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circuit court decision cannot justly be condemned as opening the door to fraud.

But since the law, as construed by the courts, allows any man to go into a timber district and "make known his willingness to boy" timber land for more than cost of location, and permits entrymen to locate land for the purpose of selling to him, there is evident need of amending the timber and stone act, so as to guard against virtual fraud or collusion.

## A CRITICISM OF TAFT.

The Sacramento Bee, a solidly Republican paper, commenting on President Taft's recent message to congress anent monopolies, quotes therefrom and comments somewhat adversely. The quotations and comment are as follows:

"I believe that the true principle is that private enterprise should be permitted to carry on such public utilities, under due regulation as to rates by proper authority, rather than the government should itself conduct them.

"This principle I favor because I do not think it in accordance with the best public policy thus greatly to increase the body of public servants.'

A poor reason that and a pitiful excuse

Taft adds that if it could be shown that government ownership would reduce charges, and yet prove equal efficiency, "the argument might be a strong one" in its favor.

But he says he is not satisfied that any such result would follow

It is plain that he does not want to be satisfied.

The dividends paid by the Western Union on stock enormously watered should be sufficient to satisfy anybody that present telegraphia tolla are chormonsly excessive, and could be greatly reduced without loss to the postal service.

In Australia, where the telegraraph is a branch of the postal service, the lowest rate is 12 cents and the ordinary rate 18 cents for 16 words, and one may send a message to any part of the country for 24 cents.

Australia is about as large as the United States, but here the least rate is 25 cents for the shortest distance, the charges running up to a dollar or more for a ten-word message for long distance

In foreign countries government ownership of the telegraph is the rule: private ownership is the exception.

This is the only great nation in which the telegraph is a private monopoly.

In Europe, under public ownership, the rates average much lower than in America, and the telegraph is extensively used.

More than 40 years ago congress legislated with a view to government ownership of the telegraph.

President Grant strongly favored it, and a number of heads of the postal service ,prior to Hitchcock's day, gave it official recommendation.

One of these was Postmaster-General Wanamaker, who worked hard to bring it about through action of congress

The recent consolidation of the Western Union and Bell Telenone companies as created a great and growing monopoly, grainst public policy, and both telephone and telegraph should be taken over by the government and added to the postal service.

It would be a good thing in all respects.

the big reclamation project. ....

Baker county farmers will fight the decision of the state board apportioning the waters of North Powder.

.... The new dormitory at Monmouth will be the Pantages entire road shows

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Normal will be located on the cam- in vandeville, with six acts, and will pus directly north of the main build- be here Monday and Tuesday, March Paid Adv. 4 and 5. The following is the pro-

.... gram: The Albany nurseries recently sold Overture, orchestra, 75,600 young cherry trees to one The Great Rapola, famous European planter. They were Bings and Lam- juggler.

an original comedy offering, "Along Eugene is worried over an alleged the Country Lane,"

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ombination of the smaller towns for Helen Pingree & Co., presenting the purpose of electing all the coun- the college playlet, "The Girl and the Conch.' The cast: Botty Harcourt, the girl, Helen Pingree; Billy O'Brian. Portland scents more trouble in the coach, Jack Moprissey; Teddy her Chinese colony. A dozen hatchet Worthington, a senior, Herbert A. men are reported on the way from Pratt. Time, present evening, Betty's

party. Harry C. Lyons, late feature of "The Huntington has had a moving day Girl I Love" company, and five Stanand since the red light district has loy girls, in a musical oddity. become depopulated, the census is

The well-known Hebrew comedians Sully and Hussey, the sportsman and the valet.

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Mike Gorman, of Cathlamet, made a visit to his old home in the east and when he got back discovered he had been made mayor of the city

First La Grippe, Then Bronchitts.

Children Cry

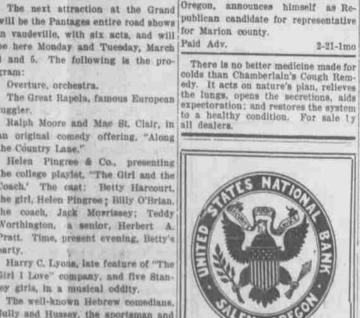
FOR FLETCHER'S

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Such was the case with Mrs. W. S. John Hans, a Pendleton Chinaman. John Hans, a Pendleton Chinaman, put lighted candles in his barn China New Year to keep away the devile—his horses and harness burbed with the barn. \*\*\* Professor Rebec goes to U, of O to

Professor Rebec goes to U. of O. to and Tar Compound. The first bottle fill the chair of education, so the gave her so much relief that she conprofessor sitting in it now, can get up and take a two months' rest from his stupendous labors. \* \* \* This of the state of his stupendous labors.

The Kruss & Banks shipyards at North Bend have contracts for three ocean-going vousels that must be ompleted this summer, and have



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IRA HAMILTON.

Candidate for Representative.

Dr. A. E. Wrightman, of Silverton,

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