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The Salem Journal, speaking of the pooling of wheat by farmers in the Willamette valley, says: "The farmers of the Rocky Point neighborhood will meet at their local school house for the purpose of forming a pool for their grain crop of 1903. The movement in this county for pooling crops was started at that place, and has been kept up for four years. At the time the movement was started, it was denounced by the press of Portland as impractical, and ridiculed as a farmers' trust. But the movement has extended to wool, mohair, hops and other products, and bids fair to spread and yet become a national movement of the producers, to get more equitable results for their labor." The Journal man is rather wide in his swath of prediction. Pools are well enough at times when applied in a local sense and under certain conditions. To nationalize the method is entirely out of the question. To begin with, there would be more wrangling in the management of a national pool, than is witnessed at an average session of the Oregon legislature. Every farmer in the land would at once swell up and strut about with that concise air that so well becomes John Rockefeller, Clark Wood, and Jim Hill—Rockefeller, proud in his ownership of the earth; Wood as the owner of a Franklin county ranch that has the distinction of having furnished a herd of fuzzy wuzzies with sustenance over night; Hill in his possession of a few plug roads. Boys, don't make a national game of your pool; just localize it.

The Portland Oregonian in a compilation of pension statistics, finds that the payroll of pensioners on account of the war with Spain, now approximates \$2,700,000. The war with Spain employed fewer than 275,000. The losses by death fell short of 300,000, and yet today, when the war with Spain is not yet five years past, the number of pensioners created by that war are estimated to exceed 14,250. The Civil war engaged the services of more than 2,319,000 men and of these only 1,727,000 survived the contest. Five years from the close of the civil war the disbursements for pensions were a little more than \$29,351,000 and this included the pensioners of the revolution, the war of 1812, the Florida war and the war with Mexico. The pension roll in 1860 contained but 126,723 names, and the total number of pensioners created by all our wars, down to the outbreak of the Spanish war, and still on the roll, is estimated at 900,000. If the list chargeable to the Spanish war grows in like proportion with the increase of the civil war pension roll in thirty-eight years, we may expect a pension list in 1937, due to the Spanish war alone, of 111,007, or about four pensioners to every ten men engaged. As a result of the war with Spain, there are now on hand about 45,000 applications; 10,500 have come in within the last six months. Nearly 8000 claims have been rejected in a single year.

The negroes even in Boston have not yet all learned to recognize the true friends of their race, so he quizzes the Oregonian. When Booker T. Washington, the educator, on broad lines of utility, of self-respect and of humanity of his race, is hissed by colored men, and a meeting planned in his honor is disturbed by rioters of same class, the magnitude of the great work for which he stands—the emancipator of the negro through education—looms up as a mountain of difficulty that will take generations of the most persistent effort to surmount. A very suggestive text for a plain sermon, after order was restored upon this occasion, might have been found in the words: "Marvel not that I say unto you, you must be born again." Only through generations of education is the story of the civilization of a race unfolded. And after these generations shall have come and gone and come

again, the declaration, "Ye must be born again," will hold against the laggards who have fallen behind in the march of evolution. This is true in all races of men, and it is perhaps only more noticeable in the African race because of its late start and the sharp comparisons instituted by color and racial characteristics.

The actual mining of coal for commercial purposes has been commenced at the Willow creek coal mines. This is what the people of Morrow county have been looking for. The Heppner Gazette truthfully states that there can be no better evidence of the existence of coal in these mines, than the fact that the coal is now in the bunkers and will be kept there in sufficient quantities to meet all demands. The mines are now opened up and there is plenty of coal right now to supply the local demand. It is only a question of taking it out.

Miss Sophie Hanks, now the happy bride of Marshall P. Wilder, the humorist, says that she didn't feel obliged to get her father's consent to her marriage, because her father had remarried about two years ago without consulting her. That's reciprocity.

Why does the government go experimenting around with all kinds of new-fangled guns for the army, when it can get toy pistols at such low rates?

The world's record for making an elliptical cloud of dust one mile around is now 59.3-5 seconds. It was made by an automobile in Indianapolis.

Independence Hall is in Philadelphia. It is about the only sign of independence that Pennsylvania has left, with Matt Quay in the box.

If Australians had read the Kansas newspapers during the last ten years, they would not be subscribing money to the rainmakers.

"John L. Sullivan's diamond belt is in pawn again," states an exchange. Then John himself is also once more "in pawn."

When Sir Thomas Lipton lunched with President Roosevelt he lifted a cup. But as usual, he had to put it down again.

Irish members of the British parliament have almost forgotten how to get themselves put out of the house.

In Found.

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day Aug., 1903, the following stock was taken up in the city of Athena, Umatilla county, Oregon, and by me placed in the city pound at which place they will be sold to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at 2 p. m., Tuesday, Aug. 11, 1903, unless redeemed by owner:

One cream colored mare with sucking colt, blaze face, about 12 yrs. old weighs about 1100, brand S on left shoulder, blotch brand on same shoulder.

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