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THE OFFICE CAT

Appropos of the remark of an anonymous cynic, "Man is the only animal that you can skin more than once," a recent bulletin of the Tacoma Better Business Bureau contained the following:
"A fool there was and he saved some rucks,
Even as you and I;
But he took them out of the old strong box,
When a salesman called with some wildcat stocks,
And the fool was stripped right down to his socks,
Even as you and I."

One of the greatest drawbacks all the time, is that there are too many people who will listen to no arguments but their own.
Those who believed the people would eventually catch up with their riding were just mistaken.
Joe the Plodder says that the stingiest man he knows put extra bars on his fence so the birds couldn't get down.
Another good thing about telling the truth is you don't have to remember what you say.

A young lady was visiting friends in the East and attended a little party one evening, in the course of which her hands were passed by the negro waiter. The girl spied a five-plump chocolate on the plate, which she started to take, but it seemed to adhere to the dish. Another girl pulled to dislodge it, then the darky good humorously remarked: "Beg pardon, miss, but that's mine, thank."

Martin: "What's wrong with the car?" It squeaks dreadfully."
Jimmy: "Can't be helped, there's a pig train in the axle."

It is not the direction you take in seeking success but the spirit in which you set out on the journey.
Every time some men see a bear-horn sign, they cense.

EVIDENTLY
"Let me live in a house by the side of the road and be a friend to man."
"Gonna peddle gasoline?"

A LITTLE RIDDLE
What is it? If you have saved all you earn, you're a miser. If you spend all you earn, you're a fool. If you lose it, you're out. If you owe it, they're always after you. If you lend it, you're always after them. It's the cause of evil. It's the cause of good. It's the cause of sorrow. It's the cause of happiness. If the government makes it, it's all right. If you make it, it's all wrong. As a rule, it's hard to get. But it's pretty soft when you get it. It talks. To some it says, "I've come to stay." To others it whispers, "Good-bye."

One of the mysteries is how the two words "political" and "economy" ever got hooked up together.
When in doubt whether to kiss the young lady good night, give yourself the benefit of the doubt.
Even if a driver is not superstitious, he shows good sense in believing in and observing the signs at railroad crossings.
"Mary had a little skirt,
It was in style, no doubt,
Yet when she was in it,
She was half way out."

One Year Ago Today.
Lieut. Shinn, naval aviator, killed in fall near Hampton Roads. Storm and about storm did \$1,000,000 damage in New England.

TODAY'S EVENTS

Centenary of the birth of George E. Paugh, United States senator from Ohio.
Seventy-five years ago today the first steamboat in California waters left San Francisco for Sacramento. The Northern California Orange and Olive Exposition opens at Oroville today, to continue until December 2.
The annual Arizona state fair will be opened at Phoenix today and continued through the remainder of the week.
At a referendum and recall election today the voters of Long Beach, Calif., will decide whether to oust or retain Charles E. Howes as city manager.

Today's Birthdays.

David Warfield, one of the foremost actors of the American stage, born in San Francisco, 55 years ago today.
-Rt. Rev. Granville G. Bennett, coadjutor bishop of the Episcopal diocese of Duluth, born at Deadwood, 49 years ago today.
Arthur Gordon Webster, professor of physics in Clark University, born at Brookline, Mass., 55 years ago today.

Lindley M. Garrison, secretary of war under President Wilson, born at Camden, N. J., 58 years ago today.
Henry Bacon, the architect who designed the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, born at Watseka, Ill., 56 years ago today.

In the Day's News.

The Marquis of Crewe, the new British Ambassador to France, started out in life as a poet, but soon turned into the stormy sea of politics. He is the son of the first Baron Houghton, in his day a well-known writer and politician. After Harrow and Cambridge, Lord Crewe plunged into politics, first as secretary to Earl Granville, then as foreign minister, and later, by way of the Lord Lieutenantship of Ireland, to a number of important cabinet posts. He is known as a man of the world in the fullest and best sense. He is a prominent member of the Jockey club, owner of about 25,000 acres of land and the possessor of four country places and a charming town house. He is a writer of no mean merit in prose and poetry, and in public controversy has been the author of many trenchant letters. In 1900 Lord Crewe was married to Lady Peggy Primrose, daughter of Lord Rosebery.

Today's Anniversaries.

1825—Gen. Maximilien Sebastian Foy, famous French soldier and orator, died in Paris. Born February 5, 1775.
1829—The first Thanksgiving was observed in Indiana by proclamation of Gov. Wallace.

1861—Lord Monek assumed office as Governor General of Canada.
1918—Official announcement that Great Britain had lost nearly 1,000,000 men during the war.

Tooze and the G. O. P.

McMINNVILLE, Ore., Nov. 28.—Editor Observer: It has been told to me that your newspaper carried an editorial to the effect that the state republican organization was lacking the confidence of Senator Eddy for president of the state senate. The state organization is not lacking the confidence of any man, its duty is to elect republican nominees and has no other function except such as may help it carry out its primary duty.
The state organization is interested only in seeing the state senate organized along republican party lines so that desired party legislation may be accomplished. Speaking for the state organization, I also wish it understood that we do not wish to hamper in any way the administration of Governor Pierce or his legislative program, only to use the same about control with fundamental ideas of the party.
We sincerely hope in the final organization of the senate, no matter who is elected president, that republicans will work together primarily for the interests of the state without recourse to partisan politics and, secondly, to give us some relief from the present situation, which has been so destructive of party organization and also to give the people of Oregon a return to party responsibility in the affairs of state. Please Publish.
WALTER L. TOOZE, JR.

The above communication came by wire yesterday too late for last evening's issue of the Observer. Mr. Tooze takes the whole thing too seriously. He is kidding himself about "parties" in Oregon. Did not he and a hundred more of us leave our work, go to Portland, draft a platform and hold a platform convention for the grand old party this summer? And what happened? Olcott, McNary, Stanfield, Kay, and the rest of the speakers in the campaign never so much as mentioned the platform, to say nothing of the convention. The "state organization" which he stresses so heavily is but a shadow; it has no following; no once cares a rap about it, and few know anything about it.

Oh, Mr. Tooze, admit the whole "party program" is a failure in Oregon, just as we have admitted it. There are some things that can't be done, and to have an organized republican party in Oregon is one of them.

We are going to join Walter Tooze, Jr., in his aid to the Pierce administration to make good, and Governor Pierce cannot go too far in his economy program to suit us. And we are no longer going to worry about party or party advocates when the leading candidates for office during the last campaign either were afraid or refused to mention a convention of a hundred men who made a constructive platform which the candidates would not get close enough to spit on, much less to stand on.

La Grande the Head of Methodism

Things which we have with us all the time are too often treated as a part of the community without further consideration. The Methodist church is inclined to steady, aggressive work and, therefore, when La Grande stops to think that she is head of Methodism in this big inland country she is somewhat surprised.

But it is a fact, just the same. The Methodists are divided into conferences and districts. We are located in the Helena conference, but in the La Grande district. The La Grande district takes in Eastern Oregon and a portion of Southern Idaho. Twenty-seven ministers and their charges are under Rev. Ira R. Aldrich, district superintendent of the Methodist church, who resides in La Grande and is one of the most effective church builders known in the Inland Empire. He has put the La Grande district to the high degree of efficiency. It tops the conference of which it is a member and is recognized throughout the west as one of the best Methodist districts.

As a city La Grande is appreciative of this achievement; she is appreciative of being Methodist headquarters for the district, and she is pleased to have Rev. Aldrich, whose work is becoming so well known, as one of her citizens.

Japanese and Citizenship

There is nothing sensational in the decision of the Supreme court that Japanese cannot become naturalized in this country. The sensational decision would be one to the opposite effect, comments the New York Post. As Justice Sutherland observed, the privilege of naturalization was confined to white persons in every naturalization law from 1790 to 1870. In 1870 it was extended to persons of African descent. If in 1906 congress had intended to alter a rule that had been in operation from the beginning of the government, it would have done so in unmistakable language. The court had no alternative, therefore, but to declare that there had been no legal change in our policy of excluding Japanese from becoming American citizens by naturalization.

This does not mean that there can be no such person as an American citizen of Japanese blood. Japanese who are born in this country and subject to its jurisdiction are American citizens by the fourteenth amendment like all other persons so born and governed. Even a Chinese who is in that category is an American citizen. The fact that his parents cannot become citizens has no effect upon his status whatever. Nor can any state change this fact. The fourteenth amendment was adopted for the very purpose of preventing states from excluding anybody from citizenship, and while it was aimed primarily at discrimination against the negro, it includes discrimination against any other race as well.

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