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The sky is gray with rain that will not fall. The clayey paths are oozing with muddy mist. Reseking with sadness immemorial. The gray earth saps the courage to exist. Poor troglodyte creatures, penned in northern land. I, too, desire the sun and am a slave. My heart is with you and I understand. The lion turning in his living grave. —Israel Zangwill.

Don't forget that the way to get irrigation is to go after it. The states which send delegates to the Ogden congress will be classed as the active irrigation centers, and will be dealt with by the government accordingly.

So far this season, forest fires have been scarce, and it is hoped the law against carelessness will have the desired effect. It is just as easy to be careful as negligent, and it is much more profitable. The state of Oregon will not regain in 10 years, the wealth lost last year by her destructive forest fires, nearly all of them the result of pure carelessness.

The opening of the Snake river above Lewiston, to enable small boats to reach to settlements of Wallowa county, means that the output of farm and range products will be stimulated greatly. Heretofore, the serious drawback in that district has been a lack of transportation facilities, and this "open door" to an outside market will be a relief long expected.

Pendleton people did not break any necks to get a glimpse of the son of John D. Rockefeller, who recently passed through the city in a private car. Westerners are all celebrities themselves, and it takes something more than a common millionaire to attract attention. If they go to see a private car pass it is only with the intention of getting pointers for the construction of a car for their own use, when they are ready to discard the camp wagon and the cook house.

Columbia College is taking advantage of the opportunity now offered in the establishment of the department of journalism to advertise itself. Already it has sent out tons of circulars, giving the details of the department and expects free advertising among the newspapers of the country, which it is getting in column doses. After all, the newspapers are not entirely mercenary. Any institution which interests the public although a private enterprise, always gets enough free advertising to bankrupt it, if all its free notices were paid for at regular rates.

If radium develops the wonderful properties now claimed to be possessed by it, the question of lighting the cities of the world will be soon settled forever. A grain of it, so small as to be invisible to the naked eye, produces a light so strong that it is almost blinding, and is absolutely indestructible, and imperishable. Although throwing off light rays at the astonishing rate of 92,000 miles per second, the substance is yet so utterly imperishable, that it would suffer no deterioration or decrease of force or bulk in millions of years. It is found in a substance known as pitchblende, deep in the

earth, and is known to exist in Colorado in many places. The principal mines are located in Bohemia, Saxony and Cornwall.

Fully one-half of the would-be literary stuff which is imposed upon the public today, is unfit to be read. The younger school of magazine writers is straining a point to be original, and in doing this is over-drawing every subject dealt with. The sickly, sordid, immoral twaddle of Richard Le Galliene, the senseless rot of Saltus, Fawcett, Ade and our own worshipful Ella Wheeler Wilcox, verges, at times, upon the idiotic. The author's name is the only redeeming feature of most of the output, and if the stuff preceding the name in the article or story, does not improve, soon, these names will cease to charm—or to attract the welcome check from the cashier's desk on any of the first-class publications.

The Spokane board of equalization is being severely censured for discriminating against poor people, and favoring the rich corporations in the matter of tax reductions. Much of this criticism, of course, is the result of prejudice, but all of it is not unfounded. There is a tendency in all communities to show greater leniency to large concerns, than to small individuals in the belief that the large concern is of more value to the country than the small man, and should therefore be listened to more readily. It will be better for the country and all classes of citizens, when both large and small property owners are treated with unfaltering equality, regardless of consequences. Fear for the large nor pity for the small should not influence the unerring course of just government. Every man is supposed to bear his share of the burden, and if he does not do this, society is unbalanced to that extent.

Portland now rejoices to know that the Northern Pacific is going to help the Lewis and Clark Fair, by offering low freight and passenger rates on all its lines. The Northern Pacific has not made half the fight against Portland that Portland has made against it. The trouble has been with Portland, in the past, that she has suspected the motives of every industry she could not monopolize. The Northern Pacific could be made one of the great feeders of the port of Portland if the proper tactics were used by the business men of that city. It could be used as an arm, reaching into territory not now occupied by any other Portland road, and instead of keeping alive its old animosity, that city should build for the future, by capturing some part of the trade handled by that system. The country is now too large for any monopoly of trade to be permanent. Railroads and cities spring up in a night, almost, and no man is sure of his foundation.

There are farmers in Union county who would not milk a cow, two years ago, who now make a specialty of making cream to the Union creamery, three times a week, and would not sell their cows for any reasonable price. And this is easy to understand, when it is known that these cows are producing from \$4.75 to \$6.50 each per month. The Union creamery, although of small capacity, averaging about 6,000 pounds of butter per month, has distributed \$1,500 per month among the farmers, since it was started. This money is brought into the county from the

markets on the outside. It is money that would not have been in circulation in the county but for the creamery, for it reached a specific demand in the mining and manufacturing sections, in which butter is not produced. Small herds of dairy cows can be kept on any farm, and handled with the ordinary farm force. In Umatilla county, where alfalfa pasture is to be had the entire year, this is especially true, and instead of importing butter, Pendleton should be shipping this commodity to the markets of Eastern Oregon. The city has a half dozen examples before it. There is now a demand for Pendleton ice, bathkets, harvesters and cigars, and there would be the same demand for Pendleton butter—even before the foundation of the institution were completed. It is worth while for idle capital to consider this proposition.

NO FLIGHT OF FANCY.

"Children," said the teacher, while instructing the class in composition, "you should not attempt any flights of fancy, but simply be yourselves, and write what is in you. Do not imitate any other person's writings or draw inspiration from outside sources."

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"We should not attempt any flights of fancy, but rite what is in us. In me there is my stummick, lungs, hart, liver, two apples, one piece of pie, one stick lemon candy and my dinner."

The war between the "clerics" and the liberal element in France is on with renewed vigor, the orders being engaged in a bitter reactionary warfare for their old privileges. The fight against them is headed by Premier Combes.

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