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**EDITORIAL**  
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Politics are beginning to liven up in the state of Oregon and there is every prospect of witnessing a lively three-cornered fight, although with the democratic forces split by animosities, engendered by the long and bitter contest at the democratic convention, there is a bare possibility that a decided switch on the part of the democrats to the followers of LaFollette may overcome the large normal republican majority and throw Oregon's vote in the electoral college against Coolidge.

Republicans in this state are not worrying over the possible victory by the democrats but recognize the third party as the real foe and will probably make their principal fight on that issue.

We cannot conceive that the state of Oregon, classed as conservative republican by a large majority, will go out after false Gods or, with all her known favoritism toward experimental legislation, will take a chance in a matter of such vital importance and throw even the weight of her small influence in the balance in favor of radicalism.

Better far to stick to one of the old parties and vote for some principle than to throw up the sponge and vote for something we know nothing about except that it is backed by extremists of the most radical type.

### Oregon Fleeces Heavy

The average weight of the Oregon fleece is 9 pounds, more than a pound better than the average weight for the country which was reported as 7 to 8 pounds in 1922. The national average was raised from 1.85 pounds in 1840 to its present size, and is still improving with careful selection of stock. It is significant, says the experiment station authorities, to note that many bands in Oregon average 10 pounds. Careful culling of poor fleece bearers is being conducted by different growers with a view to raise the average weight still further.

### Second Crop Gets Chance

Succession vegetable crops for fall and winter use, such as cabbage, cauliflower, brussels sprouts, kale, broccoli and celery, can be set out on ground cleared of the early maturing crops. By making suitable plans and carrying them out promptly the garden of farm or country lot may be made to perform double duty. Provision may also be made for successive seedings of radish and lettuce, designated by the Oregon station as important all-year vegetables.

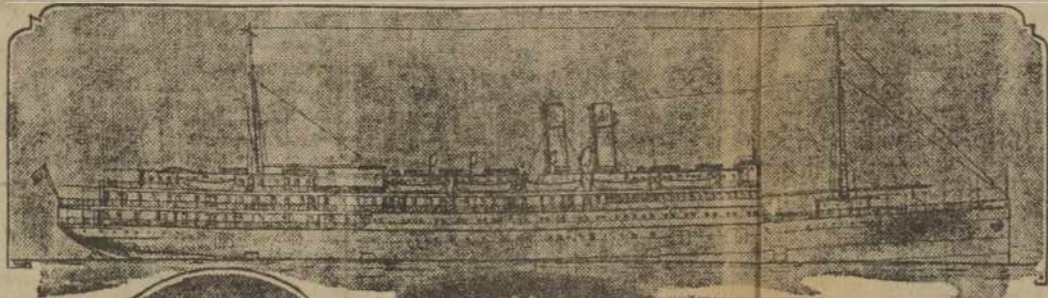
### Copper Dust Controls Smut

Wheat smut has yielded to control by copper carbonate dust, according to investigations by the experiment station. The cost, the labor and the risk are less than for treatment with liquid bluestone or formaldehyde. Fewer seeds are damaged by the chemicals and hence one-fourth less seed is ample for a good stand. The plants germinate better under unfavorable conditions of drouth and emerge much stronger and more vigorous.

### Bee Hives Need Stand

Bee hives well placed under Oregon conditions do not rest directly on the ground. Timbers, 2 by 6, bricks, or special stands, are used for supports, a stand 6 inches high being the best. Sloping board is placed from the ground to the entrance to permit heavily laden bees that drop near the hive to reach the entrance.

## Finest Steamer Since War Launched for S. To Improve Water-Rail Service to the We



New five-deck liner Bienville as it will appear when completed. At left, Miss Dorothy R. Maxson, sponsor, and her father, Captain C. P. Maxson, who will command the big steamer

TACOMA, July 16.—Establishing what is declared to be a new speed record for construction of such a large and modern craft, the steamer Bienville, new queen for the Southern Pacific's Atlantic fleet, was launched today at the Todd Drydock and Construction company's plant. The keel was laid 4½ months ago.

The steamer, which will carry both passengers and cargo on the important New York-New Orleans run, connecting with the Sunset Limited to and from the Pacific coast, is 445 feet in length. It is to be the finest and best equipped of any vessel launched since the war.

Named for Jean de Bienville, noted French general who in 1718 founded the city of New Orleans, the new steamer was sponsored by Miss Dorothy R. Maxson of West Mystic, Conn., attractive daughter of Captain C. P.

Maxson, senior captain of the Southern Pacific's ocean service, who will command the Bienville.

Captain and Mrs. Maxson and their daughter headed a delegation of railroad and steamship officials and Pacific coast business men who visited Tacoma today for the launching, as the guests of J. A. Eves, president of the Todd company. The widespread benefits to the north Pacific coast from such construction work were emphasized at the ceremonies.

It is expected the Bienville will be in readiness in November for her trial trip to the Atlantic coast preparatory to delivery to the Southern Pacific at New York. A short time later she will take her position as flag ship of the fleet forming part of the commercially important route between the Pacific and Atlantic oceans.

The steamer cost in excess of \$2-

00,000. She is to be a five-deck ship with turbine engines capable of developing 7,100 horsepower, driving the steamer at a sustained speed of 16 knots an hour.

Particular attention has been given to the furnishings of the steamer so that throughout it will compare with the best and most modern hotels. State rooms are large and designed to provide the utmost comfort for guests. The Bienville will accommodate 237 first cabin and 111 steerage passengers. There are a number of suites, each elaborately furnished.

Southern Pacific service, providing "100 golden hours at sea" between New York and New Orleans and by rail through the romantic south and the historic west to and from the Pacific coast, is attracting large numbers of passengers. These include many tourists visiting Washington, Oregon and other states.

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### Odd Time Recorder

#### Familiar to Indians

A sort of primitive sundial was sometimes set up by a Bellacoola Indian traveler to record, for the benefit of those following him, the time which had elapsed since he had left. This was used only where one followed another, not as a true sundial to tell the time of day. The Carrier Indians and the Chilcotin Indians also used it.

This time recorder consisted of a twig made into a circular hoop about six inches in diameter, by twisting the ends together, and fastened firmly to a slanting stick stuck up in the smooth earth. The Bellacoola, who so commonly traveled up and down the Bellacoola river, frequently put one of these upon the sandy river beach. The more or less circular shadow of the hoop was marked in the soil, and the distance that it had traveled from the mark indicated how long the recorder had been standing.

If the one following was traveling in a river canoe and saw the shadow was near the mark, his canoe party might pole hard in an effort to catch up, but if the shadow were far away he knew that it was probably useless to try to overtake the one ahead.

### Many Names for the

#### "Root of All Evil"

Money is money under any and all conditions, but in its transfer from one person to another it has many special names. Here are a few of the terms in common use:

Wages for workmen; salary for the office-force; emolument for the clergy; honorarium, or fee, for the medical man; dividend for the shareholder; remittance for the boy or girl at college; alms for the beggar; alimony for the divorcee; dowry for the widow; legacy for the lucky heir.

Indemnity for the litigant; royalty for the literary man; interest for the money lender; stipend for the college professor; retainer and fee for the lawyer; commission for the salesman; premium for the insurance agent; "dot" for the engaged girl, and "dough" for everybody, to say nothing of "kale," "mazuma," "jack" and other appellations not yet admitted to good standing in the dictionary.—New York Times.

### Worse to Come

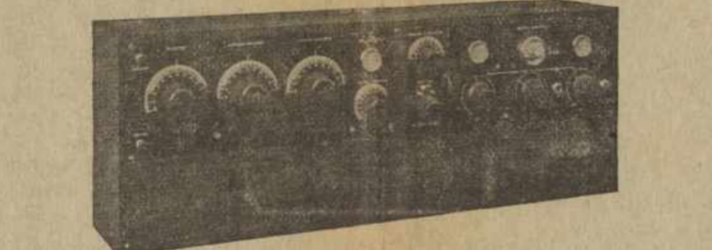
Having been served with a wedge of some yellow substance the husband poked at it cautiously with his fork and finally turned it over heavily on his plate, asking: "What is this?"

"Pound cake. What of it?" the wife replied.

"Nothing," said the husband. "I thought my section weighed more than a pound. What are you going to make next?"

"Marble cake," said the wife, defiantly.—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

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