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EASTERN OREGON IN JEOPARDY.

If the plans of the Peoples' Power League (W. S. U'Ren) are carried to a successful fruition, the state constitution will be emasculated and the sovereign people of Oregon will be governed by an organic law that will be the wonder of the age. It is proposed by the Peoples' Power League (W. S. U'Ren) to abrogate all of those articles of the constitution pertaining to the Legislative and Executive Departments of our state government and to provide for a system which would place in the hands of the Governor more power and authority than is exercised by the crowned heads of Europe or the despots of Cathay. At one fell swoop the Peoples' Power League (W. S. U'Ren) proposes to destroy the last remnants of representative government in Oregon and to substitute in lieu thereof a system of constitutional authority that would cause the framers of our Federal constitution and the signers of the Declaration of Independence to turn over in their graves.

In the first place, the Peoples' Power League (W. S. U'Ren) proposed to abolish the State Senate and to create a Legislature consisting of but a single elective body. The framers of our constitution, recognizing the necessity of a system of checks and balances, provided for two co-ordinate branches of our national Legislative body and the same principle is recognized not only throughout the United States, but in all parts of the civilized world. The diversion of legislative authority into two separate houses is recognized as a safe guard against hasty legisla-

tion, as well as against dishonesty and corruption. It is the only form of legislative organization that has stood the test of time for the reason that it is founded upon principles of sound reason and justice.

The proposal of the Peoples' Power League (W. S. U'Ren) to provide for a commingling of legislative and executive authority by giving the Governor a voice and a vote in the Legislative Assembly with the sole right to introduce appropriation bills is an absolute departure from one of the basic principles of constitutional government—a departure so dangerous as to menace the welfare of the state. Some of our Governors have a hard time discharging the ordinary duties of their offices, but when clothed with the power of an Oriental Monarch, there would be no limit to their arrogance and assumption of official authority.

The proportional representation scheme, the provision for annual sessions of the Legislature, the denial to the people of the right to elect the principal state officers and the numerous other fantastic schemes that are proposed by the Peoples' Power League (W. S. U'Ren) are enough to damn the whole proposition as one which will be productive of nothing but disorder and confusion in public affairs with an ever-increasing burden upon the shoulders of the long-suffering tax-paying public.

With the Peoples' Power League (W. S. U'Ren) endeavoring at each election to destroy the remnants of representative government in Oregon, with the doors of the state penitentiary opened by a complacent Governor to free a small army of crooks and allow them to go and come at their own sweet will, with the single taxpayers engaged in a campaign of proposed confiscation and with the I. W. W. hoodlums rioting on the streets of Portland, the condition of public affairs in Oregon has reached a stage where the thinking element of our citizenship must arouse itself. "How long O Lord, How Long?"

WHY A TOWN SHOULD HAVE A CHAUTAUQUA.

Every town in the United States which is holding a genuine chautauqua, independent of outside dictation, could tell without half trying, why every other town should have a chautauqua and would have only to draw on their own experiences for their reasons. Of the 1,000 chautauquas held each year in this country, one-half of them are independent assemblies and in this case they occupy about as permanent, and almost as important a position as the public schools. To tell these towns why a chautauqua should be held would be useless.

To the citizens of the other thousands of communities where the influence of a genuine chautauqua has not been felt, or in those other still more unfortunate communities where so-called chautauquas have been put on with the sole purpose of lining the pockets of outside parties, the question is not so easily answered.

ANTS

Common ants are becoming a serious pest, both in-doors and out-of-doors, in many parts of Oregon and Washington. The entomologist of the state experiment station at Pullman, gives the following advice as to methods of controlling, or combatting, them:

The surest way of preventing injury by ants is to destroy their nests. Usually their nests can be readily found, but if there is any difficulty, a little watching of where the ants travel will show where the nest is located. If the nests are out in the field, punch a few holes with a stick in the nests and place a couple of tablespoons of carbon disulphide in each hole, covering up immediately with the foot so as to throw a capping of dirt into the hole. The fumes of carbon disulphide are very heavy and will rapidly pass through the nests filling all the chambers and suffocating the ants. This liquid can be purchased at the drug store. Care must be taken in using it

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Ants in houses can be trapped to a sponge moistened with sweetened water. When many ants congregate on the sponge they can be destroyed by a little boiling water from the teakettle.

If ants crawl up fruit trees and destroy the blossoms or young shoots they can be kept from doing this by tying a fluffy band of cotton around the trunks. Ants will not walk over fluffy cotton unless they are very much excited.

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WALLED LAKE.

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One of the curiosities of the west is the "walled lake," something over a hundred miles west of Dubuque, Ia. This lake is from two to three feet higher than the earth's surface. In some places the wall is ten feet high, fifteen feet wide at the bottom and five feet on top. A remarkable circumstance with reference to this odd lake is the size of the stones used in its construction, inasmuch as the whole of them varies in weight from three tons to 100 pounds. There is abundance of stones in Wright county, but surrounding the lake to the extent of five or ten miles there are none.

No one has any idea as to the means employed to bring these stones to the spot or as to who constructed this lake. Around the entire lake is a belt of woodland half a mile in length composed of oak. With this exception the country is a rolling prairie. The trees must have been planted there at the time of the building of the wall. In the spring of the year 1856 there was a great storm, and the ice on the lake broke the wall in several places. The farmers in the vicinity were obliged to repair the damages to prevent inundation. The lake occupies a ground surface of 2,800 acres. The depth of the water is as great as twenty-five feet. The water is clear and cold; the soil is sandy and loamy. It is a singular fact that no one has been able to ascertain where the water comes from nor where it goes, yet it is always fresh and clear.—New York Press.

Green Granite.

A peculiar characteristic of the New England granite veins is the fact that three distinct colors of granite are to be found in as many states, pink in Massachusetts, gray in Connecticut and green in Vermont. Green granite is something of a curiosity because of its rarity. The largest columns of this variety to be found anywhere are those which support the dome in the library of Columbia university.—Exchange.

Different Birds.

A western detective was congratulated by a reporter on the arrest of a notorious swindler. "With his absurd lottery scheme," said the detective, "the man took in \$700 a day in money orders. Eljah," he continued, "was fed by ravens, and nowadays if you will only turn crook you'll be fed by gulls."—Exchange.

Just His Size.

Maud—I've just heard of a case where a man married a girl on his deathbed so she could have his millions when he was gone. Could you love a girl like that? Jack—That's just the kind of a girl I could love. What's her address?—Boston Transcript.

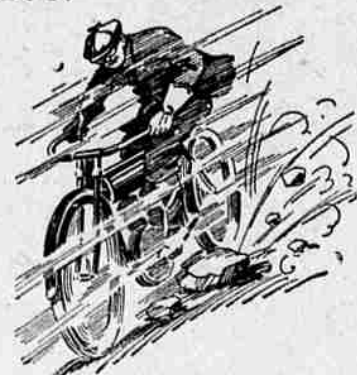
A Doctor's Well Meaning.

"You must take exercise," said the physician, "and, by all means, worry less. Play golf."
"Doctor," replied the patient, "you mean well, but a man who plays my kind of a golf game can't help worrying."—Washington Star.

Liberty.

Liberty is the right to do what the laws allow, and if a citizen could do what they forbid it would be no longer liberty, because others would have the same powers.—Montesquieu.

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Something Different Yet.

"I hate to meet that man. Every time he opens his mouth he puts his foot in it."
"I'd rather meet him than these agents who worry the life out of me. Every time I open the door they put their foot in it."—Houston Post.

Promised Too Much.

Magistrate—If I let you off this time will you promise me to take the pledge? Delighted Prisoner (excitedly)—Oh, yer honor, an' drink yer health!—London Tit-Bits.

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