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When the pending agricultural appropriation bill becomes a law, it as at present framed, all proceeds of forest reserves, whether for sale of timber or grazing privileges, will be divided with counties in which the reserves are situated. The percentage agreed upon is 10, which will probably be finally adopted, this being of gross receipts. The effect in Oregon will be material, where approximately 12,000,000 acres of land has been withdrawn for forest reserves. Sales of timber are limited yet, but will no doubt grow rapidly as the supply diminishes and prices rise. Oregon's counties having the heaviest timber in reserves will probably reap a considerable annual revenue from this source. Grazing fees will be realized from the first year that the new provision goes into effect. The minimum and maximum figures are not available, but the average number of sheep that will be permitted on reserves will probably be at the rate of one for each 2.5 acres, while cattle will be allotted at the rate of one head for each five or six acres. The Government's figures for summer grazing of sheep are five to eight cents, and 25 to 35 for cattle. If sheep may be taken as a basis of estimate, at six cents a head, and 2.5 acres to one sheep, the revenue from the reserves would be

as her most potent and loved character. The Hall of Fame contains some of the most historic characters of the nation. Revolutionary days, of course, were productive of a major portion of the men who are honored there. For a time it seemed that the Revolutionary duties were essential qualification, as no other achievements approached those in popular favor. But new states and the lapse of a century make Revolutionary

heroes impossible for the heavy portion of the nation's ranks of statutory fame. Oregon and several other new states has not found it expedient to place either of the statues allotted each of them, and does not indicate any desire for haste in the matter. Oregon being the mother state or the Northwest, is naturally expected to have the most material for such uses, and the quizzical direct their attention more to Oregon's lack of representation than any other Western state.

Senator Fulton expects soon to be forced into a struggle in the Senate, against repeal of the Timber and Stone act. It has been reported out of the committee on Public lands, and champions of this policy intend to get the bill to a vote this session if possible. Senator Fulton has gathered data showing the unappropriated land in Oregon to be about 20,000,000 acres, a considerable portion of which is timber, and he is also ready to prove to the senate that most Oregon timber land when at a moderate latitude, is susceptible of more profitable uses than forestry. His figures show that if the Government allows the state only 10 per cent of the funds derived from the timber sales, and keeps all of the range leasing charge, Oregon will profit only at the rate of 2 or 3 cents an acre per year. With the support that is expected from Washington, also heavily timbered west of the Cascades, the Oregon senator hopes to have the domain of his state kept to private entry and development.

An undercurrent of sentiment pervading Congress these days, when a new issue with the great packers is being exploited, is that the meat packing business would be as economically and hygienically done by many fairly large plants situated near the point of production. Friends of the big packers argue that further interference with the order that has developed by Armour, Swift, that all may result in these magnates reducing capital invested, not seeking foreign trade or otherwise trying to discipline a meddling public. This menace does not seem to have terrors for either consumer or stock producer. Without the club held by the mammoth packers over all independent packing industries, assurance is given that many new plants would spring up throughout the West and middle West. If the packers are to intimidate the public, a more effectual threat than that indicated, will have to be made.

Congressmen claimed, in the recent debate on the free seed fraud, that the seeds that they had been sending out complied with that clause which provides for "seeds that are rare and unusual." Perhaps they are right in one sense, as most of their seeds were so "rare and unusual" that they wouldn't sprout. Sometimes, also, they produced things that didn't correspond with the label and still others refused to grow at all.

Scientists are talking much now about the "earth's interior." The indications are that the "great mother" has an attack of dyspepsia; at least she has been throwing up a deal of late.

The opening of a bank with a capital of \$25,000 in Tioga, Pa., would

not, under ordinary circumstances, constitute a notable event; but as the bank is organized under the auspices of the State Grange, is owned and managed by the Grangers, and is designed to be the first of the series of Grange banks, its opening is very interesting. Farmers have ceased to merely deposit in banks. They own them.

The O. R. & N. Co.'s passenger department has issued its Oregon, Washington and Idaho book for 1906. This book has, it is said, drawn more home-seekers to Oregon than any other publication issued in three states. This year's edition is more complete in its resume of Oregon's opportunities and stronger in its argument to the easterner than any previous number.

Japanese encroachment in the fishing waters of Alaska will be brought to a close this winter. Senator Fulton's bill prohibiting aliens from taking fish from the waters in that northern district, is on the House calendar at last, and is assured of final enactment there, since the Senate already has passed the measure.

A firm that manufactures wood alcohol sends up a big batch of documents containing arguments to prove that denatured alcohol would be bad for farmers. The arguments, however, are more ingenious than convincing. The farmers will take their chances. Give them free alcohol and they will stand the risk.

The cutting down of weeds and rankly growing grass in the streets and around buildings should be attended to without delay. In addition to relieving an obnoxious condition so far as appearance goes, the later possibilities of fire would be removed to a great extent.

San Francisco will need an immense amount of structural iron, but it will never do to take the blessed tariff off temporarily, as this would hurt the poor billion-dollar steel trust which is to have the job of supplying it all.

The market report says there is a demand for light hides. If it is thick and tough hides that are wanted, a supply may be obtained by skinning some of the anti-rebate-bill Senators.

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12:30 p. m.	Mixed, Walla Walla to Pendleton.	
4:58 p. m.	Fast Mail for Pendleton, LaGrande, Baker City, and all points east via Huntington, Ore. Also for Umatilla, Heppner, The Dalles, Portland, Astoria, Willamette Valley, Tacoma, Seattle, all Sound Points.	4:58 p. m.
	Mixed, Pendleton to Walla Walla.	7:03 p. m.

M. W. Smith Agent, Athena.

NO MAN IS STRONGER THAN HIS STOMACH.

Let the greatest athlete have dyspepsia and his muscles would soon fail. Physical strength is derived from food. If a man has insufficient food he loses strength. If he has no food he dies. Food is converted into nutrition through the stomach and bowels. It depends on the strength of the stomach to what extent food eaten is digested and assimilated. People can die of starvation who have abundant food to eat, when the stomach and its associate organs of digestion and nutrition do not perform their duty. Thus the stomach is really the vital organ of the body. If the stomach is "weak" the body will be weak also, because it is upon the stomach the body relies for its strength. And as the body, considered as a whole, is made up of its several members and organs, so the weakness of the body as a consequence of "weak" stomach will be distributed among the organs which compose the body. If the body is weak because it is ill-nourished that physical weakness will be found in all the organs—heart, liver, kidneys, etc. The liver will be torpid and inactive, giving rise to biliousness, loss of appetite, weak nerves, feeble or irregular action of heart, palpitation, dizziness, headache, backache and kindred disturbances and weaknesses.

Mr. Louis Peto, of Quebec, writes: "For years after my health began to fail, my head grew dizzy, eyes pained me, and my stomach was sore all the time, while everything I would eat would seem to be heavy like lead on my stomach. The doctors claimed that it was sympathetic trouble due to dyspepsia, and prescribed for me, and although I took their powders regularly yet I felt no better. My wife advised me to try Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and stop taking the doctor's medicine. She bought me a bottle and we soon found that I began to improve, so I kept up the treatment. I took on flesh, my stomach became normal, the digestive organs worked perfectly and I soon began to look like a different person. I can never cease to be grateful for what your medicine has done for me and I certainly give it highest praise."

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