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A BOUNTY ON HUMAN SCALPS.

The story goes that when western
sheriffs do not have enough authority
they take it, and the act becomes law.
This story will now apply to gov-
ernors, to one at least.

Governor West has by his own or-
der made himself sheriff, headman,
supreme court, jury and king.
He has issued orders giving every
farmer the right to kill men for pay—
put a bounty on human scalps as a
legislature would put a premium on
coyotes' heads.

This governor has announced that
hereafter the state will pay a reward
for the return of any convict who es-
capes from the various institutions of
\$50 alive or \$200 dead.

He opens the penitentiary gates
through his parole system, invites the
prisoners to escape, and then orders
any outsider to kill them at sight at
\$200 per head—gives any man with a
gun the legal right to go out hunting
for human beings, and pays him \$100
more to kill the convict than to cap-
ture him.

They have told many tales on old
Diaz, and how he made himself the
law of his land, but the boy governor
of Oregon has him in the class when
it comes to authority.

But you and I know that neither
Governor West nor any other gov-
ernor has a right to change the sen-
tence of a convict from a year's im-
prisonment to death.

The convict doesn't escape from
prison—the governor opens the doors,
tells him to come out, but not to go
far or he will kill him.

No authority compels the governor to
open the prison gates and turn these
convicts out without guards, and no
authority gives him the right to kill
them if they do not obey his open-air
rules and regulations.

When a governor issues prison or-
ders that a man who escapes, after he
has thrown open the gates for him, is
no longer wanted alive, and makes it
a lot more remunerative to the man
with a gun to kill him than to cap-
ture him—well, it is time the people
told the governor that he can't set a
market value on human life, and
make an open season for killings.

If Governor West's parole hobby
isn't working safely, then let him use
the prison for the purpose that it was
made. He has no right to put a death
premium on human beings to make
his parole system work.

That Alaska scandal won't end.
Now congress is asking President Taft
to explain some matters that look
shady.

DARE TAFT DO THIS?

President Taft, whose presidential
stock has been daily rising, is now in
a position to send it down so low it
can't reach par in 1912.

Washington news says he has given
it out to the leaders that he will veto
any tariff bill that this session of con-
gress passes, and the reason he gives
is that he wants a report from the
tariff board before he will sanction
any tariff reduction.

If President Taft carries out this
course it will put him in a mighty
bad hole with the voters of this
country.

He is touring the country imploring
that his reciprocity treaty with Can-
ada be passed.

Now the object of this treaty is
solely that consumers may get pro-
ducts at lowered prices—that it may
relieve the people of a part of the
burden of exorbitant living expenses.
The "free list" bill and the reduc-
tion of one-half the duty on woolen
imports are drawn for exactly the
same purpose.

The house has already passed the
woolen schedule, and the people will
ask why the house and senate's action
isn't as good a report as a tariff com-
missioner's.

If the senate should pass the wool
schedule and President Taft should
veto it then he would be defending
and protecting that which he in open
speeches has condemned—for he has
said that schedule K is indefensible.

It doesn't need a tariff board or any
other board to tell the people that the
wool schedule is a hold-up game on
the country, and that it was plucked
through in the interests of the manu-
facturers and trusts.

And it doesn't need a tariff board or
any other board to tell President Taft
that the American voters overruled
congress last fall because of this na-
tional holdup game.

In Canada today clothing can be
bought for from one-half to one-third
less than in our country, and a presi-
dent who is using every effort to re-
duce the price of farmers' products
by opening the doors to Canada will
look well vetoing a bill that will
give us clothes at the same price the
Canadians pay for theirs.

TRAMP AND MILLIONAIRE.

Three weeks ago there was a dinner
spread in New York which cost the
American and British polo players
\$600 a plate, or \$35,000.

In Portland, you will see restaurant
signs advertising a full meal for 25c,
and you will see the places crowded.

It occurs to a man who does his own
thinking that conditions are very
wrong that looks possible a six hun-
dred dollar feed and make necessary
a two-bit dinner in the same city,
that there is a difference of \$599.75
that should be evened up some way.

Neither condition should exist in
this most prosperous of all nations,
and if conditions were as they should
be no one man would spend on a
single dinner as much as the other
man earns in a year.

But how are we going to equalize
these conditions?

The coronation services are over
and the useless forms and ceremonies
remind one of the initiation to some
lodge. A king, without a kingdom
or power, is crowned, Jack Johnson
had the time of his life, and England
has enough American change to make
her prosperous for many months.

AN INVERTED ARGUMENT.

Three weeks ago the Courier com-
mented on the grotesque resolution
offered by Senator Pomerene of Ohio
that the attorney general bring crim-
inal action against the Standard Oil
and tobacco trusts—that it should be
necessary for such a resolution to pass
congress to compel the attorney gen-
eral to do his sworn duty.

But we were dead wrong—the Ore-
gonian says so.

The people don't want the poor
trusts prosecuted, further than fines.
Read the following editorial from this
great paper, read it and let it soak
in:

If Mr. Pomerene really wishes
to have trust officers imprisoned it
will be necessary for him to con-
vince the great mass of the people
that trust officers ought to be in
jail and create a general desire to
put them in jail. Then justice
may convict and judges sentence,
but not before. Until then such
resolutions as Mr. Pomerene has
introduced are mere buncombe.

Isn't that great stuff to hand out to
men who reason?

Isn't it a bold admission that judges
will not sentence nor juries convict
the public sentiment forces them to
do their sworn duty.

The same reasoning, applied locally,
would make it necessary for the dis-
trict attorney of this county before
trying a criminal to work up a public
sentiment and a clamor that would
influence a judge before he could hope
to convict.

When such a paper as the Oregonian
openly admits that our judges will
not sentence big criminals until pub-
lic sentiment makes them, its edi-
torial against the recall of judges won't
take very deep root.

THERE'S ANOTHER SIDE.

A writer signing "P. O'Brien from
Central Point, Ore.," defends the
movement to recall Judge Coke of
Oos County for his charge to the jury
in the murder trial, and scores the
Oregonian for condemning the system
of permitting so many unhung mur-
derers at large in this country and
then the next day writing a rebuke
for the suggestion that a judge be re-
called because he contributes by us-
ing favoritism to the escape of a cold
blooded murderer in southern Oregon
in a county famous for its number of
such crimes and also for its leniency
in permitting only two to be hung out
of a list of nearly a hundred murder-
ers in a history of about 50 years.

Of Judge Coke the writer says he
rose from obscurity in Oos county in
a couple of years by being the attor-
ney for the Southern Pacific R. R.
company and the same process made
him one of the wealthy men of that
county and the same influence secured
him the appointment to the judge-
ship, and then the writer offers this
advice: "If the people get a judge
who does not know enough law to in-
struct a jury it is time there was a
remedy for replacing him, it is the
best means ever discovered for get-
ting rid of judges who get their
places not on account of their ability
as judges or their knowledge of the
laws but through their political pull
and a stand in with just such degen-
erates as the one who committed the
cowardly cold blooded murder referred
to."

Guggenheim says the Alaska de-
cision makes him unhappy.

SMILE, MR. U'KEN.

A. J. Nock, writing to the Ameri-
can Magazine, comments on the fact
that many newcomers to this state
and Washington go on to Canada, and
concludes the article with these reas-
ons—reasons that should make Mr.
U'Ken smile:

Washington and Oregon, fairest
of prospects, richest and loveliest
of countries, holding every natural
opportunity for all sorts and con-
ditions of men—why should any-
one once having seen them, ever
leave them? Only because they are
blighted by monopoly, cursed by
a feudalistic land policy, a
mis-languistic land system, and
the spirit of speculation that
springs from both.

CHECKING THE LOOTERS.

Another page in Alaska scandal his-
tory was printed this week when
Commissioner Dennett of the land
office ordered the cancellation of all
the Cunningham coal claims in
Alaska.

For fourteen years the plunderers
have held up justice in Alaska and
saw trust tools as Ballinger have
tried hard enough to hand over the
priceless mines to the Morgan-Gug-
enheim syndicate—and it looks very
much as if from the president down
their efforts were encouraged.

President Taft removed from office
Gifford Pinchot, Louis B. Glavis,
Overton W. Price, Alexander C. Shaw
because they fought the schemes of
the trusts to gobble Alaska's coal, and
then he wrote an "exonerating" of
Ballinger, the man the American peo-
ple know as a shyster.

This finding of the general land
office will give our president some-
thing to think over, and no doubt
he will wish he had not acted quite
so quick.

The Polk county Observer, com-
menting on the escape of Hall and
Governor West's parole scheme, con-
cludes with this advice:

The thing for His Excellency to
do is to quit experimenting with a
bad bunch, pay the farmer for the
use of the horse and saddle stolen
by the fleeing convict, and put the
remainder of the prisoners back in
the penitentiary where they be-
long.

There is going to be some political
fun in Oregon next year. A big
effort will be made to turn down
Senator Bourne. A half dozen men
are considering the chance of slinking
in his place at Washington, and if
they decide to go in, they will scatter
support and Bourne will beat them
out. And there are men anxious to
show this district that Congressman
Hawley isn't just what the people or-
dered, and no doubt there will be
some congressional fun, too.

Congressman Lafferty of Portland is
fairly turning things over in Wash-
ington to get through the senate an act
to give this state an extra congress-
man. The bill passed the house some
weeks ago, but is hung up in the sen-
ate. As our congress nominations
come early next spring, Lafferty
wants to get the bill through so we
can get another piece of politics in
the race.

Roosevelt, Pinchot and Glavis are
smiling over the Alaska decision, but
President Taft, congress and Ballin-
ger can't see any place to laugh.

Senator Root of New York got his
humps laid Monday, when his amend-
ment to the reciprocity measure, leav-
ing a duty on Canadian wood pulp,
was defeated overwhelmingly.

Members of the lumber trust were
indicted just like common thieves in
Chicago last Saturday. It remains to
be seen whether or not they will be
tried like common thieves in Novem-
ber.

The reciprocity bill will have to
run a hard gauntlet before it passes
free of amendments. There are many
who do not want tariff reduction to
be confined to the farmers' products
alone so there will be any number of
articles tacked on that the trusts now
control.

Every day new ideas and surpises
come. This week Congressman Lewis
of Maryland introduced a bill for the
outright purchase of all the express
companies in the United States and
the future transaction of the express
business by the government. This
bill will not pass now, but it will in
time. And then will follow railroads,
coal mines, telephones, telegraphs and
other public utilities. This may be a
little Socialistic, but it's handwriting.

Three weeks have passed since the
awful Hill murder was perpetrated
and yet there is not a clue. The mat-
ter is being forgotten and will no
doubt form another chapter in the
book of unpunished murderers in Ore-
gon.

What's the matter with Oregon?
Cannot the state find murderers and
criminals?

There are a half dozen murderers
running loose because they have not
been caught.

Twice within two weeks fast trains
have been held up in southern Oregon
and rifled, and the robbers have es-
caped.

The governor should change his pol-
icy of releasing criminals and help
the people of the state to end this
criminal riot of Oregon.

Help the baby through the teething
period by giving it McKEE'S BABY
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some remedy, well adapted to a
baby's delicate stomach. It contains
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FIFTY YEARS AGO.

Among the soldiers quartered in the
vicinity of Alexandria the greatest
reverence was shown to the memory
of George Washington. His home at
Mt. Vernon, only a few miles distant,
was visited by many of the soldiers,
who left their arms at the gate. Ru-
mors had been current in the federal
lines that the confederates had re-
moved the remains of Washington to
some point farther south and General
Sickles sent three officers to Mt. Ver-
non to ascertain the truth or falsity of
the story. The tomb was found to be
intact, with cobwebs undisturbed at
the entrance.

Gen. Lee turned 40,000 Virginia
state troops over to the confederate
government, giving them a force of
68,000 fully equipped men in the vi-
cinity of Richmond.

Gen. Butler planned an expedition
against Big Bear Lake, Va., but through
a series of blunders, it met with dis-
aster.

Gov. Jackson of Missouri undertook
to convince Gen. Lyon at St. Louis
that he should not enlist men to fight
the South. In reply Gen. Lyon gave
him one hour to get out of St. Louis,
and he did not need any more time.

Gov. Jackson and the other Mis-
souri state officers removed to Boone-
ville, and Jefferson City, the capital,
was occupied by federal forces.

Major General Harney of the vicinity
of Harper's Ferry, each thought the
force opposed to them was larger than
they could cope with, retreated, leav-
ing Harper's Ferry unoccupied. The
first three year regiment to volunteer
for Washington.

A skirmish occurred at Vienna,
Va., in which the First Ohio regim-
ent lost eight killed and two wound-
ed.

The city of St. Paul last week cele-
brated with great pomp the fiftieth
anniversary of the departure of the
First Minnesota regiment to the seat
of war. The First Minnesota was one
of the first three year regiments to be
mustered into the service, and it was
in nearly every battle in which the
army of the Potomac was engaged,
from the first battle of Bull Run to
the surrender of Lee at Appomattox.

From its first enlistment till the close
of the war it numbered 1800 men, and
of this number there are less than 300
now living. About 150 of them still
reside in Minnesota, but the balance
are scattered throughout the coun-
try—one of them, Faxon Hayfoul, re-
siding at Parkplace, near Oregon
City.

Mr. Hayfoul is a very modest
and unassuming and seldom mentions
the great battles in which he was en-
gaged. He was one of the best sol-
diers in the regiment and was twice
severely wounded. The regiment had
five colonels during its four years of
service, four of them being made gen-
erals on account of bravery on the
field of battle. At the battle of Get-
tysburg the regiment lost more men

in killed and wounded than any simi-
lar body of men in any engagement
recorded in history, exceeding even
the charge of the famous Light Bri-
gade at the battle of Balaklava.

NEWS OF OREGON.

This item shows how Oregon is
coming to the front. In Lane county
last week 617 acres sold for \$40,000.
Farm and fruit lands are mighty de-
sirable property in the Willamette
valley and southern Oregon.

A dapple 230 feet high, measuring
36 inches in diameter at the butt and
15 inches at the top the largest flag-
pole in the world, will be erected
soon on the centennial grounds at
Astoria. The pole was presented by
the Whitney Logging company.

Lewis Hack, assistant to the U. S.
counsel at Jerusalem, writing to his
aunt in Hood River, says the famed
Hood River brand of apples has
reached that far-away land. He says
when the big American tourist steam-
ers landed on the coast in March, he
had a little taste of some really good
apples. The native varieties are
small and scrubby.

A. A. White of St. Paul, Minn.,
has purchased 120 acres of land situat-
ed two miles above Cascade, near
Albany. This land has four mineral
springs on it, two are of soda, one is
sulphur and one is saline. Mr. White
has commenced work on this prop-
erty. He has named his place White
City and expects to build an up to
date summer resort.

Starting from Portland to tour the
United States on foot with but \$10
each in their pockets, Robert J.
Wolfe, aged 23; C. E. Tompkins, aged
23, and Kermit S. Hubert, aged 21,
left last week for the Canadian border
along which they will tramp until
they reach Montana, when they will
over south into Idaho, Wyoming and
Nebraska, then turning north to the
Great Lakes and along that route to
New York.

An engineer installing electric
equipment at the National Park Inn
on Mount Tacoma, was attacked by a
vicious eagle. The eagle seemed bent
on gouging Olson's eyes and he was
obliged to pull his hat close down
over his face to protect himself. The
big bird was too swift for Olson to get
a strike at him. Forest rangers who
saw the attack corroborate Olson's
story that the eagle had a spread of
full six feet in his wings.

A news dispatch states that Joe
Perry, who has been working the
Gold Hill mine of southern Oregon,
deposited \$1300 in dust in a local
bank, the result of three days' work
with a mortar. He claims he has
again found the main ledge, which
was very rich but was lost a few
years ago. Much mining excitement
prevails in Medford. Several men of
that city are preparing to take to the
hills in the neighborhood of the re-
cent strikes.

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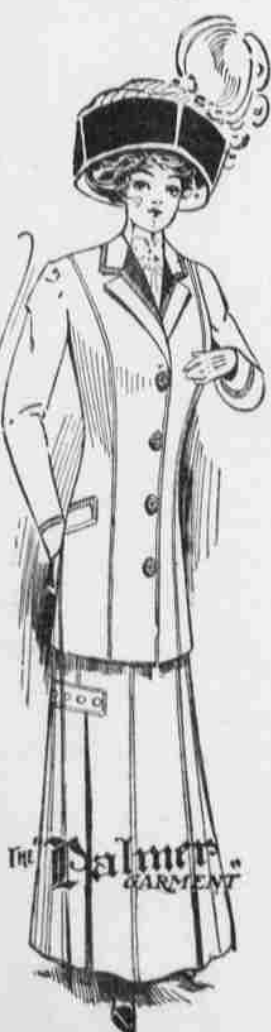
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