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THOU SHALT LOVE THE LORD thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and will all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself.—Luke 10:27.

## Kellaher's Convention

The political wheel turns 'round and 'round. Dan Kellaher, who when Statement No. 1 was in flower, electrified the people of Multnomah county with his "let the people rule," has come back.

Sure as the world, Dan is back. From his Rip Van Winkle slumber caused by a crushing defeat in city politics Dan has grasped the La Follette banner and, listen—he has called a convention.

Can you get that? Dan Kellaher calling a convention. He has done that very thing. Together with George L. Cleaver and others of a "progressive" nature, Daniel has bid farewell to popular government, stricken from his conscience the one stereotyped phrase of "let the people rule" and now he stands forth before the public view as a convention man, willing to assemble and converse over men and things in general.

Again we say the wheel has turned 'round. Years ago in the legislative halls Dan Kellaher was a spokesman of the people, an exponent of "every man voting as he pleased," yet he has issued a call for a convention to be held in his home city of Portland. "Public Service" Dan, as he once was known from the fact that he was bitter against the public utilities, has recognized a path in the political forest. He sees a great light and he is following it. To him the day has arrived when a convention is not such a bad thing, after all, and he believes that his ability as a public leader, as a statesman and as a man whose heart beats for the poor down-trodden citizen can best be utilized in a convention.

Now, that is what we call a great change in humanity. Dan is not seeking office. He never did, for the office always sought Dan, but he is coming forth washed as pure as the snow and with his genial personality and happy smile evidently hopes to purify the convention and make it fit to serve humanity once more.

## Bought and Paid for

The press, the magazines, governments and the public, here and abroad, are discussing more vigorously than usual the "market" of titles and honors. The British parliament is investigating the alleged bartering of titles. American magazines quite recently discussed the mercenary methods by which our colleges and universities bestow their honorary degrees. Our own congress has within the calendar year inquired into the selling of our national political honors to large contributors to the party campaign funds. Bogus universities here and in Europe, which have been selling professional degrees to the unqualified, were exposed during the past year. It is not surprising that the public is almost convinced that a degree means little or nothing and a knighthood stands for less.

If we were less learned in medieval history we might look back rather wistfully and, perhaps, regretfully to that age when "knighthood was in flower." But we have been long since disillusioned. The only difference between the days of King Arthur and the days of the American ambassadors is that the "knights of the round table" purchased their coat of arms with warriors for the armies of their king and twentieth century titles and honors are for sale to those who can render political service, particularly of a financial nature.

We do ourselves a gross injustice to credit the present with the debasement and corruption of titular honors. As long as there have been public honors there have been men and women who have annexed them by fair means or foul.

Modernity can partly justify its "honor market" with the more or less specious explanation that art benefited when John D. Rockefeller and the king of Spain were elected to the French Academy of Arts in recognition of their financial contributions to the cause of art. We can be thankful that the honors and titles listed on the market today are not more significant than honorary degrees and political appointments.

In European hotels the guest must furnish his own soap. But he isn't required to make his own suds.

Religion is easier to get that to keep.

## OFFICE CAT



Some Government highbrow (?) thinks we should have an eight-foot high wire fence along the border between Mexico and California, to keep out war. And yet some people think we send brainy citizens to Congress.

The honeymoon is very blissful, but it takes some other forms of sweetness to make apple pie taste right.

Nature is wise. In arranging mortal's hinges she knew he would have little occasion to pat himself on the back.

It is very likely, if Patrick Henry should raise the same fuss now he'd be led out quietly and shot as a dangerous radical.

A DIPLOMAT IN RAGS.  
"You seem able-bodied and healthy," she remarked coldly, "you ought to be strong enough to work."

"True enough, lady," he replied. "And you seem beautiful enough to be in the movies, but evidently you prefer the simple life." Her cold look vanished and she gave him a good meal.

These are the good old days we will be longing for a few years from now.

The wet don't need a platform, they need a raft.

The nicker nicker in business is just about as much value to his town as the leech on the back of a dog is to the canine.

Mrs. Nextdoor: "Your daughter is different from most girls. She's so sweetly unsophisticated."

Mrs. Sine Pure: "She's all of that. Why, she thinks a B. V. D. is university degree."

May the radio prosper. It encourages home-staying.

It takes a whole forest to make the paper for a metropolitan newspaper edition. And then readers are lost in the forest.

Today we judge a man's character by observing whether or not he has enough authority to keep his wife from toasting her hair.

A SUNDAY SCHOOL STORY.  
In the middle of the lesson on Jonah and the Whale the teacher was interrupted by little Mary who said:

"I'm going to frow up, too, in a minute."

"Not here!" exclaimed the teacher, "go outside quickly."

After a short absence Mary returned.

"Did you go outside?" asked the teacher.

"I didn't have to," said Mary; "just inside the door was a box marked FOR THE SICK."

Many men holding big positions created them.

Even the camera-shy man has been known to fall for a snapshot after he has caught a string of fish.

The people who outspend little words are the ones addicted to the use of big ones.

Spend little effort and you will have little else to spend.

If there is to be special legislation aiding the farmer, why not some more laws to aid the corset and petticoat manufacturers, too. The farmer wasn't hit any harder than the corset men.

POols Give Plane to Japan.

TOKIO, (AP)—Captain Georges Pottier (POols), the French aviator who recently completed a flight from Paris to Tokio, has donated the airplane in which he made the long leg of his journey from Shanghai to the Japanese.

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## THE OLD HOME TOWN



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New Bridge Finished.  
WHEELER, Ore.—What promises to be the largest attended event in the history of the Nehalem bay district will be the dedication of the new Nehalem bay bridge on August 17. The event is being sponsored by the Nehalem bay commercial club, whose membership includes residents in Brighton, Nehalem, Wheeler, Weller and farmers in this section. The bridge will connect the north and south sides of Nehalem bay.

Rainier Travel Is Heavy.  
SEATTLE, Wash.—Travel in Mount Rainier national park for 1924 reached a total of 36,722 persons and 22,294 cars up to August 5, the park office announced here. During the week beginning July 30, 12,932 persons and 2,669 cars entered the park, according to the office's figures.

READ THE CLASSIFIED ADS

What this country needs is more bound dogs and less lap dogs.

The human race is said to be 600,000,000 years old. In all that time men haven't learned better than to laugh at their wives.

If everything got lost as easily as a good pipe, everything would stay lost most of the time.

Ministers telling about fire and brimstone ought to scare a lot of people during the hot weather.

Perhaps fat men make the best salesmen because they have the bulge on the slender salesman.

If we got everything we wanted we wouldn't want everything we got.

The last rose of summer and the last nose of the summer are not gone.

Life is getting so complicated. Now it is just three or four darn things after three or four others.

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## Editorials From Over the Nation

**UGHT TO RESIGN.**  
Cleveland Plain Dealer: Robert M. La Follette holds his seat in the United States senate as a Republican; Burton K. Wheeler as a Democrat. Both should resign from congress. Neither is in fact what he pretends to be. Their constituents ought to be permitted to select, or to have selected for them according to the forms of law, spokesmen willing to acknowledge at least some slight party responsibility.

The Wisconsin member of the radical ticket has for long been a "hoop" from within" the Republican party. His constituents have not seemed to object, re-electing him at every opportunity, were he running for the senate this year in a third-party movement they would waive ordinary considerations and send him back to Washington. That would be his privilege, and there would be no objection about it.

It is one thing, however, to have from within, and quite another to step outside, as La Follette has this year, and apply his disruptive methods from the workshop of an independent candidacy. However much he has been fighting Republicanism heretofore he has done it covertly, with an still eye ready if criticism developed. Now he has cut loose, as Roosevelt did a dozen years ago, and the party owes him nothing more.

As an act of good faith toward their constituents and toward the whole American electorate these two senators should return their commissions, as having been voted them under a misconception.

**UNDESIRABLE BY ANY NAME.**  
Redwood Gazette: Hereafter a speed demon is to be called a "motortron." We haven't a bit of doubt that will just break the poor fellow's heart and he will never do it again. However "zixty days" will be significant also, and should not be displaced too quickly by the more scientific term.

**MUCH IN THIS.**  
Elysian Enterprise: Drivers who try to get as much speed out of an automobile as the dealer claims for it are the kind that make the roads unsafe.

Five beat all the girls getting married, but her press notices didn't amount to much.

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**LIQUOR CASE DISMISSED.**  
ASTORIA, Ore.—Mayor Setters, acting as municipal judge in place of Judge Buchanan, who was absent from the city, agreed to a motion to suppress the evidence in the case of G. A. Erickson, prominent Astoria business man, in whose home police officers and state agents recently seized 145 cases of wine. The case against Erickson was dismissed. Mayor Setters acted on the plea of A. W. Norblad, attorney for the defense, that the seizure was illegal, in that it was made on a search warrant issued by the municipal judge. The defense asserted that the municipal judge had no right to issue the search warrant. The mayor, however, refused to return the wine until state agents recently seized 145 cases of wine. The case against

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