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The penalty of the law never fell more justly than on the man Ross, who forged names to some of the initiative petitions. In passing sentence, says the Portland Journal, Judge Brough characterized the offense as heinous and very properly made the penalty severe. Others have offended more seriously against the commonwealth of Oregon and escaped punishment. Legislative votes have been purchased for senatorial candidates. Positions and appropriations have been bartered in the same despicable activity. It is notorious that men went to the legislature, served their 40 days, delivered their senatorial vote and went home and paid off debts, lifted mortgages and faced the world full-handed. All this was a crime against Oregon, but it was the custom and was withal beyond reach of convicting evidence. Far less destructive than these was the offense of Ross. They debauched official position and corrupted the very fountain of government. He was a private citizen, and his act was not in reality a rotten spot in the public authority. They were festering sores on the public bosom; he was one cancer among the human atoms. Yet Ross profaned a system that is basic in the civic institution. By affixing false signatures he prostituted the very measure by which the purpose of the people was to be tested. He took the short cut of fraud as an easy route to his objective. He invoked the dishonest instead of the honest process, and the two years of his sentence are the price of his folly. His presence in the penitentiary and the reason for his going there will mark the end of one of the abuses of the initiative petition. Other abuses of the petition and of the system will be removed with equal ease by reasonable patience and a little time.

Despite the fight put up by Senator Brown of Nebraska his amendment to the Tariff bill to put print paper on the free list was defeated by a vote of 52 to 28 in the senate. Bailey was the only Democrat voting against the amendment and Beveridge, Bristow and Burkett, the Republicans voting for it. Senators Borah, Bourne, Jones, Piles, Carter, Dixon and Heyburn voted nay. Chamberlain was the only northwest senator voting aye. Here is an instance where the power of the press—the Metropolitan press—is not exerted to any great extent in a cause seemingly of great interest to it. The reason that it does not melt the paper trust in is found the fact that many of the owners of big city papers are proprietors of individual paper mills or own stock in the trust factories. By holding aloof the influence of their newspaper columns, they surreptitiously assist in making the burden of the competitor a heavy one. A united press could make the paper trust look like thirty cents in less than thirty

days and the political hides of several senators would likewise be considerably parched.

It must be remembered that the Aldrich tariff bill, which Senator Aldrich and his Finance Committee are now asking the Senate to kindly pass for them, was framed after a number of secret hearings before this Committee of representatives of certain interests which enjoyed this especial mark of favor. In spite of all the strong criticisms directed against this ugly policy of "star chamber" secrecy thrown around the statements of those who seek special privileges of taxing and plundering American people, the Senate Finance Committee persistently refused to make their hearings public, although the Ways and Means Committee of the House had public hearings. It is not at all surprising, therefore, that the Aldrich bill is found to be crowded with "jokers." Of course, these sprout most abundantly in darkness and secrecy. And they come into the light only by slow degrees. The linen trade awoke one day very recently to find, much to their surprise, a little "joker" that was loaded for them and their customers.

One of the provisions of the new Washington criminal code makes it a misdemeanor for a youth under 18 years of age to enter or be about a pool or billiard room, and any proprietor found allowing it is subject to fine and imprisonment. The first arrest for infraction of this law was made in a Sound city a few days ago. The proprietor put up cash bail but the youth was locked up to insure his appearance as a witness.

Alfalfa hay is being stacked all through the irrigated sections. There is always a cash market for alfalfa hay. The meal made from it is increasing its popularity in the markets of Portland. For chickens and pigs it is unsurpassed.

Back in Maine one county alone has furnished a potato crop worth \$24,000,000. And still the country lad emigrates to the city to work for \$6 a week.

### WHO PAYS THE INTEREST?

I have found by experience that when I go to the store to buy some article—go with cash in hand—that I pay just as much as the man who pays his account at the end of the year. Has this not been your experience as well? Do you get a discount for cash? Do you think the cold "ohink" is worth more than a promise? Why of course it is. Your word is good, but it won't pay the bills of wholesalers and manufacturers. Those bills must be paid, and our merchants must have the cash to pay them with. If he hasn't the cash he must go to the bank and borrow it, paying interest thereon, or pay the jobber interest on the account which is the same. But if he has the cash to pay he must carry the account of his "pay-when-a-year" customer. It is fair to figure a reasonable interest on this money invested in the promises of customers. The question is who pays the interest? The fact is when I pay as much in cash as my neighbor does in promises for the same article, I am paying the interest, and he is getting the benefit. Every man who has the cash should receive cash concession. This is customary every where else, and should be here. Think it over.

U. Gesagen.

Strayed from my place north of Athena, one brown filly, 3 years old; one black yearling filly with one white hind foot. Will pay reward of \$10 each for information leading to their recovery.

Oliver Dickenson, Athena, Oregon.

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### Card of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Martin express thanks for the many kind acts of friends and neighbors during the illness and death of their infant daughter.

### EXECUTRIX NOTICE.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

In the Matter of the Estate of Desire St. Dennis, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the above entitled court executrix of the last will and testament of Desire St. Dennis, deceased, and has qualified as the law directs. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same with proper vouchers within six months from date hereof to me at the office of Lowell & Winter in Despain Block in Pendleton, Oregon.

Dated this 20th day of May, 1909.

Sarah Agnes St. Dennis Executrix.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

In the matter of the estate of Ole Thompson, deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern, that B. B. Richards was appointed administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Ole Thompson, deceased, on April 14th A. D. 1909, and has qualified as such; all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified and required to present them, with proper vouchers as required by law, to him at his office in Athena, Umatilla County, Oregon, or at the office of his attorneys, Peterson & Wilson, at their offices at Athena or Pendleton, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, which will appear in the Athena Press on Friday the 23d day of April A. D. 1909, and will appear once each week therein for four consecutive weeks.

Dated this 23d day of April A. D. 1909.

B. B. Richards, Admr., Cum testamento annexo. Peterson & Wilson, attorneys.

### Swept Over Niagara.

This terrible calamity often happens because a careless boatman ignores the river's warnings—growing ripples and faster current—Nature's warnings are kind. That dull pain or ache in the back warns you the Kidneys need attention if you would escape fatal maladies—Dropsy, Diabetes or Bright's disease. Take Electric Bitters at once and see Backache fly and all your best feelings return. "After long suffering from weak kidneys and lame back, one \$1.00 bottle wholly cured me," writes J. R. Blankenship, of Belk, Tenn. Only 50c at all druggists.

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