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THE PORTLAND WAY

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It is not a remarkable discovery which the Portlane Journal has made. The biggest city in Oregon discrim inates against western Oregon in practically every lin prey of Portland jobbers and the railroads aid and abe them in their policy, probably on the theory that its trade can go nowhere else, and, therefore, it is good policy to extort every penny of tribute that can efforts of Eugen people to secure a railroad to the coast forced the South ern Pacific company to build the Eugene-Coos Bay rail road. Portland people never interested themselves in the movement, or in any other enterprise to develop the territory, and not a dollar of Portland capital was in vested in it. Yet once the road is in operation Portland reaps almost the entire benent from Portland to Marshfield without even stopdirect from Portland inch Eugene, and a ton of Coos bay coal can ping for lunch in Eugene, and a shipped from Marshfield to Portland cheaper than t Eugene, Salem or any other point on the cine or desiring to use Coos Bay coal for
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to locate in Portand. mills that will all but close them. Evidenty Portlan interests are attempting to force lumbermen to locat
their mills there and ship the logs to that city to be sawe
into lumber.
Portland jobbers make special and higher prices $t$ merchants in Western Oregon than in those sections o the Northwest where they have to fight with Seattle Spokane, Boise or other jobbing cities for the trade. Th railroads have fixed the Portland interests to enslave the Willamette valley and it is because of these conditions that development is is prevalent throughout other sections of the country. Oregon is suffering because it is a one city state-an
because that city is so large that it attracts all capital an becary industry seeking to find a home in it. The cond tion is unhealthy but the Portland people cannot see of the business depression that obtains there. They not seem to realize that they cannot continue to grai support is in a growing, prosperous condition.
ment it is entitled to reach because of its natural sources it will be when its smaller cities are live cente of industry providing markets for the products of an in everything and devotes her energies, aided and abell by the transportation companies, to that end there is
pe that conditions will ever change for the better. ful opportunity to assist in developing the state by adopt ing a broader policy of business-building, or they may continue to extort tribute from our people and throttl ar industries and all our efforts to help ourselves. Portland the slowest and dullest city of all the big commercial centers of the Pacific Coast.

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#### Abstract

Germany has levied a heavy tax on bachelors, and with the thoroughness peculiar to that nation has arranged the taxes so they bear lightest on those with large families taxes so they bear lightest on those with large families. Here in America we have the "flat rate" as to taxes, all Here in America we have the "flat rate" as to taxes, al being taxed alike, theoretically. The Germans recognize being taxed alke, heoretically. The Germans recognize the fact that citizens are worth something to the gov the fact that citizens are worth something to the gov ernment, and so encourage large families. In this counernment, and so encourage large families. In this coun- try no attention is paid to this phase of citizenship, and so the growing of large families is discouraged instead of so the growing of large families is discouraged instead of being encouraged. At the same time while in no way helping the man with a large family we raise our hands in horror at any suggestion of birth control and jail the persons advocating it. This is about as sensible as the old laws that allowed a person to be kept in jail indefinitethere was no way by which the fellow in the jug could earn any money with which to pay his debts, but that made no difference to our thick headed ancestors. The jail is the Anglo-Saxon's panacea for all evils. Should the sovernment conclude to encourage large families, it would probably do it by attaching a jail sentence to the father who only showed a family of one or two children.


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correspondent of the morning paper, over the signa-
"Rusticus," says the Capital Jounnal was "throwing a fit" over the escape of Marion county from losing the penitentiary, and of crediting the wrong Mr. Jones with should be located in Marion county. The Capital Journal criticized by "Rusty Cuss" (appropriate name) was ab-
solutely so. The bill providing for the penitentiary did sotuely so. The aix any place as its location, and that bill is to be sub that even under the conditions the penitentiary would have been located here; but the bill was at least open to all kinds of interpretation, and had it not been amended Mr. Jones being crdited with the amendment, the Capital Journal's statement was correct. Representative Sey
mour Jones was the one who suggested the amendment. "Rusty Cuss" should polish up and be sure he is rightfore he rushes into print.

Mr. W. A. Mazwell writes the Oregonian suggesting that potatoes have but a trifling food value, and further
suggesting that with spuds at five cents a pound, tha people "eat something else that is cheaper." Mr. Mazwel press once applied to the French treasurer for money to 'eplenish her wardrose, buy jewels and ce cre uses. The
reasurer's reply was: "Madam the people cry for bread." the queen answere they eat cake." If Mr. Mazwell will point out anything cheap in the way of a substitute for
potatoes, or for that matter any really cheap food, he will do a great service to the country generally.
It appears the law concerning the election of schoo directors is badly mixed. It is too soon yet to judge o the condition of other laws, but judging from the way
bills were referred and re-referred, called back from the governor's office, acted on in committee of the whole an finally on third rading, were found defective and sen back to committees again, it is fair to presume there is
going to be other laws just as badly muddled as is the school election law.

Honors are easy between the legislature and the overnor. The former reduced the salaries of the supreme court stenographers making a great saving to
the state and the governor out of more than six million of appropriations found one among the very smallest, it amounting to $\$ 328.45$, to lay over the block and apply the


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The weather prophet, in his den, annoys the jaded souls of men. He hands down
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because somewhere there is a "low." To morrow we shall bake or fry, because some where there is a "high." I do not like the where there is a high. I do not like the gr ef. He sits up in his moldy tower, like gr ef. He sits up in his moldy tower, like
Marianna in her bower, and seans his dreary maps and charts, and plies his dari and mystic arts. He doesn't care if people Preeze and have rheumatics in their knees; he doesn burst. The weather is to him a game, and stolidly h burst. The weather is to him a game, and stoldy h
plays the same. While we are thawing frozen toes, h piays the same. While we are thawing frozen toes, h rants away about his lows. When icicles are in our eyes he hands us bunk about his highs. There's nothing would help us cuss a streak, when cold winds blow, weel would help us cuss a streak, when cold winds ben, this old world is soaked with rain, he might draw closer to our hearts but no, he reads his dippy charts, and through the same old motions goes, discussing tiresome highs and



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