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Years may come and years may go, but Umatilla goes on with regularity leading in the annual production of wheat.

And now the state of Nebraska has resorted to bloodshed and pistols and coffee. It may be because the great William is trying to capture Ohio.

The miners of the Pennsylvania coal district persist in attacking the non-union men. This is not the way to fight trusts or win friends. Such action always results against the men who engage in it.

England is preparing to fight the American steel trust. If the Americans become aggressive Englishmen will float stocks immediately. They might as well begin to float their stock. Americans now claim the world as their field and no kind of bluffing will deter them.

The president is back at Oyster Bay receiving and entertaining visitors. They call him familiarly, "Teddy," and pour all sorts of hot air into his ear. But Teddy is such an anomaly that no one knows where he may break out next. And still, in some respects, he is to be admired.

"I hear not, see not and my lips are sealed," says Admiral Schley. It is well that this brave officer was not in this condition on memorable Santiago day. The president is the only one connected with the army and navy that is permitted to talk nowadays.

The commander at the Cossack station at Warbinc, Russia, has issued a decree that all men to whom girl babies are born shall receive 50 strokes with a knout. It is now said that the entire population is studying the book of the late deceased German scientist on the subject of the "Determination of Sexes."

The strike in Spain is growing more serious every day. Troops have been ordered to the scene and blood is likely to be shed. Labor agitation and laborer's rights are extending into the most antedated countries. It is evident that the laborer's day is coming, but he only retards his progress when he resorts to bloodshed, or permits his followers to do so. The reign of reason and justice is at hand, and anything to the contrary must meet the proper reprimand.

The forest reserves affect the stock ranges of this country. While no damage should be done to the forests and the range, yet it may be better to look to the interests of the stockmen than to the timber sharks. If it is necessary to declare a reservation to protect the government's interests, at the same time such arrangements should be made under the law as will best protect the stockmen's interests. Can grazing not be so restricted or regulated so as to give all classes of stockmen equal rights and do away with the range war that has been menacing the welfare and peace and dignity of the state?

"We are willing for a rabbit bounty law," says the sheepmen. "Do not repeal a wholesome law for the sake of prejudice and unwarranted sentiment, but give us laws to protect our industries. It pays to protect them and we are willing to help others if they will help us, and we will do the lion's share at that. The rabbits only injure the small truck farmers, while

the coyotes prey upon one of our greatest industries, but the small farmer is one of our most valuable citizens, and it is his industry that means the building up a new era in this country. Protect him and help us protect ourselves."

The range problem is one of the most important in this country. Citizens, of whatever calling, should join the stockmen in their fight for their rights. The stockmen's interests are everybody's interests. Take away the stock industry of Oregon and you take away one of its greatest resources.

### WHY ARE TEACHERS SCARCE.

School teaching, next to preaching, is the poorest paid of the necessary professions. The exactions upon the teacher are increasing constantly. The requirements for certificates are becoming more and more rigid, while the salary of the teacher is either stationary or diminishing.

Young men and women who are capable of teaching are turning to other occupations, because the pay is better. It is a business proposition with them. Their services are on the market and they are going to sell to the highest bidder. It is simply a question of bread and butter and a future competency. If a school teacher cannot make a good living and lay up some substance for the future by being economical and frugal, it is certain that he will change his occupation and place his talents in some more lucrative pursuit.

We pay our sheriffs high salaries to preserve order. We pay high salaries to clerks and recorders to keep our financial accounts. We pay doctors and lawyers the best of fees to preserve our physical and legal equilibrium, but to the school teacher in whose care and guidance we place our children, depending upon the training there received, for much of their moral and mental well being, we give a pittance which is in striking contrast to the many professional qualifications we exact from them. It is one of the problems which lies so near us that we look over it, in straining our eyes for some momentous wrong to rectify.

School teaching is a public office. It is paid for by taxes raised upon the property of the state. It should be paid for in just proportion to the efficiency which the public demands of the teacher. The public is requiring the teacher to be proficient in more and more branches each year. It requires much expense, hard work, time and ability to become fitted for this occupation, in the highest degree. Therefore, instead of lowering the salaries of teachers, the people should gradually increase them, so men and women who are fitted for this profession might follow it to their own honor and profit and to the benefit of society.

In other occupations this is true. In all the handicrafts, trades and callings, as the skill of the workman increased, his pay increased.

The old idea of the schoolmaster being a fixture in the neighborhood on barely enough salary to keep body and soul together, because he took such an interest in his profession that he wanted to see his pupils grow up to be men and women after his own ideal, is out of date. It has no more romance in it.

This is a day and age of action, volition, motive force and progress. If you pay your teacher enough to justify his remaining in the profession he will do so. If you don't, you will find him tomorrow drawing a better salary somewhere else.

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### ANOTHER METHOD OF THE COAL BARONS.

If the reports be true, that some of the Eastern railroads, in the region of the coal miner's strike, have failed to deliver several car loads of provisions,

sent by outside parties to the famishing miners, then it is time for the intelligent authority of the government to act.

This is the beginning of the 20th century. It is the age of marvelous advancement—commercially, morally, mentally. It is the age of progress, to which so many thousands have looked—hoping to see in its glorious achievements and perfected plans, the final disappearance of those debased passions and narrow ideas which have clung like mill stones to the neck of civilization.

It is not enough to own the earth. It is not enough to gather in its harvests. It is not enough to import cheap labor, clothed in its distorted notions of life and society. It is not enough to make conditions for this class of labor to work under worse than those it left behind.


But the coal baron must go farther yet, and willfully starve the wives and children of these foreigners. He willfully stops the food sent them by the charitable public. He violates his contract as a common carrier. He flaunts his arrogance in the face of the civil authorities.

In this matter, as in every other public question, which effects in any way, the channels of trade, the price of the necessities of life or any single particular interferes with the public, the people should arbitrate. The testimony of the miner should stand with equal weight with that of the "baron," in the great tribunal of justice.

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