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Wonder how Judge Galloway of Salem feels?

"What is U'ren going to do?" is an often asked question just now.

Mr. Bourne is hesitating and figuring, but if he does decide to come in, here's betting he will "swing around the circle" a few this year. His absent treatment didn't work.

Henry W. Kessler, of Oswego, Clackamas county, is a Democratic candidate for sheriff. The photograph of Mr. Kessler looks so much like Sheriff Til Taylor of Umatilla county, that he ought to be elected on general principles.—Salem Messenger.

Two road districts, both equal as to topography, one spends \$18,000 on roads, the other \$33,000 and the one expending the smallest amount has the best roads. And yet some defend the supervisor's system.

Even the supreme court of our land is subject to change of mind and decisions. In 1895 an income tax law was declared unconstitutional by that body, but 29 years later—today—it is the real constitutional legal revenue getter.

The Supreme court upheld Judge Campbell's construction of the local option election and the right of the people to vote. And by the way, if you ever gave the matter particular attention, there have been very few of Judge Campbell's decisions reversed by that body.

The Portland Journal wants to know why the court of appeals is not told that Max Cohen, the Portland attorney, is an angel with wings and has a halo. If the court knows anything about Cohen it would not believe any such tales. If Cohen had wings he would have sold them, and eaten his halo.

Dr. James Withycombe of the agricultural college, announces his candidacy for governor, but says he will place his campaign in the hands of his friends. In 1912 a candidate for U. S. senator tried the same scheme, and no doubt he could give the Cavallis Doctor some very valuable pointers—on "How to be a Good Loser."

John Manning's "back to the farm" slogan listens good, but he doesn't get way down to the bottom and plainly state how the state is going to get hold of the speculative tracts and be able to sell them to the home-seeker, after getting it ready for the plow, at a price the home-seeker can meet. Can the state buy the land any cheaper than you and I? Would Mr. Manning confiscate it, condemn it or just pay the price the speculator asked? And would he then bond the land of the farmer who has cut out his own farm to guarantee his speculation would make good?

The Eugene Guard, in commenting on the matter of the unemployed says it is no new problem with which we have to deal, but we are beginning to regard it from a new point of view, to see that it is not the man who asks for work when there is no work, who is to blame for his unhappy condition, but that society, the community, the state, the nation, is responsible for conditions which entail suffering upon its more unfortunate members. Seeing this we must also perceive that conditions must be changed, that the man who must work in order to live, be provided with employment at a living wage. A living wage means somewhat more than enough to keep him and his family from starvation. It must include a fair degree of comfort, and above all, education.

The other day a work hunter went up to Seventh street where the sewer work is being done and asked the contractor for a job. There was nothing doing as all the force the job could stand was out. The man talked with some of the workmen, stated he had a wife and children at home and food was exhausted. Then one of the men, a stranger to the work hunter, climbed out of the ditch, left his pick and said: "I have money enough to live on for a week and have no children. Take my place." This was an act that will go onto the credit side of the ledger when dividends are declared. The fellow who gave his job to one who had children to support may not have belonged to a labor union, but he was a member of the Brotherhood of Man.

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GUGGENHEIMING

Are the people of the coast country going to get cheap coal out of government control of Alaska, or is the coal trust going to be given a private snap?

The Chamberlain bill provides for a government railroad to the coal deposits.

The government owns the land and the coal; and if the government would dig it, bring it out and sell it, the coast country would get what it hopes for—cheaper coal.

But now it appears that the government proposes to build its expensive railroad to the coal fields and then lease the mines to capitalists.

Isn't it great? The government would build the costly railroad to its own great coal fields, and then hand over the mines and railroad to the coal barons to operate.

Can you figure any cheap coal out of this scheme?

The government has reduced tariff duties and let in at a low duty many articles of necessity, but the people pay the same old price for goods.

They do because the goods go into the hands of the combinations, and they arbitrarily fix the price.

And this would be the consequence of the leasing system of Alaska coal mines:

The coal combinations would get the coal and fix the price, and the coast states would pay trust prices for its own coal.

And the government would build a road to help the Guggenheims skin us of the coal that is ours.

Will someone explain why the government doesn't run its own coal business, so long as it owns the land, the coal and the railroads?

Did you ever read Rex Beach's "The Spoilers"?

hasten the finish. With plenty of arms and ammunition the end will soon come for Huerfano.

And after the end, what?

WANTED—A GOVERNOR OF OREGON

Courier:—The people are at present considering the qualifications of the various candidates who are casting their hats in the ring and wondering why so many are manifesting so much desire to preside over the destinies of the most progressive state in the Union.

It is generally understood by the people throughout the state have a very thorough knowledge of their qualifications from a partisan standpoint; their efficiency in keeping in touch with the party spirit of their time, and it must be admitted that some of them at least are past masters.

The only source of information available to the electorate is the past record of any and in fact all of these aspiring candidates is their past records and the views they have held on great public questions.

The time is past in Oregon when a coterie of partisan bigots can meet in convention and point with pride to past party achievements, and he who expects to be elected Governor through the merits of the party label will be sadly disappointed.

The next governor not only should be hearty and wholly in sympathy with all the progressive measures which are now on the statute books, but should have the courage to recommend such measures which, coming up for consideration to the end that Oregon should continue to be the most progressive state in the Union without waiting for the other states to catch up with the spirit of the 20th century.

Progressive. Proportional Representation As noted in the Equity Department of the 22 inst. of this paper, a talk was given before the state convention of that body, by the writer of this department on the subject of submitting a proportional representation measure to the people at the next general election.

The favorable endorsement by that body lends staunch moral support to the measure and it will be pressed to a finish.

Other organizations and leagues are now considering the same proposition (to submit) and in due time there will appear a measure fully equipped for popular signatures.

Let it be understood that this matter has been independently instituted and that no political party, union or league takes charge of its management.

It is intended by this independent initiative to relieve the proposition of any taint of origin which might otherwise bear weight if originated by and managed by a political or other organization. The chief manager and the one who will file the measure, is a young woman public school teacher and law student of Portland schools. Her name will appear and she will accept the responsibility as she may be able to adjust some other matters now pending in her affairs.

It is planned, through the independent action, to enlist each candidate for primary nomination for governor, either for or against this measure and bring its surely before the people in the primary campaign.

There will be no dodging the issue on the part of those nominees as the matter will be put squarely up to them for their action in the endorsement or rejection of the measure. Speakers will go into the field with petitions and bring out an active discussion on the measure.

The primary nomination of the gubernatorial candidates will be considered by the electors on their attitude toward this measure.

THE LIGHT OF FAITH (W. T. Milliken.) Once upon a time there was a man who was born blind. Many in his condition revere his calamity. He hid himself in it. Said he: "Those men who boast that they have sensation of sight are but credulous fools. I am a man, as they, and I have never seen a rainbow, or watched the changing tints of a summer cloud. There is no such thing as vision."

I know a man, aged and disappointed in life. Years ago he was reared in a godly home in the Scottish faith. But he came to the parting of the ways, and turned aside into a by-path where Honor reigned to beckon. "The roads are parallel," said he, "but this is the more pleasant one to tread. A little pleasure and a little honor, and I'll cross over to Faith's highway again."

The years rolled on. Love shed its golden lustre across his life, and the music of children's laughter filled his heart. Yet sometimes when the lights burned low as he sat in his study, like a faint memory from his godly boyhood home the voice of the Spirit called. But he stifled it until it was heard no more.

Last night this aged man awoke from his dream. The torch of earthly love has been extinguished forever beneath the sods where daisies grow. The voices of childhood are silent forevermore. Long since the spark of faith has flickered and gone out, and the soul of the man is dead. Only the haunting whispers of the past echo through the empty halls of memory. The tide of life has swept out into the depths of faith, and he left him stranded in the shoals of his own blind doubt and self-delusion, for he has forgotten God until God has forsaken him.

An ancient preacher once said: "We preach Christ crucified, unto Jews a stumbling block, and unto Gentiles foolishness; but unto them that are called, both Jews and Greeks Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God."

Let us now ask, what does modern biology say about life? The older biologists were largely agnostic. This was true of Huxley, Tyndall, Spencer,

Haecel, Wallace and Romanes. In fact Huxley, Tyndall and Wallace died without faith. Haecel was proven guilty of unfair manipulation of his experiments to prove his own pet theories, hence has lost caste as a scientist. In his "Thoughts on Religion" Romanes traces the steps in his wonderful conversion to faith. Wallace issued the summary of his life-work in 1911 in a book entitled "The World of Life." But see how the one time agnostic has changed! The sub-title of the work is "A Manifestation of Creative Power, Directive Mind, and Ultimate Purpose." Bergson, the greatest living light in the Biological field entitles his philosophy, "Creative Evolution." The great biologists are all lifting their anchors and are shifting from the quicksands of materialism to the firmer anchorage of faith.

The entire tide of modern scientific thought seems to be setting towards God and Immortality. The ebb of the living twentieth century is sweeping out into the depths of the ocean of faith, and the agnostic and the materialist are left stranded upon the bars of their own blindness and self-conceit. I am always heart-sick for such as I know that they miss by floundering in the shoals when their souls might be sporting, free, in the unfathomable depths of eternal life. Oregon City.

STORY OF THE ROSARY

Shively's Opera House Sat. Feb. 7th. Bruce Wilson has amassed a fortune which he lavishes on his wife, Vera. Their household is a happy one but

into it creeps a note of menace. No one hears it at first, save Father Kelly, a priest, the former tutor of the young man. Quietly he goes to work with his sharpened mental sense to find the person who is causing the adverse influence in the household. At last, on the verge of discovering the cause, calamity descends upon the Willton House. Bruce's fortune is swept away, and in such a manner that he believes his wife was the cause of his ruin.

Husband and wife are separated, the home is destroyed and yet the cause of all this disaster is unknown.

But Father Kelly, with a faith that moves mountains, goes quietly, serenely, confidently, with but one purpose in view, the happiness of those he loves.

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