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There is no public dignitary whose civic service is more laudable than that of a school director, otserves one of our exchanges. His service is [personal sacrifice for public good. He reaps no benefit save and except the satisfaction to know that he has served well and devoted his talents for the betterwest of as institution that is the foundation of democratic goverument. Too often he is abused for acts of commission and malfeasance when his only purpose is the improvement of his district school. He plays no politics, because he never bankers for a second term. He never accelerates his personal popularity, increases his worldly goods or reaches a pinpacle of everlasting renown. He does not expect nor is he looking for praise. No one pats bim on the back. Words of eucouragement are to him as scarce as ben's teeth and be just tightens on the tugs and with heavy strain and steady pull starts bis load, which he pulls until his successor is duly elected and qualified.

Washington politiciaus are up in he air rather badly, as to the possible effect of the nomination of Woodrow Wilson for president by the Democrats. Being a Progressive, bis vic tory is bound to burt the chances of Theodore Roosevelt, who declares he is going to run as a Progressive Republican. This condition is bound to Star. react in the case of candidates for state office, many of whom have been holding off in making their announcement. As it looks row, so it is reported, there will be three tickets in ing officeward, and in his hurry he the Washington field: Republican, overlooked a little piece of glare ice Democrat and Progressive. The ulti- upon the sidewalk. Therefore when mate result is one that is giving rise to considerable speculation. Washing ton Democrats have declared their intention of lining up tack of Wilson and Marshell, although they voted for Champ Clark solidly until his defeat was accomplished.

Oregon should capture the prize for the test five bushels of wheat grown in the American Northwest this year, but to do so will require careful selection and indeed it may be necessary to hand pick the wheat. It will pay to do it. for a prize of \$5,000 is offered ty the Northwest Development League for the best five husbels exhibited at the Minneapolis Land Show in November. With the splendid grain crop assured for Eastern Oregon, this part of the state should have any quantity of first class wheat to enter at this show. Commercial bodies of the state are showing interest in the collection of Cregon exhibits to be shown this winter at the land shows of as well as sires. The grade herds the Middle West. In response to a which were here and there first estabcall sent out by Manager Chapman of the Oregon Development League, many cities have been heard from, herds are being superseded all over the each promising to collect samples of country. Wherever established they the best products grown there this are proving more profitable than grade season and it seems a good collection is assured. No locality should allow itself to be unrepresented.

A. W. Engle, clerk of the United States District court for Western Washington, firmly believes that the naturalization laws should be more so both in butter and surplus animals rigid. The Immigration Committee of Congress has before it a bill for simplifying these laws and Engle has written a letter of protest. He recommends that provision te made for caucelling naturalization papers for cause. At the present time, it is necessary to prove fraud tefore the privileges of citizenship can be taken away. Mr. Engle wants it possible to careel account of its absorptive nature. It strongly on the horizon of fashion. Its the papers of citizens who insult the fing and agitate against the government to which they have sworn allegiance. In most instances the wal- have a tendency to drive off the imcontents who have teen stirring up purities which may have become abthings in this country of late are naturalized citizens.

We are to receipt from the state tax commission of four petitioes for tax the do their best on grass. Enslage reforms. The reforms are a constitutional amendment authorizing the and affects cattle in the same way. In taxation of incomes; a law to exempt from taxation household furniture, tained on blue grass pasture in sumwearing apparel and similar unproductive personalty; a law to exempt mortgage notes and other credits from taxation, thereby abolishing double small amount of land.-Kansas Farmtaxation of the same property value; er. and a law revising the inharitance tax law, following the model law recommended by the National, lax Association. The proposed law would in- to be good. He's sick most of the crease the state revenue from indirect time.-Indre.

sources. These laws will be on the ballot at the November election.

The postal savings bank at Canyon City, says the Eagle, is a financial institution backed by the strongest government in the work but as a banking house it would never excite the envy of Rockefeller. It has been in operation now for some time and up to

August Belmont begs to remind William J. Bryan that be, Mr. Belmout, was a Democrat when Bryau was a Populist. That's nothing to brag of. Boss Tweed was a Democrat before Bryan was a Populist.

While the secret of William J. Bryan's popular power is under discussion why not consider his superior apprebension of the directness and simplicity of the democratic mind.

Conservative.

A woman on Columbia road engaged a new housemaid the other day and was immediately delighted at the exhibition of the new servant's efficiency. Norah waited on the table with perfect mastery; she answered the front door bell with matchless grace; she never once grumbled when told she must wear a cap; her dusting was a marvel of orderliness.

But the mistress of the apartment was astonished when the new maid had been in the house about a week to find her cherished "Victory of Samothrace" was covered with dust. The beautiful headless body stood gray and unlovely on its pedestal, and the "Victory's" owner called Norah to see what the matter might be.

"I can't understand this, Norah," she said. "Everything else is kept so spotless. How have you happened to neglect the little statue? Have you dusted it at all?"

Norah admitted that she had not and said no more. "But why?" the mistress persisted. "Why?" And then miserably the

maid owned up. "I'm a bit awkward with me fingers, mum," she murmured shyly. "An' I saw how bad it was broke, mum, an' I was afraid o' droppin' it an' makin' it worse!" - Washington

Saving His Shoes. Hobnobbing at the city hall with the politicians certainly keeps the wits keen. The city hall man was harryhe stepped thereon the sidewalk came up to meet him, and he coasted several feet, but not on his feet. "Huh!" grunted the crossing police

man. "Slip down?" "No," snapped the city hall man, "I'm traveling this way now to save my shoes!"-Boston Traveler.

Heroic. "Yes; I once saved a girl from drown-

"How was that?" "She was out rowing with a fellow

who began to rock the boat." "Yes?

wade ashore before they got where a bag to match. Made of biscuit straw the water was any deeper "-Chicago

Record-Herald Pure Bred Dairy Cattle.

The tendency toward building up the dairy business. Hhe that of every other business, is toward the best possible conditions for the most profit. Every one recognizes the fact that high grade conditions in any Lusiness only approximates the best and most profitable. The highest and most profitable dairy herd is that of pure bred cows lished are slowly giving way to pure bred cows. With the pure breds of noted milk and butter strains the grade herds for the reason that, as a rule, by a marked per cent over grades they prove better. Any one with a grade dairy herd can gradually build up a pure bred one by commencing with a few registered cows and a good sire at the head. The surplus of such herds, both males and helfers, can be sold at better prices than grades, and such herds are proving more profitable. -Coleman's Rural World.

Charcoal For Poultry. Charcoal is an excellent corrective of the evils of injudicious overfeeding and is also a good remedy in bowel disorders in poultry. Having wonderful absorbent powers, especially for gases, only a small quantity should be put into the feed hoppers at a time on | around leather belt does not yet appear should be kept in a thoroughly dry ves- | reappearance, however, is suggested. sel with a close fitting cover, so as to exclude the air. If charcoal is heated | relopment in this direction. well before given to the poultry it will sorbed and it will be equal to fresh charcoal.

Economy of the Sile. Corn is simply a big grass, and cathas much the same nature as grass fact, the same results can be had from feeding enslinge in winter that are obmer and on very much less land. This is one of the economies of the silo. A large crop of the best of green feed can be preserved from a relatively

Easy Enough.
Tommy's Mamma-Why aren't you a good boy like Willie Bjones? Tommy-Huh! It's easy enough for him

IN THE REALM OF FASHION

A Spring Model. The headgear depicted here has a crown of delft blue satin and a brim of soft white tagel straw, with a loose



er's chin. The Fashionable Figure, Corsets are shorter under the bust and all around than at the beginning of

bunch of satin flowers in front. There

are strings to fasten it under its wear-

winter. They are really corsets no longer, except to bind the hips. Women used to like curves; but, according to the dictates of the couturiers, the healthy woman is vulgar and

Everything is suppressed in the figure. But and hips are made as small as possible. It used to be the case that people admired a plump figure and

curves. Nowadays the woman that has no hips and is flat of bust, the same size all the way down, is the beauty. The fashionable woman might as well be a boy in outline so far as figure is con-

Taffeta Hats,

One of the newest features in millinery is the taffeta hat, and in practically all lustances it is shirred or else put upon the frame full. The crowns are many times of the tam-o'-shanter design, but not in the straight flat style we are accustomed to. They are lined softly to give it some height and caught on the side back or front to give it irregularity and therefore make it immeasurably more becoming to women.

THE POPULARITY OF SMALL HATS.

Fancy Shapes Daintily Trimmed With Flowers and Ribbons.

The little hat, as shown in some of the new spring models, is extremely "I relled to her to jump out and picturesque. In one case the hat has in helmet style, the hat has a crown of printed crape in old world reds, blues, greens, browns, etc., touched with black. The hat fits the head closely, showing the hair a little at the front and sides.

> The bag in two sections hangs from the wrist from bracelet rings of the crape. The ends are in blue straw. one being finished with a mirror, the other having dainty little vanity fit-

A small hat in purple pedal straw has a quaint little brim turned back from the face with a printed band in faded blues, greens, etc., a strap of the printed fabric being carried from side to side under the chin. A floral bow finishes the back.

Among the straw hats of smaller shape there is a canvas design bound and lined with royal blue velvet worthy of note. Round the low flat crown there is a kilted ruching of the canvas outlined with emerald wool threads, and in the center of each plait there is a curious little red and green flower worked in wool.

For the evening there is a dainty little cap with a crown of gold and aluminium mesh banded with gold and finished with a fringe of gold beads. Round the gold band there is a series of small flowers worked in red and green beads,

Leather Belts,

So far the use of the leather belt has been confined largely to the simple jackets, many of which are in belted style. The old fashloned straight and there is a strong possibility of de-

Plaitings are put wherever a place is found for them-on the sleeves in festoons, on the corsage and about the peplum or tunic, if there is any. and if the frock is new there is pretty

Plaitings Popular,

rpt to be a peplum. But if there is no overskirt the plaiting is put on in scalloped rows or else in designs on the A Mean Retort. "If you don't stop talking," cautioned the husband, "I'll not be able to catch any fish." "That's funny," answered the wife. "When a girl angles for a husband she has to talk a great

deal." "I know But there's a differ-

ence between fish and tobsters"

Why He Escaped, Agnes-Why didn't you arrest the bargiar who was found under your bed? Cladys- He said that if I would not have him arrested he'd never tell how dusty he got -Harper's Bazar.

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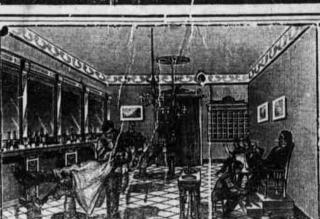
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