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LITTLE TALKS WITH MEN IN OREGON WHO ARE DOING THINGS

In Portland the other day I called on Chas. B. Merrick, in the Commercial Club Building,

Merrick is the organizer and practically the whole push of the Retail Merchants Association of Oregon.

He has a state organization and a state organ. He goes into a town and gets the retailers together, has

a banquet, and teaches them to become civilized. He instructs them in the gentle art of cutting out destructive competition, and howt o bury the hatchet.

The retailer is at bottom a human being. He has a heart and when he is organized it beats in unison even with the man who is his keenest competitor.

So Merrick radiates lots of genuine good will of the Big Bill Taft stripe.

The retailers in many towns meet once a month at a beefsteak dinner, discuss points of common interest and cuss the common enemy, who is after all an elusive, disappearing, unknown quantity,

Incidentally, Merrick is one of the best informed politicians

There is not a particle of retrogressive or reactionary, back-track blood in his veins.

He fairly tingles with the red corpuscles of progressive

Chas, B. Merrick is a fine type of western business man. That means progress along right lines of intelligence, lines of the least waste, least friction and least resistance.

I am glad for one that Wm. B. Ayer threw down the gauntlet to the politicians who are taking the back track in Portland.

He tells them fearlessly that it is a mistake to put the Republican party in an attitude of hostility to the primary law. Aver does not take to public speaking, but when he writes a letter or talks to a committee there is something doing

Out of a bunch of thirty of the ablest lawyers and business men of Portland who came before the legislature, Ayer made the talk that cut the ice for the state-built railroad proposition.

It was the most square-toed, clear-cut, incisive businesslike talk for the so-called socialistic railroad amendment that was heard before the house committee,

Ayer's talk carried the amendment before the senate. He now hits right out from the shoulder for the direct primary law.

It shall not be smothered. It shall have fair play.

The way to secure party harmony is for the dominant party to quit waging war on the people's law.

What some of the old convention bosses cannot get through their heads is that Republicans are people, citizens. first and partisans afterward.

The professional machine politician is a partisan first, a citizen, a patriot, afterward.

Hear Ayer: "Let us have an united party, but brited in upholding the law, not in destroying it."

That sounds pretty good from a man who is a business man, a citizen, neither partisan or sentimentalist neither secessionist nor rear fighter.

And Wm. B. Ayer is a business man in the seven figure class. He is not a sidewalk chasing rear-squirt politician. A Portland newspaper tries to cry Mr. Ayer down as one

of the little bosses. The trouble with Ayer seems to be that his views are en-

tirely beyond the Portland shop size. That kind of men are instinctively dreaded by the old

Portland machine. The principal business of that machine for forty years

has been to magnify pigmies into statesmen. its other chief industry has been to keep men of the Aver callbre out of politics.

It has been successful to the extent of keeping Portland in the hands of a mediocre class of grafters.

The same policy has kept the state of Oregon from securing the services of its really big men.

I once heard a negro revivalist describe the birth of the Savior.

In his exordium he shoute it "An dar Jay de lubly intant Jesus in the manger, and nobody present but de horned ex." He even forgot the mother.

At the La Grande Development Congress Tod Rinehart, the county assessor of Union county, made one of the best booster speeches I ever heard. It was full or ginger, optimism and the real wine of en-

It pictured Union county as the Paradise of the present.

the Heaven of the future.

Rinehart roasted the mossbacks. It seems the Willamette valley has no monopoly.

To discover that fact you have to get out over this great commonwealth.

Tod was telling of the wonderful work of the Development Congress in bringing the boosters together.

Then he got off as sublime a booster remark as was

"Where two or three are gathered together," said Tod, you know we are told in the Good Book, there is always omeone present that's worth while."

It was the brightest gem of the whole congress.

ELEANOR FRANCES HOUSEHOLD LETTER

WEDDING PRESENTS AND PRETTY FURNISHINGS

NEW YORK, April 24.—So many ovel and pretty things are shown n the shops this spring that it is never seen in so difficult to make a selection for wedding presents or household furnisha ortunately or otherwise most people have a price limit in such pur-chases that does away with some of the embarrassment of choosing, but even at very modest figures there are lovely things to be had.

Novel Lamps and Shades. If the house is supplied with electricity there are particularly fascinating lamps with the umbrella shades, closed at the top, that are possible with this illuminant. Daintily colored glass that looks like rock crystal with natural flowers embedded in it, is one form shown. Very new lamp and candle shades are made of fine square meshed curtain lace in pure white put on plain over the white frame, which is first covered with thin white muslin. Very small white ball fringe finishes these shades at the bottom. They are very pretty for a wedding gift or to grace the wedding breakfast or Lamps with crystal pendants like those on the old time Hirandoles are quaint and attractive and a high brass porch lamp with its candles protected by engraved glass globes of an oblong form are very latest novelty.

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SAVINGS DEPARTMENT Pays Interest on Savings

Accounts

New Jardinieres.

Flower holders or jardinieres were many different forms as this spring shows. For the table cut glass with silver linings is popular while crystal baskets delicately engraved vie with those of china for flower and bonbon holders. For growing plants there are wicker stands made of the regulation chair seat patterned cane, and very artistic receptacles of Ivory colored plaster, of concrete with sculptured fig-

Enameled woon and Wicker. Wicker furniture enamelled in soft lilae or gray, with cushions of flower printed cretonne is selected people who like prettiness combined with comfort and durability, and the same demand finds Crex the softly toned grass carpet that blends harmoniously with any color scheme an ideal floor covering. It stands the most trying wear and comes cut bright, clean and sanitary, and is unrivaled for porch or veranda use since a wetting rather improves than injures it

Old Time Weaves Revived. it is wonderful what modern methods have done with old time weaves and styles. Rag carpet in its present colors is pretty enough for any use, and the old time cane seats and backs are a veritable craze, used with the most expensive frames, as well as with enamelled wood. settle in white enamel had the seat upholstered in cretonne in rose pattern. The back was in cane in the natural color and the price \$67.

In many instances the cane is gilded as was the case in a miniature kennel for a pet dog. An oblong box with frame of wood and sides of It effects its wonderful cures, not cane imported from France and costing \$20.

Cretonnes and Gobelin Nets. Cretonnes are more popular than year, if that is possible, and the English fashion of having the slip coverings for furniture made of dainty flowered chintzes instead of plain or striped linen, has taken root here to the great improvement of summer interiors.

The new Gobelin cartains of dark colored net in attractive patterns are selling well and curtains of plain rather heavy scrim with embroidered borders in color in braided designs are also attracting favorable atten-

English Sets. " The better grade brands of Eng-lish Spodeware are being used by many housekeepers who formerly confined their selections to French china. The latter is so fragile and the pereciains have made such wonderful improvement in form, texture and finish that they are nice enough for any use however fastidious the requirements.

ELEANOR FRANCES.

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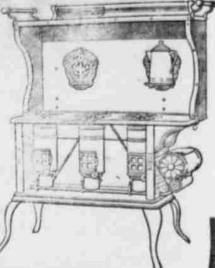
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