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Her head raised a little and the took another backward step, pulled

Swiftly, without dignity, he

the door shut. The key had been

left in the lock when Maxie had

admitted Landers. Mary turned it

and took it out. She put the gun on

-yes, she inevitably would have

fired again. . . There was another

youth paddling a boat over a golf course which was running at all times. When you cut his story be told in a letter from In- from the London firm. The only a stream from the nearby river had his boat capsize but saved salary, you decrease his stand- glis, Ellice & Co., London, to Al- other individual who could be deshimself by grasping the trunk of a tree. Over on the Santiam ards and efficiency. We want to exander McKenzie & Co., Monnear Dever two boys out in a boat in the flood waters tried encourage the school teachers to treal, dated May 18, 1816-two North West company who went to row home through timber. The current caught their boat should remunerate them accord- death of Donald McTavish and McDonald, of Garth, who started and lodged it fast between trees, but their halloos brought ingly." timely rescue.

We are fortunate that the river does run swiftly, that no levees are required to bound its flow, and that we have these converient bottoms which at the early spring season can serve as catch basins for river floods, draining out quickh as the river falls, with no damage to the lands and little inconvenience to the people. There is always fascination in a flood as in a fire; but when it is so harmless as the Willamette usually is, the people do not take much trouble to watch the swollen waters racing seavard.

## Portland's Recall

DORTLAND'S famed "committee of 50" is now launching recall petitions against Mayor Baker, City Commissioners Mann and Riley and District Attorney Langley. The charges, with the exception of those against Mann who is under indictment for some alleged offenses of minor char- ing salaries as they do is a quesacter, are childish. They merely represent the agitation of tion as things are." political irresponsibles bent on making trouble. It would be surprising if the committee of 50 got all their own committeemen to sign the petitions. Certainly it would not be possible for them to get enough signers to such silly petitions even in a city like Portland which is subject to frequent spasms of political cramps.

The journalistic hand-organ of the "committee of 50" is the News-Telegram. This Scripps publication has suffered ture all ridicule and deformity, from eclipse since its consolidation with the Telegram and and by these I shall not regulate of the man of imagination Nature the return of Gov. Meier into the affections of the Oregon- my proportions; and some scarce is Imagination itself. As a man ian. So it has to start a new claque to promote its circulation and give it an excuse for continuing to exist, since only by bare odds can it be credited with being any sort of a newspaper. So it becomes the mouth-piece for the "committee of 50" which is run by Harry Gross attorney and Rev. Bjorn Johannson who are prominent among the political wildcats of Portland.

It is true that complacency is one of the vices in our public life, and the indifference of voters. So it is good occaonally for probes and political overturns to occur. But perhaps an even greater evil is mob rule, the subservience of office holders to the clamor of rabble-rousers. This Portland exhibition of a recall of men who are giving on the whole quite a decent administration of municipal affairs is an example of incompetence of democratic government. With all our education and all our years of experience in government the people still make considerable of a botch of the business of governing themselves."

Rep. Rainey defending the sales tax against attack by Labor federation president Green, said: "Unless we restore the solvency of the government we will face a terrible situation . . . it will become necessary to cut the salary of every government employe." As the eight million unemployed and the ten million who have

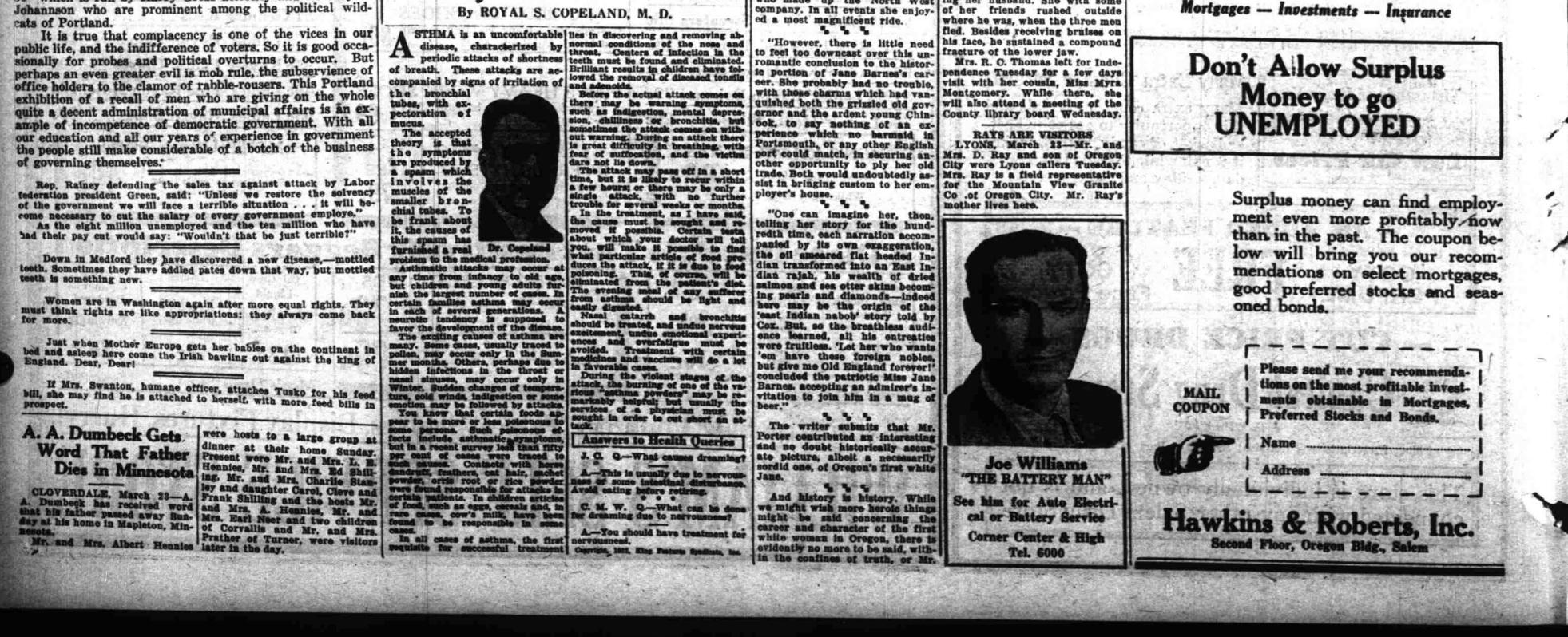
had their pay cut would say: "Wouldn't that be just terrible?"

Down in Medford they have discovered a new disease,-mottled seth. Sometimes they have addled pates down that way, but mottled teeth is something new.

Women are in Washington again after more equal rights, They must think rights are like appropriations: they always come back for more.

Just when Mother Europe gets her bables on the continent in bed and asleep here come the Irish bawling out against the king of England. Dear, Dear!

If Mrs. Swanton, humane officer, attaches Tusko for his feed bill, she may find he is attached to herself, with more feed bills in



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ployer's house.

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telling her story for the hund-redth time, each narration accom-

panied by its own exaggeration,

the oil smeared flat headed In-dian transformed into an East In-

dian rajah, his wealth of dried

salmon and sea otter skins becom-ing pearls and diamonds-indeed

here may be the origin of the 'east Indian nabob' story told by Coz. But, so the breathless audi-once learned, all his entreaties were fruitless. 'Let her who wants

'em have these foreign nobles, but give me Old England forever!'

concluded the patriotic Miss Jane

Barnes, accepting an admirer's in-vitation to join him in a mug of

Alexander Henry, Jr., and plain-

Norabelle Pratt, school teacher: "I think it's a crime. I think their salaries ought to be raised. School teaching is too hard work for those low salaries."

Mrs. J. Bent, homemaker: "Reduce the salaries of Salem teachers? Ridiculous. I can't see how we get such excellent teachers as we have for the low salary now being paid."

Mrs. L. C. Howl, homemaker: 'Mr. Bethune" in China, leaving "No, teachers' salaries certainly the balance 117 pounds 12 shillshould not be cut in Salem. How ings.) To enable you to decide they manage to get the education it takes to be able to teach here the equitable rights of all parties, and then accept such low prevailwe enclose, by Capt. Robson's desire, copies of letters this woman

Daily Thought derstant, in Montreal and will en-"The tree which moves some able you, by such further infor-

to tears of joy is in the eyes of mation as he can give you on the others only a green thing which subject to decide. as we are sure you will, upon the just merits of stands in the way. Some see Na-

see Nature at all. But to the eyes is, so he sees."-William Blake.



cribed as a representative of the be more efficient. Therefore we years lacking four days since the out in the Isaac Todd was John on that vessel and later transfer-

red, first to the Phoebe and finly endorsed 'regarding Jane. ally to the Raccoon, arriving at Barnes.' It reads: 'Captain Robthe Columbia in consequence earson having lately arrived from China, it became necessary to lier than those who continued on the North West company's vessel, settle his accounts and in attempt-The scandalous possibility appears ing to do this, we have met with great difficulty from the circumthat John McDonald may have been the 'Mac' who wiled Jane stances of a very heavy charge

Barnes away from the Portsmouth made by him for the expenses and hotel, perhaps transferring her to passage of a female home from McTavish when he himself went China, which forms a very large on board his Brittanic majesty's feature of them. (It appears that vessel, even as McTaviah later the full charge was 717 pounds and 12 shillings, but that there turned her over to Henry. But

was a credit of \$2000 paid by this is too purely an assumption to be given more than a bare consideration. The mention of an annuity indicates something of our this, with some information on adventurous barmaid's canniness and shows that when Henry, in recording the victuous unwillingness with which he finall; yieldhas in her possession and an ed to McTavish's proposal to take agreement entered into by the charge of the errant damsel, men-REPRESENTATIVE of the North tioned that she had 'placed her af. fections elsewhere,' he should West company, who went out in the Isaac Todd. He is now, we un-

"interests." more correctly have spoken of her "The above extract of a letter

proves . . . that even though the wages of sin may not necessarily be death, they are also rarely or wages of sin amounted to an annuity seems questionable. Personally, however. I feel doubtful if

Barnes would be a match, in money matters, for those iron Scots who made up the North West company. In all events she enjoyed a most magnificent ride.

"However, there is little need to feel too downcast over this unromantic conclusion to the historic portion of Jane Barnes's career. She probably had no trouble, with those charms which had vanquished both the grizzled old governor and the ardent young Chinook, to say nothing of an ex-perience which no barmaid in Portsmouth, or any other English port could match, in securing an-

RAYS ARE VISITORS other opportunity to ply her old City were Lyons callers Tuesday. trade. Both would undoubtedly as- Mrs. Ray is a field representative sist in bringing custom to her em-Co .of Oregon City. Mr. Ray's mother lives here. "One can imagine her, then

told her he had probably gone his soft lips curved with a fine scorn limit. He was too shrewd, she reaweapon, his two henchmen in the soned, to allow these cheap toughs Triumphant youth within her was hall fled. And now Landers himself to put Steve out of the way-to kill ascending. was breaking. Mary had never seen him. Such a course would inevitably "Oh, don't let's start up that old his face so white."

put Landers at the mercy of his argument again! Honestly, I'm sick mongrel hirelings. To kidnap Steve of hearing it, Mr. Landers. And sprang out of the room-slammed have the seriousness of murder, and seeing you look stern, like Bill Hart. Lander's gambling nature per- You're wasting your time and makmitted him to take this minor risk. ing a fool of yourself, besides." It grew increasingly clear in Mary's mind that, from now on, Lander's "Yes?" he asked, with somewhat the table and stood there trembling would be bluffing, no matter what he said. A steady tide of new encour-

much fun," she said, with deliberate agement began to run through her. From the other room she heard the two men talking, but their voices | try to force himself on a girl young were indistinct. She sat down and enough to be his daughter-or may- | Copyright, King Features Syndicate, Inc.

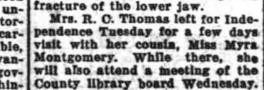
Porter, having made a painstaking search of and for the original

dramatic gesture; common sense



JEFFERSON, March 23 - Mr. Hall Monday night by the Parand Mrs. James Blackwell of Jef- ent Teachers association. Receipts ferson attended a dance at the totaled \$16.85. The program was Moose hall in Albany Saturday as follows: night. While James was standing never a palace and an East Indian in the doorway of the smoker. duet Harry Otte and Wilbur Hownabob. Whether in this case the some one stepped up behind him and hit him on the head.

He was taken outside by three men, who began to beat him, even such a shrewd hussy as Jane when a friend of Blackwells stepped inside the hall and told Mrs. Blackwell that someone was beating her husband. She with some of her friends rushed outside where he was, when the three men lled. Besides receiving bruises on his face, he sustained a compound



LYONS, March 23-Mr. and Mrs. D. Ray and son of Oregon for the Mountain View Granite

Color crept into his cheeks. labored nonchalance. "I shouldn't think it would be

locked door in the room. She tried cruelty, "for a man of your age to

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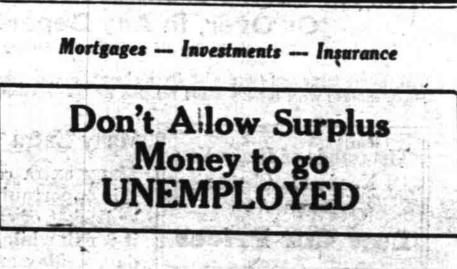
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the key in this one, and it worked. (To Be Continued)

Trains"; reading, Katherine Wagner; comic feature, Mr. Rhuland; selections; orchestra; male quartet, Mr. Reuber, Mr. Barnhart, Mr. Kaufman, Mr. Morgan; reading, Miss Irma Locke; play "Beauty Secrets"; dance, Katherine Wagner; mixed quartet, Mrs. Knapp, Miss Treat, Mr. Smith and

The word list for the county grade spelling contest has been to a large audience in Victory received and students in the upper grades have started working on it preparatory to entering the contest in May. This contest is between the schools of Polk county Selections by orchestra; vocal

and is held in Dallas each year. Each school may send two contestell; reading, Mrs. Gladys Zuver; ants. Several prizes are awarded violin duct. Mildred Frink and to the winner, the first being a Lurena Treat; play "Between \$16.50 dictionary.



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