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What Scio has to offer home-seekers.

Oregon will doubtless be visited by a great number of people during the next few months. The railroads will give half-fare rates and the Lewis and Clark fair will prove a great drawing card.

Between the North Santiam and South Santiam rivers lies the eastern half of Linn county, which is known as "The Forks of the Santiam."

As might be supposed, the Forks has an abundance of streams of water and springs. Along these streams, especially where they flow through the hills and mountains, are large bodies of timber.

Chicago's efforts in the line of municipal ownership will be watched by the country very closely. The method of acquiring the street railway properties may be something new to the public.

The minute details of President Roosevelt's vacation trip in the West among the cowboys is becoming just a little nauseating. What if he did kill a rattlesnake with his quirt and take hold of a wolf's jaws which was being held and worried by the dogs.

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DEFEAT OF REFERENDUM THE OBJECT.

It may be depended upon that if there is any possible way to defeat the referendum upon the big appropriation bill, it will be done.

It is urged that the people should refer to initiative law in line of the referendum. The initiative law was enacted for the purpose of supplying needed legislation that the legislature would not or could not enact.

The Albany Herald states that "Commissioner Butler was elected upon the clear understanding that this department of public works was to be under his direction."

What constitutes mud throwing? Can reasonable criticism of the acts of public officers be characterized as such? Is it not the duty of a newspaper to be ever watchful for the interests of the public?

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Ambassador Porter after having considerable excoaxing done, partly at his own expense, has found the remains of America's first naval hero, John Paul Jones.

A DEFENSE A GUILTY MAN WOULD SELECT.

When a man is accused of crime and is brought before the bar of justice to answer thereto, his demeanor in the conduct of his cause may be such that while the jury may be unable to find him guilty of the crime charged, public opinion will pronounce him guilty.

Senator Mitchell may be innocent of the crime of which he is charged; yet in the ordinary court, last week, he pursued the course that a guilty man would take.

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Forty years ago last Friday evening a bullet was fired that Friday prostrated the northern and western portions of the country in a paroxysm of grief and fear.

But he realized, none better, that an even more difficult and prolonged if not so deadly a work remained to be done—"to bind up the nation's wounds," and gradually restore not only peace but unity and prosperity.

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AMATTER OF HEALTH

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DIVORCE IN ENGLAND. A striking contrast to the prevalence of the divorce evil in this country is to be found in recent statistics for England and Wales...

GRADED SCHOOL FOR COUNTRY CHILDREN. From a purely selfish standpoint one of the best steps citizens of Oregon can take, this present year (next year or the year after), is to raise the standard of health in the country schools.

THE PANAMA COMMISSION. This first constituted, was evidently following in the footsteps of the French, who had made such a colossal failure.

President Roosevelt has entirely disappeared from public gaze. Likewise the press reporters; consequently he will have what he is seeking, rest and genuine sporting sport without a brass band accompaniment.

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