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active steps are being taken towards the irrigation of the present dry farming section. Last Saturday a meeting was held in La Grande and farmers decided to adopt a scheme that has been under consideration for the past two years. The plan is to dam Beaver creek and thus secure water for the irrigation of 40,000 acres.

The plan that has been adopted in Union county was first suggested by Hon. Walter M. Pierce. In speaking editorially of the status of the project the La Grande Observer said:

"There has been nothing of a public nature in many months that is so important to the Grande Ronde valley as the irrigation meeting of Saturday at which time the 'Pierce' idea of districting the valley for the purpose of promoting irrigation was practically adopted."

"This does not mean that the water question is settled and work will begin at once on the physical plant, but it does mean that the first step has been taken toward an end that means an increased valuation in this valley as a whole and every individual who takes the water in particular."

"The plan to sell what has been done on the irrigation project to new parties who are interested at actual cost, is a feature that cannot be overlooked. This project as it stands, is worth a great deal of money. It is the main artery of life for this valley in the future and means the key to a situation which in time will make it one of the most valuable undertakings in the northwest."

In the work the people of the Grande Ronde are doing Umatilla county farmers should be intensely interested. The same work may be done here. Adjacent to the Umatilla river and streams like McKay creek, Birch creek, Wild Horse and Pine creek there are thousands of acres that need irrigation. This land needs irrigation more than does the land of the Grande Ronde valley because our natural rainfall is less. Over there the land is now used for diversified farming. Our land is used exclusively for wheat raising.

We also have the water and have it in abundance. At this time the annual discharge of the Umatilla river at Umatilla is over 500,000 acre feet, or sufficient to water 500,000 acres of land to a depth of one foot. We are now watering less than 50,000 acres. The rest of the water is flowing to the sea and is being wasted.

What do you think gentlemen? Is it not time for the people of the Umatilla valley to give some earnest attention to the subject of irrigation?

macaroni standing before him un-tasted, and asked him:

"Harold, don't you like your soup?"

"No'm, 'cause my mamma generally cuts the windpipes out."

Little Nell was drinking water from a glass that was filled to the brim, when some of the water spilled down the front of her dress. Her little brother, John, who was watching eagerly, exclaimed:

"Look out, Nell! You is runnin' over!"

Little George was out in the yard playing one day when a little baby sister arrived at his house. His aunt ran out into the yard and said:

"George, God has blessed you with a little sister."

"Wait till I tell mamma," said George.


"My heavens, Willie, where did you get that black eye?"

"Johnny Smith hit me."

"And I hope you remembered what your Sunday school teacher said about heaping coals of fire on the heads of your enemies?"

"Well, I didn't have any coal, so I just stuck his head in the ash barrel."

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The Dream is the song to the beckoning star  
That the world-waif fondly sings.

Then the Deed gives battle to with the strength and skill  
That doth perfect a golden plan;  
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The Dream is the mask that would make men dare,  
And the boast that would count them brave;  
The Dream is the honors that heroes wear  
And the glory that high hearts crave;

Then the Deed gives battle to pride and pelf  
As only a conqueror can;  
For the Dream is the child of the Better Self—  
But the Deed is the man!

**ALL ABOUT A CAT.**  
Beneath this plot of budding roses our faithful cat in peace reposes. Now that our cat has passed away The birds and mice have holiday.

"I'm certain that she treated me With very scant civility. And showed, with calm, contemptuous face, She thought me an inferior race. Most often when I summoned her She placidly refused to stir. Or came exceedingly slow to prove Her will, not mine, had made her move.

She snubbed her nose at many a dish But was not stoical to fish; If fish my flagrant fare might be She'd even deign to flatter me.

Her lives were nine, I can't deny, But even cats must sometimes die; And though we fretted at her sway, We mourn that she has passed away.

**AFTER 20-YEAR STRUGGLE.**  
(Spokesman Review.)  
After 19 years of costly and unremitting struggle, Spokane has at last come into a part of her rights as the industrial and commercial capital of the inland empire.

During all that period the history of Spokane's appeal to the authority of the federal government has been one of discouragement, opposition and almost intolerable delay. Against the manifest rights of the city have been arrayed, not only the powerful railroads and their skilled attorneys, but the solid hostility of the coast cities and their representatives.

Torice has victory been apparently within the grasp of Spokane, first in 1892 when the interstate commerce commission ordered a general rate reduction, only to be overruled by a decision of the supreme court, and second, in February 1899 when the rates on 34 commodities were ordered reduced, only to be suspended, pending the filing of a compromise by the railroads.

During all that time, the steady, indomitable spirit of Spokane citizens has kept "everlastingly at it," and the result is a splendid tribute to the courage and resolution of the men who have made themselves prominent in the fight for better rates.

Throughout the entire struggle Spokane not only ably and resolutely urged her own interest, but carried the fight for the whole intermountain country. The "Spokane case" was the typical example, always cited in connection with rate discriminations everywhere and a text for debate in congress as well as an inspiration for strugglers elsewhere.

Walla Walla, Baker City, Pendleton and La Grande share in Spokane's victory. Phoenix, Portland and Reno also gain important points.

The result is the most important commercial victory that Spokane has ever achieved. According to experts, it will greatly enlarge its territory of distribution. It will stimulate manufactures, and it means that Spokane will move steadily forward.

The expectation of a population of 200,000 in the next five years is by no means unreasonable.

For nearly 20 years the Spokesman-Review has maintained a vigorous and consistent fight for better freight rates in behalf of the people of the inland empire. Its faith in the final recognition of Spokane's commercial rights has never wavered. The present victory is an ample vindication of this persistent confidence.

**SLANG AND GUM.**

"Oh, cut it out!" said Margaret.

"Margaret," said Margaret's mother severely, "I will not have you use slang, it's vulgar and unladylike."

"Well, mother," said Margaret, in an aggrieved tone, "the boys use it; they say gosh and darn and—"

"That will do!" said her mother, quickly; "it's had enough for the boys to use those words, but you are a little girl and it sounds much worse, coming from your lips."

Margaret gave a flirt to her skipping rope, blew her mother a kiss and disappeared down the garden path like a small blue gingham whirlwind.

Her mother turned to me with a sigh. "She is getting to be such a tomboy; she plays with the boys so much, and picks up every bit of slang she hears."

"She'll outgrow it," I said consolingly, but all the same I agreed with Margaret's mother, that slang is vulgar.

The amount of slang used by the average girl is amazing.

It's a great shock to hear such expressions as "hot on your life," "get onto that," etc., issue from the lips of a pretty, dainty-looking girl.

You may not have had the educational advantages that teach one to speak correctly but that does not justify the free use of slang.

When I was a little girl, the use of

slang and chewing gum were punishable offenses.

Have you ever watched a girl chewing gum? She does not look very pretty, does she? If you must chew gum, do it in the privacy of your own home; not in the street.

Every girl wants to be considered ladylike and it is the observance of small details that makes her appear so.

The real lady does not use slang or chew gum or make herself conspicuous in any way. She is modest and quiet in manner; her voice and laugh are well modulated.

**Men Don't Like to Hear It.**

Men use slang. It has become part of their vocabulary, but they do not like to hear it from a woman.

The tomboy girl often grows into the most womanly woman, and to be a tomboy does not necessarily mean to be rough. But, if a little girl is allowed to use slang, she will grow rough of speech and that is a hard habit to outgrow.

There is nothing prettier than a soft voice, and it can be cultivated.

Foreigners accuse Americans of talking through the nose.

Help to contradict that impression by making your voice soft and by speaking from your chest instead of through your nose.

As for the slang, you can conquer that very easily if you want to.

Leave slang for the boys and men and try to make your English as pure as possible.—Beatrice Fairfax.

**Many Women who are Splendid Cooks**



dread having to prepare an elaborate dinner because they are not sufficiently strong to stand over an intensely hot coal range. This is especially true in summer. Every woman takes pride in the table she sets, but often it is done at tremendous cost to her own vitality through the wearing effect of cooking on a coal range in a hot kitchen.

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U. S. Bonds (at par)	250,000.00
Other Bonds and Warrants	11,875.25
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Cash and Exchange	311,014.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,286,121.08</b>

**Liabilities**

Capital Stock	\$250,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	201,174.21
Circulation	240,000.00
Due to Banks	186,824.74
Deposits	1,408,122.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,286,121.08</b>

I, G. M. Rice Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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**WORKING AGAINST NATURE.**

After all there is some justification in Cannon's vitriolic attack on the insurgents. Through the fact that it has been in power for half a century the republican party is logically the conservative party. It is the party of "standpatism." Cannon wants it to remain such.

The insurgents want to dominate the party and make it the party of progress. The insurgents are liberals and they want to liberalize the republican party. They are encouraged in this stand by the fact that the party was liberalized to an extent during the administration of Roosevelt. It was Roosevelt's influence that did the work. But he was president then.

The progressives can scarcely expect to dominate the republican party at the next election. The party is so wedded to the policy of a protective tariff and to serving the big interests in general that it is too much to expect it to break away. If nature takes its course the regulars will retain hold of the republican party and they will nominate Taft for reelection two years from now.

Instead of waging a hopeless fight for control of the republican party the progressives should march forth under a new and unsullied banner. Were the standard of the progressive party raised on high by such men as Dolliver, Cummins, LaFollette, Beveridge and Bristow the progressive elements of both old parties would gather about it. The new party might lose the first election but it would be merely a matter of time until it would be placed in power. The people of the United States are tired of "standpatism" and they are tired of government in behalf of special interests. They have little confidence in either of the old parties. The time is ripe for the breaking up of the old alignments. It would not be surprising were the breakaway to occur at the time of the next national republican convention.

But in trying to overcome "standpatism" within the republican party the progressives are working against heavy odds. They are trying to drive a horse from the pasture where he was born and raised and which is his natural home.

**THINK ABOUT IT.**

Over in the Grande Ronde valley

**IT IS ON.**

Today the assembly is being held in Portland. After a year of effort the "old guard" or at least some of the old phalanx have been dragged to the metropolis to nominate candidates for the republican state ticket. Some of those who have gone down to attend the assembly have come out of a spirit of curiosity. Others refused to go and quite a few of the delegates elect openly repudiated the assembly. But such as it is the assembly is underway. The "leaders" or in other words the would-be bosses and bosses have met to do work which under the law should be left to the voters of the republican party. What judgment will the assembly use in making its selections? How will the people look upon this usurpation of their rights? We shall see.

That the open air concerts given each week under the auspices of the Commercial club and the ladies civic club are appreciated cannot be questioned. They are balm for the feelings of those who cannot see in the mountains or at the coast.

Irigate the country tributary to Pendleton and it will become closely peopled. Pendleton will then go forward as it has never done in the past.

Some of the assemblies think they have already annulled the direct primary law. But they haven't. Not yet.

**EIGHT MEN ACQUITTED.**

Informers Fail to Appear Against Suspected Revolutionists.

St. Petersburg.—The "state of extraordinary protection" which has prevailed in St. Petersburg since the beginning of 1907, has been cancelled. It gives place to a "state of reinforced protection" under which the summary powers of the prefect are considerably less.

Eight suspected revolutionists, who had been denounced by the notorious Pateyuk, the informer who was the chief witness against M. Tchaykovsky, were acquitted here this week. Pateyuk failed to appear. The police say he died mysteriously two months ago. According to a trustworthy source, Pateyuk's evidence had previously sent 24 people to the scaffold.

"Mamma," said little Ethel, "I wish you'd wash Johnny's face."

"The idea!" said her mother. "He's our neighbor's little boy. I have nothing to do with him."

"But I have. We've become engaged and I want to kiss him."

Little Harold, before going out to dinner, was admonished by his mother to eat everything like a little man. His hostess noticed his soup with