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"More Power to 'Em"

OUR esteemed contemporary, The Dalles Chronicle, makes a spirited rejoinder to our expressed doubt as to the wisdom of immediate launching of a \$400,000,000 program for the development of the Columbia river. The Chronicle, deploring our poor logic, sets us down as "for some strange Jeason" opposed to the "development of the Columbia river". The Chronicle is in error when it lists The Statesman as opposed to river development. We are friendly to it, when it can come as a practicable proposition; but we are skeptical of chamber of commerce estimates, booster club resolutions, and the flathering froth of demagogic politicians. Before we start to spend \$400,000,000 of the country's money, of our money, if you please, we must first be convinced ourselves that the venture is a sane business proposition, which will be, as the The Chronicle glibly assures, us, "self-liquidating".

The Chronicle is silent on the subject of reclamation, and thus by inference we may judge that it too thinks no large sums of money should be spent on irrigation projects at present. As to navigation our critic concedes the fact that the river is now little used, but says:

"The condition of the river is such that it cannot be used successfully by the only transportation medium of particular value, namely, barge lines. Even with its present series of locks, and canals, navigation of the Columbia is difficult, in some seasons it is impossible."

Yet twenty years ago and more, the "open river boosters" were going up and down the river pleading for appropriations for building the Cecilo canal, and painting glowing pictures of the commerce that would ride the mighty stream, bringing wonderful savings in transportation costs. Good old Professor Lyman of Walla Walla and J. N. Teal of Portland and others persisted until the money was obtained, the locks and canal built,-and now there is less shipping on the river above the gorge than there was then.

Barge lines would operate more economically, but there is not in sight sufficient tonnage of freight to carry the capital charges on the 'necessary investment, out of the kon-Pacific fair day and will be savings in transportation costs. It is a disputed question partially devoted to the interests whether barge lines on the inland waterways like the Ohio of the Seattle exposition in 1909. and Mississiuui are justifying the outlay which the federal government has made in providing these facilities; and on those rivers there is much heavier traffic than the Columbia. to the point of exposing to indict-

This leads up to the possibility of securing great industries which would create vast additional tonnage, through development of the power resources of the stream. We do not mean to be critical and short-sighted, but we seriously question the practicability of these proposals, for two reasons, first our deficiency in minerals and metals; and second the lack of great consuming markets in this area.

A few years ago private interests spent a great deal of money on the Priest Rapids power site above Pasco. They drew sketches of great dams and described the industries which would come there; much the same as John H. Lewis now pictures for the lower Columbia. But the project was finally abandoned and the investment charged off, because no industries came forward to consume the cheap power. Likewise on the Deschutes river the Columbia Power company has projects from which it offers to deliver power to the outskirts of Portland for \$15 per horsepower, which is just about as cheap as the completed series D dam at The name on the governor ballot in Dalles would provide; but the company is unable to sell its November, Hall cannot receive

It is readily conceivable that some day, perhaps not many years hence, the lower Columbia power development may be made; but there is no present market for this power, cheap as it is. The series D dam at The Dalles would generate seven times as much power as the present combined peak load output of all fuel and hydro plants in the entire Columbia market area. The Chronicle hastens to assure us that no aid will be asked until contracts are in hand for purchase of the power. Obviously any such firm contracts would warrant proceeding with the work. But thus far we have not heard of a single industry or power company or power district that is ready to sign a contract for the power.

It is impossible to predict what the next decade will bring to pass. Development comes in cycles. The northwest may be in for a period of pause; or it may pick up again that rapid rate of expansion which marked the first decade of our century. In that event, our fears would prove unfounded; and the commercial and agricultural and industrial development which seem the promise of the future for this Columbia river area, might be swiftly accelerated. We hope such prospects may be realized. But there has been so much political and booster hooey about the Columbia river that The Statesman feels we need to keep our feet on the ground and money in the pocket, until conservative figuring can show that spending \$400,000,000 on the Columbia is feasible both as an engineering task and a commercial venture. Nothing in prospect now justifies beginning the work, even on the step-plan proposed by the committee of Portland

Meantime it is of value for papers and organizations to maintain public interest in the eventual harnessing of the great river.

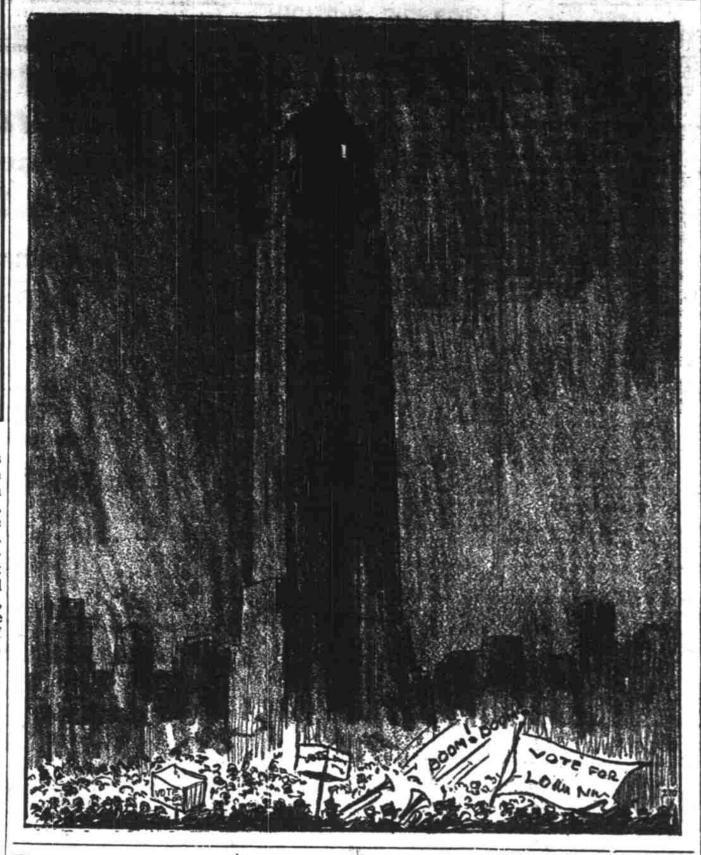
Kreuger's "Balance of Power"

DROBERS of the affairs of the late Ivar Kreuger, Swedish I industrialist, disclose the fact that Kreuger used approved American methods in dealing with political parties in his home country. The practice of many big merchants of public interests has been to make contributions to both political machines, perhaps to several condidates in the same election. Partly it was a shake-down, partly it was an "insurance premium" against penalties exacted if unluckily they backed the unsuccessful candidate, partly it was a brazen attempt to control the office regardless of the in-

Kreuger only last February sent the Swedish premier a check for 50,000 kroner and within ten days the Swedish government made a grant of 16,000,000 kroner to Kreuger companies. The premier explained the check to himself as a donation to his political party, but the party heads professed not to have heard anything about it; and Ekman, the premier, found it salutary to tender his resignation.

Various political groups shared Kreuger's generous boun- from him in the summer of 1931. ties. The ruling People's party got 50,000 kroner (besides the Like most big business tycoons, Kreuger's hand was imaift to the premier); the Independent Communist party got partial because his conscience was calloused.

Picture of a Man Writing a Piece for the Outlook



Yesterdays

. . . Of Old Salem Town Talks from The Statesman of Earlier Days

September 16, 1907

fair. It is known as Alaska-Yu-

new Georgia prohibition law goes ment any clergyman or deacon who hands sacramental wine to church members.

A man in Rockland, Me., received a letter postmarked "Hell" the other day, and was not aware that that kingdom was in the postal union. It is a village in

ALBION, Mich .- The Michigan defeated in the primary election olution asking the Michigan senators to introduce in congress a constitutional amendment to prohibit polygamy.

September 16, 1922 Although Secretary of State Ko-

tain conditions a food may become

contaminated with the germ of this

ures of health law enforcement and

the cooperation of the canning in-

dustry, the disease rarely, if ever,

the few outbreaks that have been

reported of late have been traced

bles. It is particularly common

Dr. Copeland

comes from this source. Instead, so as to destroy all germs.

to the consumption of home-canned destroy the germs of poisonous foods.

Botulism may be caused by eat-should never be used. Meats

ing contaminated meat and vegeta- should be thoroughly cooked and

when vegetables, such as ripe ber that when food is allowed to

olives, canned string beans, as stand it deteriorates and allows

paragus, corn or apricots, are put up in home preserving. Lack of proper facilities in home canning in a refrigerator and should be may permit the live germ to enter

Answers to Health Queries

Lou. Q.—I am 19 ½ years old, average is a matter of little or no 5 ft. 7 inches tall, what should I significance.

weigh 2.—How can I fatten my 2.—Try to gain weight in general.

face?

A.—You should weigh about 134 pounds. This is about the average weight for one of this age and height as determined by examination of a large number of persons.

A few pounds above or below the

important support from the arch-deceiver of two continents

the Conservative party received an advance of 25,000 kroner

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Within recent

BITS for BREAKFAST

Debunking some wild west matter:

A correspondent who ought to Today will be one of the big know what he is talking about hold of a handkerchief is simply days at the great Oregon state sends the following for this col-

shooting of Frank Vaughn and Charley Long at Prineville is not true. (The story was in the Oregonian of August 28.)

on good terms when they met in the new saying of the romancers the saloon. Hank started the row, and started to draw, when Col. Wm. Thompson, now living in Alturas, California, stepped between them and shoved Hank back, advising both to not have trouble.

conference of the Methodist may by statute become a candichurch yesterday adopted a res- date of any other party or an independent at an ensuing election.

> PORTLAND-The Seals looked like anything but champions against the cellar Beavers yesterday and Portland won its third game in the series, 9 to 1.

ATHENS-Europe is stirred by the massacre of soldiers and the he election even though he gets populace of Smyrna at the hands the required number of votes, the of troops of Mustapha Kemal Paattorney general ruled yesterday, sha. The victims at Smyrna numon the grounds that no candidate bered at least 120,000

possibility of any germs being left

The decrease in the number of

cases of botulism may be attributed

to our increased knowledge. Or it

may be due to the decline in home

Canned foods can now be pur-

chased all year round and are pre-

housewife. The purchasing of high grade canned foods guarantees the

When foods are canned at home,

nly fresh and clean foodstuffs

hould be used. Heating at a high

temperature is important. The

cans or jars used for preserving

should be cleansed and boiled be-

fore use. They should be air-tight and boiled at a high temperature

Contrary to a common belief,

cooking alone is not sufficient to

served as soon as possible. Remem-

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M. D.

OR many years little was the finished product. On the con-known concerning a disease trary, the commercial plants have

called "botulism." Under cer- scientifically constituted in the

in the cans.

ecessary labor.

Hank shoved Thompson to one side and fired the first shot.

"The story about each taking another of the many silly stories about the old west. It illustrates how 'history' is made. (The hand-"The story published in Sun- kerchief story was to the effect day's Oregonian regarding the that each of the men took hold of the corner of a silk handkerchief with his left hand, with his pistol in his right hand, and, separated the distance of their arms

and the length of the handker-"Hank and Charley were not the old saying went-or rather chief thus held, 'shot it out,' as who in that way color their wild west stories-color them with unsubstantial dreams of fancy to ene meditation. please modern readers.)

"Recently the Oregonian pubished pictures of typical old frontiersmen, and, among others, that of 'Capt.' Drannan in a buckskin suit. Drannan wrote a book about his wonderful experiences on the frontier. I knew Drannan, and he was of all the old timers the most interesting liar. That book is a peach! The fact is Drannan had nothing to do with reseuing Olive Oatman from the Apaches, and at the time of the Modoc war he was in Jacksonville working on Miller's horse

justice of the peace of the Salem district.) "In today's Oregonian (an issue of last week) is the usual picture of the Indian princess of the Round-up with a feather in her hair. No squaw ever wore feathers. Is it even come to this, that the average man is entirely misled about the old west? He now thinks bull-dogging steers was part of a cowboy's work; that we had cowgirls; that cowboys wore 10-gallon hats, never went without one or more six-shooters, and danced with spurs on their boots! No wonder the silly stories of Zane Gray sell so well!

ranch. (General John F. Miller,

grandfather of Miller Hayden,

"Then there is 'Cy' Woodworth's story about One Arm Brown. (Published in this column pared in such a way as to tempt the in the issue of last Saturday.) Brown never wore his arm in housewife a scientifically pure food and saves her many hours of un-

New Views

Yesterday Statesman reporters sked: "What do you think of the bull-fight situation at the state air?" The replies:

A. N. Moores, realtor: "I don't juite see why there should be so much fuss; is the situation any worse than the Pendleton Round-

Oscar Bower, sheriff: "Some copie think there should be no bull fight; I don't know. I don't know that it would be any more cruel than some football games. But some people think bull-fightng is wrong."

John Lambert, telegraph operator: "Well, darn it, I'd like to see bull fight if they stick the bull. rive us a little excitement. Just so the bull don't throw the fighter. I've never seen one, have you?"

Evan A. Reid, engineer: If it is going to be any thing like the bull lights they have down in Tia nana, I wouldn't want to see it. have witnessed two or three in Tia Juana. They are not very exciting, hardly worth seeing."

Mrs. F. L. Waters, musician: "It would seem that we would be going backward rather than forward. Perhaps we have to be educated to the sport."

HEART STRINGS BY EDWINALD

CHAPTER TRIRET -FIVE

After a space in which he seemed to meditate, he said: "I think we'd better he leaving for New York tomorrow night. I've been looking up sailings and have wired for reservations on the Majestic on the fourteenth.

It had come . . . the dread battle. Oh, it's so hard . . . But I've got to . . . Will he make a row? He never has . . . Oh, I couldn't

"Dadums, I'm afraid you'll be disappointed; but I've changed my mind. I don't care to go to Paris." Now for it . . . Oh, now for it . . Will he be like all the other parents after all? It's the first time I've ever opposed him . . . The first test. . . .

"Yes, I'm rather disappointed," he replied mildly. "It's been years since I was in Paris, and I fear I had my heart set on browsing around the famous old places."

This hurt her. But, she reflected, he doesn't suspect. I'll have to tell him . . . I won't deceive him . . . "Couldn't you take a little trip over! anyway?" she asked. "I could visit one or two of the girls while you're

"No. Your capital is too small to permit it." "My capital?"

"Of course. The money is yours. It was acquired for you." "Then I order you to go," she

cried gaily. His eyes smiled. "Sorry, Captain; but the weather won't permit." Adding seriously, "It will take three to four times as much for sou to live in New York as in Paris. Art lessons, rents and living expenses are very expensive in New York. You'll need every cent of it, and it won't take you very far." She didn't like his choice of pro-

nouns. Always it had been we; now, all at once, you-She felt miserable, too, over the money question. How wonderful he was! Knowing it would cost so much more to live in New York; dreaming of Paris himself, he had consented without a protest. If he had only objected . . . A savage de-termination to make him fight

swept her. "Do you know why I've changed my mind?" she demanded; "why I'm going to New York instead of Paris?"

"Do you care to tell me?" asked gently.

"I'm going because I'm in love with Jimmie Warren and he loves me. As soon as Aunt Pam divorces him we're going to be masried." There! It was out. His reply took

her aback. "Is she going to divorce him? Strange. I had quite a talk with her this afternoon and she didn't mention it. In fact, she said that

perhaps." Patricia felt flattened. Rolled out. Jimmie had told her they had part- takes the form of unjustifiable ac- in? If you choose to burglarize ed. He had gone away . . . But cuestion." above all things, that her father should take her announcement so fell on her knees beside him, tears with you. I should merely become ealmly; even indifferently. It shocked her to find him unshocked. She waited . . . He had fallen into ser-

"Well!" she demanded in a tone never before used with him.

"Well what, my child?" "Out with it. I've been dreading it long enough." "Dreading what?"

"The lecture you're going to give "Am I in the habit of lecturing

you?" "No. But I've never defied you before. I never did anything that you disapproved of. I know what you. That I've made a failure of



not one of them was in my mind. In fact I was thinking of someing of my own." "Your own?"

"Yes. I saw Judge Haddon when was in New Orleans. He's been he said sadly. "You are leaving appointed Attorney General for the me." State and has practically no time to give to the plantation. Knowing me, and you won't." She waited I had lost mine he made me an "You won't go. You're deserting me offer to take charge of his. The because I won't go where you want salary will be small, but-"

She sprang up. "Salary! You what I'm doing. You don't reproach take a salary! Go to work in your me or lecture me, but you're deold days as an overseer on some- serting me." body else's plantation!"

work. I'm fitted for the position. I free. I have taught you the beauty can, and will give him more for his of truth and the truth of beauty. I money than the usual overseer who have in so far as I could, walked never owned a plantation-" cried.

"I see you know your father very away from me. If now you choose she and Warren had decided to put vaguely, Patricia," he said haught- to walk away from me, it is you ily. "I think you'd better go to your who are deserting me. If you were room. You are hysterical. And I am to decide to burglarize a house not sympathetic to hysteria that would you expect me to follow you

> in her eyes. "I am hysterial. I've been on such a strain. So afraid you'd say awful things to me-" He put out his hand and stroked her hair. "Have I ever said awful that rose, face flaming, horror in

> things to you, my dear?"
> "No. No. Never! I know I'm convicting myself in thinking you'd say things that I-I thought you ought to say to me. Oh, Dadums, I can't understand it. Are you going a moment ago that you had decidto let me go without a word of re- ed to give up your studies in order proach? Without arguing with me? Aren't you interested in me?"

"It's not necessary for me to reproach or argue, my child. You're doing all that's necessary in that you're thinking about me. You're line. If you lose in the argument, thinking I've failed you. That I'm I would. As to my interest in you, a rotter. Unbeautiful. A disgrace to look back over our life together and little girl; but you can't really exanswer the question for yourself."

"But you don't mean it that if I "Patricia, my child, are you sure don't want to go to Paris you are these are my thoughts you are ex- going to work!" She flared again.

pressing, or your own? Certainly |"I won't go down there with you." "I said nothing about your going. I said I'd go. You've already thing quite foreign to that. You've settled your future. Surely you acsettled your problem. I was think- cord me the right to settle mine." "Do you mean you're going to leave me?"

"I'm not leaving you, my child,"

"I'm not. I want you to go with me to go. You don't approve of

"Patricia, I have brought you up "There's no disgrace in honest in the understanding that you are in the way of beauty myself, hold-"You're threatening me!" she ing you by the hand. But you were always free to walk with me or "Oh, Dadums, forgive me," she could not prevent you by going

> a party to your crime." She sat back on her heels, convulsively covering her mouth with both hands to hold back the scream her eyes. "Oh! How can you say such a thing to me! How dare you

say such a thing to me!"

"I dare to speak the truth to you or any other. You announced to me that you might go to New York for the express purpose of stealing your cousin's husband. You admitted it as your only reason for going to New York. You are free. You have chosen your way. It's not mine. I grieve to lose you, my pect me to go with you, can you? Her voice was low. "No."

(To Be Continued)
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bound in a black handkerchief. The fact is, men who knew Brown dark. He was then within two well had serious objections to hours' ride of the ranchers he was their wives going riding with him. sent to warn. He never mentioned

plegate, now a prominent citizen

sling. He did keep the stump of Klamath Falls) and some other men had stopped shortly after "During the Modec war, Brown the next morning—and 17 settlers was sent to warn some settlers to were killed by the Indians before come out. He arrived at a cabin messengers or help could get to where Capt. Applegate (O. C. Ap- them! If you want to hear a man plores the unknown."-George E. (Continued on Page 11)

and heal-hearted admissions of the conscientious scientist as he ex-

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