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WHY THE CHANGE WILL BE MADE

For seven years the great Willamette Valley has been represented in congress by W. C. Hawley and during all that time our people have beheld their representative voting with the classes and against the masses. They have seen Mr. Hawley line up behind Cannon, Dalzell, Penrose, Smoot and others of their kind. Most of these old stand patters have been repudiated by the people and those remaining will be at the first opportunity. Because Mr. Hawley did not have the ability he was not a leader among them but was content to be a follower to go where they might lead. The people of the Willamette valley have seen Mr. Hawley denounced by Senator LaFollette, one of the greatest republicans, as a "me too" man; they have seen Former President Roosevelt bolt the republican party and rent it asunder because of its apparent control by the element whom Mr. Hawley has voted with for seven years; they have seen President Woodrow Wilson insisting upon and demanding certain legislation in the interest of the common good with progressive republicans aiding him and the opposition coming in almost every instance from the remnants of standpatism which Mr. Hawley has blindly followed.

So the people of the Willamette valley are justified in wishing a change. While a good majority of them are republicans and would rather have a man of their party to represent them, unfortunately Mr. Hawley received their nomination and rather than be further misrepresented, they have turned to the democratic candidate, Fred S. Hollister, who fortunately is a man of ability and influence; not a blind partisan but a man who will act and think for himself, always with the interests of the people of Oregon at heart. Mr. Hawley's secretary has said that "Mr. Hawley is doing the best he can under existing conditions" which means that being a member of the minority party in congress he cannot do much. While in years past both republican and democratic members have been able to accomplish a great deal though members of the minority, if Mr. Hawley has not the ability being frank enough to confess it, the people of this district are making no mistake in taking him out and electing in his place a man who politically is of the same faith as the administration. Judging from Mr. Hawley's record for seven years and Mr. Hollister's ability we would say that Mr. Hollister can accomplish more in seven months than Mr. Hawley has in seven years.

NO NEED TO WORRY

On the ground that he did not wish anything of a personal nature in the voters' pamphlet, a cartoon submitted by Robert E. Smith, showing Uren in a three shell game, as a part of the argument against the \$1500 tax exemption measure, was refused by Secretary of State Ben W. Olcott. Mr. Olcott was afraid that if a start were made in the direction of personalities it would mean the gradual degeneration of the voters' pamphlet into a joke.—News item in Salem Statesman.

Mr. Olcott need not worry. If he should issue the voters' pamphlet in the shape of a dunce cap, printed in motley colors, and with little tinkling bells suspended from each corner, it could not be more of a joke than it is now. He needn't lose any sleep over permitting a few cartoons to appear in it. He might send it out as a comic supplement, illustrated with drawings of the Katzenjammer Kids, the Newly Weds and Happy Hooligan, and its dignity would not be materially lowered, for the voters' pamphlet is the great Oregon joke.

This pamphlet purports to be the official publication of the state, and the uninitiated voter is therefore led to conclude that the statements contained in it have been subjected to official scrutiny and found to be true. This is not the case, however. There is nothing official about it except the name and the fact that it is issued by the state. Anyone who cares to pay the price is free to have printed in it any fairy tale he chooses to concoct. In at least one instance it has contained open and barefaced misstatements of fact—a misstatement that if printed in a reputable newspaper would have furnished grounds for a libel suit.

Mr. Olcott may set his mind at rest. The voters' pamphlet is already a huge joke, but it is not easy to laugh at it because the cost of mailing it out takes away the humor.—Eugene Register.

The price of horses has gone up because of the war in Europe. War is hell for dumb brutes as well as for men.

The policy of "watchful waiting" was not tried in Europe. If it had been perhaps it would have saved human sacrifice and money.

Chinese eggs may be all right for a political issue but

they'll never do to eat

The hardest blow struck in the Mexican troubles hit the army of the surrendered in camp near the line and some 5000 in number, whose members have been fed and guarded by the United States for some months without it costing them a cent. They will have to go to work or at least go back to Mexico and start another revolution.—Salem Capital-Journal.

HE HELPED THE DEAD

By EUNICE BLAKE

"Father," said Dorothy Vickers, "I have more confidence in your judgment than my own or that of any one else, and I am going to submit a case to you. John and Edgar Walcott have both been making love to me, and each wishes me to be his sweetheart. Neither has yet accomplished anything toward founding a home, and a marriage with either for some time to come is not to be considered. But both are young and I believe will in time take their places among fairly successful men. I am willing to engage myself to one of them, I confess, because, living in this quiet place, I may not have a better opportunity. John is, I admit, rather selfish and prone to look out for his own interest. Edgar, I fear, may not get on. He is kindly and generous. You know, dear father, that I am a very practical girl, and it seems to me that generosity and success are incompatible. Nevertheless I like Edgar better than John. Now, what do you advise?"

"I would not think of advising you, my child," replied the father. "But I will make some statements bearing on the case. Success comes in different ways. Probably the man who looks out for his own interest and hoards is the most likely to get rich. But a kind hearted, generous man will make friends, and friends are valuable. Why not send these two young men out into the world, promising that they may return, say, in five years, and take the one who has achieved the greater success? It will be a fine stimulus for them and may be the means of making a career for both. Besides, it will give us an opportunity to test the two methods—selfishness and generosity."

Dorothy acted on her father's advice and told the young men, who were brothers, to go out into the world and return on that day five years hence, when she would betroth herself to the one who had been more successful. On the surface, at least, the fact that they both wanted the same girl had made no difference in their brotherly love, and they agreed to go together. It was at a time when gold was being discovered in Colorado, and the brothers concluded that they would go there and seek for the wherewithal to enable one of them to marry Dorothy. "If we make a strike," said John, "we can return without waiting for the five years to pass and claim the prize."

They entered the gold country, and with pick and shovel began to dig. Whenever they got discouraged they heard of some lucky stumbler who had made a fortune in a hole in the ground, and they would go on digging. There was but one trouble between them. They had been given a certain amount of money by their father to hold in common while they were prospecting. Whenever they met any one out at the elbow or hungry or otherwise impoverished, Edgar would insist on giving him something from their treasury. To this John objected, but as Edgar kept on insisting on helping every one he met John at last made a division of what was left and told his brother that if he wished to ruin himself he might do so; he (John) washed his hands of the matter.

They continued to dig, hoping every day to strike something that would at least add to their fund, which was getting low. Edgar's share was so reduced that there were but a few silver pieces left. One afternoon, having abandoned a hole in which they had been digging and with their tools on their shoulders they were walking toward another location where they had hoped gold had been found, they came to the dead body of a man who, judging from the pick and shovel beside him, had been a prospector. He was very much emaciated, and as he had no marks of violence on him it appeared that he had sunk from exhaustion.

"Poor fellow!" exclaimed Edgar. "Very likely," said John, "he died of starvation. He should be a warning to us not to be wasting your money on every beggar who comes along."

"Let's bury him," said Edgar. "Bury him! Why should we waste our time at that?" said John impatiently. "Come on!"

"He may have a wife, a mother, a sister, possibly a sweetheart, who some day will be glad to know that he received decent sepulchre."

"Edgar," said John sternly, "you're a fool! I'm worn out with you. Stay here if you like and bury the man I'm going on."

He walked away, expecting his brother would follow him. But he did not. Edgar began to dig a grave, and John passed out of sight. That was the last time they met until the five years that they were to remain on trial were up.

On the date appointed John Walcott, who had left off prospecting and opened a small store stocked with goods for miners, replying thereby a small fortune, returned to his home to put in his claim for Dorothy's hand. He found her married to his brother Edgar and living in the style.

"How did you do it, Edgar?" asked John astonished.

"You remember the dead man I buried? Well, in digging his grave I struck one of the best paying mines in Colorado."

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A Mild Accusation.

Uncle Henry Barnes was one of the mildest of men. No one had ever seen him angry or impatient, but when his old time neighbor and supposed friend, John Hagland, deliberately cheated him out of \$900 even his kindly, patient spirit was ruffled.

"Some time," he remarked to his wife, "I'm going to tell that man what I think of him."

One day he came home highly dissatisfied with himself. "I saw John Hagland today, and I told him straight out what I thought of him," he said.

"What did you say?" asked his wife. "I told him I thought he was a very unreasonable man."—Youth's Companion.

Buried Treasures in Morocco. In Morocco it is customary for a man to bury most of his riches in a place known only to himself. This custom is practiced by all Moors, for they cannot trust their own family, who would murder them directly if it were known where the money was. At the death of the head of a family in Morocco digging operations commence at once, but seldom is the money discovered. There must be many fortunes buried away in odd corners of the country. An instance came under the writer's notice at one of the coast towns. During the demolition of a house a considerable sum of money was found built into the wall.—London Graphic.

Hotter Than Our Sun.

Scientific research shows that the sun has a temperature of 4,950 degrees; Aldebaran, that beautiful star in Taurus, 5,150 degrees; the polar star, 5,200 degrees, and the dog star Sirius, 7,500 degrees. This goes to show that the sun is undoubtedly one of the coldest of the stars. It also is evidence that the absurdly low temperatures of the earth which living things here consider hot are, as compared with the heavenly bodies, regions of frigidity. Even the electric furnace, with its 2,500 degrees of heat, is as ice compared with temperatures in the dog star and the others.—New York American.

The Deadliest Disease.

Tuberculosis of the lungs, commonly called consumption, still bears the unsavory palm as a destroyer of the human race or of that portion of it that is found in the United States. A close second to tuberculosis comes pneumonia, then the various forms of stomach troubles, with cancer following hard after them all. Heart disease ranks well up with the above mentioned maladies, while Bright's disease and diabetes are responsible for the deaths of thousands.—New York American.

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