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THE COMING QUESTION

Those who take an interest in politics are beginning to recognize activity already for some of the leading offices.

Unless present plans are changed, or unless some of the knowing ones have received the wrong information, ex-Senators Fulton and Bourne will be candidates before the Republican primaries for United States senator, and whether or not Senator Chamberlain will be a candidate for re-election yet remains to be seen. Some of the wise ones are of the opinion that his position on the tariff bill will decrease his opportunity of being re-elected, but that President Wilson will take care of him by Federal appointment, and that Governor West has his eye on Senator Chamberlain's mantle. Again there are not a few Republicans who would really like to know whether Governor West will not be a candidate to succeed himself. He has publicly stated that he will not. However, he might reconsider, if his party insisted and believed him to be the one candidate to head their ticket. Several months ago Dr. James Withycombe intimated to his friends that he would strive for the Republican nomination, and within the past few weeks Mr. Dimmick, of Oregon City, has given his friends to understand that he will be a candidate before the primaries, and many months ago Mr. U'Ren, of Oregon City, publicly announced that he would be a candidate for Governor. Congressman Lafferty is seeking re-election to Congress from the Third District, so all in all it is plain to be seen that we will have plenty of political material to go through the Winter with, aside from the National issues, such as the tariff and the currency bill.

NORTHWEST CONDITIONS ARE GOOD

January 1st, 1914, will find the banks of the Northwest carrying larger deposits than ever before in their history. No matter where you go crops of all kinds are above normal and likewise the prices. The great Inland Empire which comprises Eastern Oregon and Eastern Washington are now in the midst of a great wheat harvest and yields have eclipsed anything for years. Cattle hogs, sheep, poultry dairy products all command remunerative prices. And the stories of the richness of this great state will be told to the friends "back east," and as soon as they can dispose of their holdings they will be buying tickets for the land of never failing crops and ever increasing markets.

Every dairyman should by his acts and influence assist every movement that will improve the quality of milk served the public. The increased demand would be sufficient to require the product of many additional cows. When the large cities are made to know that pure milk can be and is being served, the increase in consumption will be marked. Thus when the

dairymen are lending their assistance to the passage of laws that will protect the general public, they are simply providing a greater market.

The writer had the pleasure of seeing some of those choice grapes grown on David's Hill this week which recalled to mind an article which appeared in a coast paper recently over the signature of a grape expert who had examined the local conditions of this section of state and predicted that the time was coming where large acreages would be profitably grown. As a matter of fact this man was in the employ of capital to investigate this industry and this was his report after an examination covering a period of two years investigation.

Owing to the fact that clover has revived hundreds upon hundreds of acres of land in the Willamette Valley, we may yet see the time when every center may once more have its flouring mill. Reports of 45 bushels of wheat to the acre, and 80 to 90 bushels of oats, are common, on lands that a few years ago would not yield sufficient to be remunerative. We must give the milch cow credit for most of this.

Sherwood grange is arranging to hold its fair this year on October 4th. This grange has a reputation for collecting an exhibit of the products of that vicinity that is worthy of greater publicity than local conditions make possible. However it awakens a friendly meritorious competition among neighbors, the results of which are inestimable to the county.

A six months' jail sentence and a \$50 fine was imposed upon a man who violated the law by carrying a pistol by Circuit Judge Campbell at Hillsboro last week. A few such sentences, and the publicity thereof, should lead to discouraging this altogether too frequent habit.

It is now unofficially stated that the assassin, Col. Francisco Cardenas, who murdered Madero, ex-president of Mexico, received a similar fate this week. If this is true, about all that need be said is it was a fitting climax to a series of tragedies.

The report is current, and an investigation of the records prove its correctness, that few women are taking the trouble to register. If this is true all over the State, the vote at the special election in November will be light.

Of course our residents are so accustomed to seeing strawberries displayed in our stores at this season of the year, but to the stranger unacquainted with our climatic conditions it certainly directs his attention.

Oregon is the leading hop producing State, and this year grew about 40 per cent of the output of the United States. Not only this, but it gave employment to about 25,000 people during the picking season.

Chickens should roost high this week in Eugene. The Oregon Methodist Conference is in session.

Washington's County Fair is going to be a dandy. Such is the spirit expressed throughout the county.

Baseball will soon have to give way to football. Have you registered?

GROWTH IS 10 PER CENT

U. of O's Registration to be About 1700

University of Oregon, Eugene, Sept. 24—A ten per cent, increase in registration has been made at the University to date, and if the same ratio holds good in the departments of law and medicine at Portland, the University's next catalogue will show total registration of about 1700.

In departments of liberal arts and sciences, and engineering about 700 have registered. Many students detained by summer's work are still to come. Last year's registration in these departments was 690.

The University's hoped-for new building and repairs and additions to four other buildings, will enable it next season to stem still further the tide of student-going to other states for their higher education, particularly Washington and California.

100 Years' of Railroads

This year marks the centennial of the steam locomotive. From a curious, crude mechanism drawing a few tons of coal at a rate of five miles an hour, the steam locomotive has pushed its way into every continent, and today trains de luxe are flying over superb tracks, across wonderful bridges and through mountains, in lands which were unknown or uncivilized one hundred years ago. The locomotive has made possible our great cities and seaports; it has created states out of vast vacant territories. Without it the products of the world would practically remain where they grew, and only a small fraction of what is raised would ever be grown. The greatest working instrument of industry in times of peace, yet equally essential to modern warfare. It is the shuttle which weaves the fabric of a nation, by reason of easy and constant intercommunication. It has become in these days the

pioneer, and people, pulpit and press now follow in its wake instead of blazing for it a path. So dependent upon its service have we become that to utterly paralyze its operation for long would mean death from cold and famine to millions of our people.

Let us, then, think kindly of this magnificent machine, for it has done vastly more good than harm, and, while often used as the instrument of unscrupulous financiers in the past, it really deserves better treatment of our lawmakers than has been accorded in these latter days.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Horse is Coming Back

New York.—The horse is coming back. In all sections of New York, especially on Broadway and Fifth avenue, the horse drawn vehicle, public and private is coming into its own again. The novelty of the automobile is wearing off along with the price, and people who ride for pleasure are turning back to man's tried and true equine friend.

With the horse the hansom cab is coming into favor again, and they may be seen now in large numbers before all the big hotels and at the public hack stands. Five times as many horse cabs are in evidence now in New York as were used even such a short time as a year ago. Women shoppers especially seem to prefer them to automobiles, and

pleasure drivers in Central Park and on Riverside drive now use horse vehicles more than formerly. There are not so many horses to be seen as before the days of the motor, of course, and there never will be again, but the automobile as a recreation vehicle is steadily giving ground to the horse.—Breeder and Sportsman.

THE SOURCE OF SUPPLY.

Man Who Buys Goods Away From Home Town is a Detriment.

One of our citizens is going to build a house next spring. He expects to buy the lumber in Illinois, the mill work in Iowa and the furniture somewhere else. The paint also he will buy by mail. He doesn't expect to buy anything in this town. All he expects this town to furnish is the money to pay for the stuff.

He is one of those fellows who believe it is more blessed to receive than to give. He believes that the acceptance of a thing carries with it no obligation to reciprocate. He thinks it is entirely right that the town should support him, but entirely wrong that he should be expected to help support the town.

When he asks you to stop a moment to admire his new house you might also stop a moment longer to admire his gull.

There is one consolation—he will probably get stung.—American Lumberman.

No Possible Benefit.

The food that wipes out the business district of a town is a calamity. Certainly the mail order house that wipes out a single store in a town is no benefit.

The Town's Real Enemy.

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