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It's an age of famines—fuel famine, car famine—and the latest a brick famine in Willamette valley towns.

Defeated stand-patters in congress will do their standing on one foot during the closing weeks of their statesmanly careers.

Probably it is fortunate for Charles Fulton that he was not elected United States senator two years earlier than he was.

Now it is proposed to postpone the Cuban elections until a year from December. That should give the warm-blooded natives time to cool off.

Secretary Root advises us to trade more with South America. Does he know whether they could use embalmed beef and reprocessed eggs down there?

Since Senator Beveridge questioned the right of any man to become a billionaire the trust busters are doing their best to spoil Mr. Rockefeller's chances.

It is an open question whether free railroad passes to members of the legislature will offset the effect of such meetings as that held in Eugene yesterday.

Elderly Mrs. Yerkes-Miner suing for divorce avers that young Mr. Miner married her for money. Just so. And everybody except the old lady knew it all the time.

Some splendid speeches were made yesterday on the transportation question. Such meetings tend to crystallize public sentiment and promote unity. There should be more of them in Oregon.

New Governor Chamberlain has just delivered a sound lecture to parents who neglect their children. If our George keeps up his present lick he may in time rival the illustrious Teddy R. as a conservator of public and private morals.

The Japanese are pleased with the president's message. It may be remarked that the president was discreetly silent before his election about the wrongs he discovers done the Japanese by the people who know them—we of the Pacific coast.

The editor of the Salem Journal is nothing if not original in his ideas. Now he wants the state to build a wagon road from Portland to Ashland and then put in a traction engine to haul freight wagons over it. Why not return to the old, reliable ox-team method?

President Roosevelt knows nothing about the evils and danger to our country from Asiatic labor else he would not have referred in his message to the "attitude of hostility" against the Japanese "in a very few places," meaning the Pacific coast, of course. The Chinese, whom we exclude, and the Japanese are entirely alien, come here without families

and with no intention of making it their home, do not assimilate in any way and when they make the money they want return to their homes in Asia. The president's virtual criticism of a people—the coast is a unit in opposition to Asiatic labor and immigration—is certainly founded on prejudice and ignorance of conditions, inexcusable prejudice and ignorance in one so high in position. We could wish President Roosevelt the chance of working with his hands awhile in competition with the Asiatic. He would quickly change his tune, would conclude that philanthropy begins at home—and ends there, too, so far as Japanese and Chinese are concerned.

Dr. Pandit Krishna, Hindoo, now lecturing on the coast, derides the oft-told tale that the Hindoo mothers, in obedience to their religion, throw their babies to crocodiles in their sacred river, the Ganges. Also he says there are no crocodiles there. But, he says, the credulous are not all here, it being told and believed in India that Christians marry their sisters, and one man's wife is every man's wife here. He has no good word for the missionary nor England—thinking it inexcusable that the governing country should allow two million of his people to die annually of starvation. It is a terrible tale of famine and death.

The Albany Herald takes the Guard to task for advocating the prompt disposal of the Philippine Islands by this country. What has come over the spirit of the Albany editor's dreams—is he out of touch with the Republican national administration? Does he forget that son-in-law Nick in the only speech he ever made in congress declared that the only proper and wise thing to do was to get out of the Philippines, to stand not on the order of going, but to skid-doo.

Buy the Oregon City locks and open the Willamette river to navigation as far as Eugene—that would solve the car shortage problem in the Willamette valley for all time to come.

The news that Mme. Gould is thinking of marrying again must make Lillian Russell feel that it is high time for her to get into the papers again.

At St. Louis the other day an automobile ran over an embankment. That is one thing an automobile can run over without incurring the displeasure of the pedestrians.

Eugene's Opportunity.
 (Portland Journal.)

There is merit in the contention of the Eugene Guard in an article reprinted in another column. An ultimate aim with reference to the Willamette ought to be to render that stream navigable to Eugene. The possible in the line of making river navigable is unmeasured. What the hand of man has done in this respect is observable in the growth of the Great Lakes' commerce from the little schooner of a few hundred tons to the 15,000-ton steamer. Artificial aid to the Thames made London accessible to huge ocean-going steamers and lifted Manchester commerce from nothing to hundreds of millions annually.

In the case of Eugene, not a lack of waterflow, but rather snags, shoals and other obstructions, possible of removal at little comparative cost are the barriers to steamboat navigation. When the Oregon City locks are made free, it will be of vital importance that the navigability of the river shall extend to Eugene so that important city may share in the benefits of the removal of the 50 cents per ton differential which the lockage fee gives the railroads. If plans for such an improvement are not at hand, provision should be made at once by congressional appropriation for an immediate survey. The Eugene people should be leaders in the enterprise, and in speeding it they ought to be clamorous advocates for an open Willamette as a first step toward an improvement which, as the Guard well says, means so much to the future of Eugene.

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Enthusiasm Is Necessary To Success In Anything

By P. LANCIA, Driver of Racing Automobiles

NO one will ever succeed at anything he has to push himself to, and when a man's performing work that he has to fight TO KEEP UP AN INTEREST IN he had better change it as quickly as possible.

Luck in most things is largely a matter of care and precaution. The man who sees to it that his sparkers are clean and his gears oiled will have little bad luck to complain of as he pushes on through his life's race. Yet a man may have everything in the best possible condition for the race, and when things seem to be going most smoothly he will unexpectedly run into one of those ugly pebbles that no rubber yet made can resist, and "pouf!" goes his tire.

If a man has the enthusiastic determination to win he will not stop to worry about what he has to do to "get there," but will take up THE FIRST THING AT HAND and do it as well as he can TILL SOMETHING BETTER COMES ALONG.

A Poem for Today

THE MAKING OF MAN

By Algernon Charles Swinburne

UNQUESTIONABLY the greatest living English poet is Algernon Charles Swinburne, who was born in London April 5, 1837. He is descended on both sides from the aristocracy and was educated in France and at Eton and Oxford. He lived for some time in Florence with the aged poet Walter Savage Landor. Swinburne has been publishing both prose and verse since 1861. Although some of his work has been fiercely attacked on the ground of morality, he has ably defended himself, and his complete mastery of poetic form is admitted. He is the only survivor of the brilliant circle that included the Tennysons, the Brownings, the Rossettis, etc.

BEFORE the beginning of years
 There came to the making of man
 Time, with a gift of tears:
 Grief, with a gladness that ran;
 Pleasure, with pain for leaven;
 Summer, with flowers that fell;
 Remembrance fallen from heaven
 And madness risen from hell.
 Strength without hands to smite,
 Love that endures for a breath,
 Night, the shadow of light,
 And life, the shadow of death.
 And the high gods took in hand
 Fire and the falling of tears
 And a measure of sliding sand
 From under the feet of the years,
 And froth and drift of the sea,
 And dust of the laboring earth,
 And bodies of things to be
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