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toeracy, of caste, of the idea that one man better clothes, more land, more money, beeause he owns a railroad, or is famous or in high position.—Robert G. Ingersoll.

FIGHTING THE FARMERS' BLOC

of War Weeks made an attack on the "farmers' bloc" and went so far as to say that a return to "Cannonism," by giving the speaker of the house power to appoint committees. was that the "farmers' bloc" is undermining party government.

The whole trouble at Washington is that the old guard is trying to ram its program down the throats of the representatives of the agricultural states. It wants, as it has always legislate for the benefit of the northeastern corner of the United States to the neglect of the rest of the country.. That is why

there is a "farmers' bloc." It is why there were so-called Republican "insurgents" in congress a dozen years ago. It is why there was Rooseveltism and a Progressive party. It was the reason for the great split in the Republican party in 1912.

"Blocs" are a natural evolution. Our civilization in America is becoming more and more complex. We snuggle in their tents, cook at the ware drifting toward the complexities of Europe, where "blocs" are numers ons in every legislative body. It is building provided by the municipalthe product of an increasing popula- ity. tion and the encroachments of industrialism upon agricultural life. Government in America by one of two big parties is probably in the process of disintegration in the same way that it disintegrated in Europe to be replaced by "bloc" government.

Old-guardism closes its eyes to the passing show. Party government recently went to smash in the Canadian elections, where the agriculturists swept the country. "Blocs" will be a feature in the new Canadian parliament, as they are in France. in Germany and in Great Britain Self-determination is a principle that has strongly possessed peoples as a result of the war, and groups in America are finding in it a sound reason for thinking about themselves and acting for themselves in matters political. Many of them have already long impoverished themselves

by clinging to the fetich of party. There is a "farmers' bloc" at Washington because the farmers of the country are thinking of self-determination. Members of that "bloc" see and represent the whole United States. They see and represent the biggest single investment in the United States, the biggest industry in the United States and the biggest group of people in the United States. And it is at this time the industry that most needs that sound public policy and legislation which men are sent to Washington to forward. Does the old guard know that the farmers are leaving the farms and noving to the cities to become job hunters? Does it know that America has changed from an agricultural to an industrial nation, with all the

Does the old guard want American farmers to disappear and American farms to'be worked by Japanese and on the success of the Washington at the least possible cost by the low-Slavs and un-Americanized races from Southern Europe? That is ex- Japan "pledges the empire to sup- don't want any divine right business 'em fer a remedy and all they have to actly what its program is forcing upon the United States.

Four New York profiteers in building material have been given people of these powers upon the approach of an era of peaceful development and friendly feeling among the nations of the building material have been given

temptible than profiteers in building the four-power agreement, so that it may material at a time when men are idle for lack of work, families hun-but for the entire world. gry for lack of food, and thousands

point across the Atlantic that a tax tries of the earth. Governments on tips is in prospect if not in actual everywhere who fail to respect the operation. Most people consider tips as tax enough.

WHEN LEGISLATORS MEET

THERE are evidently to be some hot disputes at the special session over the exposition bill.

In many counties gatherings

taxpayers have requested their legiscounty Wednesday a great crowd of to overflowing sounded an anti-tax than to take it by war. slogan that will not be confined to tax of some of the burdens that have rested so heavily upon real estate. Persons who attended that meeting

Much sentiment of this kind will be reflected by members in the legislature. The one argument that will carry some kind of measure through the body is that any legislative action THE school children near Willis merely submission of the exposi- | L bridge are compelled to walk tion levy to the people for accept- in the roadway from the schoolance or rejection. No legislator house to their homes. There are no could very well deny the people the sidewalks along county roads.

little. The added expense would sioners, another administrative body scarcely be a few cents to the aver- within the county, to lay sidewalks age taxpayer, because the vote will along the road. The county never

the excess gasoline tax for 1925 over the county, for the walks. for the amounts they had paid in for propose to lay the walks along a support of the exposition. It would county road, and there is not an imgasoline tax to be slightly increased. over the thoroughfare as a city That plan or any other that will street. take from the exposition bill the curse of a straight levy with the school boards, three administrative all peoples. chief burden on real estate, will have bodies in the same territory, may a very strong effect in disarming the some time arrange meetings and out growing opposition.

torney moved into his office at Of course, it may take years. There Topeka, Kan., recently, and finding may be legal tangles. the linoleum on the floor badly long discussion is necessary before worn, wrote Washington asking for anything can be done. In the meana carpet. He received a letter say- time the children near Willbridge ing that the government couldn't af- will walk in the roadway. Autoford to buy a carpet, but that it mobiles and trucks will be there, too. chobee you reach a wall of monstrous would patch the linoleum if he Perhaps the children will be safe, cypress, black and forbidding, hoary would send it on to the proper de- Perhaps they won't. partment at the national capital. Where are the government's economy experts?

WINTER TOURISTS

MOTOR tourists no longer follow the example of the geese. Their migrations are not controlled by the seasons.

At the automobile camp ground, whether December days bring rain or chill, the gasoline tourists still cheerful fires provided by the city or gather sociably in the community

All of this is interesting and picturesque, but behind their presence are other questions. Where do they come from? How

do they happen to be here? Good roads answer both questions

Highway improvement furnishes motorists the courage to attempt winter travel. Once mud or storm would have barred them utterly. struggle through, their persistence bids? overcoming obstacles as long as they can get traction.

Motor tourists come from any point related to the Oregon country it was a profitable business. by passable winter roads. Many of them are here from mid-western recently another firm bid lower. farms, with the proceeds of last season's crops in their pockets, to look smaller profits or it could do the is probably the richest piece of land on over the country with a view to new

The all-year motor tourist traffic the materials. offers highway and county commissions a new responsibility. It is al- bidder may not be able to meet his most as urgent that the improved contract. On that basis it is proroads be kept clear of snow and ice posed that the bids be thrown out as that the railroad tracks be kept and new bids called for. It is even

The colored chauffeur of a millionaire paper manufacturer at St. Louis entered his employer's house the terms of his contract. Does that with his hat on. In a rage the em- not protect the city? Can the city ployer undertook to remove the hat. not thereby protect itself against water, which removes most of the acid. and the chauffeur shot him dead. loss? It was,a case in which good manners by both, or even by one, would have averted a tragedy.

AS NIPPON SEES IT

CONSTRUCTION work on all warships in all Japanese navy yards has been suspended, is the statement in a dispatch from Tokio.

Congratulating the United States conference, Premier Takahashi of port the four-power Pacific agreement to the limit." The premier says:

The people of Japan congratulate the sessed against 29 other profiteers and 17 profiteering corporations on the same count. What more continuous the same count is a common cause in the past 50 years. They expect great taings from to 73, at 60 to 75, at 70 to 75, at 70

in Japan against war and the cost Income tax has reached so fine a of war is like that in all the counwell-nigh universal wish for them to take steps for continued world peace are in peril of overthrow overnight. The horrors, agonies and debts of the late war have aroused peoples to new and powerful resolutions.

Having stopped construction work on her warships, Japan can take the money so saved and begin to create a fund with which to buy territory By Carrier, City and Country.

DAILY AND SUNDAY

DAILY SUNDAY

DAILY SUNDAY

SUNDAY

One week....\$.15 One month....\$.65 to overflowing sounded an anti-tax than to take it by war.

And it is a cheaper method. The war and held subject by war, as practiced through centuries, always cost more than it would have cost if obtained through peaceful purchase. A warranty deed is a better title

describe it as an occasion of serious to land than a treaty of cession wrung from unwilling owners by force of arms.

-WALKING AT WILLBRIDGE

Fearing for the safety of the children the school board, one of the administrative bodies within the vote of the people will cost very county, asked the county commisegislature is what to put into the near Willbridge because other comproposal of Senator Joseph will do to make exceptions in all cases. But, more than anything else to secure a the county officials suggested, the a demonstration should occur Wednesschool board might apply to the city, day, December 28, when Woodrow Wil-

The school officials went to city not even be out of reason for the mediate prospect of the city taking ed among the iron-ruled and downtrod-

Perhaps the city and county and of it all reach a decision whereby somebody will lay sidewalks to pro-The new United States district at- tect the children near Willbridge.

But the people of the county have plenty of government. They have swamp which is one of the largest, and 51 administrative bodies to support, in many respects the strangest, in the and 51 administrative bodies to world. Cupped by a shallow rim of limesquabble over questions of who is to feet above low water mark; yet the

take their lives in their hands. Like the sidewalk at Willbridge, the people of the county may some day get a consolidated government wherein one body can act when action is necessary.

A Swiss newspaper insists that the currency of most European countries is now not on a gold but a wood basis. The wood is transformed into paper upon which gaudy certificates are printed and these are worth at flowering jasmine. Here linger the last least the cost of the paper and the

HAVE a few companies a divine right to all contracts for furnishing materials to the municipal paving plant? Or does the city wel-Snow may yet delay them, but they come additional bidders and lower

> A few companies have furnished the materials before. They wanted lemon, the custard apple and wonderful to furnish them again. Apparently orchids.

But when the bids were opened Either that firm was satisfied with work cheaper. At any rate, the taxpayers would be made to pay less for

But now it is claimed that the new stated that the other firms will bid lower than the newcomer.

If the other firms are willing to bid lower, why did they not do so originally? Is it customary for old hardened by drying. firms to bid as high as they like, and thereafter, if someone agrees to do the work at smaller cost, they have another whack at the pot?

The taxpayers want to see the city as a basis of contract awards.

A statistician says that at one year

THAT PEACE MAY BE ADVANCED

Call to All Who Sincerely Desire Away With, to Consecrate to That Cause a Portion of December 28. Sixty-fifth Anniversary of the Birth of Woodrow Wilson Apostle of Peace and Stricken Veteran of the War

It is three long years since the bleeding, starving and haggard people of the hat has ever been visited upon mankind tics." ics for leadership to world truth and justice among all peoples.

have cast aside their trust in God and future wars; only the shells remain of the World in due time. nations that ruled and carried their peoples to slaughter in 1914, but on poison there is being built a new distrust that will recognize but one master-world

They have been hard years and bitter years because America, the world master, grew tired and did not keep faith. New scars that will be everlasting have been made on millions of hearts.

But that is past and immaterial now. America is now again awake to her responsibilities and is anxious to cast aside selfishness built upon lies; on truth and justice toward all the peoples of the world,

adership and keep faith with the milfields of Europe that the teaching of speculators if they can only haul down Christ of peace on earth and good will another boom. toward all men might be made a practical reality in the daily life of the individuals of all nations.

That our present leaders may know that the American people are with them take place at the regular primary lays sidewalks, so the school officials all its responsibilities, that has been were told that it would be bad policy permitted to drag in the mud for three is not; if he earns \$100,000 by his in-The important thing with the to make an exception in the case years-and that the world may know vention or enterprise, it is his or it is our innermost feelings-I would suggest not. Is there no foundation for private that we set aside a part of one day property? On the other hand, if it is bill to be submitted. In this respect munities, too, would ask for side- during the Christmas holiday season to unearned income from the increase of it is good advice to say to the legisla- walks for their children, and in fair- give public expression and to restate land values, then it is the state's, no ture that some such plan as the ness, the county would be compelled and reaffirm our ideals and desires matter whether it is 10 cents or \$10.

> son, the savagely wounded veteran of the World war who sounded the call that swept the armies of justice to glorious victory, reaches the sixty-fifth anniversary of his birth. In assembly and over dinner table, on that date, let us rekindle the faith and government has found to be true, for

den of the world, that America may ally be understanding and peace among

The Florida Everglades

From the London Mail.

Three quarters of the way down the long narrow peninsula of Florida you come to an immense lake. This is Okeechobee, as large as the county of Surrey, yet nowhere more than a dozen fee deep. A most dangerous sheet of water to cross, for owing to its shallowness a summer thunderstorm raises a sea in which no boat can live. South of Okeewith trails of grey Spanish moss, and beyond this the 'glades themselves.

The Everglades of Florida form stone, its surface is not more than 10 do work, while the school children swamp itself is not brackish, but filled with clear, soft water. What you see at first is an endless ex-

> panse of saw-grass, grey green in color, 8 to 10 feet high and apparently impen Yet everywhere run narrov channels of clear water dotted with lily leaves. Here and there these broaden into exquisite lakes where alligators float like logs, and where is sometimes seen that strange creature, the manatee, the true original of the mermaid. It is a great animal allied to the dugong, quite harmless and devoted to its young. Islands dot these lakes-islands covered with grapevines and sweet yellowsurvivors of the Seminole Indians, a type nore nearly approaching the redskin of

refuge with them in the old days. The bird life of the 'glades is wonderful. Ibis, heron, ducks of many kinds, snake birds, limpkins, and the beautiful white egret abound. There are snakes. too, great diamond rattlers and the the "hummocks" grow wild orange, wild gitlmate undertaking of this kind.

And now comes the news that the ecration, but it had to come, for here is an area twice the size of Yorkshire that the earth's surface. It will grow the finest sugar, tobacco and every kind of subtropical fruit, and has the enormous advantage of being almost on salt water, and consequently within easy reach of the best markets in the world.

Curious Bits of Information

Gleaned From Curious Places Celluliod, from which many toilet articles and imitations of Ivory are made, is The low bidder agrees to furnish composed from the cellulose found satisfactory bond that he can meet cotton cloth or raw cotton. It is treated with a solution of nitrie acid, which forms it into a pulp very much like paper pulp. It is then washed with It is partially hardened and camphor gum mixed with it, when it is rolled into sheets and thoroughly dried. To manipulate it, it is softened by steam and then

Uncle Jeff Snow Says

It takes brains to talk right up to a question and then dodge away from it and pretend it ain't there. Some of our entirely protected. But they don't ministers and college perfessors can do want any monopoly of contracts at that any day or evenin' week in and the city hall. They want work done week out. The way some of 'em tears into the rich and the fellers with some special holt on what God made fer all est responsible bidder. And they men is enlightenin' and edifyin's but ask suggest is bigger churches and more colleges. Tell 'em to git 'em up some nishative measure that'd put the coal, timber and city business block profiteers on the of age you have an equal chance of kibosh and they hain't got sense enough living to 64, at 10 to 68, at 20 to to do it in any 40 churches and 40 69, at 30 to 70, at 45 to 72, at 50 leges you've a mind to mention. It's stiff fines. Big fines were also as- earth. They expect great things from to 73, at 60 to 75, at 70 to 78, and easy enough to cuss Rockefeller, but to

Letters From the People

A READER'S THANKS

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With Prophecy of "a United States the World in Due Time." Portland, Dec. 15 .- To the Editor of The Journal—Thank you, Mr. Editor, for your editorial in Tuesday's Journal. entitled "The Union in the Senate." Mr. Taft, when near the end of his term, commended the Democrats for patriotiworld turned from the greatest sorrow cally assisting him and not "playing poli-By doing so they were proving and made their pledge of faith in Amer- themselves worthy of guiding the nation through eight years, the most testing It is just three years ago. But little known, and doing it grandly. Hymns of children and women have starved, men hate win short-lived victories. The steps being taken at the disarmament conturned beast, old unforgiven hates have ference may be short and cautious, but blazed anew and a hundred new hates are in the right direction. We shall get have been added to increase the lust for our stride and a United States of the

J. H. Irvine. Pastor Woodlawn M. E. Church. INCOME TAX AND THE FAIR Writer Asserts Big Incomes Can Be Reached Only by Land Tax.

Portland, Nev. 30 .- To the Editor of The Journal-Sunday's papers convey to us the information that the special session is to be an educational campaign for candidates for governor, and that as a feeler an income tax is to be substituted, both for the fair and for future use. In other words, the "world rot," every hand the people of this nation are as described by H. G. Wells, seems to esserting their belief in understanding, have no effect on some Western statesmen. There seems to be no occasion to change the basis of doing business even The way will be harder, but it is not though all Europe is sinking back to co late for America to take world primitive barbarism and will soon affect America. Yet that means nothing to ions who gave their lives on the battle- the vacant-land boomers and wildcat

We are told that an income tax would relieve land. What kind of income taxunearned income, or earned income? If poor as well as the genius of the rich? If a man earns a nickel it is his or it in international affairs.

It would be entirely fitting that such fair intend to assault enterprise by an 000,000. But do the promoters of the income tax so based in order to sell to unsuspecting fair visitors blue sky projects? If we are really trying to reach great incomes then, as Professor Seligman, the apologist of privilege, admits, we must reach land values, the basis of big incomes. This the United States belief in American justice that he creat- other incomes dodge taxes and any attempt to reach them is a farce like all general property tax systems are. And rightly again assume her place in world still we are to learn nothing in stateseadership in order that there may fin- manship, even though the engineer is revolutionizing society so fast that every institution made by society threatens to give way and a total collapse is in fact J. R. Hermann.

PAY AT THE POLLS Election Clerk Notes Discrepancy Between

His Compensation and Others. Portland, Dec. 13 .- To the Editor of The Journal-With reference to the letter in The Journal of December 1 signed "E. W." and under the heading "Plea for the Unemployed," I want to state that, being one of the unemployed, I was fortunate enough to get a much needed one day's salary at one of the are at the Multnomah. polling places on November 19. should like to know how the two tes ke to know how the two teac \$7 each, while I was told to get \$3 only from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m., with \$1.50 for two meals, and how they could work from 8 a. m. to 9 p. m. If I understand "E. W." right, they have drawn their pay already, while I have to wait one, if not two, months. Where I worked other people were employed who fared as I did. I should like to have "E. W.. " or someone, explain these matters. Constant Reader.

FAVORS STRAIGHT TAX PLAN And Predicts That the State Will Vote For a 1925 Fair.

Portland. Dec. 8 .- To the Editor the Journal-In the election recently held in Portland the 1925 fair taxation measure carried four to one. Had it been suitable weather, so the voters could have got out, it very likely would get into Oregon and into his have carried by a still larger ratio. This also affords much interesting means that when the people throughout the state get a chance to vote on the measure there will be the same result, CONTRACTS BY DIVINE RIGHT?

They live by fishing and hunting, they know what they want. Seventy-five per travel by canoe, and, curiously enough, they still retain a few negro slaves described by the still retain a few negro slaves de finance it by taxation. They all know Dublin is my native city. I first saw university and put in three years, gradit cannot be held for nothing, and the the light of day on June 1, 1841, by, uating in 1872. each paying his proportion. The amount one of eight children. I came to America by the state is not staggering, and the people of Oragon have all ing, and the people of Oregon have al- old. I was 20 years old when Fort sluggish, hideous swamp moccasin. In ways shown the right spirit in any le-Sumter was fired on. Being Irish, nat-

than the taxation plan, and about all picked only the finest specimens of man-I can see in them is confusion. To raise hood. I was rejected, for I was a state of Florida has begun to drain the whole of this wonderland. It seems desincome tax measure at this special leg- 50 pounds underweight, islature, where the legislature is so overwhelmingly Republican. Consequently but a short time should be consumed by this special session in draft ing and passing a bill for the people to vote on next May or June to complete the state's part in financing the exposition here in 1925. A. M. Humphreys.

"DESERTERS?"

The Journal-Under the headline, "Two in Portland. It rained steadily. Republicans Desert," the Oregonian of November 18 carried an Oregonian news bureau dispatch from Washington relative to the votes in the house of memers" were Sinnott of Oregon and Summers of Washington. This is a case where, I think, desertion

should be rewarded and should place these two men on the honor roll. They Dalles. We started a stage station, for stand for the people instead of for the the stage from The Dalles to Malheur promises of the high-up, to be enforced and Boise City passed our place. C. M. party discipline. A Reader. NO POISON GAS

Conference Critic Urges More Radical

Action in Line of Disarmament. Wash., Dec. 14.-To Editor of The Journal-For some time I have been waiting to see The Journal note the mistake the war conference was making in leaving out of the contract being signed the great matter of poison gas and airplanes, the new mode of warfare which undoubtedly would be adopted pleased with what they have done, but if this is now left out the war god will COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE It is hoped the four-power agreement will be something better than a four-wilnder affair.

We can now give to irrigation of the to apply to irrigation of arid thirsts. Now that coreless apples seem to be a fact there must be woe in the heart of that youth who used to cry, "Gimme

Prime Minister Takahashi! We can't make sure whether that sounds like a name or an Oriental waiter's order to the cook. Wonder what Br'er Borah will do when the millennium comes, with nothing at all in the whole wide world to

be scared of. One of the most beautiful, yet, of course, the most fragile things we know about is an ideal. They're always get-We read a lot about the affairs of ireland, but can't discover who is this ireland. Fireann, nor what he has

Ireland, but can't discover who is fellow Dail Eireann, nor what he to do with it all.

there ain't no such animals any more, help the farmer at public expense-just they can call themselves by any old hifalutin title they please.

SIDELIGHTS

England and Ireland may not have buried the shillelash entirely, but at least it looks as if they were going to club together.—La Grande Observer. In 11 months of the year 1744 persons have been killed by automobiles in the state of New York. War and its

casualties are really trivial matters after all.—Eugene Guard. A revival of a speculative movement in sheep is very noticeable. Cattle, to are looking up and the grower sees

profitable return after a slump that bordered on ruin.—Baker Democrat. That his order from France for timber is the best news that has come to the Northwest since the war. With the Oregon mills again running to capacity, prosperity will smile on the Pacific coast with radiating face. — Corvallis Gazette-Times.

If we are to be civilized we must pay for it, and experience has proved that civilization pays. The heathen is not regardless of the for it, and experience has proved civilization pays. The heathen is very successful, regardless of very successful, regardless of the crooked stick he uses for a plow and regardless of the fact he has no roads and but one shirt or none at all.—Pendieton East Oregonian.

Japan's gigantic new battleship, the Mutsu, won't do the Nipponese much good after the wings of the dove of peace are working right.

As far as blocs are concerned, we have always had them, but not by the same name. There has always been a steel bloc and a manufacturers bloc If the 'high contracting parties' will and a labor bloc, who have put and a labor bloc, who h bloc, who have put through

MORE OR LESS PERSONAL

Random Observations About Town

Imperial are R. A. McHaley of Prairie paper man, is renewing his acquaint-City, J. L. Mulcane and J. E. Marks of ance with Portland friends. Canyon City, Amiel Claude of Juntura, E. Johnson of Coquille, Mr. and Mrs. . F. Burney of La Grande, Charley K. Cranston of Pendleton, J. O. Madden of Redmond, N. G. Wallace of Prineville, H. L. Plumb of Bend, Gilbert Brown of it is earned income they are after, then Lakeview, Sam L. Garland of Lebanon, why not assault the dinner pail of the and Earl Kirkpatrick of Dallas.

W. C. Hollinshead, who is in the truck business at La Pine, is in Portland to secure equipment,

R. E. Bradbury of Klamath Falls is sojourning at the Imperial.

E. V. Porter of Ashland is at the Imperial. Thomas Corbett of Astoria is a Port-

and visitor. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bradman of In dependence are at the Imperial.

Frank L. Knowlton of Corvallis is a

the Imperial. gon. W. L. Jones of Jefferson is a guest of the Imperial.

E. L. Chalcraft of Siletz, in Lincoln county, is a guest of the Cornelius. H. W. Curtis of The Dalles is registered at the Cornelius.

W. D. Pierce of Baker is transacting business in Portland. W. M. Hamilton of Salem is at the

Hugh Scott of The Dalles is at the Ramapo. J. S. Delaney of Astoria is a guest

of the Multnomah. Mr, and Mrs. N. E. Golden of Salem T. C. Hall of Eugene is a guest of

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Jennings of Rose land visitor. ourg are Portland visitors. Charles Kingswell of Springfield is a

Pertland visitor. F. L. Meyers of La Grande is at the

James Farley of Heppner is a Port-

OBSERVATIONS AND IMPRESSIONS OF THE JOURNAL MAN

By Fred Lockley

[A man whose spirit was willing but whose flesh was too attenuated tells Mr. Lockley how he didn't get into the Civil war and how he did lest into Oregon and into his profession. He profession. He Indian lore, collected while in service as an agency physician.]

urally I wanted to get into the fight. Several plans have been proposed other In the early days of the Civil war they

"If I couldn't get into the army could at least have adventure of some kind, so I decided to go west. We had to stop over on the Isthmus of Panama three weeks waiting for the steamer Moses Taylor to come from San Francisco to get us. Arrived in California, landed a job on the ranch of John D. Patterson at Fruitvale. He raised pure-"Desertion" Puts Sinnott on Honor Roll, bred sheep and cattle. In October, 1864, invested \$25 in a steamer ticket to . . .

"I didn't like it, so after three days took a steamer, the Wilson P. Hunt, or The Dalles. From The Dalles I ers of the delegation from the three went to Canyon City. I met an old deep Northwestern states. The two "desert- water sailor, Captain W. C. Meyer, and a Canadian, Frank Hewitt. With their ence we went to ranching in the Bridge Creek country, 129 miles south of The Lockwood, whose son Chauncey Salem, was the government contractor We cut and sold wild hay to the stage company. Mr. Wheeler, who owned the stage line, took the place of one of his stage drivers one morning. Paulina's They shot him through the face. I ners eight years. Dr. W. B. Morse of dressed his wound. The bullet knocked out most of his back teeth. By the way. Dr. Cusick moved to Salem and I moved Wheeler county is named for him. Wheeler county is named for him.

definite action is taken while the present units and powerful bodies such as commercial clubs, women's clubs, farmers' ever before. It was time to rejoice, it guide aright the people's demand in the seemed to us, when our own America matter, with such volumes of requests laid down the proposition that all the that they must at once take notice that world could see was fair and righteous, it is a command and not simply a request

Among the out of town guests at the Frank Davey of Salem, old time news-Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Patterson of Rose

burg are visiting their daughter, Mrs L. W. Myrick, in Portland, W. H. Keating of Kings Valley is guest of the Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Gearin of White

Salmon are in town to do some Christmas shopping. Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Osburn, pioneers of Eugene, are registered at the Ben-

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Davenport of Hood River are business visitors in Portland. W. N. McQueen and Norris L. Rogers of McMinnville are registered at the

Multnomah. -J. F. Gilpin, bridge builder of Astoria, is at the Oregon. C. A. Carew of Wasco is at 'the Ore- the character of the oil seepage with

W. B. Summerville of Sales is transacting-business in Portland. J. C. Kendall and C. W. Parker of Coos Bay are at the Benson.

Delma Lamb of Heppner is a guest of the Benson. H. J. Overturf of Bend is registered at the Benson.

O. L. Davis of Woodburn is at the Oregon. B. W. Baldwin of Medford is a guest of the Oregon.

W. W. Powers of Salem is registered at the Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Dickinson of Newport are guests of the Oregon.

S. J. Herren of Burns is at the Ore-J. O. Madden of Redmond is a

W. W. Allen of Mill City is a guest of the Imperial J. P. Goldwaite of Chiloquin, near

Crater Lake, is at the Portland. A. Ramsey of Bay City is at the

Oregon. land visitor.

"I decided to study medicine, so went to Willamette university and put in a year and then landed a job as contract doctor to the Warm Springs Indians. After a year or so an order was issued requiring doctors on Indian agen-Dr. M. A. Flinn of Portland has been cies to know something about medicine. practicing medicine more than 50 years. It had been a political job, just as the favor of holding an exposition in 1925, of my birthplace," said Dr. Flinn medicine than a postmaster had to know scendants of those runaways who took and they are also perfectly willing to "That's right; I was born in Ireland. about letters. I returned to Willamette

Multnomah by a Wasco squaw. He was born about 1822. He said when he was about 10 there were 60 Indians in his father's immediate family. This included relatives of various degrees. Among them was a young squaw, the sister of his mother. Their lodge was near the mouth of the Williamette. A malignant malarial fever became epidemic-a sort of bilious remittent fever. Of the 60 people all died but Mark and nother's sister. Chief Multnomah and his people were simply swept out of existence. Their remedies as the disease itself caused the high mortality. They would sit in their sweat houses to sweat out the disease, and when covered with perspiration would rush out and jump into the cold waters Oak Grove, Dec. 14.—To the Editor of Portland. I went to Arigoni's hotel here of the Willamette, after which it was a canoe in the treetops for them. The diseases that are fatal to Indians nowadays are tuberculosis and venereal

> "I succeeded Dr. William McKay as agency doctor at Warm Springs. A. B. Meacham asked that Dr. McKay accompany him to restore the Indian slaves money and enthusiasm and my experi- to their original tribes. A good many Shasta, Pitt River and Modoc Indians were held as slaves by the Wascoes Klickitats and other Columbia river

"In 1875 I moved to Vancouver, where was engaged in practice for three years. From there I went to French Prairie, in Marion county, and entered into partnership with Dr. W. A. Cusick Paulina's He was a bright man, a good surgeon warpath, and a skillful physician. We were part Salem married Dr. Cusick's daughter

man life would dwindle into insignifishould another war occur. We are conference is yet in session. Influential cance, would be the result should an other war come, which it will be likely to do in a near future time unless frusyet remain, with greater capabilities for clubs, and especially the press and the trated now while the machinery to prethe destruction of the human race than pulpit, should deluge those in position to vent it is still in action. We stand at the parting of the ways and the people lead to death and destruction. At the end of the other is the new day in which When every wrong is righted And man to man united. The whole world will be lighted

As Eden was of old.

L. R. Whitney.

The Oregon Country Northwest Happenings in Brief Form tor Busy Reader.

OR GON

Forty carloads of Oregon evergreen have been shiped to California this sea son for Christmas tree purposes. The new \$60,000 high school building just completed at Hermiston is said to be one of the finest structures of the kind in Eastern Oregon.

Of 3771 head of milch cows in Lane county tested by state and federal ex-perts only seven have showed reactions to the tuberculosis test.

Bids ranging from \$100.02 to \$105.05 were received last week on Baker county's \$425,000 road bond issue. The bids were taken under advisement.

James P. Stover, sawyer at the Buck Creek Lumber company's mill near Cot-Creek Lumber company's mill near Cot-tage Grove, dropped dead a few days ago of heart disease. He leaves a wife and eight children.

Despondency over his financial condi-tion caused Truman Cornforth, aged rancher of the Malheur valley, to com-mit sulede on his ranch near Vale Thursday morning of last week.

A statewide lime conference will be held at Oregon Agricultural college Thursday of Farmers' week, December 29. Need of the Willamette valley soils for lime will be given special considera-

An effort will be made to raise money among the farmers of Natron and Jasper and the country between the two places to raise \$12,000 to insure the com-pletion of a highway from one place to the other.

Two hundred dollars to be used in the purchase of comforts for disabled ex-service men now in Portland hospi-tals is the sum that was raised last week by the women's auxiliary of the American Legion at McMinnville Although the carcass of a deer in cold storage at the plant of the Eugene Fruit Growers' association belonged to another party, H. H. Ruth, manager of the plant

was fined \$25 and costs on the charge of unlawful possession of deer meat. To raise money for protection of forests during 1922, the county court has made an order levying a 2½-cent an acre tax on all timber lands in Western Lane county and 2 cents in Eastern Lane county outside the national forest

WASHINGTON

Theodore Hall has been recommended for reappointment as postmaster at Medical Lake by Representative Loot obtained by cracksmen who blew

the safe of the Snoqualmie State bank, 40 miles from Seattle, last week, is now placed at \$5000. W. L. Ziegler, Spokane mining engineer, was seriously injured when his automobile skidded and struck the side of a bridge on the Apple Way.

From an approximate survey Stevens county is believed to have raised this season 5,760,000 pounds of potatoes, the largest part of which are Netted Gems. Aroused by the report of large sums of money invested in Spokane oil companies, the government is investigating

view to possible prosecution.

Alfred L'Ecuyear, president of the Eastern Washington Oil company, and his wife are under arrest at Spokane, charged with using the mails in con nection with a scheme to defraud. Sheriff Rider, fearing that bank rob-bers may invade Adams county, has arranged with 25 men who have good

automobiles and guns to respond on short notice day or night in the event that there is need of them. The lifeless body of Miss Tilly Hoppe was found suspended from the ceiling of the Hoppe residence at Pomeroy by the mother as she returned from a shopping tour. Miss Hoppe had returned hor Tuesday from a Spokane sanitarium. W. D. Shafer and his son, Major, are in a Yakima hospital and his daughter, Grace, aged 13, was drowned, as the re-

suit of his boat being swept away by the strong current in the Yakima river. The father had started to row the children across the river to school.

IDAHO There were 23 deaths and 51 births in Boise during November. state treasury department November \$9764.32 from funds Idaho's state treasury t has invested and from funds on de-

posit in state banks. At a meeting of 150 lettuce growers at Bolse Thursday it was determined to organize the Southern Idaho Lettuce

Growers' association. Minidoka county's bonded indebtedness is \$1,570.254.96, and more than 56 per cent of this amount is chargeable to the city of Rupert.

Support to the movement to create the Central Oregon highway as a feeder to the transcontinental Lincoln highway to be given by the Pocatello Chamber of The Boise Commercial club insists that the monthly survey of the United

States employment service on business conditions in Idaho is erroneous and does that city a great injustice. The number of acres of Idaho land de-voted to fruit raising is 31,848, and the value of these lands with their or-chards is estimated at \$13,212,700, ac-cording to figures compiled by the state bureau of plant industry.

Christmas Gift

Suggestions Christmas time to Grandmother and Grandfather brings countless secrets to be shared with the kiddies in regard to Mother's and Father's Christmas gifts, or, if Grandmother lives a little way off, it means days spent in preparation for the family's visit, and the wrapping of the Christmas present prepared as a grand surprise for Mary Lou or Bobbie. But the Christmas presents to be given Grandmother and Grandfather are also given a good bit of thought. Good books are things to be shared by them both. Or a year's subscription to their favorite magazine in an equally acceptable gift.

A warm, woolly bathrobe for

either Grandfather or Grand-

mother comes at prices ranging from \$5.85 to the all-wool robes at \$15 and more. Grandfather would enjoy wearing a housecoat of wool or cassimere, priced at \$5.75. For \$10 one may secure a house coat with velvet collar and cuffs, or for \$12.50 one with silk collar and cuffs. A mice warm Angora all-wool muffler for \$2, or a sweater vest to be worn underneath his coat, priced at \$5.50, will bring comfort and warmth to Grandfather. Also he will enjoy wearing gloves lined with knitted wool, which are priced at \$4.50, or heather woo hose, which sell for \$1. And as for Grandmothers As

attractive lightweight fringed shawl in a delicate color, or in a darker color, would be very much appreciated. She would also enjoy receiving a box of knitting yarn, or some new knitting needles. A lovely lace collar or a brooch or a pair of new gloves is also acceptable. Then, too, gifts of pure linen handkerchiefs for either Grandmother or Grandfather are never a mistake.

grief that change brings?