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WHAT THE FOURTH OF JULY REALLY MEANS

We hold these truths to be self-evident,-that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Thos. Jefferson

On the Fourth of July, one hundred and thirty-eight years ago, the country known to the world as the United States of America entered upon its epoch-making career. Never in history has any country made such wonderful progress in so short a time. Looking back to Revolutionary days it seems to us that the nation has lived long; George Washington and his associates fade into the dim past; yet the years of one man of ripe age, such as we meet every day, oined with the years of another equally old are sufficient to span the lifetime of America. A man of seventy odd years, now living, might have spoken in early youth with some old man whose childish eyes had witnessed some of the battles of the Revolution. Yet in this brief time tremendous progress has been made, civilization has advanced by leaps and bounds and the wealth of America has come to surpass all possibility of calculation. Perhaps neither the Father of His Country nor any one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence had the faintest notion of what the country of their dreams would come to be in the space of less than a | so. century and a half. They builded better than they thought.

Yet, we of today, although we cannot but feel proud of the achievements of our countrymen, have much to regret for the history of our country. The high ideals of the founders of thisnation have been too often lost sight of in the struggle of the allabsorbing conquest for gold. Those who gave their fortunes and their lives to establish a new commonwealth in America must have been encouraged in the trials of the great struggle for liberty with the thought that we who were to come after them and enjoy the blessings of a land in which me nand women were to be free and equal would appreciate and value their heroic sacrifices and never allow the high standard of patriotism and citizenship which they had exemplified for us to be debased. "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country," said NATHAN HALE, (Sept. 22, 1776); yet it was not of the land and its wealth that the hero was thinking when he uttered these immortal words, but of the happiness and well-being of his coun-

July the Fourth should mean more to us than a day of celebration and noise; it should be a day for renewing our patriotism and for reasserting our reverence for the ideals of our forefathers and the traditions of the past; it should cause us to reflect that, whatever our selfish ambitions may be, the one object worthy of supreme effort is patriotism-not necessarily the patriotism of the battle field, but the patriotism that enables one to live and labor for the good and honor and glory of his country as heroically and unselfishly as the Revolutionary heroes struggled and died for their country-and ours.

A BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF OREGON POLITICS

Some twenty-two centuries ago Aristotle, the wise man of reece, said that politics was the greatest of the sciences. This being true, it seems strange that we should cling to the fallacy of believing that we shall secure competent statesmen by electing untrained men to office. It would be as ridiculous to suppose that we should produce a MICHAEL ANGELO by placing a mallet, chisel and block of marble in the hands of a bootblack.

It requires long years of specialized training to fit a man for such an office as, let us say, the governor of a State. No matter how thoroughly a man may be educated for a professional or business career, that, apparently, does not suffice. The writer remembers a man who, having been successively a great preacher, a great lecturer, the bishop of a great church and the president of a great college, was elected governor of his state because of his brilliant intellectual attainments and upright moral character; but as an official he was an absolute failure. This example shows that for success in politics a peculiar genius is required—the genius of statesmanship.

Those who are without special qualifications, but seek office for the purpose of a personal aggrandizement, or to serve the interests of any but the majority of the people, are a detriment to the state. Again the individual elector who will vote for the dishonest candidate—and every candidate tacitly pledged to serve special interests is dishonest—is not a good citizen. The really good citizen is he who is willing to sacrifice small personal benefits for the good of the community.

The most successful man in private life may prove absolutely unfit when placed in office. Indeed, placing the man who is untrained in statesmanship in an office of great responsibility would be like putting a locomotive in charge of an organ grinder, or the novice at eards in the bands of a gang of professional gamblers. It requires a man thoroughly familiar with all the ms and outs of the political game to avoid the clever snares certain to be set for him by the professional lobbyist.

Oregon has already paid a sufficiently high price for the folly of electing to office incompetent or dishonest men. This state has been fleeced of its wealth until taxation has become an intolerable burden.

Contrast the conditions in Oregon with those in Minnesota; By far-seeing Statesmanship the governors of that fortunate rily making a monkey of the British Lion, and in Americacommonwealth have conserved its great natural resources practically intact, while millions of dollars in royalties, revenues, and incomes from various sources have been steadily accumulating, which have in turn been loaned to other states at a good rate of interest, until Minnesota now has a trust fund of over and unkind. 30 million dollars. Taxes have been reduced to a minimum.

The mistakes of the past in Oregon cannot be undone, but it is high time the voters of this State should awaken to the necessity of avoiding similar blunders in time to come. If we are New York city, within the past year, by establishing pasteurizto have far-seeing statesmanship we must have far-seeing statesmen, and we must not place in office those who are the mere for the benefit of our millionaire readers, who want to do some. prise, and a few others of its persua-

It is a matter of history that the older political parties have nearly always shielded corruption, while the newer have stood for morality, progress and the good of the majority, therefore the people will always be wise in listening to those who preach new political doctrines. Get away from the old corrupt parties.

The Courier believes that the man who can do most for Ore. explosive gets in its work.

OREGON CITY COURIER gon as West's successor is W. S. U'REN. He is a master of poitical science, and a man whom the honest folk of the state can trust to look after their best interests thoroughly and well.

A SIXSHOOTER SERMON

Once again the sound of the funeral dirge echoes the report of the sixshooter, and once again we have, in the suicide of a ical" has thrown the dissenting press school boy 17 years old, a demonstration of the folly of keeping into a frenzy of agitation. Just when loaded gun about the house for "protection," as so many persons do. For every out-law slain at least a hundred innocent lives are sacrificed. Does it pay? It is the purpose of the pistol to kill and it kills without discrimination or choice. The and, after carefully noting results, professional bad man has little or nothing to fear from such a gives out the decision that it is comweapon in the hands of a novice; it is the owner or his relatives or friends who are most in danger; and especially is the revolver dangerous to young children or those who have not reached the age of mature reason and self control, (and we believe there are few persons who ever reach this age, no matter how long they may live.) In a moment of passion, despondency or care essness the possessor of a pistol destroys his own or another's Keeping such a relic of savagery about for use in a possible emergency (which is about as remote as the possibility of Its actual literal equivalent in our being struck by lightning) is just as sensible as would be the language is the time-honored Chriskeeping of a rattlesnake for a watch dog-it is more dangerous to its owner than anyone else, and is, besides, a perpetual temptation to the morally weak to commit crime.

The revolver has no useful place in any civilized community or household. It is the tool of the barbarian, and the recourse of the assassin, the coward and the fool. Speed the day when cept that aggregation known as corwe shall banish it forever.

MR. GILL

It would be easy to criticize Mr. Gill upon his speech at the Methodist church last Sunday evening, but we shall not do sesses more wealth than they know that his anti-trust legislation will It would be contemptible for THE COURIER to make war how to estimate, are lying awake either be conceived in radicalism or medicine against a man whose possibilities of election are nil. nights, (when they are not lying in pushed through the national congress We reserve our guns for more formidable game.

Mr. Gill has impressed us as an honest man, standing on an honest platform, and, we trust, supported by honest peoplewith such we have no quarrel.-We are after the corruptionists and exploiters who will presently line up behind Withycombe terests in their efforts to frighten railroads, promoting financial panics, or Smith, or both. Of these and for these we shall neither ask people into turning from reform to nor grant mercy.

Mr. Gill -blundered when he put through the Permanent Registration law-a blunder which cost the state many thou- stitute the Punch and Judy feature of sands of dollars, and which, we are very much afraid, the taxpay- this interesting political sideshow. ers will find it impossible to forget when it comes time to mark In contra-distinction to the "yellows" the ballots November third.

GREAT SCOTT!

It is not often now-a-days one finds occasion to compliment the editorial writer of a daily paper upon the artistic merit of his work. The matter-of-fact modern world has made its in- tolled out by this doleful crowd is silencing legislators and everything fluence felt even in the highest circles of literary endeavor, and voiced by the Morning Enterprise in else that stood in their way. They for the most part, idealism in literature has taken its place a recent editorial as follows: perforce in the category of things past.

But here is a real gem from the Oregon Daily Jorunal. The hand that penned the following lines is worthy to grasp that of Homer, in the house of Hades, or wherever it is the beloved idealist of long ago may now be singing his immortal lays:

Somewhere there is waiting a Dumas, a Stevenson or a Scott who is again to guide the currrent of literature into the channel of romanticism out of the sordid real into the noble ideal.

Pray tell us, brother, where it is we shall find him; what conviction of this knowledge that we may lay our tribute at his feet, as we now lay this at

Were you thinking of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde when you sandwiched STEVENSON between the creators of Le Comte de importations of merchandise, in the decrease in the volume of orders at

WHERE WITHYCOMBE STANDS

There is still much doubt as to where Withycombe stands was mistaken in his confidence of a on the prohibition question. He holds that this is a moral and year ago. not a political issue. This might be taken to imply that moralistration is taken up by the Simmons larger than the state of the greatest business concerns in nish two hooks for his line; one for the hop growers and another the country. In a letter which this for the W. C. T. U.

DR. WITHYCOMBE would doubtless like to receive the wet would "shut up shop and go home" vote-(some one has to get it you know) and we cannot blame him, as he will probably need it. If the man from Corvallis can heads the company confessed that he hop his way into office with the Bartenders' Union band leading was the author of the letter and also acknowledges that he wrote the folthe procession and the anti-saloonists singing hosannas in the lowing to a certain New York paper rear, he will have accomplished a piece of political engineering which would cause a Chicago alderman to sit up and take notice warmest supporters of the president,

The results of trust legislation and tariff revisions seem to but I know a thousand times more about business and business conditions than the president does." e falling short of expectations and the convicition is beginning to soak into certain intellects that the trusts are a breed of beasts not easily scared to death, and that they are likely to live for that class of Big Business which on and flourish for some time to come. However, it is hoped has persistently and perniciously that some lucky experimenter will soon hit upon the right rem- meddled with politics. No mercy will dy for. the pests and that they will then be speedily relegated be shown toward those who have proto the past, along with knights-errant, witches and other terrors ven themselves merciless toward their of medievalism; and that, metaphorically speaking, we shall competitors and their patrons. In have nothing left of them but the stuffed skins, dried bones and Business President Wilson is merely a lingering stench in the nostrils of honest men to remind us of fulfilling the trust reposed in him by their once existence.

Since the early dawn of civilization mere man has tried break his popularity with the people mightily to govern the affairs of his home and of his nation, in and his hold upon congress, but, says is own way; and it seems he has made a sorry mess of it. But the Albany Daily Democratnow comes the new woman purposing to help us solve the weighty problems of life. Over in England the suffragettes are merwell, if future generations do not sing the praises of the New American Woman of this day and grant her the crown of everlasting fame as the great moral force in twentieth century civilization, then indeed humanity must be unseeing, unappreciative ed by Republican administrations and

MR. NATHAN STRAUS, the great Jewish-American philan- of the needed laws than by the conthropist has saved the lives of ten per cent of the babies born in ing plants to treat the milk fed the babies. We mention this tools of the corrupt interests which have exploited Oregon for thing really worth while. And also for those parents who do papers published in Oregon are favornot realize that a large part of the ills of childhood are caused able to President Wilson and his reby impure or improperly handled milk.

> The deadly revolver, the deadly aeroplane, the deadly automobile, and the deadly steamship are hereby given notice that they may have a one-day respite while the deadly Fourth of July

BUSINESS DEPRESSION

Is It Real or Imaginary or Do the Big Interests Wish an Imaginary One to Become Real?

President Wilson says there is psychological business depression in this country. This word "psychologthe Big Interests had completed their "wooden horse of Troy," President Wilson comes along, gives the animal a vigorous kick in the ribs posed of a very poor quality of deception and inflated with hot air.

What is psychological business de-

pression? Let us analyze:-The word "psychlogical" is from the Greek words so-and-so and means in plain English "imaginary" or "created by (or within) the mind." It has nothing formidable about it except its impression upon the ear. tian Science phrase "you only think

Those who do not like the present administration have been trying mightly to get a real panic going; but no one seems to take fright exrupt big business, including the "insidious lobby" referred to by President Wilson, and also the West Virginia and Colorado mine owners with their firing squads of machine gun some other way) haunted by the fear that they may have to give up a dollar without getting its equivalent in human flesh

Following hard upon the Big Inreactionary legislation comes the calamity howling newspapers, big and little. These dissenting voices con--blue with dissappointment and away from the public crib, as a result ing competitors would probably be a of the recent political earthquake.

"About a year ago President Wilson, addressing congress on the sub-ject of currency legislation, said: shackles from business. The duty of statesmanship is not negative merely.

"In the twelvementh which has elapsed since he said these words, has been produced and how is it follows:shown? It is shown in the army of unemployed labor, in the long strings of railway equipment lying idle in freight yards, in the record-breaking mills and factories, in the lessening of bank clearances, and in the general feeling of unrest and dissatisfac-It must be that the president

"The latest challenge of the adminof the greatest business concerns in company sent to the trade it ex-pressed the belief that if congress quicker. The veteran merchant who

"So far as the administration poli-

The American people voted "thumbs down," at the last general election, his campaign against Corrupt Big a large majority of American citizens. He is aware of the determined and

"President Wilson has indicated very positively that so far as his influence is potent-and no one will question its weight - the anti-trust legislation will be put through at this session of congress. The country large will applaud this determination The anti-trust bills are the crystallization of public demand, long unheed congresses. Such legislation is inevi-table, and, so far as legitimate business is concerned, it will be less disturbed by the immediate enactment tinuance of a state of uncertainty pending their passage.

With the exception of the Enterform policies; at any rate they are nearly all outspoken in their condemupon the president by those who would stand in the way of progressive legislation. The following from the Eugene Daily Guard is a sample of

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"Not satisfied with misrepresenta tion, exaggeration and insinuation, FOR SALE—Bay mare, 1300 pounds, those men and interests who are seeking to discredit President Wilson by claiming his policies are responsible for the business depression are now resorting to distortion and prevari-

cation.
"Business has nothing to fear from Wilson's policies. His currency and er interest in school affairs than does tariff legislation were sound and conher husband and there is no good servative and an analysis of the man reason why she should not have a artists. This gentry who already pos- and his actions dissipates the idea because of prejudice towards men, interests or conditions.

The "divine right" of Big Business to have its own sweet way in all it desired, even to wrecking banks and conducting political campaigns and controlling trade, has had its day in America. The handwriting is on the wall and everyone can read it plainly except the aforesaid Big Business, There will be no return to the conditions of the palmy days before the and jingoes these publications might awakening of public conscience, when be designated as the blue-green press "The Interests" elaborated their fine system for "Silencing Competition," green with envy at being crowded as they politely called it-(suffocatmore appropriate phrase.) By the One of the most pathetic notes same means they also succeeded in were so successful, in fact, that they he told me I had ulcers on my right overdid their work, were detected in lung. I quit the physicians and the act of pilfering from the people, started on 'Vinol.' Today I am and publicly condemned. In his bit- perfectly healthy, and that is why I "It is not enough to strike the ter fight with the Special Privilege people the president has been remark-It is constructive also. We must show ably successful, and the best his enethat we understand what business mies have been able to do in repseudo business depression into ac-

> told by the Hubbard Enterprise as "About a year ago Big Business tried to create a panic and bring about a national calamity, as a result of the Democratic administration having been elected to power and that ad ministration's proclamation that was going to pass some laws having to do with B. B. and its antics; but Big Business at once bumped its head against the leader of the administration and the plan failed. The laws were passed. Big Business has since had part of its system of crookedness opened up and exposed to the light of the world in a way it had not dreamed of before."

tion. How the conspiracy worked is

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A Peculiar Case

Now that women may vote for all other public officials why should they not vote at elections for school offic-Usually a woman takes a deepvoice in selecting the officers who will shape the policy of the schools. The property qualification provision is all right so far as elections involving the expenditure of money are concerned and should be retained, but if a woman may vote for a county superintendent of schools at a general election it is folly to say she shall not vote for the director and clerk of her own district. Amend the law.— Hillsboro Independent.

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