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THE SUNDAY LAW OF 1864

strictly. That may be the reason the law known as "the hand than at any time since the rebuilding immediately blue Sunday law" generally in speaking of it, is to be en- after the fire of 1906. Stories are to the effect that there forced. The observance of Sunday is conceded to be is heavy speculative buying in the east and the stocking proper and right, but since the law in question was passed up of yards in anticipation of the ending of the war. If there has been a great change in human affairs.

of the livery stables, which under the law in question brings the money here and puts it in circulation. It means were exempt. Yet under the law as it stands the garage the bringing in within the year of at least \$40,000,000, and must not be opened Sunday.

Since those days way back in 1864 the Sunday news- have a chance at some of it. paper has become a feature of American life, yet this too under the law would have to quit. The man who keeps his auto in a public garage would have to get it out Saturday night if he wanted to use it Sunday; and the Sunday newspaper would have to be gotten out and be delivered before midnight Saturday.

Those charged with the enforcement of the law have no discretion about the offenses they would prosecute. They must prosecute all or none. Theaters, butcher shops, bakeries and livery stables are alone permitted to remain open. All others must close.

Marion county's prosecuting attorney has made no statement so far as we know, as to what he will do in the matter, but it is pretty certain he would be forced to prosecute any case that was brought to his attention. Dan Kelleher is having a petition circulated to have the law repealed by the initiative at the coming election, but until it is repealed it is the law, and those who violate it over the way Austria and Germany are treating Uncle lay themselves open to punishment.

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is diagnosed correctly as it is hardly possible the weather would do the stunts it has in the last few days unless there was a woman mixed up in it somehow.

San Francisco reports a sudden advance in lumber prices, redwood going up \$4 per thousand and fir still more. It is said the demand in that city last month was The best way to get rid of a bad law is to enforce it five years. Architects say they have more business on for the more to Salvar

this demand holds, it means the greatest prosperity for For one thing the auto has in the cities taken the place Oregon, for lumber is her greatest asset, and the one that County Agriculturalist as more than half of this goes for labor, everybody will

> Federal Judge Wolverton has just decided a suit brought by a billiard table company to test the Oregon Sunday closing law passed in 1864, and amended in 1865, and in doing so sweeps aside the technical objections Pettigrew, Joe Crahane and Melvin and in doing so sweeps aside the technical objections raised against the law such as the alleged insufficiency of title to the amended law of 1865, and other alleged irreg-ularities with the observation "that the intent of the legislature is apparent beyond doubt." That sounds rea-sonable, but what a pity the supreme court of the United States in the suit against the Southern Pacific to forfeit the Oregon & California land grant, did not cut the Gordian knot the same way and decide the case to make

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Gordian knot the same way and decide the case to make the granting act mean what it knew congress intended. Strange isn't it how indignant the English press gets over the way Austria and Germany are treating Uncle Sam. Equally strange how anxious they are to see the United States use strong measures with those countries. It is also strange how they fail to see that swiping Amer-ican ships and cargoes, rifling American mails, censoring American letters and little things of that kind are

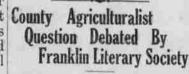
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A few years ago the head of an automobile company announced that he planned to produce 50,000 cars during the year, which was 1909. The announcement of such alarmed manufacturers went so far as to call a conference developed the fact that the totat proposed production of the country reached the alarming figure of 150,000 cars.
It is also strange how they fail to see that swiping American mails, censoring the reaching and istruct things of that kind are in the voersite the things of that kind are in the voersite the things of that kind are in the voersite the things of that kind are in the voersite the things of that kind are in the voersite the things of that kind are in the voersite the voersite the things of that kind are in the voersite the cars to go around and that in ten years the country would be taking a million cars a year. Everybody thought he was crazy, but it has been proved that he was not crazy another today. It cost Henry Ford about a million dollars and a lot of outle to find out what pretty much everybody clear on the state and commercial bodies are plan. The state and commercial bodies are plan. enough. His prediction of a million cars for 1918 is this country will turn out a million beaten by the fac rs in 1916, and cations are that they will all be d. The same is true about everything in this country. A y years ago it was positively announced on the best cars in 1916, and sold. few years ago it was positively announced on the best into it by the munitions makers, money kings, or any-The Daily Astorian issued a very creditable New Year edition Sunday morning. It was profusely illustrated and the transfer proposal follows reports that the deckers of the pro-model transfer are ready to give the movie men 250 acres of hand in Ala-meda and Contra Costa counties. had been reached. But it has doubled, approximately, since that time, yet the capacity is such that prices are higher. Go the rounds of industry, and it seems to be the rule contained much information of value concerning the over regulations imposed upon them a that business increases not in the arithmetical ratio of City of Astoria and Clatsop county. population but in a much higher ratio. Military Training Stays at

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been transferred to San Diego. If you neglected to see San Diego in 1915 do not fail to see this beautiful city this year. The winter is



Oregon, during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Ball have visited Arizona since they were here in the late summer.

CHARLES H. FISHER, Editor and Manager

The latest idea of preparedness is to have an army or rather two of them, big enough to stand off any two countries and a navy as large as any two combined in which that of England was not one. Besides it is proposed to have transports enough to send the army to any of the Pan-American countries should any nation or combination of nations threaten the Monroe doctrine. This preparedness game is much like a game of old fashioned draw poker. Wilson stated his ideas, and Roosevelt went him several stacks better. Then the next player it all o'er my face. "My blessing on the merry boys," I made a raise and the Army and Navy strategists raised cried, "and on their harmless joys! I'd gladly sacrifice a the whole caboodle out of their boots. In the final show down it will be disclosed whose hand is best and who was

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As I went forth, on my ten toes, a snowball hit me on the nose, and knocked that organ out of place, a-spreading

nose, out here among the virgin snows, to tary training.

see the children glad and gay, as I was on a EUGENE POULTRY WILL BE ENTERED IN SALEM SHOW bygone day. If I had noses by the score,

bygone day. If I had hoses by the score, I'd see them all bunged up and sore, if that would make the children glad, and this gray world less grim and sad." And while I spoke these words of cheer, a snowball hit me in the ear. It jarred my spinal column loose, and addled all my vital juice. I leaned against a fence and said, "What though that snowball split my head? Some

though that snowball split my head ? Some boy was filled with utter glee, when he let drive that shot at me, and if my ruined dome of thought, some comfort to a kid has brought, it surely does not ache in vain: not futile is its grist of pain." And as I feebly tottared by a smowhall hit me in the sure tottered by, a snowball hit me in the eye.

University of Washington Seattle, Wash., Jan. 5 .- Military raining will continue to be compulsory or male students of the University of

Washington during their first two ears on the campos. Faculty members here voted 68 to 27

keep up the compulsory system. The matter came to a head last Sep

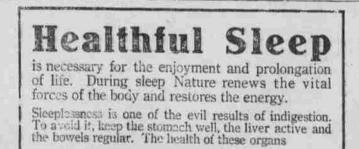
tember, when students opposed to mili-tary drill created agitation against it. President Henry Suzzallo appointed a faculty committee to bear arguments on both sides of the question. Their majority report to the faculty advocat-d a superior of superior with

continuance of compulsory mili-

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