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A TRIBUTE AND A TEAR.

When the editor of The Sentinel arrived in Cottage Grove only nine years ago, one of the first pieces of news given us was that the Methodist church had been successful in having returned to it one who had been pastor for two years. This news was given us by one high in the councils of that church, but we remember that we were impressed by the fact that many outside of that organization spoke of the brilliancy of the mind of this man, who seemed worthy of a bigger field. Church members and non-church members congratulated themselves that he had been returned. Quite as a matter of course, it seemed, a friendship grew up between the pastor and the editor. We were proud of the friendship. On very few subjects were our minds in complete harmony and often did the pastor and the editor take opposite sides of some question that came up for discussion, but this pastor was one who arrogated to himself the right to think for himself, and the right he arrogated to himself he granted to others. It seemed to us quite remarkable that as the years rolled by that friendship grew stronger while minds remained equally distant on many of the subjects of the day. From our side we could not help but admire the analytical brilliancy of the mind that could argue a point without the least show of rancor because the other did not follow the same line of reasoning, a mind so broad that it granted to others the same privileges that it demanded for itself.

From that storehouse so rich in knowledge, so embellished and fortified by close communion with the writings and logic of others, those who listened to his sermons or discussed public and moral questions in private, enriched their own minds and were better and wiser for the contact.

As one proud to have been on the list of his close friends we can say that this community is better because Robert Sutcliffe made his home here. Many are wiser and better, mentally and morally, because they had the opportunity to listen to him and associate with him. Even outside the family many feel a distinct loss, feel that a bond of love has been severed, that something has been taken out of their lives that can not readily or easily be replaced.

Why one who had done so much for the world, why one who apparently had so many years of usefulness left, why one who seemed deserving of the best the world had to give, should be called from this imperfect to that all perfect world above in the meridian of his career, at a period when it seemed he could be of greatest use to his fellowman, is a question beyond mortal to explain, unless it be because he was fit to go while so many left behind who would be little missed need the extra years to prepare them to meet their Creator.

We wish to pay a tribute and drop a tear to one worthy of admiration and affection.

McCAMANT SHOCKS US.

The recent primary election has shown with greater force than before some of the weaknesses of the Oregon system. These weaknesses have been pointed out before but keen interest in elections is so lacking that it takes a rude shock to drive the truth home. Here in Oregon, for example, not a delegate elected to the national convention favors the nomination of Hiram Johnson for president, yet that delegation is instructed for him. From the fact that those known to be strongly opposed to the nomination of Johnson received the highest votes for delegates, it is not a great stretch of the imagination to presume that a majority of those voting thus expressed their wish that Johnson be not nominated, although their vote of disapproval of Johnson was so split as to give Johnson a plurality and the right to claim, under the Oregon law, that the delegation from this state is his and that the people of this state have instructed the delegation for him. The Sentinel did not support Johnson. It wished to see some other man

get the delegation from here. We prefer that some other man get the republican nomination and we do not believe that Johnson has much of a chance of being picked at the big show at Chicago this week, yet we do not believe him to be the menace that some think him to be. We do not like his stand on the peace treaty. We do not follow him in his attempt, a somewhat weak attempt, to imitate the forceful, though somewhat erratic, style of the late Theodore Roosevelt, yet we do not believe that as president he could knock the props out from under our country in the manner that some think he would. We think an administration by Johnson would compare quite favorably with what we have been passing through recently. Feeling this way, we probably are better qualified than some to discuss the present situation in Oregon, which has been forced upon our attention by the fact that Judge Wallace McCamant, one of the delegates, has announced that he does not intend to support Johnson. He was bitterly opposed to the nomination and still is. He was elected delegate by the voters of Oregon despite the fact that he was known to be opposed to Johnson. He believes that laws are for the purpose of carrying out the wishes of the people and that they should not be frustrated in their wishes by a fault in election laws, or by a traditional misinterpretation of those laws.

Judge McCamant is one of the most highly respected citizens of Oregon. He once graced our highest court, retiring because he felt he could not afford to hold the position. As a lawyer he has few peers. As a scholar and student he is equally without superiors. Judge McCamant, in his role as delegate, intends to carry out the wishes of the people. To the analytical mind there seems little doubt that he has correctly judged the wishes of the majority in Oregon, even though it might have been safer for his political future, if he has any ambition for such a future, to have followed honored custom and to have followed the course followed by delegates of the past who carried out the instructions given them by a plurality of the voters of the state, even though the instructions of that plurality might have been contrary to the wishes of the majority. Few would have criticized such action.

If, however, his desire is to be of greatest service to the state, his present action is a potent means to the fulfillment of that desire.

Judge McCamant may be putting himself in the position of the person who gives his own life in the attempt to save the life of another, but we doubt it. We believe that he sincerely believes that he is doing what the majority of the people want him to do.

If such is the case, he is to be complimented upon this display of backbone, but in any case he has called the attention of the people in a most forceful manner to an imperfection in our Oregon system which cries for correction, for this is not the first time the state has been put in the ludicrous position of instructing delegates for a candidate which the majority opposed, and to whom the delegates selected were opposed.

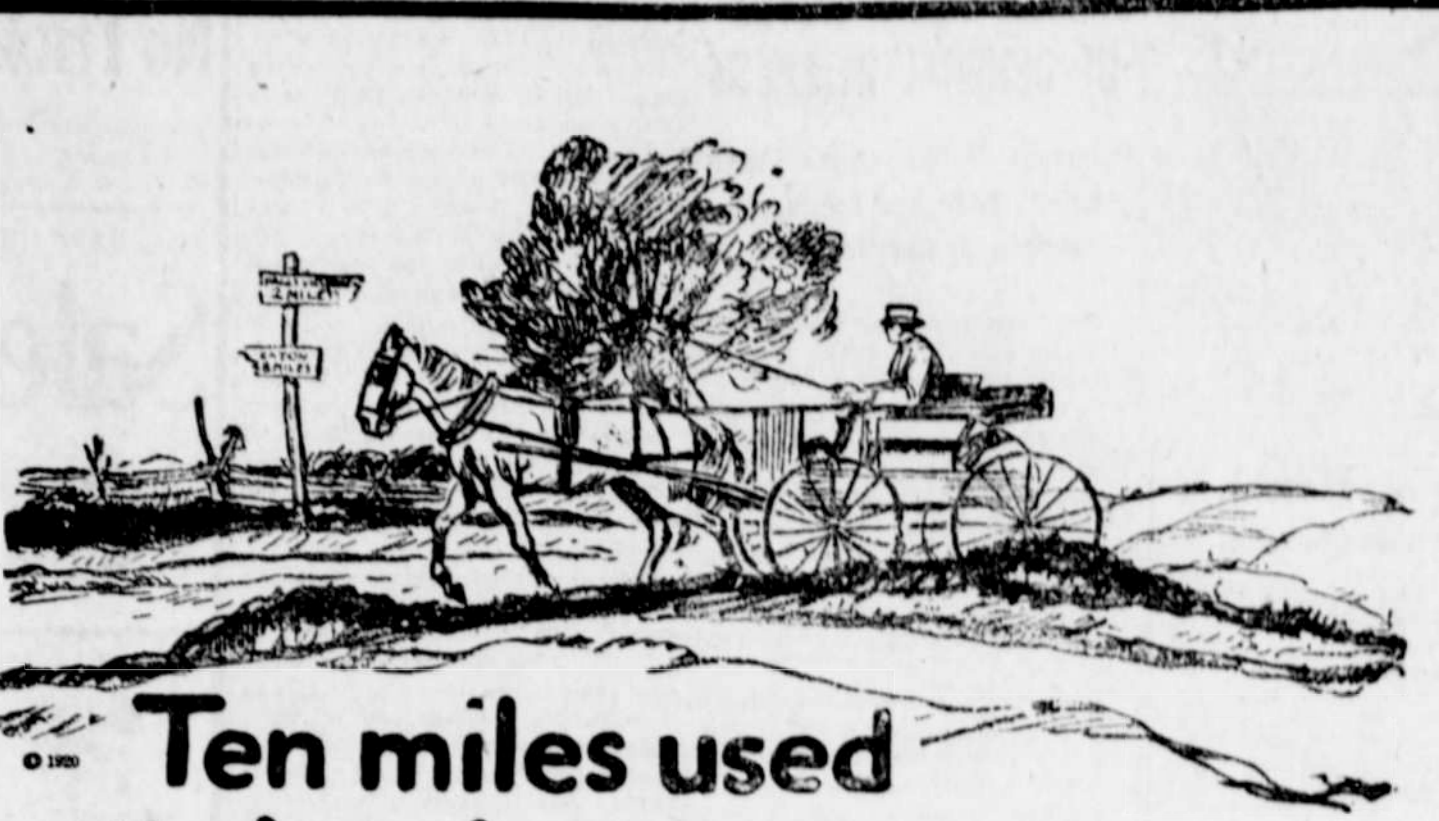
THINGS WE THINK

Things Others Think and What We Think of the Things Others Think

- The stork is a punctual old bird.
- Many a person has been saved by hesitating.
- Pin money is the kind you stick someone for.
- A chautauqua is about the only business that succeeds on talk.
- Those who do not enjoy flattery are those who do not receive it.
- When a person starts on the right track, help him to make good.
- The man who is flattery proof is too independent for good citizenship.
- The bluffer lives in fear that someone will knock out his underpinning.
- When a man has a severe attack of rheumatism, he has no other troubles.
- Patience ceases to be a virtue when you allow others to impose upon you.
- Lives there a man who will take oath that he has never acted a hypocrite?
- No man who would make the most of an opportunity waits for the opportunity.
- There are too many people who think nothing is wrong as long as they don't get caught.
- Doesn't it make you feel like kicking yourself when a man winks at you mysteriously and you try to appear to

know just what he means, only to do the opposite of what he wishes you to?

What a tremendous mortality rate we would have if every young man and young woman died from having to give up the young man or young woman they couldn't live without.



Ten miles used to be a long way

WHAT a difference in these motor-car days, when every point in the county is hardly more than "just around the corner."

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