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What relation is the hookworm to the angle worm on a hook?

Roosevelt startled them a bit in Paris. But over there they are not used to Teddy as we are.

From the present outlook the United States will have to pay the Guggenheims a higher price for Alaska than Russia got in the original deal.

President Taft has won the public approval of William Randolph Hearst. Thus has the executive finished running the gauntlet of denunciations.

William Randolph Hearst and Marse Henry Watterson seem to be wide apart in their views of the qualifications of Col. Theodore Roosevelt as a president.

At a very early period in his career Mark Twain discovered that there was nothing in politics, and he had the good sense to turn back before it was too late.

The only quiet thing in Paris during Roosevelt's three days' visit was the election for members of the chamber of deputies. The vote was the smallest in many years.

Associate Justice Hughes, 48 years old, will pull down the average of the Supreme court members, which Justice Lurton, a recent appointee, at 65, raised to the highest mark ever touched.

The first trust in the United States to pass the \$100,000,000 mark in capitalization, was the United States Leather company, organized in 1893. Its capital stock combined with an issue of bonds amounted to \$138,000,000.

Ex-President Eliot of Harvard, is quoted as saying that the new rules for football render the game "tolerable safe." It will indeed be a relief if they render it practicable for a player to study football three years in college without being seriously hurt.

The little rebellion which is projected in Cuba, and which is expected to bring American intervention once more, will, if it takes place, be the last of the series. Both Roosevelt and Taft sounded the warning to the Cubans two years ago. When the stars and stripes go up in Cuba again it will stay up.

As long as those Southern voters can get a protective tariff without themselves voting for the protective party that now controls the government they will treat the issue as negligible to their own action. But let the duties protecting the articles they produce be threatened with removal and they would realize that the time had come to act at their own ballot boxes. Mr. Sherman asserts that the tariff now in effect would have been lower in some articles if southern democrats in congress had not opposed the admission of raw materials that would compete with southern products.

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"It's a mad world, my masters," one of Shakespeare's wise fools declared. When we read that \$100,000 for a monument to Abraham Lincoln has disappeared, as have also the cannon donated by the government for this purpose, we are tempted to believe the world bad as well as mad. If the allegations be true, the men who have made the people's love for Lincoln a means of enriching themselves deserve to be classed with Benedict Arnold.

That the ladies can grow as parliamentary as men was shown in the case of Miss Wilcox, charged, in the recent meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution, with violation of discipline. When the debate opened Miss Wilcox was denied the floor on the high parliamentary ground that she was the subject material of the debate. Bravo! No czar or despot who ever ruled the House of Representatives at Washington has ever done a thing like that.

"Are you in earnest or just flirting with us?" asked Senator Rayner of the congressional insurgents. Probably the insurgents felt about like the young South American who told an inquisitive mother that his intentions were honorable but remote.

Teddy told the French general that the sham battle outside of Paris was very exciting. Considering the colonel's recent blood-curdling accounts of lion hunting in Africa that is almost enough to elect him to the Ananias club.

The message of socialist mayor Seidel at Milwaukee, is regarded as conservative. Power and responsibility confer conservatism upon most men who think.

Working and smoking to the last, Mark Twain reached the age of 74. Constant occupation is a preservative and the case against tobacco is still pending.

In connection with the proceedings of the D. A. R. the woman have the same kind of excitement that men get in a county convention.

Demoss Correspondence.

Miss Mary Taylor spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs G W Davis.

Geo Haskell and family spent Sunday with friends in Wasco.

Miss Iva Lane has been engaged to teach the next term of school here.

Mrs E Damewood is stopping with Mrs Striker, near Wasco.

Mrs Alex Hunter is again on the sick list.

Rufus Correspondence.

Dance at the hall Friday night. Mr. C. C. Deyo has moved to town.

Fishing seems to be the pastime here at present.

C. H. Lindeman was high man at the shoot Sunday.

Two steam boats passed here on the up trip Sunday.

Ed Phillips made a business trip to Baker City last week.

Mr. R. C. Wallis has ordered a windmill for his new well.

J. W. Smith departed for St. Cloud, Fla, Tuesday the 3d.

Several Rufusites took in the May day dance at Wasco Friday night.

J. P. Lindeman is still at work on his well; down 27 feet with 3 feet of water.

Josephine Wallis Hailey and Hugh Chrisman were Dalles passengers Monday.

Dr. Hutchins made a call here Sunday to see Mr. Striker who is in a pretty bad shape.

Two good rains, one Saturday and one Tuesday, put this end of the county in fine shape.

Mrs. Ed Phillips' father, mother and brothers of Baker City, are staying with Mr. Phillips.

Mrs. Farley and children and Mrs. Cheney, of Walla Walla, are visiting at A. E. Blackburns.

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GENERAL NEWS OF THE DAY.

Comment Suggested upon Topics as They are Presented to Readers.

Pittsburg's aldermanic grater didn't come high, but they come often.

They are feeding olives to hogs at Biggs, Butte county, California. No wonder pork is high.

Baths will be compulsory at the new Spokane rescue mission. More good news for the plumber.

Kalamath falls is to have a new daily, making three in all. Better combine them and make one good one.

Ballinger again threatens Colliers with a libel suit. Why didn't he long ago? Colliers' keeps on publishing unsavory incidents of his history.

A man in Hope, Idaho, stooped to get a drink of water and discovered an oil well. This will be used as campaign material by the local option party.

"Hookworm invades Walla Walla county," according to a newspaper headline. If this be true, what was the matter of W. W. C. before the invasion?

Clothing of a single color has supplanted stripes in the Missouri and Pennsylvania penitentiaries. Smoking jackets and dress suits will be next in order to teach criminals the customs of polite society.

The dance and the revival struggled for supremacy in Ashland one night last week, and the revival won. The dance was deserted within an hour of its commencement, while the revivalists held a crowded house.

A Georgia professor says he was much disappointed with what he saw of Halley's comet. This is but another illustration of the fact that what was thought wonderful 75 years ago isn't worth noticing in these days of aeroplanes and barefoot dancing.

Aviation appeals to us a popular pastime, but hardly a money-making one. Last Sunday 3,000 people paid to see the show and 15,000 saw it without paying. As far as making money is concerned, we would rather own an industrial hen than an aeroplane.

Excellent bricks are made from the soil of ant hills in central Africa. The natives tread it with water into a doughlike substance, which is shaped in rough wooden moulds. It is then dried in the sun, and afterwards baked in native kilns.

A fund of \$1,000,000 has been raised by the business men of Kansas city to establish a line of freight boats between Kansas city and St. Louis. This is the kind of public spirit, and shows magnificent confidence in the Old Mo. river. An object lesson for some of the folks living "Where rolls the Oregon."

Residents of Jake's valley, 25 miles west of Ely, Nevada, are driving their cattle to higher ground following the appearance of great crevices in the earth, which suddenly opened and swallowed a large number of cattle. The crevices, many of them from six to eight feet wide, filled with water. Thus far ranchers have found about 50 head of cattle dead in the newly made water holes. The information of the strange action of nature was brought to Ely by Robert Burke, a government forestry employe. Many ranchers are leaving the vicinity, fearing that further disturbances may occur.

The rapid growth of the motion picture business is the most notable revolution in the dramatic world since Gilbert and Sullivan brought the comic opera into vogue. More than 12,000 moving picture houses now give daily exhibitions and more American theatrical companies disbanded during the 12-week misadventure of 1909-10 than ever before in the history of amusements. Five of the leading theaters in New York have been rented to the dramatic hybrids, and film companies employ more than 500 actors and actresses to make pictures in New York alone.

Get Ready for the Fall Election.

The embarrassment of the dog's tail system of doing business, "always behind," has been an objection to people by the manner in which the Rose City awakened for the census last week. It is hoped that voters in this county may avoid the shiftless dog's tail system and be up and doing that they may study the Urinal machinery in vogue for the next November elections.

Registration of voters will begin June 13th, and continue until September 15th. It will be necessary this year for every qualified voter to register, regardless of whether he registered two years ago. The date for republican and democratic primary elections is Sept 24th. If the socialists and prohibitionists nominate a ticket to be placed on the official ballot it will be necessary for them to do so by petition. Following the primary election the registration books will be open from Sept 28th to Oct 24th, for the registration of additional voters, dog's tails, etc, for the general election which will be held Tuesday, Nov 8th.

The republican state assembly will be held in Portland, Thursday July 21st. Sherman county is entitled to delegates in that gathering of 1,248 republicans. It is probable that the members of the county central committee will be called together soon to devise some plan for selecting representation from this county.

Stop the Drug Distribution.

Medford Mail: Gratuitous distribution of patent medicines in Medford should be stopped by city authorities as a dangerous nuisance and menace to health. In several instances children and infants have been made ill through eating the sample packages left at the door along with dodgers and circulars. Many of the preparations contain poison, and while perhaps not in sufficient quantities to cause serious results, the drug is strong enough to derange the baby's system and in several cases has produced spasms. Medford is metropolitan enough to stop the dodger nuisance, which litters yards and streets, frightens horses and causes accidents, and when a poisonous drug is thrown along with the dodger, it is time to call a halt.

Another Ambitious "History Faker."

Spokesman-Review: Professor Meany of the University of Washington favors the Spokesman-Review with a copy of the senatorial debate in January 1907, on the proper name for the American war during 1861-5. He also requests this paper's choice of a name and the reason for this choice. This paper calls the rebellion "the civil war." The reason is that it was not a war between the states, but a war within the nation, a war of some states against the Union. The phrase "the war between the states" falsifies the fact.

Portland to Coos Bay by Breakwater.

The new 20-hour schedule went into effect Wednesday May 4th, and the steamship Breakwater will leave Portland at 9 o'clock a. m. every 5 days thereafter; giving a daylight ride down the Columbia river, arriving at Coos bay points next morning. Returning leaves Coos bay points at service of the tide May 6th and every 5 days thereafter. Fare from Portland \$10 first class; \$7 2d class, including meals and berth. For further information, tickets, reservations, sailing dates, etc, apply to F. Crabtree, Ry agent, Moro, or to Wm McMurray, G P A, Portland.

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Weeds For Cut Worms. Fruit growers in the vicinity of Walla Walla, are beginning to wonder whether, after all, clean cultivation of orchards is a wise procedure. It has been held by the best of authorities that all vegetation but the trees themselves should be driven from an orchard, but a farmer in Freewater has tried an experiment which has made him ponder. Last year he let the weeds grow. He had no cut worms in his orchard. This year he has kept his orchard clean. A day or two ago he spread a sheet under a peach tree and took the tree. He counted no less than 60 cut worms on the sheet. He thinks there were as many last year, but having the weeds to occupy their attention they stayed with them. This year it is a case of cut fruit buds or starve, and so the cut worm has no alternative but to ruin the fruit crop or contribute to the suicide of his race. Whether farmers must hereafter grow a side crop of weeds to feed to the cut worms or whether some way may be found to kill the cut worms and not feed them at all, is the question to be solved.

The Local Churches. Spaulding Chapel. Services as usual Sunday next. A cordial invitation is extended to all. C. L. Lowther, Pastor. Sunday School at 12 o'clock. H. B. Belshie, Supt. Rutledge M. E. Church. Preaching service at 3 o'clock p. m. Welcome extended to all who can come. C. L. Lowther, Pastor. Sunday School at 2 p. m. Mrs. W. L. Dillinger, Supt. Kent M. E. Church. Services and sermon at 7.30 p. m. Would be pleased to have you come. C. L. Lowther, Pastor. Christian Science Society. Regular service Sunday 11 a. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Wednesday meeting at 8 p. m. Reading room open Saturday, from 2 to 4 p. m. Atwood and Fortner Prospecting. Oregon Hub: R C Atwood and F R Fortner, prominent business men of Sherman county, were in Redmond Thursday. They spent a few hours here and are so well pleased with prospects that they expect to return. Mr Atwood is manager of McCoy-Atwood Co, one of the largest general merchandise establishments in Sherman county, and also head of the Wasco Warehouse Milling Co's affairs in that county. In the latter capacity he has held an important position with one of the largest grain buying concerns of the state. Mr F is cashier of the W W M Co Bank at Wasco, a young business man of ability. The concern with which they are connected has recently disposed of its [milling and grain buying] business, and it is highly probable that Mr Atwood and Mr Fortner will become interested in Central Oregon property.

REPORT OF SHERMAN COUNTY SCHOOLS For the Month Ending April 22, 1910. Table with columns: District No., School, Teacher, Enrollment, Number days absent, Whole No. days absent, Whole No. days late, Number absent on line, Percent of attendance, No. visits by parents, Value by school board.

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