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Mr. Hall announces his purpose to contest the nomination of Gov. Olcott. Mr. Olcott's plurality, on the full returns, seems large enough to leave but little ground to expect that a recount would make a change, and a contest would only create bitterness in the ranks of the party to which both belong, to no good purpose.

The United States has 65 per cent of all the telephones in use in the world. The German republic is second in the number in use, Great Britain third and Canada fourth. In proportion to population the United States is first and Canada second. The United States has about 7.7 times as many as Germany, 14 times as many as Great Britain, 16.4 times as many as Canada.

J. C. Cooper, of McMinnville, president of the Oregon Tax Reduction league, has called a state convention of that league to meet at Salem July 4 and 5. It is thought that he purposes to secure the nomination of that body as a third candidate for the governorship. The "tax reduction" which he advocates seems to be limited, practically, to the repeal of the second millage tax for the support of the educational institutions of the state. If Mr. Cooper runs independently, or as the candidate of the tax reduction league the voters of the state should regard his candidacy as an anti-educational campaign, and govern themselves accordingly.

A CRITICAL CONDITION

The U. S. Supreme court rendered a decision last Monday the most important effect of which

is the taking of the Central Pacific railroad system out of the control of the Southern Pacific. The case decided has been pending since 1914. This is the second great step in the "unscrambling" of the old Harriman system.

Since the Central Pacific is dependent on connections with some other system for trans-continental traffic, it becomes a question of great importance to this middle region of the Pacific coast what its connections will be. The most probable of the suggestions concerning its future alliances is that the Union Pacific will take it over. The Union and Central Pacific were built from the two extremes to a meeting place in Utah, as parts of the same plan, under government patronage. Sentimentally, it would seem fitting that they should be united.

The two chief interests in this decision, to the people of a large region to which this locality belongs, are: first, to what system the Klamath Falls line will fall; and, second, will the readjustment hasten or retard its completion. It seems uncertain as yet whether it will belong to the Southern Pacific or the Central Pacific.

The discussions in the newspapers, since the decision was rendered, when balanced up, seem to favor these conclusions, that the railroad managers concerned, of all interests, have plans for action prepared, contingent on the decision; that which ever system possesses the Klamath Falls line and its immediate connections will put it through speedily, in order to realize on what is already invested in it; that it is only a

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question as to who will do it. The same thing is thought to be true concerning the southeastern connection between Klamath Falls and Fernley, Nevada dealt with in this paper some time ago.

Springfield has probably a larger relative interest in the outcome of this matter than any other town, large or small. Until the effect of this decision is clearly seen, it places Springfield's greatest interest in an extremely critical situation. If the conclusions apparently to be drawn from the expressions we have thus far seen are verified, they seem to point to a happy outcome and a speedier fruition of our hopes.

THE WRONG PLACE

It seems to be now conceded by everybody but Lloyd George that the Genoa conference was a failure. He claims a measure of success for it on the ground that it might have been worse. But with all the disappointments it seems that there was only one mistake made in the whole affair. It should have been called in Washington. Then the United States would have come in and done its share in the great work of setting the business of the world going, including the business of this country. During the Versailles conference, there was generated in this country a violent prejudice against having our representatives go abroad to take part in a conference which was chiefly concerned with the affairs of foreign peoples; and the prime movers of such affairs in this country seem afraid to antagonize that prejudice.

Then again, if the conference had been held in Washington, it is not likely that the Bolshevik representatives would have had the gall to appear; and if they had, they would have received no countenance. The United States, since the close of the war, has exerted a powerful influence for good, direct and indirect, upon the affairs of the world. But it has had some magnificent opportunities to exert good influence that it did not exert. The disastrous results of its failure to do some things that it might have done are plainly apparent. These results are mainly chargeable to a small group of men, who are more or less discredited in their own country, but who, nevertheless, have a following and an influence that leaders inclined to better policies are afraid of.

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In Society

Clarence S. Chase, son of F. B. Chase, and Marche M. Dahl were married today at high noon by Rev. B. C. Miller, of the Baptist church of Springfield, at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Gretta Buckingham, in Eugene. Only the immediate relatives were present, but a reception for the young people will be held soon at the home of the young man's parents in Pruneville. The young couple will go to Portland on their honeymoon and will make their home in Pruneville, where the groom has a home ready for his bride.

"I want this check cashed, please. My husband sent it to me; he is away on business," said the fair young wife at the bank window.

"Quite so madam," replied the cashier, "but you must endorse it—that is sign it on the back, you know." The beaming wife went to a desk, and in a few moments presented the check again, having inscribed on its back: "Your loving wife, Edith."

Brown (to Floorwalker)—"Where is the bargain counter?"
Floorwalker—"There are several, sir, what are you looking for?"
Brown—"My wife!"

Sam, the colored driver of an ox team, saw a little lizard crawling up a tree. He flourished his long whip and very deftly snapped off the lizard's head. Further along the road with skillful precision he picked a horse off the fence with the same weapon. His skill as a marksman was next exhibited on a chipmunk that showed its head above the ground.

The white man said: "Sam, take a crack at that," pointing to a hornet's nest. Sam grinned and replied: "No, sah, no, sah, boss; them fellahs is awgarnised."—Selected.

Patsy—"Mom, won't yer gimme candy, now?"
Mrs. Casey—"Didn't Oi tell ye Oi wouldn't give ye anny at all if ye didn't kape still?"
"Yes, but—"
"Well, the longer ye kape still the sooner ye'll get it."

Gen. Sherman didn't live long enough to discover that peace is entitled to the same epithet he applied to war.

As the old dorky said, "A chicken am de most usefulest animule dere be. Yo' can eat him befoah he am bohn an' aftah he am dead."

INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

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\$125,000 apartment house.

Gold Beach.—Contract let for Brush Creek and Mussel Creek section of the Roosevelt highway.

Salem.—Contract let for a \$30,000 cannery.

Freewater.—Fruit company to erect packing plant here.

Pendleton.—New bridge to span the Umatilla river.

Survey of associated industries shows outlook for flour milling industry good.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

In the matter of the estate of Howard S. McGowan, sometimes spelled MacGowan, deceased.

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned has been duly appointed executrix of the estate of Howard S. McGowan, sometimes spelled MacGowan, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, with

proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned at the office of Clyde N. Johnston, in Eugene, Lane County, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated at Eugene, Lane County, Oregon, this 12th day of May, A. D. 1922.

LIDA D. MCGOWAN, Executrix of the estate of Howard S. McGowan, sometimes spelled MacGowan, deceased.

CLYDE N. JOHNSTON, Attorney for Estate.

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