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would be no There hard work if there were no violent people would re wants. strain their wants there would be much less fatigue. It is not work that needs to he abolished; the appetites must be conquered. Modern inventions that develop the appetites, only serve to per-I am no adpetuate slavery. mirer of the railroad, the telegraph and all those conquests by which man thinks to dein onstrate his progress. When we admire the pyramids, we ourselves of what use ask are they. All these inventions of ours are our pyra-1 believe that mids. some thousands of years from now a people will come who, see ing our vestiges, will inquire what were those singular people who imagined that to go rapidly from one point to another was an essential thing in life? They will be right. I have never understood the utility of rapid traveling .-

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UNJUST COMPARISONS

The Morning Oregonian, in a frantic effort to find an argument against government ownership of public utilities, cites the strikes on the state railways of Belgium and Hungary as objectionable features to state ownership.

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It recounts the regulations of the Hungarian rallways, as being partic- the ularly obnoxious to American instincts and emphatical arguments ing, equipping and maintaining one against intelligent government control on the American continent.

In the first place the comparison is anjust because even the Oregonian sibility of one small boat, no larger American form of government over

American laws, to results in Hungary under Hungarian laws. Government ownership here would e just as exalted and just as enlightened as any other American in stitution. Is it reasonable to argue that the American postal system, the ballot, the homestead law, the national irrigation law, the system of rural free delivery of mail, and all

other advanced American policies could exist in all their perfection. under American laws, and that government ownership of railroads under the same laws and under the same enlightened principles would be accompanied by Hungarian ignorance, stupidity and cruelty?

Just keep on carrying guns and drinking booze, boys. Don't listen to anybody. Fill up on fighting whiskey and clean out the police force. Government don't mean much any way, from your standpoint. Good order is something to be extolled by old women and children. To be a bad man is the proper ambition of all brave, young fellows you think. Organized society is just a nice thing to read of in books and maga-You think it don't apply to zines. everyday actions. People spend mil flons in making laws just for Tun. Officers are elected just as a pas time, Jails and prisons are built because nothing else will "pay." Two men are dead and another facing the hangman in Corvallis, through your policy. It all came about through your practice of carrying a gun and drinking bad whiskey. Two lives are snuffed out for no cause on Those two strong, healthy earth. men might be and should be alive today. You young bloods will learn, after a while. You may lose your life in the process, but you will learn. Laws and ordinances mean just what they say. If you hope to live to be Pioneer Press. a good old man, with all your limbs

and faculties intact, just cut out this anarchy. It is better to be a goodygoody boy, alive, than to be a brave had man, dead, any time.

congress yesterday, Senator In Hale declared that in the light of recent events in the Far East, it is not advisable to construct any more large battleships. In the light of the

fact that an insignificant torpedo boat can slip under the shadow of one of the monster leviathans of war and blow it into atoms, deterred Senator Hale from spending any more of the people's money in this occupation of

worse than useless butchery on the sea. The proud ambition of President Roosevelt to build a battleship for every state in the Union, seems to be doomed by thinking leaders of his own The awful expense of buildparty. of these monster vessels is something appalling for a peace-loving people to contemplate. And the pos-

label will admit the superiority of the than one of the smokestacks of the hattleship, blowing it and its crew the Hungarian, and especially the into fragments, without any chance superiority of the general intelli- of self protection, makes the expense gence of the masses and the ideals seem all the more criminal and useof the government, here, over those less. of Hungary.

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wounded leaders of a horde of officeseekers Instead bound to this or that faction and foisted on the public to feed at the public crib and to play into the hands of a small coterie of republicans the primary law stimulated the search for good candidates all over the city, and the result was a primary ticket composed largely of men whom the office had sought, unpledged and mdebted to no one.

Most of these men have been nom-The result is the stronges inated. ticket the republican party has had A ticket of strong camyears. paigners, and of men who are enti tled to the confidence of the taxpayers and who have it. No convention ever did so well except when stimulated by popular impatience, and that was about once in a decade

The machine politicians don't like this primary law, but they never They fought it from the first have. and continue to sneer at lt. But it

must be judged by its results. Two years ago it redeemed the city council from the clutches of the street railway company and this year it has insured another honest assembly and has given the opportunity a much more satisfactory board of aldermen than the present one. No special interest can manipulate The people may make the people. mistakes, but if they do they can correct them. Under the convention were compelled to system they choose whoever was offered to them. and even after his unfitness was shown a dangerous alderman or assemblyman was often thrust down the popular throat. If he was a good party man he could do what he pleas ed with the interests of the public. "stood in" with any special If he interest and had access to its cam paign fund it only made him a more lesirable candidate. The self-con stituted clique calling itself "the par ignored both the real party and the interests of any one but themselves. The logical result of a continuance of that system would have been in St. Paul, as it has been generally, subjection to a machine, cor ruption and inefficiency in adminis tration and all the other evils of oltgarchic rule masquerading as popular government .--- St, Paul (Minn.)

wheat crop in the "golden celt" of Kansas is badly damaged, and cannot make half a yield this year, no matter how favorable the eason is hereafter.

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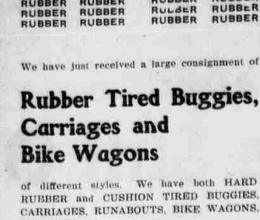
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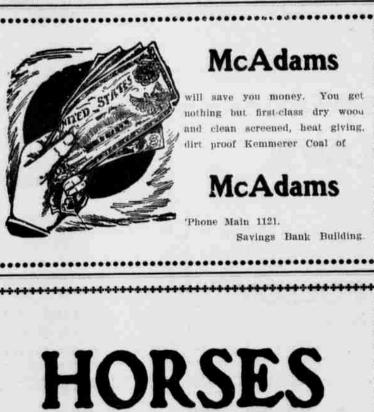
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This is an age of enlightenment, of arbitration. The rule that would tion expressed with the primary law be necessary in Hungary would be this year, but it is significant that it an insult to American intelligence. has all come either from those who The regulations that prevail in the lieve that government was instituted government departments under Hun- among men for the benefit of the magary's monarchial form of government would not be employed, even in penal institutions, in the United States.

The voters of the United States need have no fear of a repetition of Hungarian atrocities, if they adopt the righteous policy of the people owning the people's property. The East Oregonian has more confidence in the intelligence of the American people and in the righteousness and stability of American institutions than the Morning Oregonian confeases, when it compares possible reaults

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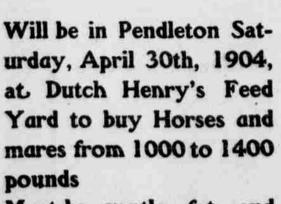
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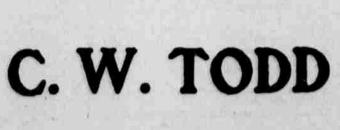
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