebody's busitrenches on both sides, and our another of the many that mark ness to set about in search of a part is not to judge, but in deep Lincoln a big man-big in ability, remedy? but bigger in heart, one of the biggest men the modern world has

A DESERVED REBUKE

C ECRETARY BRYAN has re-Whatever the admiral's per- judgment of every Portlander, sonal views are, this is no time . If there is no other way for Portdark days of world conflict, is pic- to territorial aggrandizement, to let them note this deadly comparie Joseph, occupation of "the entire North! son: American world segment."

when he said "The idea that a na- fire loss for the year was only covercome by perplexities, what I try tion can grow only geographically \$1,067,205. That is to say, the myself in the place of the man who But it was not because of Admiral in Germany in that year was \$433,- ticket." does not know all the things that I Peary's mistaken idea of national 000 less than was the fire loss in know and ask myself what he would growth that the rebuke was ad- the single city of Portland last though less conspicuous, than the like the policy of this country to be. ministered. It was because this is year. tisan man, not the man that remem- no time for even the obscure citibers first that he is a Republican or zen, much less an officer of the 13 of the chief cities of Germany Post editorially. "Men and women Democrat, or that his parents were navy, to talk about an invasion of have but a little more than twothe integrity of neighbor nations thirds the fire loss of Portland I permitted myself to be a partisan portant for the United States to we are in this city in the matter Catholic." present before the world an atti- of fires?

thiness, that before everything else I the nations on this hemisphere that for the new Portland Chamber of it is the unswerving purpose of Commerce to lead? The way to make America this nation not to seek extension of at Mobile, that President Wilson existence? Like Lincoln and like Wilson, has removed the ancient distrust among the nations of the two is a policy to cement all America

> for the welfare of all. It is a public attitude of even stand that strengthens and heightens the confidence of the belligerserved the Bryan rebuke.

into a close and mutual cooperation

CITY AUTOS

cant when taken in connection with livery and equipage of swelldom,

920 a year. Evidently the manu- not afford it insist on speeding lumbia river's record. facturing states are sharing in pros- about the city in luxurious mawhen men in the public service dethe public's business, and in the Chinook's home port, name of that public The Journal advises a reasonable limitation of expenditures.

Government is partly for the average man. It is mostly for the average man because average men The average man cannot afford the luxuse, and he cannot afford a multiplicity of automobiles for the public use. If government is squared more with the status of the average man, there will be less restlessness and fewer complaints about the cost.

The fact is that public automopiles in the very nature of things. are much used for private purposes. ture of things, much burned for private pleasure. There is so much of this kind of abuse of public automobiles that it is morally certain that, in most cases where there is real necessity for quick transit by public officials, it, would not cost half as much to use machines kept for hire.

PORTLAND'S FIRE LOSS

T is of consequence to the people of Portland that Fire Marshal Stevens declares that 50 per cent of the fires in this city are incendiary.

It is of consequence to the people would not be forgotten in a decade. of Portland that Fire Marshal Stevens declares that \$1,500,000 worth of property in this city was destroyed by fire last year when. under normal conditions, the destruction should not have exceeded \$100,000

Nobody has challenged statements. They are from a source that speaks with authority. It is probable that every insurance man in the city of Portland would back up the fire marshal's asseverations.

With half of Portland's fires cendiary, what is our status? plied to property with the purpose of lighting it into conflagration and destruction, what is our social order? When half the fires that destroyed \$1.500,000 worth of the Chicago news dispatches that diswith the fiftieth anniversary of wealth in this city in a single year appointment on the part of support-

A million and a half of wealth burned up is more than \$6 for more fearful loss are the 16 lives that were sacrificed in the flames. life and property are an indictment recent speech in New York. itself upon the conscience and the

In 1910, in 13 of the largest

Here, then, is the question: If

Is there not in this staggering comparison, abundant reason for It has been the steady policy of an anti-fire movement in Portland? President Wilson to convince all Is there not a great work here

Is there not a great opportunity

THE CHINOOK SALMON

Columbia and Yukon rivers.

where it is found in abundance and of the finest quality.

commission declined to buy pack of Chinooks totaled 17,315 a new automobile yester- one-pound cans. Compared with

Figures concerning this best of Thompson "pleaded the cause of good My choice exotics, one by al' food and game fish are inter- business and the full dinner pail, and

Total deposits in savings banks should call a halt in automobile and eight-ounce cans amounted to in connection with Republican vic-April 1, 1915, were \$315,189,489, buying. The city cannot afford 509,100 tins, and of this amount tories last fall, it assures this indecompared with \$311,831,989 for to maintain its officials in the mil- the Colmubia river furnished nearly pendent New York daily that "If the April 1, 1914, or a gain of \$3,- lionaire class. If it attempts to three-fifths, or 289,464 cans. Alaska presidential election were to be held 357,500. These figures are signifi- rig out all its functionaries in the made a better showing than did the now, or even in November of this If, in private life, men who can- or locality approached the Co- for the party which it represents."

chines, that is their business. But sportsmen wish to find the Chinook why the election is a "significant where it is most abundant and of Republican victory," particularly as mand chauffeurs. mechanicians, superior quality they will not visit touching reunion with the Progressian gasoline, tires and machines which the Sacramento river, nor Alaska, sives: taxpayers cannot well afford, it is but will come to Portland, the Bad times, regarded as Democratic

INTERPRETATIONS OF CHICAGO ELECTION

From the Literary Digest. FTER a campaign which the New-York World called a "Donny-A brook" and which was described by the Chicago Tribune on election morning as "a triviality puffed with out the United States. wind and filled with sound," Chicago elects William Hale Thompson mayor by a record-breaking plurality of some 139,000 votes. "It is a woman's victory," exclaims, the happy wife of young Spender, the mayor-elect. It is a Republican "that victory, say the equally jubilant Chi- money cago Republicans, which "means a united party and a landslide for a was left to you by Republican president in 1916." It is your rich uncle." 'a rebuke to efforts by partisans of ultaneously in this country," says the lawyers." New York Evening Post, recalling the the defeated Democratic candidate Mr. Robert M. Schweitzer. It means, grimly observes the mayor-elect, that the crooks had better move out of town before I am inaugurated." And the Chicago Tribune (Prog.), in a hopeful but rather non-committal editorial on so famous a victory, thus points out the opportunity awaiting the new chief magistrate of the and pencil. "Then," said the Ameriworld's fourth city:

The election from which you came victor was without real issues, was full of childish devices, and some that were sinister. Nevertheless the city last night." is in a mood for better things, is for building. There is vision s strong and sound. Rely upon that not know anything and work.

The campaign ending in the election of Mr. Thompson by a plurality of 139,000, and a majority over all of ity?" once asked a 112,000, began in the primary contest last February. In the primaries, Mr. Schweitzer, with the supposed backng of Senator-elect Roger Sullivan, tell us what electricity is. defeated Mayor Carter Harrison for he Democratic nomination; and Mr. Phompson, accused of a one-time inti-Judge Olsen, a fusion Progressive-Re- tricity is should have forgotten publican candidate. It is asserted in sponsible for the small Schweitzer vote and the lukewarm newspaper attitude toward the Thompson candidacy. Besides various local tions, confusing international politics the name published, he should so state.) every man, woman and child. A and religious prejudices were important factors. "All the leading Germans and Austrians," says a Chicago These unreasonable sacrifices of dispatch to the New York Times. 'signed a circular urging the voters in their stead."-Woods buked Admiral Peary for his of Portland that should impress of German, Austrian and Hungarian descent to vote the Schweitzer ticket as an indorsement of the war poli-

arose. The young Americans from The secretary of state was right cities in Germany, the combined the Indiana border of Chicago to the northern borders of Chicago at Lake Forest turned out in force and voted

Even larger and more ominous, question of race was the question of religion, says the New York Evening were urged to vote for Schweitzer because he was a Catholic; other

only elected mayor of Chicago by an Pribune the day before the election. laid their greatest hopes on the womworthy is to love her. If we do territory. It was by that purpose here for that great body to prove an vote, and did their most effective not throw around our nation the as manifested in his Mexican pol- the wisdom of the men who have work in appealing to it. As a result, protecting care of affection, how icy and as expressed in his speech banded together and brought it into perhaps, more women voted in Chicago than in any previous election voted, 86 per cent of their registra-Americas in the complete disinter-estedness of the United States. It Pert of the California Fish pert of the California Fish cent of the male registration. Mr. we may assume that his personal director of the Pullman company, is probably send an uninstructed delega- roof. I made good money in and Game commission, says Thompson had with him approxi- cpinion of the large majority of the expected to announce his candidacy tion to the 1916 Republican convention, the Quinnat, Chinook or King | mately 63 per cent of the women and | salmon is the largest and finest of 60 per cent of the men. This shows, likely to be two or more kinds of other offices. Senator L. Y. Sherman says Curtis, for the "open convention" all the Pacific coast salmon. This according to the New York Times, bigots. See some of the circulars cirgreater value in its effect upon statement was made in connection a pronounced opponent of equal suf- culated by the minority of the aforeing state. For that reason a warring Europe. It is the faith of with a published statement as to frage, "that the women voters merely Europe in our position of aloof- California's game resources in enlarged the vote and did not deterness and our expressed satisfaction which it was said the Chinook is mine or even influence its results." ion of most abundant in the Sacramento, But their numbers impress even the minority of the aforesaid voters. That's Times. And, as the New York World his frankness. R. R. BRATTON. The Chinook, appropriately puts it: "In the first test offered for March 1 and April 1 are given. ents in our good intention. It is called the King salmon, is found in in a great American city women have an example that the world never the Sacramento and Yukon, but conclusively shown that if they really needed so much as now, and it is Mr. Bryant's statement would be 'do not want to vote,' they are for such reasons that the utter- more illuminating had it declared bravely able to conquer inclination." ance of Admiral Peary well de- that the Chinook's real habitat is The outpouring of Chicago women to the Columbia river furnished nearly the polls, says a suffrage leader, "should put an end, once and for all, to the cry of the antis that women In 1914, according to the Pacific are not interested in the exercise of

While all observers admit the part day. Commissioners Bige- this, the pack of Columbia river played by local issues in the Chicago To was the national issue. William Hale Quite unmolested in the sun; ties—that is, obligations to depositers—\$862,821, or 2½ per cent. be rejected. The commission can pack of Chinooks in one-pound election is highly suggestive." Taken The cold stand it here below.

Sacramento river, with a total of year, there would be no hope what-48,165 cans, but no other stream ever for the present administration or

And an independent Chicago news-These figures are proof that if paper, the Daily News, thus explains

> by non-Democratic voters, assisted materially in cementing the fracture of three years ago and firmly uniting the two parties under the Republican banner. . . . Eagerness to combine the opposition to the Democratic party was manifest everywhere.

The desired absorption of the third party has now come about. Because the result of yesterday's voting in Chicago affords convincing proof of this important political development about what they owed, but we of this it is of extraordinary interest through- day have outgrown such childishness.

A FEW SMILES

"I want you to understand," got my

by work." "Why I thought it "So it was; but I had hard work getting it away from the

At the time when concrete beds for guns were being found-according, at east, to rumor-all over the allies territory, an Ameri can in Paris went up to a policeman and mysteriously Are you look-"Pst! German spies?" "Mais oui!" said the policeman

his coat his notebook can, "go to the Hotel de Blanc and arrest the proprietor. He's put up at least two concrete beds there. I know, because my wife and I slept in 'en

taking from under

Thirty years and more have passed among its citizens and devotion and since the incandescent light was first courageous hope. The life of the city exhibited as a curiosity, and we do ment that Penrose is willing to be more, practically,

about what elec tricity is than we "What is electric professor of class.

mused the professor.

Several hands were "Well, Mr. Brown, you can Mr. Brown hesitated and then ex-

"I knew once, but just at plained. this moment I have forgotten. "What a pity that the only man i the world who ever knew what elec

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

and sets up

Rejoices in West's Vindication.

Reedville, Or., April 21 .- To the Editor of The Journal-The verdict in the cies of Kaiser Wilhelm. The circular Copperfield case is a victory for will go to the polls strong for any ac- his candidacy for the United States for an officer of the United States landers to grasp the meaning of was adorned with photographs of decency. Ex-Governor West stands navy to say that our destiny points a year's property loss in this city, Kaiser Wilhelm and Emperor Francis vindicated. The Oregonian, which has been for years snapping like a yellow 'An intense wave of resentment cur at his heels, must fall into a gloomy, sickly silence. We need men like West in office, because they are not afraid to do what stands for the betterment of the community. The is as un-American as it is untrue." fire loss in 13 of the chief cities down the Schweitzer German-Austrian The courts have upheld West's actions at Copperfield, and now let his enemies hide their shamed faces in silence. O. E. FRANK.

Wood Block Paving. Portland, April 20 .- To the Editor of The Journal-We wish to acknowledge receipt of clipping from your paper of bers first that the whole destiny of modern affairs centers largely upon on this hemisphere. There never alone, how incompetent, how ineffine men and women were urged to vote block paving. Your move is for the his being an American first of all. If was a time when it was more imcient, and how appealingly reckless for Thompson because he was not a betterment of our industry and of the continuous and deserves are alone. men and women were urged to vote block paving. Your move is for the mer of Pennsylvania has been appoint. The former he terms a man of great all of the surrounding guiches. Jon northwest and deserves every encouragement. It surely is time that we William Hale Thompson was not learned that the failure of wood block filled in the states mentioned but the tionary. The latter he praises for his Wallula to the Montana mines. Frank paving is not due to wood blocks, but to the method of laying them, and select a successor to Mr. Palmer as believe Roosevelt will be a candidate, farm at Lowden station. I saw him unprecedented plurality, but he is also that we learn from the cities of the the first mayor to be elected by east and of London, Berlin and Paris women's votes. Both parties, said the that there is no better paving than that which grows in our own forests. Yours

By Ben H. Hazen.

BRIDAL VEIL LUMBERING CO., Mr. Bratton Writes Again. Portland, April 20 .- To the Editor of The Journal-Now we are beginning since they won the franchise. Accord- to understand the true meaning of ing to Tribune figures, 243,217 women bigotry with reference to the recent Chicago election. J. Hennessey Murphy says his personal definition of den, former member of congress from voters of Chicago is unprintable. said voters to prevent the renomination of Mayor Harrison. sonally, I have no unprintable opineither the majority or the

The Ragtime Muse

No Luck at All. know, although I can't say why, That I'm a most unlucky guy; The cinders blow into my eye, The streetcars always pass me by,

The eggs I have to eat are stale, Each day brings "dope cures" in mail. I buy, tomorrow there's a sal And so I lose a bunch of ka In stores, the elevator gate

and wicked boys steal, just for fun,

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE

Better self-love than self-neglect. Matrimony may cure love's blind-

at best turns out a poor counterfeit of nature. All men are born ignorant and some never get over it.

About the only satisfactory substitute for wisdom is silence. The quickest way to do things is do but one thing at a time,

In order to enjoy life a man must be a little miserable occasionally.

After celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of her birth a girl begins to hope something will happen to the Bible containing the family records. In the old times people worried

worry only over what is due and past due. After all, one person has about as much pleasure as another. Even those of us who never get to go fishing can rejoice when the more fortunate get

caught in a rain. No matter how well a fellow is sit-uated he is not contented. Now, most of us feel that if we had no more work to do than a baby we so much time crying. we wouldn't spend

When a boy gets to be three or four years old his mother can keep him and nis clothes clean without a great deal -provided she has someone to look after the balance of the family and do the housework.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

O. A. C. faculty members will form exclusively the cast of a minstrel show at Corvallis tomorrow evening, to be given as a benefit for the students'

"Freight from Portland by the all ver route is being tried out," says he Hermiston Herald, "In all inhe Hermiston Herald. stances it has proven as quick as by

The Port Orford Tribune believes the time has come for Curry county to un-dertake an annual county fair, and it urges that action be taken to hold a

Coquille Sentinal: The new Chamber of Commerce at Portland is going to send a representative down here to gruder would not leave for nearly two show our local Commercial club to make its work more effective. The big city organization proposes to co-operate in every possible way with the local organizations all over the state.

Evidence of the value of advertising presented by the Medford Sun: "Officers of the Baptist church believe that it pays a church to advertise the same as any business house or professional man and will give it a trial. They have an ad in this paper. Churches in the east and middle west advertise and often run one third and half page often run one third and half page

The Vancouver Columbian pays this ribute to one of Oregon's most protims to abate by ordinance spitting on he sidewalk, accumulation of rubbish, axity in handling garbage and the dog nuisance. A town that will pass and enforce such an ordinance will become a desirable place to reside, as the filthy will either reform or move out.

IN THE PRESIDENTIAL RUNNING

Another native son candidate for the presidency and Representatives Martin presidency has come to the surface in Pennsylvania. Three guesses. No, not Connie Mack. This candidate is none other than Senator Boies Pen-

Pennslyvania already has one seri-Brumbaugh and friends of Philander S. Knox, one time attorney general and United States senator, are itching to thrust his name to the fore, but Knox not be.

And now, like the old time bolt out of a clear sky, comes the announcepresident himself.

Some months ago a Pennsylvania paper, the Blairsville Courier, adopted as a slogan, "For President in 1916, Boies Penrose." Its home-made boom or boost (it was hardly a boom) was not taken seriously but the story is now going the rounds in the east that Penrose has said privately that he is not adverse to taking the nomination if he can get it. And he is also credited with expressing the opinion that his years of service in the senate as a Republican leader entitle him to con- pire state. An open letter was recentsideration at the hands of the nominating committee

to believe that mention of Penrose's ing upon him to make it plain to the any boom for Brumbaugh to sleep. Brumbaugh is inclined to be independent and to do what he thinks is for to vote at a referendum statewide party's solidarity, and encouragement of other native sons for the Republican the pigeonholing of an optional local nomination may be, to use a trite prohibition bill and is told in no uncerphrase, to nip his boom in the bud.

tioned in some quarters but it is classed as being opposed pointed out that his chances are not issues. In the letter he is notified f the best because of his close rela- that any attempt by his party to imtionship with the Taft administration as secretary of state. The real wiseacres in the Republican

party, however, do not believe that terly resented. Pennsylvania will be called upon to furnish a candidate. There is no geographical advantage to be obtained in putting up a man from the Keystone state, they say, when Pennsylvanians ceptable candidate on the tariff issue. Pick out a candidate, they where the native son and geographical 1916. Mr. Henry is a Democrat. equation will really make votes.

Charles D. Hilles, national chairman son for the evolution of the Progres- the Windy City's pessessions every located about 35 miles from Deer sive party was that the Progressives forgot that progress to endure must be built on carefully laid foundations and they became infected with the speed mania. His reasoning, however, seems recent statement he expressed the Blackfoot City for \$300 a ton. to have the effect of rubbing the fur the wrong way on the Bull Moosers.

Democratic national committee. Judge cludes Senators Borah, Cummins, Bur- them were W. A. Clark, later United Martin H. Wade of Iowa has become ton and Weeks and Governor Whit- States senator from Montana, and his United States district judge in the man. Some surprise was occasioned brother, Joe Clark. April 7 regarding use of Oregon wood Hawkeye state; ex-Representative Pal- by his choice of Weeks and Burton. train and peddled goods throughout ed to the court of claims bench; Joseph ability, and conscientiousness who has used to buy goods from me. E. Davies of Wisconsin becomes a the courage of his convictions and Clark opened a store on Bear guich. member of the new federal trades who had broadened since going to concommission. These vacancies will be gress, though called by some a reac national committee as a whole must honesty and independence. He does not lives near Walla Walla-he has head of the executive committee and and Taft, he says, has no chance of on the street just the other day, to Mr. Davies as secretary. It is not being nominated. thought probable that a meeting will be called in the near future, as Thomas I. Pence, a former Washington correspondent, has been doing the secretarial work for some months past and and Arthur R. Robinson having an pound box of light pressed plug would probably be chosen as the new nounced their candidacies for the Re-

> As the result of the Republican vicin the Illinois G. O. P. Frank O. Low- the last state senate. for governor any day and a tentative according to Senator Curtis of that and Minority Leader James R. Mann idea.

B. Madden and William B. McKinley are being talked of as candidates to succeed J. Ham Lewis in the senate in 1919.

Ex-President Roosevelt is credited with having declared to a friend reously minded candidate in Governor cently that he was willing to support any Republican candidate for president in 1916 save former President Taft or ex-Governor Herbert Hadley of Missouri. He is said to have adrealizes sadly, it is said, that it can- mitted that the nomination of a Progressive candidate would mean another Democratic victory. The Colonel's attitude toward Taft is too well known to merit explanation but his coldness toward Hadley goes back to the 1912 convention, when Hadley, as nominal Roosevelt floor leader, was accused of trying to get the nomination himself. Hadley recently announced his candidacy for the senate in 1916 but it is safe to say Roosevelt will not go to Missouri to campaign for him.

eems to have got in bad with the leaders of the "dry" forces in the Emly addressed to him by William H. Anderson, state superintendent of the On the other hand some are inclined Anti-Saloon League of New York, callname is made for the purpose of lulling legislative leaders of his state that the liquor traffic is not a special interest and that the people are entitled the public weal rather than for the prohibition election if they so desire. Whitman is blamed for his silence on pulled off my boots-my toes were a tain terms that if he fails to champion with me until he had restored the cir Knox, too, has been seriously men- the rights of the people he will be pose further restrictions on the liquor traffic for revenue purposes only and

> Robert Lee Henry, member of congress from Waco, Texas, and chairman of the house committee on rules dursenate to succeed Senator Culberson. The primaries will be held in July,

William Hale Thompson, mayor-elect in western Montana, the miners in of Chicago, has announced that he will of the Republican party, says the rea- make it a policy to add a playground to time he has a chance.

Senator Norris of Nebraska is another who has seen the light. In a Walla Walla, to pack my goods to opinion that the Republican party must be progressive to win in 1916, any miners were making hig money, commends five Republicans for the made many friends there, with whom There are three vacancies on the presidential nomination. His list in- I have kept in touch ever since, Among

Indianians are already beginning to look forward to the 1916 senatorial me race, Judge Walter Olds of Fort Wayne asked me what I would take for a 40 publican nomination. Senator Kern by the box, that I was going to retail will probably be a candidate to succeed it at \$4.50 per pound. himself. Judge Olds was formerly a right; I will take the whole box a tory in the recent Chicago mayoralty member of the Indiana supreme court the retail price, and he paid me \$150 election things are beginning to hum and Robinson led the Republicans in in gold dust for the box of tobacco,

LIFE INSURANCE COST

By John M. Oskison A bill of peculiar interest to many inder discussion in the New York legcompanies recently changed from stock get the law. to mutual form to continue writing insurance at their old rates.

ing between what is paid in by policywn the company.

The mutual companies, by contrast, savings between receipts and expenses, Their policy has been to charge a high er rate of premium than the stock companies-and return in "dividends" what is saved. They have figured that the net cost to the insured is as low, or lower, than if he had bought a nonparticipating policy in a stock com-

On adopting the mutual form, two of question at issue.

selves obliged either to raise their nillions of policy-holders in our life rates to correspond with the rates of insurance companies has lately been the other mutual companies or get law passed permitting them to mainslature—it is one to permit certain tain their old rates. They're trying to ran the store and looked after me. In substance, the opposition to them

the biggest stock companies find them-

says: It is better to stick to the high-Stock companies, which are going out er rate of premium payment and rely of fashion, ordinarily write policies upon voluntary "dividends" to reduce called "non-participating"—that is, the the cost than to make lower rates, policy-holders do not share any of the which might conceivably turn out (in profits. In stock companies the save case the earning power of money was much reduced or war broke out to inholders and what it costs to run the crease unexpectedly the mortality saved; you can use it as long as you business goes to the stockholders who among policy-holders, for instance) to want it.' I borrowed the money and business goes to the stockholders who among policy-holders, for instance) to be too low to insure financial stability. Which is right? The controversy is hold to the credit of policy-holders all not new as between the stock and mutual companies, but as between mufual companies it marks the beginning of fight that is apt to be long continued Would the average life insurance buyer rather have a policy at a lower

first cost than to bind himself to pay

Ex-Governor Miles C. Washington, one of the pioneer res dents of Walla Walla, was among the first to go to the new strike in Alder Gulch, at that time a part of Idaho now a part of Montana

"When our party decided to go to Oregon, we looked around to learn who else was going westward," said Mr. Moore. "We were told that Lloyd Maair this year, by way of making the gruder, an experienced packer, was going to Lewiston. We decided to go with him and take the boat from Lewiston. When we learned that Maweeks, we decided not to wait, which was certainly fortunate for us, as Magruder was killed by some of the other

members of his party in a peculiarly brutal way. "We went to Walla Walla in place of Lewiston, and within a few days of our arrival in Walla Walla, I started out with Captain John Mullen on a prospecting trip. As we came down the hill towards Lewiston, we saw a and number of people waiting for us on the bank of the Clearwater river. crossed over to the Lewiston aid: They seemed disappointed at seeing us, and one of the number said,

thought you were the Magruder party; he is long overdue." "Lewiston in those days was a typical mining camp, the stores being either tents or log huts with false fronts. I returned to Walla Walla, intending to go to the Willamette valley but I'found that the friend with whom had left my money, amounting to \$200, had borrowed it and the proba bility was that he would not be able to return it for a long time to come. "To be perfectly frank, I was home-

are favorite-son candidates for the I was broke, or I would have gone back to Wisconsin walking along the main street Walla Walla, a merchant, named Kyger, stepped out of his store and said are you going?" to the Willamette valley You do not want to go to the Willamette valley; I came from there myself; you are in the very best part now.' I told him I had to have work He said, 'Go to one of the stores and say, 'I have got to go to work,' and they will give you a job." a few days later and asked me was working. I told him working anywhere, that I didn't have the nerve to tackle anyone for a job He said, 'Bring your blankets up store; I will give you a fob. gray headed; if you don't suit me I will fire you after the first two weeks.' When I went there his part ner remonstrated with him about hiring me, but he said, 'He'll make goo Governor Whitman of New York all right. I never yet saw a boy big nose that couldn't sell goods slept in the store at first. I soon felt

very much at home. "After working for Kyger for a year started for the Kootenal mines. Storms overtook me on the way up, so I had to store my goods at Semi-Yacka-Teen, where the Kootenal trail crosses the Pend d'Oreille, not far from the British Columbia border came out with an Indian. The fire night out I froze my feet. The Indian swollen up and perfectly numb. rubbed my feet with snow and worked mation 'I had my belt. That Spokane Indian, whom had never met until a day or two efore, not only saved the loss of my feet, but he saved my life. No, I

never saw him again. not as a moral restriction will be bit-"I came out in January, 1865, leaving my goods stored there. I went back the next spring and sold the goods. I put in the summer of 1865 selling supplies to the miners, who were coming and going on the tenai trail. I had one hard and fast rule, and that was; to add 100 per cent to the cost of the goods. I figured by doing this I could come out safe and make a reasonable profit,

When the mines were discovered British Columbia stampeded to the new district. The new mines were Lodge. I stampeded there with the rest of the miners, I hired Robert Kennedy, who is now living here in "Ophir Gulch was very rich, and Among other customers were Frank Lowden, who ran a pack train from "I spent a year in Blackfoot City; in front of my store, a man who told his name was Major Hutchinst bacco. I told him it was not for sale

"My store was located in the A. Oliver Express company's office. had a board floor, and a pole and dirt store. I had a large stock of boots and I sold them for \$26 a pair. my tea I received \$5 a pound, and for a pair of pants I got \$18. stagnant water gave me what they called in that day 'mountain fever." had no bed in my store, so I laid on my blankets on the board floor. heat from the stove melted the snov on the roof, and the muddy water ran down on my blankets and over my face. There was no doctor in the camp, and I had no friends or ac quaintances. I took in a partner, who "After I had gotten on my feet, but was still pretty shaky the charge of the express and stage office said to me, 'You had better buy your partner out. He and John Barleycorn have been steady partners since were sick.' I told him I intended to as soon as I got money enough, said, 'I have \$1500 here that I have

> Were Amused. From the New York Times

month or two I was able to repay the

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bought my partner cut.

"Was it a merry party?" asked one who had not been invited. "Oh, yes," said one who had, "ther more and rely upon uncertain "divi-dends" during the life of his policy to was many a jest over the wine and "After the guests left the house, 1

cut down its total cost? That is the presume," remarked the other.

loan."