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EWORN CIRCULATION.

Daily average for six months ending December 31, 1910, 2721.

GRANTS PASS TO EXTEND PAVING

With Coming of Spring Petitions are Streets Be Increased.

GRANTS PASS, Feb. 11 .- During the past week property owners in th First ward have been busy filling in and circulating petitions to the city council for various street improvements. An effort is being made to decide upon the style of roadway, some favoring a 36-foot roadway of a light water bound macadam, while others are contending for a 30-foot roadway of macadam with a bituminous water proof surface.

It is conceded that nothing shor of a first-class hard-surface pavement will do for the downtown blocks, but B street from Sixth to Merlin road lyn avenue, Third from F to Evelyn and a portion of Fourth street are being considered for some kind of macadam. It is understood that which is the northerly extension of Fourth street, are contemplating parking along the center of the street and leave a driveway on either side. This is the only 100-foot thoroughfare in the city, and lying as it does is well adapted to an improvement of Colorado, Iowa and Montana. this kind. A portion at least, if not the entirewidth of Sixth street, from B street to Evelyn avenue will be figured out that has been necessary to follow up to B street on Sixth,

City Engineer Hobson, who recently spent some time making examination of about 20 kinds of pave ment and macadam in California, is preparing plans and specifications for the kind of improvement best adapted to our conditions, so that when the question comes up to hi office no time may be lost in prepar ing for actual work.

WANT SUPERVISOR TO ASSIST SCHOOL HEADS

SALEM, Or., Feb. 11. Supervisors to assist county school superintendents by visiting county schools and instructing the teachers is pro scuate yesterday. It had already passed the house and goes to the governor for signature. The bill applies only to large counties, those contain ing 60 or more school districts, and was fathered by Representative Huntington of Douglas.

Oliver of Union and Wallowa and Miller of Linn gave the bill earnest support, declaring it is needed to give | Be it emeted by the legislative asadequate Instruction to county teachers and pointing to indorsement by

SENATE COMES TO AID OF

resolution authorizing the secretary with." forward Red Cross supplies to the amended to read as follows: propriates \$50,000.

Can Play Sunday Ball.

tional with city councils and county by any other means except with hook the initiative. commissioners has been passed by the and line commonly called angling state legislature.

SEVEN HUNDRED BILLS IN FORTY DAYS

THE present legislature has not done much to justify its existence. If we had guadrennial sessions instead of The Democratic Times, The Medford Mail, The Medford Tribune, The Southern Oregonian, The Ashland Tribune. better.

with peanut politics-a frantic effort to embarass the ad-voted to override the popular vote tion and carrying a law by the pub-crazed coolies from the famine disministration instead of calmly considering the real needs on an initiative law. No better proof lie vote. When that act has been tricts in Hunan province flocked in-

portant measures yet passed. The appropriation bills are jous charge that has been made. The legislature is but a creature thorities beheaded four men in an efstill to come. The good roads legislation has not yet been against the system is that it repre- of the public will. It is the people fort to check the robberies. enacted. Trivialities have taken up most of the time.

duced, for consideration and action, in the forty days of all of this was before the day of the should presume to rise above and and attention needed?

sideration, voted upon 32 measures, and we are asked to laws. When those laws have been is all that is needed to carry with pity the poor people with such a gigantic task on their hands. Yet we expect the legislature to consider 700 meas- the legislature to intervene and at- through the legislature after the peoures in 40 days and no one thinks it a great task.

s to be expected. Every new politicial movement brings untrained minds to the front. Lawyers of skill and cloquence are lacking-that is because most lawyers, by their training, are reactionarie's and stand patters. Their business is not creative or progressive. They are seldom found with the masses—nearly always with the classes.

If leaders of acknowledged ability will not champion progressive measures, the people will elect unknown men who will, it is the principle rather than the man in Oregon. of the legislative assembly. If the newly elect do not measure up to standard, they will Forgetting its pledge that no at- Some of the representatives who Being Circulated in Neighboring be replaced, until the ability is developed—and the man tempt would be made to meddle with voted for the bill were indirectly in City Asking That Hard Surface is always ready when the occasion arises.

Trained politicians of Oregon are nearly all in the sentatives put itself on record as be- mies of Oregon's system cast their standpat element, but by refusing to heed popular desires, by completely wiping out one of the bad pledged themselves not to assist they are getting on the shelf to stay and a new school will popular measures passed at the in any plot to amend, modify o gradually arise to replace them.

LOW COLONIST RATES

A N army of home seekers will take advantage of the in the face, and drives the entering dignation among friends of the incolonist rates this year and the railroads are preparin for the greatest influx on record to the northwest.

Low rate tickets will be sold from March 10 to April 10, from as far east as Boston, as far north as Winnepeg millionaire Humes of San Francisco, the people's enemies. and from all intermediate points. From Missouri river who have taken possession of the enpoints, the rate will be \$25, from Chicago \$33, from Bos- tire fishing industry at the mouth of to bear on the governor by the few ton \$49.50.

The immigration from the east to the northwest grows mediately referred to a friendly com-Fifth street from F to Evelyn ave- heavier with each year, due largely to the splendid public- mittee which was brought under com- bill, but the governor has already ity work of the communities and the railroads.

Colonist folders will soon be issued for distribution resident packers. Members of the any attempt to tamper with the peofrom Medford and other towns, part of the publicity camresidents on Washington boulevard, paign inaugurated by the Southern Pacific.

FOUR SENATORIAL DEADLOCKS

OUR deadlocks exist in legislatures of four states over the election of United States senators—in New York,

Each of these deadlocks will be accompanied by more there occurs under the head times or less scandal, corruption and ill will. Each involves a "Horses trample garden truck" ac great loss of time on the part of the legislators and a loss customed to trample small unfenced of money to the public. Probably none of the states will garden patches on Capitol Hill and elect a man satisfactory to the people.

All this would be avoided by popular election of sena- gardens should fence against stock. tors. All of it has been avoided under the "Oregon plan," who ever the horses referred to be Legislation election of senators has been out grown and free from the burden of keeping fields should be discarded, just as congressional election of presi- and gardens from being invaded by dents has been long since thrown overboard.

Text of Pierce Rogue Fish Bill

day and is now in the senate commit- angling,

used in fishing in Rogue river, to 5 and August 15 of each year,"

any of its tributaries, above the steel missable in the fall season,

and it shall be unlawful for any per-

The following is the text of the son to take or attempt to take any off other people is likewise untrue mended Pierce bill, House Bill No. fish known as or commonly called I answer in this manner because 218, which nullifies the initiative bill "steelheads" from any of the waters have heard that some have thought 18, which nothlies the initiative bill of said Rogue river or any of its tribing the Rogue river to commerutaries with a seine, net, trap, fish article. cial fishing. The hill passed the wheel or by any other means except souse with one vote to spare Thurs- with hook, and line commonly called

"After the passage of this act it "an Act to protect fish in Rogue except with hook and line, commonly fish bill that was passed by the peoriver; to punish those who violate called angling, in Rogue river and its ple at last election. That there is this act, and to repeal all laws of tributaries between a point where the possability and even a probability conflict herewith," adopted Nov. steel bridge crosses said Regue that the legislature may unlify the 8, 1910, and became affective on river at the foot of Sixth street in people, law. What kind of a bune Be it enacted by the people of the river from August 15 to April 15 in by the direct vote of the people, as Title That the title of an act on, cept with book and line, west of its declared for f

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 11. - punish those who violate this act and From the above it will be seen that has that power over the people, the Grants Pass is permitted from April is had enough for the supreme comtake any tish of any kind whatsoever limited to 8-inch mesh nets, but drag but rather looked upon as a haby

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 11.—Sanday bridge that crosses said Rogue river. No provision is made to prevent believe that they are it, when it baseball has received legislative up- at the foot of Sixth street in the city the stretching of nets across the plain that are Nit. Will you pleas proval. A bill making the playing of of Grants Pass in Josephine county, channel or for other saleguards con- show me law to solve this Chines the national game on the Sabbath op- with a scine, net, trap, fish wheel or tained in the old laws repealed by wire puzzle. I really would like som information on the subject, respecti-

Buskins for Health,

THE LIMIT OF PRESUMPTION

When the people pronounce in (Portland Telegram.) About as big a bit of presumption election, nobody presumes to inter as ever characterized a legislative -vene; the matter is definitely and body was that of the house yester- for all time settled. Precisely the A large part of the legislature's time has been taken up day, when a majority of the members same principle applies to the initiacould be found of the shortcomings accomplished it remains a settled of representative government than fact until it is repealed by the same But five days more remain—and none of the really im- was thus afforded. The most ser- authority which created it.

sented private interests instead of who created it and it is the people Some seven hundred and more bills have been intro-

In Oregon the people claim and premely ridiculous on the face of it Last fall the people, after some four or five months con- have exercised the right to initiate that the very statement of the case passed by a majority vote of the it its own condemnation. The day people, it is just as ridiculous for of lobbying and logrolling a bill tempt to override the act as it would ple have pronounced upon it has The legislature is lacking in leaders and ability. This be for the same body to override passed, and those who think otherthe popular declaration that a cer- wise are only inviting a personal ap tain man had been elected governor, plication of the steamroller.

UNDOING THE PEOPLE'S LAWS

closing of Rogue river to net fisher- ed tail on their constituents. er law, slams the voters of Oregon ing the bill through has aroused in-

wealthy Hume heirs while the bill bill if it passes the senate.

The first successful blow aimed at wind campaign was made on the floor the people's initiative law was de- of the house to have the measure livered yesterday in the lower house passed when it came up for third

initiative laws, the house of repre- terested in its passage; all the ene

The Pierce bill was introduced to that the lower house as well as the protect the selfish interests of the senate is completely in the hands of

Rogue river. When it was first in- millionaire fish packers who are in troduced in the house it was im- control at the mouth of the Rogue plete influence of the wealthy non- gone on record as being opposed to committee were approached by the ple's law and he will surely veto the

KHARPUL, Turkish Armenia, Feb

11.—Fire nearly destroyed the

French college managed by the Cap-

uchin fathers of Toulouse.

COMMUNICATIONS.

In your issue of the tenth instant

opper Siskiyou Heights. There is no 'herd law" in Oregon and owners of

The horses referred to do not belong to any man by the name of Taylof. I own horses but they are not running at large and have not durment that boasts of having fed stock

JESSE TAYLOR.

TOLO, Oregon, Feb. 9th, 1911.

To the Editor-I see in your paper shall be unlawful to take or fish for under the head of "A Never Ending vided for in a bill which passed the For an Act to amend an act entitled salmen of any kind, in any manner Dispute" concerning the Rogue Rive proclamation of the governor Dec. the city of Grants Pass in Josephine game is this we are playing! Any way county and the mouth of the Illinois how comes it that his minority elected any year; or to take or fish for sal- topsibly for the purpose of upholding mon fish in Rogue river and its trib the people, will, and can audity and utaries by any means whatever, ex set aside that which the people have

the grange, the state school superin- littled "An act to protect lish in confluence with the Illinois river, or I have read direct legislation by tendent and the press. Wood said Rogne river, to panish those who you with three miles ontside of the month Riftenhausen of Switzerland, the the county superintendent of his late this net and to repeal all laws of said Rogue river from November father of direct legislation and a county is against it, and Barrett of in conflict herewith," be amended to I to April 5 and from August 15 to where in his works does he allow the Umatilla also opposed, but the bill rend as follows: "An act to protect September 5 in any year and that no peoples representatives to use the passed with only five negative votes, fish in Rogne river, and to problem gill net with a mesh smaller than eight power, but on the contrary by the he catching of steelheads, providing inches in size or any drag seiner be referendum gives the people the righ closed season for salmon fishing, used in said Rogue river during the and the power to if they chose to se FAMINE RIDDEN CHINA and regulating the size of net mesh Tishing or open season between April aside and law that is enacted by the legislature. If the legislative body The senate today adopted a joint to repeat all laws in conflict here. Itshing in the upper river as far as of what use is direct legislation? I of war to use an army transport to Section 1 That section one be 15 to August 15, and in the lower to have such power, but if our repriver from April 5 to August 15 and resentatives have it also then direct famine sufferers in China. The meas- Section I - It shall be unlawful for from September 5 to November 1, legislation is a faree and a failure ure, approved in the lower house app any person to take of attempt to The spring and summer fishing is And is not a thing to be proud of from the waters of Rogue river or seines and small mesh nets are per- rattle box or other play things. Some-

WALTER SMITH.

HUNGER CRAZED CHINKS **ROB THE FOOD DEPOTS**

AMOY, China, Feb. 11.-Hunger to the country adjacent to Amoy today and robbed the food depots, Au-

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