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THE SAFEST CITY.

S A MATHEMATICIAN, Health ves that New York is the safest ake he makes is in placing Portland e third safest city instead of the afest; at least that is the only mistake of which Portland is cognizant. ture of my owner-if I have one man who slept in the haystacks while profitable use, will prove the means of Mr. Copeland computes his death Tate on a basis of 1,000,000 population. He claims New York is the safest city in the country with a fatality rate of 166 per 1,000,000 people. Washington second with 169. Portland third with 176, Boston ourth with 202, St. Louis fifth with 216, and Los Angeles the most danserous with a death rate of 391.

On Portland's death rate per 1,-2000;000 population, Mr. Copeland makes a discrepancy of 64. During The fiscal year of 1920 ending De-Rember 1, police records show that 38 people were killed in automobile eccidents in Portland. Portland has nopulation, according to the last densus, of 258,000. Portland's death ate then, instead of 176 was 112, or 54 less than in any other city in the country if Mr. Copeland's other figres are correct ..

Portland was not always the saffrom automobile accidents until the toll reached 42 in 1919. In Novemer of that year, realizing what the toll of the future would be with the tremendous increase in the number of automobiles, an intensive accident prevention campaign was inaugurated by the municipal judge, traffic bureau of the police depart-The Journal, which resulted, after a rear's work, in a decrease of 33 per ent in the number of fatalities in pite of a 35 per cent increase in the treets.

And now, Portland requests Comes, and herald Portland to the naas its safest city.

15 a month, 11,000 of the 13,000 mployes of the Standard Oil comhareholders. The stock purchases employes will, in a five year peod, aggregate \$30,000,000, of which he company will contribute \$10,000,-

A VACANT LOT'S THOUGHTS

F A VACANT lot could talk would probably engage in hronological monologue about as

June-I don't believe I have any wner. This crop of weeds and ay and brush is getting mighty bout it, though. If I have an owner

## THE SUPER-TOLLTAKER

THAT "the inter-relation of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company with the American Telephone & Telegraph company and the relations of that with the Western Electric have much to do with the overloading of the Pacific engineering staff," was the purport of testimony by Major Babcock, expert telephone engineer, at the telephone hearing at Salem Friday. He contended that it "would be a surprise if great economy could not be effected in the administration of the Pacific company were its officials to be freed from the hampering control and red tape of the American Telephone & Telegraph company and turned loose to make a success of the Pacific company in Oregon at lowest possible cost to the public." He testified that the American company has the right to manufacture a long list of modern phone devices, the patent rights of which it has long controlled, but that these devices have not been installed or the subsidiary companies allowed to use them.

He declared that keeping these labor-saving devices out of use adds to the cost of service, and testified that installation of the semi-automatic would give adequate service to 33 to 50 per cent more patrons with the same plant construction now in use. He said that should the control of the Pacific company be divorced from the American Telephone & Telegraph company, and its officials be turned loose with free hand to do those things which independent and competent men would naturally do, it would be possible to furnish the Oregon public with a much better service at a

This is exactly what The Journal has long argued. The super-control exercised by the American company has much to do with the growing cost of phone service.

panies. That alone shows that the parent company is the subsidiary company also, and that, as a matter of fact, it is the parent company with

The subsidiaries are buffers between the parent company and the public. The parent takes the cream of the business, compels the subsidiaries to worry along with old and obsolete devices, acquires and holds all patent Minneapolis Tribune (Rep.) that, so far rights to keep competitive companies out of the field, and by using its subsidiaries in the local communities to do the poverty act before public service commissions, protects its own huge profits from attack or question.

The local subsidiary is protected with a cost plus contract. Legislatures rect, not to anything inherently wrong have ordained that the phone and other companies be guaranteed a fair the system, with a night have been been been and increased facilities, the press return on the investment. That means that rates must be high enough to as a whole believes the postal savings pay all expenses of operation of every kind, and pay in addition a fair bank will go a long way toward releasprofit. This means that, no matter what the expense of operation, rates will be increased sufficiently to pay the amount and, in addition, to pay a banking enterprise. Indeed, many writprofit. This in turn means there is no strong incentive for the use of depostal savings banks will be of great for the use of a telephone, and the water vices that would make for efficiency and low cost of operation, no particular reason for cutting the cost of overhead or any other expenditure. Since the public must pay everything and a profit in addition, the company figures, editors point out serious obstacles in the why cut costs, why install labor-saving devices, why use modern equipment, way of the complete success of the plan, why do anything to lower the cost?

All this is confirmed by Major Babcock's testimony, quoted above. It is very largely the explanation of why telephone tolls all over America are fits expected by the postmaster general high and going higher. The parent company milks the subsidiaries, the are realized, the revision will be well subsidiaries put up the poverty plea, legislatures guarantee the subsidiaries a fair return on the investment, the whole thing is worked on the infamous cost plus basis, and the people foot the bills. And the American Telephone & Telegraph company has a surplus of \$444,000,000, paid an 8 per cent to which postal savings banks dividend in 1920 when everybody else was pocketing losses, and in addi- failed to get the business that should be tion laid aside \$8,000,000 for contingencies and more than \$8,000,000 surplus.

It is probably the most scientifically organized scheme in the known world for getting money out of the patient public.

off their lots is a dead letter, any- come, the victim of misplaced affec-

August-Saw a tourist party go by tive nature, wouldn't it?" I tried to whose name he blackened. tell her that it was the primitive nathat accounts for my appearance, but she didn't seem to hear. The weeds and grass are getting entirely too dropped a cigarette stub pretty close yesterday evening. If it happens again I'll have a fire and maybe burn down that house on the next lot. I'd hate to do it, though; the kiddies in that house might be caught.

vet. I'm afraid it's going to be a long winter. I suspect I look as dismal as I feel, what with the skeletons of the burdocks and the leaf-

April-I have an owner. But if never would have discovered him. The man next door came out two or three days ago and mowed off my weeds. He piled my tin cans and broken dishes all up together. Then st city in the country. She was he spaded me all over, raked the soil aced with an increasing death rate up fine and planted some garden truck. I heard him say, "I guess no one will care if I make this lot produce something a little better than plantain and poison oak." But today my owner showed up. He said something about having lived here a long time and that he had held office or door, "Mine is the great, generous ment, national safety council and heart of the pioneer. You can make of Loggers and Lumbermen to all ously low price" which the government a garden on this lot if you will give me two thirds of the vegetables."

May-The man next door is sore. but I'm glad. I have lost my owner umber of automobiles on Portland and found a new one. Just as the man next door got his garden . to growing well, my owner sold me issioner Copeland to revise his fig- He regretted that I was going for only seven times what he paid for me years ago, but he didn't apologize for the loss of the garden. Now, I'm Responding to an opportunity to getting a basement excavated in me my stock with individual payments and I'm going to carry a house and \$30 a month, the company adding have a lawn. I'll look better, anyway. But I thought it was kind of any of California have become to pull up the onions and slip away with them. Eating 'em ought to bring tears to his eyes.

THE ORIGINAL ALIBI

THE Rev. Fred Royston, having probably recall that the first instance on record of passing the buck was when Adam weakly sighed. "The woman gave me the apple and I did so much of the value of well told

Since that initial episode no full- story tellers gather the little folks blooded man of mature experience around them in the various library has been at all misled by Adam's buildings and tell them of legend, eavy. Saw a cop eyeing me today, half truth. He knows, because he myth, fairy and reality. on't think he will do anything knows himself, that Adam stood around with hungry eyes and water- life would be dull and drab for most don't know where to find him and ing mouth and pleading gestures. people. But it is very much worth ow much more would a cop be ex- He knows that the initiative did not while that the imagination should ted to know? That ordinance that | belong to Eve and that she became, | not grow weed fashion. culres owners to mow the weeds as millions of women since have be-

In an interview published in Sat- grant today. "Just look," said a gushing urday's Journal, the Rev. Fred Roysort of woman from California, ston, looking upon life and his recent postal bank facilities "are not present "these Portlanders bring the wild jaunt across the Columbia into and because the rate is not very attracenvironment of their hills right into Washington, says he cannot undertown. If there weren't so many tin stand why society holds him more at based on that of expert bankers, is that cans it would look just like primi-fault than the slip of femininity at least \$1,900,000,000 is being hoarded.

his wife and child waited at home and wondered where he could be. terested in knowing that as society

looks between the bars into his cell he does not appear a strong, a generous or a particularly chivalric character. People who have read about the drab Royston episode remember seize his liberty on ball and leave eral and the girl in jail. They have pretty well made up their minds - especially the men, who know precisely what Royston is talking about—that being tempted, he turned tempter. and that the cement floor of the cell isn't necessarily the bottom of the it hadn't been for the man next door fall, either of himself or of the girl, upon whose slender shoulders apparently he would like to place the burden of blame.

The Lumber World Review of Chicago contains this comment: "Despite all prophecies the '4L's' remains an organization, and that territory of the United States, in its lumber sections, is free from 'strikes' and 'lockouts'; while in other parts of the United States in lumber sections strikes are in progagain why it would not be a good it has been able move to transplant the Loyal Legion sections of the lumber-producing territory of our country."

TELL THEM STORIES

667 ELL me a story, Daddy." The plea may come from tiny Mary or little Jack. And Daddy or Mother, as the case may be, frequently will answer, absent - mindedly, "Don't adds the Evansville Journal (Rep.). bother me now, dear; I'm busy." Thrift Magazine, however, said this very sensible thing about stories for the kiddles:

Stories interest children to such an extent that they absorb the entire attena mean trick for my former owner tion for the time being. Mothers should learn to tell their children stories of kindness, unselfishness, truth and honesty, so as to help them distinguish the good and evil of their actions. Story telling will also go a great way in developing the imagination, which is ar in womanhood and manhood good imagination helps one to remember and think distinctively. been trained in theology, will public library will help many a mother in procuring books dealing with chilstories, games and dances that will delight any child.

> The public library executives think stories for children that trained

Without a cultivated imagination The next time one of the young-

sters begs for a story why not tell tions are simple and are given as fol one about your own boyhood or girl-

The Highway Magazine uses an grounds of the Columbia river highway, from the pan of Albert Wiesenother spots the "no trespass" signs found at Eagle Creek, which is practically expressed in the form of water supply and a trail which is almost without a rival in scenic re-

## MR. HAYS AFTER THE SOCK

Postmaster General's Purpose to Make
Postal Savings Bank Something
'More Nearly Like What It
Ought to Be Is Warmly
Supported by Press—
Defects of System
—Possibilities

Daily Editorial Digest-

(Consolidated Press Association) The plan proposed by the postmaster general "to put the stocking savings bank out of business" by vitalizing and expanding the postal savings bank sys tem is warmly supported by the press Most editorial writers agree with the the postal bank "has not made good, but that, they explain, is due to the low which Mr. Hays now proposes to cering hoarded money for general use with-Ind.) expresses the view of the majority when it says that "if even half the bene

One of the "surprises and disappoin their own." The Providence Journal fair trial before being condemned as a where they are so numerous. futile experiment," and, in its judgment, the postmaster general "is unquestion ably right" in laying the blame for failure on the 2 per cent interest rate, "How many persons, particularly of the immithe Rocky Mountain News (Denver, Ind.) asks, "are keeping their savings in their stockings" becau tive?" Mr. Hays' estimate, which the Boston Transcript (Ind. Rep.) states "is whose name he blackened.

"The girl tempted me," says the dollars, if once released and put into adding materially to the country's productivity and of distributing to thousands and tens of thousands of American citizens an increased measure of

That "a better postal savings system, would tend to bring this money out and put it into the banks" the Charleston (W Va.) Mail (Ind. Rep.) is "quite cer-(Rep.) feels that the estimated sum is so great as to be that after the arrest he was quick to sions" suggested by the postmaster gen-"the labor of reorganizing the

The Fremont (Neb.) Tribune

accounts for the extent of money hoard-ing by the fact that some people fear to the care entrust their savings to others, and to the unusual number recent bank failures, but, it adds. rare indeed to find a person who not have confidence in the safety and financial integrity of the United government." However, as the Cincin-nati Inquirer (Dem.) expresses it, while "faith in the government's guaranty of attracting where private banks have failed to do so, "simple justice," the Chicago News (Ind.) believes, requires that depositors "should receive a fair rate of interest" from the government for the money brought out, of hiding Hoarding, the Cleveland Plain Dealer (Ind. Dem.) believes, "is a matter of general concern," and "if our savings systems encourage it, our savings systems need looking into," and the lyn Eagle (Ind. Dem.) commends the "courage" with which the postmaster general "has tackled a real scandal in the government treatment of depositors ress, which makes us wonder once in postal savings banks" through which t has been able to "profiteer" on the low interest rate. The New York Mail (Ind.) also protests against the "ridiculpays on postal savings deposits, which the Mail thinks amounts in practice to 'mulcting" the "most ignorant classes."

Widening the scope of the postoffice bank and increasing the interest rate would do more than coax wary dollars from beneath the cellar floor," the Dallas Journal (Ind. Dem.) believes; would do more than to encourage depositing habit, it would encourage saving and stimulate thrift," and that, what every banker wants." On the other the Chattanooga Times hand. Dem.) sees little value in a postal savings system which is not "in competition private institutions," and it feels Mr. Hays' assurance that his plan would furnish "feeders" to established banks will not make for popularity his program, since it is doubtful if The pity hoarders will be willing to accept I per cent when they witness men all

As the New York Times (Ind. Dem.) interprets Mr. Hays' proposal, "the Scotiand. This authority freely a plan is rather to create a demand than that the sun is fed from meteoric but had that the dust supply it terest in the system has resulted in clos-ing many postoffice banks, and, it holds. changed before much more than an in- "Dust ti stallment of the good work can be return." achieved." The very fact of "the estimated billion of hoarded and idle to all. suggests to the Syracuse Herald (Ind.) that "the cautious owners prefer no interest at all to the 2 per cent offered by the government's savings banks," and the Herald doubts that they will be influenced 'by the added inducement of 1 per cent."

Curious Bits of Information Gleaned From Curious Places

S. Leonard Bastin offering some "Hints for Campers" in St. Nicholas, tells, among other useful bits of information, now to waterproof matches. His direc-

lows: "One of the commonest experi-ences of the camper is that of finding hood? Nothing fascinates children that the matches are so damp that they will not strike. All this trouble may be avoided by providing oneself with water proof matches. These are easily made in the following way: Melt a few lumps article on the Eagle Creek camp of candle-wax in an old can on the stove Allow this to cool a little and then, before it has become set, dip the match danger, the government forest and about half of the wooden part ranger in charge. It serves as a Place the matches on one side to renewed reminder that, although in cool. Matches treated in this simple manner have been soaked in water for many hours, and they have ignited as readily of private property owners repulse as those which were perfectly dry. The touring parties, a welcome is to be only difference is that, on striking, it is needful to do so a trifle more firmly so as to get through the thin film of wax surrounding the head. When once the camp stoves, free wood, an abundant flame starts, the match burns very readily, owing to the wax which has adhered to the wood. Any ordinary matches can be treated in the manner described."

## Letters From the People

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POINTS TO RURAL LINES

Asserts These Should Afford Basis of City Phone Rates. Portland, July 20 .- To the Editor of The Journal-I see the public service commission does not seem to want to come to Portland to hold the rehearing on the telephone raise in rates. Why Is it because there are too many to pro test here, and the many users can't afford to go to Salem to protest? I had a telephone in my home. I kept on paying the old rate of \$2.25 a month. company took it out, and is now hounding me for the difference between the I see only one solution; that is for the city to do as it did in the water casebuy out the city lines; or, if the company refuses to sell at a reasonable price, to do as it did with our city water operate the lines than it did to build "feeders" for the large banks. A few have had experience in the service in the East. Why pay in the 51/2 millions the telephone company is asking the make more burdens for the people to pay, when 51/2 millions will build and equip the lines, new, if there is no water put into the deals? Look east, look west of the city; see rural lines operated for \$1.25 a month at a good ments of recent years," says the Indi-anapolis Star (Ind. Rep.), is the extent service commission will never get the service commission will never get the actual costs to build and operate the lines, as there are so many ways to misson with the rural lines. If it costs \$1 filling its mission," but the Springfield in the country to operate a line, it can Union (Rep.) insists that "it is entitled to be done per phone for less in the city, A. N. Searle.

LIBERTY AND LICENSE

Soldiers' Home, Orting, Wash., July .- To the Editor of The Journal-Every ittle while some poor victim bobs up who has a tale of wee to tell of how out liberties, one by one, are being taken away from us. First, that infamous law destroying the glorious liquor business that gave those liberty loving people the right to get drunk and beat up wife and family and starve them and let them go naked and hungry. We are told, "They can never enforce the law anyway, and there is as much liquor used as before the law was passed," and

Scotch preacher whose usual theme was wheat fields and killed some wild geese. then what wonderful things could have the worm that dieth not and the fire that and we chipped in a dollar or so aplece rived from the sale of the stuff. And artist at describing hell. I used to wake now comes another class of kickers who up at night covered with gooseflesh, I ask what right on earth the authorities have to appoint censors to say what kind of moving pictures men may scan. If somebody did not object, in 25 years in hell forever and ever. This preacher this old country would be as bad as We all know men and ever saw. He also had a violent temper, ancient Rome. women are not made decent or honest by law. God provided a better way than that. But in most people's minds He has "gone on a journey" and we will go as near the Notwithstanding all this roar there is enough salt left to keep this country from spoiling, even though the names of those who are this salt are never in the papers. S. Van Scoyac.

DISRESPECTFUL DRIVERS Portland, July 21 .- To the Editor The Journal-I have occasion to ride in a funeral cortege very often, probably Portland. I note that the sense of courtesy on the part of most drivers seems to suggest that they give way to the funeral. Some may respond to the de-mand of the law, but there are far too many drivers who seem not to know the law and think they may safely trust to the generosity of the offended family minister or funeral director to overlook their ill manners, for seldom a funeral goes out of the heart of the from one to four cases of violated law by cutting through or otherwise blocking

Women drivers are notorious of fenders. Robin Hood.

AT THE PHONE RATE HEARING Portland, July 22 .- To the Editor of Journal-Will you kindly inform few of your subscribers and many of the subscribers of the telephone company, it is that our distinguished mayo city attorney, and particularly the city attorney, are not in Salem looking interests of their constituent in the hearing that is now going on at

you may be able to give. One of the Overburdened Subscriber to the Telephone Company. (The city is represented at Salem by Deputy City Attorney Tomlineon, an able lawyer who has made a special study of the issues involved,

THE SUN'S HEAT

Sun's Heat" you today present a par-ticularly instructive editorial article. is that such contributions are not more frequent. As I write I have beto have much Scotch in anyone. fore me the "Transactions of the Inter-(1908), edited by R. A. Sampson, M. A. D. C. S., F. R. S., Astronomer Royal for This authority freely ad

to meet a demand," since the lack of in- but holds that the dust supply is in sufficient to maintain solar energy in-definitely. Thus we fall back on the "the habits of the people must be nebular hypothesis and say to the sun "Dust thou art and unto dust thou shall Verily, that inexorable fiat, J. Harold. Uncle Jeff Snow Says

> rolls up in front of the Corners depart-ment store he ketches the chickens, all orter be agin the law to rig out a auto in nine diffrut colors. If and when Cleve gits ketched speedin' I don't reckon the jedge'll fine him less'n \$100, for the way them short-skirted chicks swarms

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE When armies are abolished Boston Bats, it is said, destroy mosquitoer Bat, bat, come out from under my hat. The G. O. P. is reminded that it was normalcy" we were promised, not "dor

Motorists who seek to best the train to the crossing are racing with the The man who first put the con in congratulations has not as yet been historically identified. Local barber shop advertises "Annual Picnic of the Meat Cutters' Union." Will the tonsorial pariors close?

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Disarmament comes slowly because na tions are too busy trying merely to arm other nations' suspicions. Surgeon insists it's madness to at-tempt to abolish death. Death would be a sweet release from a lot of cheap

Little boys of 20 years ago were frechanged, even though youthful vocabu-laries have not?

Almost anybody can afford to tell how he earned his first dollar. It is some of the later dollars about which it seems discreet to keep quiet.—Medford Clarion. Reduction in the prices of cars is very interesting and it makes us wonder if the unfortunate pedestrian does not view the same as bad news for him.—Amity

Governor Olcott and Secretary of State Koser will join the American Le-gion on a climb of Mount Hood July \$1. Sometimes we think people love the Willamette valley because they are naturally lazy and the valley atmosphere condones and even urges laziness.—Benton County Courier. When the season is over the various canneries of Salem will have pressed and packed more than 4000 tons of loganberries. Upon completion of the Scio Angera Goat club, Linn county will have the first Angera goat club in the state and perhaps the first in the United States.

There are 10,000,000 feeble-minded per ple in the United States, according to Dr. Adler. We're glad that none of them appear to be running country The railroads are getting their equipment ready to transport the best crop of wheat that Bastern Oregon and Washington have grown in many years. Better widen the car doors; it's a huge crop.—Condon Globe-Times.

If the Filipinos show one half the ca-pacity for self government that they show in their appeals for independence the United States would strike 12 by permitting them to "paddle their own (political) canoe."-Oregon City Banner-Courier.

# MORE OR LESS PERSONAL

OBSERVATIONS AND IMPRESSIONS

OF THE JOURNAL MAN

By Fred Lockley

furner, well known resident of Albany, mining claims at Nome, Alaska. I guess

to me recently. Like most of the Scotch, in Rex Beach's book 'The Spoilers.' they were Presbyterians. My mother While I was handling threshing machines

made me go to church and Sunday in Wyoming near Laramie a bunch of

## Random Observations About Town

The report that Senator McNary was the Abbey lives on. M. H. Abbey, of the in Oregon, which circulated through the second generation, is in Portland for a Imperial lobby Saturday, brightened up few days. for a short time the deferred hopes of those who are expecting federal appointment. "I know the report is true," said are in Portland on business. The state address the Chautauqua at Gladstone today." Others got busy on the telephone and tried to get Tom Neuhausen, to find out where the senator was. They failed to raise him, and then the opiniwas expressed that he and the senator had secluded themselves some place to -build our lines and operate them for avoid office-seekers. Finally Standfield tured the report by saying that Senator McNary was still in Washington, "But when he does come home." MacDonald added, "I will find him, even though he ascends to the highest mountain top or loses himself in the continuous woods where rolls the Oregon and hears no sound save its own dashings."

nomah. The visiting Elks were prepared for all mergenoles. Among them was J. V. Burke, an undertaker from Jersey City, N. J. After sampling the Pacific coast college, was a week end visitor. climate, Burke admitted that for business reasons he would rather live in New Jersey.

Ever since Newport has been a summer resort there has been an Abbey Generations come and go, but town.

[What it meant in a somewhat earlier day to be strictly orthodox and yet unregenerate in relation to divine grace, is here well told by a son of Scotia whom Mr. Lockley quotes, quoting him further as he narrates an evisede of

"My folks were Scotch," said George

to me recently. "Like most of the Scotch,

Thought I could stand it to be burned up,

but what got me was to think of burning

was one of the most obstinate men l

and he utterly lacked all sense of humor.

I was very tenderhearted when I was

boy and loved horses and does devotedly

This preacher had a gentle little white

pony that he drove to a cart on his visits

about the country. One day when on

my way to school I came across this

ing his pony unmercifully with a stay

chain. The pony was frantic with pain

and fear. The preacher would say as

he hit the pony, 'I'll teach you not to re-

sist the hand of constituted authority.

I'll put the fear of God into you. I'll

looked on in horror, expecting to see God

strike him dead for his cruelty. After

waiting several moments for God to at-

tend to his case, without result, I de

cided to act for Him, so, picking up a

nice round rock about the size of a wal-

nut, I threw it with all my might at the

preacher. It caught him in front of the

ear. He dropped like a struck bullock. I waited for him to get up, but he lay where he fell. I struck off down the

hounds. All day I literally felt my flesh

singe from the unquenchable fires of

hell prepared from the beginning of

eternity for murderers. It takes a whole

lot to make a boy miss a meal, but I had

school I sneaked home past the preach-

er's house expecting to see crape on his

door. Instead, I saw him walking back

and forth on the path in front of his

though in deep thought. I was so re-

handspring, for which I got a disapprov-

never beat that horse again. He ex-

plained that while punishing his horse

ing look from him for my levity.

no appetite for lunch that

day. After

house, with his hands behind him as a sort of reformed preacher, defend

lieved and delighted that I turned a speech with an impassioned plea that

hell-fire and damnation preacher

show you the evil of your

States reclamation service arrived at Bend Saturday to spend several days on irrigation investigation connected with the Deschutes project. Oregon fruit growers are speeding plans for the formation of a committee to make final arrangements for water transportation in the statewide battle for the reduction of freight rates.

E. V. Ward and J. H. Meister of Bend editorial association met at Bend last week and a good time is reported. One of the features of the session was a trip to Elk lake.

G. N. Easton and party of Oakland, Cal., were taken out on the Columbia river highway Saturday by C. W. Cornellus, dining at the Columbia Gorge hotel.

The Cabbage Hill-Deadmans Pass road, a distance of 12.8 miles between Pendieton and La Grande, has been completed and threwn open to traffic. Total cost of this thoroughfare was \$401,000.

of Oshkosh, Wis., are three stragglers from the band of Elks which passe through Portland last week. William O'Donnell, a shoe manufacturer of St. Paul, who is touring the

Northwest, is registered at the Mult-

H. B. Otis, W. B. Otis and R. C. Otis

Eva Milam, dean of the school of domestic science at Oregon Agricultural

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Sufert and J. H. Wilson of The Dalles week-ended in

kota. In those days I used to mix up in

politics a good bit. McKenzie and the Noyes boys were active in politics then.

McKenzie was a wonderful organizer

and manipulator. He got his pay for

his political work from the railroads in

St. Paul. Later he and Judge Noyes

came to grief trying to manipulate the

you have read about their coarse work

for whiskey. By the middle of the after

noon we were pretty mellow. Some of

the crowd were making speeches and

our festivities we heard a knock at the

door. One of the most sober of the gang

if we wanted to buy any suspenders

socks or jewelry. 'Bring him in,' sang

out a young attorney who latter made

his mark in the political history of Mon-

tana during the days when Clark and

Daly were fighting for political suprem-

acy in the Treasure State. The Jew

was brought in. 'It was some relatives

well and sold him to the camel drivers

bound for Egypt,' said the lawyer, "Take

him out, boys, and put him down the

well till we can decide on adequate and

appropriate punishment for that ancient

and unpunished crime.' They took him

out and dropped him down the well,

which was about 25 feet deep. We went

on with our revelry for several hours.

Everyone had forgotten all about the

cloudy recollection about it. Finally it

came to me and I said, Boys, what are

the crowd. They decided to have a mock

trial. 'Bring him in,' said a lawyer who

try him on the charge of being accessor

him out of the well. He located his paci

and slipped the straps over his should-

ers. You never heard such oratory. The

trial lasted for two hours and the law

yers fairly outdid themselves. The Irish

lawyer acted as prosecuting attorney.

A man who had studied for the ministry

him. The Irish lawyer wound up his

the Jew be hanged at once. The chap

tence be commuted and that his client

be shot instead of being hanged. You

could have knocked that peddler's eyes

The rest of that stag dinner is

blank in my memory, but there is one

affadavit to, and that is that it was

real Thanksgiving day for the peddler

the trial we were going to give him

good dinner and send him on his way

rejoicing, but he was no mind reader.

here. Others are dock laborers and

From Life

David)-Yez kin put me down as sayin

I never wux in better shape in all me

Goliath (just before his scrap with

that defended him asked that

we going to do with the Jew down

hailed from the Emerald Isle.

to the crucifixion of Christ."

peddler smiling ingratiatingly

others were singing. In

Portland. "Bill" Hanley of Harney county, is in

W. W. Green, county superintendent f Umatilla county, is being urged by ellow educators over the state as a desirable successor to the late President Ackerman of the state normal school.

WASHINGTON

Yakima's pell tax collections to date are \$99,060 from 19,912 persons. About 7000 are still delinquent. Bids have been asked for the new postal building to be erected at the state school for the deaf at Vancouver. Discharges of enlisted men at Camp Lewis have been suspended following re-ceipt of orders from the war department. The cornerstone of a Knights of Columbus building and community center, to cost \$150,000, was laid at Everett

Odd Fellows of Wenatchee have let a contract for the erection of a new \$20,000 lodge building. It will be of brick, two stories high,

Sunday.

Refusal of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, to sanction a wage reduction in Washington leaves 2800 men out of work. More than \$10,000 has been assessed in

bootlegging and "moonshining" cases brought before the superior court at ancouver since January 1. Four hundred and twenty-nine young men are now enrolled in the citizen's military training camp at Camp Lewis.

Dashing through a wall of flame in futile attempt to save his automobile was fatally burned at Seattle.

About 35 carloads of prunes are expected from 55 acres near Yakima onging to Andrew Olsen. Olsen expects to realize \$50,000 on his crop. State Senator R. A. Hutchinson, Wash ington pioneer and Indian fighter, is dead at his home in Spokane. He re-cently underwent an operation at Port-

Calvin M. Graves, aged 78, of Yakima, is being sued for divorce by his 17-year-old deaf and dumb bride, who accuses him of nagging her. The couple were married at Yakima, July 4.

Hope of settlement of the strike in the Washington coal mines was abandoned when the operators served notice slipped the pack from his back and asked on the strikers that they must vacate the houses before August 31.

From 4½ acres of land in Kootenal county J. E. Heineman baled 24 tons of wheat hay and has 460 bound bundles of wheat. For a new dormitory and for enlarging the campus, five acres have been purchased by the Lewiston Normal school for \$7350.

A. W. Service, cashier of the First National bank, and J. Jensen were held up and robbed on the streets of Poca-tello Saturday night. The new highway between Boise and. Lewiston is said to be in excellent shape and hundreds of cars have made the

and hundreds of cars have made trip in the last few weeks. Ross K. Parker, a rancher near Idaho Falls, was killed by lightning when it struck a shovel he was carrying over his shoulder and passed through his body. A. B. Addington of Lewiston, while returning from a 2000-mile tour of Col-orado, went over the grade near Pom-eroy, breaking his jaw and receiving other painful injuries.

Owing to the small number of bids and bridge bonds of Nez Perce county, the period of receiving bids will be con-tinued until August 15.

Application for release on bail of Mrs. Lyda Southard, the Twin Falls woman accused of being responsible for the death of four husbands, has been denied by District Judge Babcock.

### CNOW YOUR PORTLAND

ning from \$25,000,000 to \$30,000,000 a Portland's building permits run from \$250,000 to \$300,000 a week.

\$5,000,000 a month, as compared with some \$3,500,000 a month a year ago. Portland's exports for 11 months of the fiscal year totaled \$61,866,709, as compared with \$37,107,439 for an equal period last year and \$21,571,936 for a corresponding 11 months of the 1919

May exceeded that of Seattle, alproper must be added that of cities in the Seattle district, such as Tacoma. Bellingham, Everett and Grays Har-

Portland still continues to be the one port of the United States which shows an increase in commerce as compared with last year. The Seattle port warden's report for June showed a loss, roundly, of \$15,000, 000 in export and import commerce as compared with a year ago. This loss, expressed in percentages,

at low water. A depth of 50 feet obtains except for a comparatively short interval, which is constantly lessening. Portland's and Astoria's harbor entrance at the mouth of the San Francisco, Philadelphia, Boston, New Orleans and many other tional ports. It is not excelled by

Portland's export commerce during

56 per cent of the commerce for June of this year and 33 1-3 per cent of the commerce of June last year. It was recently shown that the channel at the harbor entrance had deepened under combined jetty and

for its contumacy he lost his temper and off with a stick. He kept licking his that God punished him by sending a lips, and his forehead was covered with stroke of some kind, through which he cold sweat. While the impromptu had fallen unconscious by the roadside. He took it as a mark of divine displeaswere wrangling over the form of their verdict the vender of shoestrings and suspenders took to his beels. The last ure at his belaboring his faithful animal "Yes, we are a mixed race, but our we saw of him he was still running. I remember weeping on someone's neck who mingled his tears of laughter with

predominating strain is from Great Britain," said my Albany friend. "There's a good bit of Scotch in me. You needn't Vancouver, Wash., July 24 .- To the smile," he added sadly. "There isn't s Editor of The Journal-Regarding "The much Scotch in me as there used to be thing I am willing to make a solem before the country went dry. anything else in the form of freshment is too hard to get these days he was so thankful to get away. After

> "When I was a young man I used to sell threshing machines in North Da- and took the thing seriously."

HOW ARE THE MIGHTY FALLEN From the Manohester Guardian. Many officers of Wrangel's disints grating army are drifting into the city, says a Constantinople dispatch, where they pocket their pride and tackle the problem of getting a living. Generals and

admirals have sold their decorations a a little daily auction in the court yard of the Mosque Aghadjami in where women of court circles dispose of furs. fewels and their last bits o the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor was glad to get a place as hall porter for the French hospital. Prince Goubitsen, once rich and powerful in the govern-ment of Orel, is selling sausages in a four Russian generals are making their

stablemen. Many titled Russian wome are selling flowers and newspapers Princess Galitzin, Princess Shahofsko and dezens of others are waitress THE FIRST CHAMP

fe, an' they ain't a particle o' doubt as to the outcome. A GUSTATORT HINT The sword swallower should tackle

saw occasionally: it would

From the El Paso Herald. There's one thing about poetry, mu

Northwest Happenings in Brief Form for the Boar Reader OREGON October 6, 7 and 8 have been fixed as the dates for holding the Banks annual hog and dairy show.

The Oregon Country

It is expected that more than 200,000 boxes of apples will be shipped from Wasco county this year.

The Hotel Hoskins, a three-stery wooden building at Echo, burned to the ground last Friday. The furnishings and the belongings of the patrons were

One solid 1600-acre field of wheat averaging 37 bushels to the acre has just been harvested on the Gilliam county ranch of Smythe brothers of Pendleton.

Major W. P. Winton, Inspector at Camp Bragg, N. C., for the last year, has arrived at Corvallis to take charge of the field unit of Oregon Agricultural

County Superintendent Byland states that the complete corps of teachers has been employed for every school in Clat-sop county, excepting two which employ one teacher each.

Director A. P. Davis of the United