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ROPER SAFEGUARDS should be thrown around those laws that the people have enacted in order to give them a direct control upon the legislation of the state. Any statute, no matter how wisely framed or carefully enacted, may be brought into abuse by some clique inimical to it and may be placed in the scrap heap by the conduct of those who are opposed to its essential features.

To cite a case in point: The other day Oregon City witnessed the sight of a gang of drunken hoodlums, opposed from the core to the prohibition iaw, returning from Portland in a high state of intoxication and making themselves generally conspicuous on the streets of the city with none other purpose than to attract attention. It is an admitted fact that the liquor they bought came from Portland but their efforts were directed to bring the prohibition in this city into disrepute and to spread the impression that, were the law to become effective, they would repeat the performance as often as they had the opportunity. None of these were friends of the statute. They were all its sworn enemies. They had planned, evidently to go into Portland and return on a late car as intoxicated as they could be and still manage to navigate, hoping, by the picture that they presented to bring the statute into disfavor among the people and to work up sentiment against the refusal of liquor licenses to the dealers should the supreme court decide the recent election illegal. A gentle dose of medicine that can be easily administered by the officers of the law and stringent enforcement of the statute against the transportation of intoxicated persons on common carriers would have a wholesome tendency to sober up such persons in a remarkably short space of time.

So it goes with those matters that affect the Initiative and the Referendum made this state a model in the country on popular legislation and who would rate that no human power could check. do, by fair means or foul, anything that they could to make the statutes ineffective and throw them into disuse.

But when organizations like the Lane County Pomona Grange come before the people with a proposition to prevent the very thing that these and attention given to the suggestions that they have to make.

The grange, in letters that have been sent through the state to various culator is a nuisance and that he frequently defeats the aim and object of the popular measures. It suggests that a fine and imprisonment measure be passed against this brand of pests and that drastic action be taken to prevent Senator Jonathan Bourne has the same idea when he suggests the same policy such cases as these force on us that conviction. to the national congress, and the grange, in this particular, endorses the program that Bourne has outlined.

But, to this, the grange adds other suggestions. It proposes a statute that would require the names of eight per cent of the registered voters of 50 per cent of the counties of the state before any initiative petition can become effective and a recognized factor in the hands of the people. It would also require that a petition asking that legislation be referred to the people and would have such steps taken that would result in the passage of a consti- of political crises. tutional amendment as well as a statute to make these suggestions effective.

of the people to suggest legislation and to demand its reference to the masses under control, will be the head of affairs in the nation. have shown that these provisions are wise. Not longer ago than our last petition could not know whether the signer was a registered voter or whether was punished "for the Lord loveth whomsoever He chasteneth," he had before signed several similar petitions to the same effect. In this way, there was probably much duplication and forgery of names and the petitions were brought en masse to the state officials, purporting to be an expression of opinion from a large number of the voters of the state. As a matter of fact, they were expressive of nothing more than the ambition of some clique to "put one over" for its own particular benefit.

Such safeguards as the grange suggests are well taken and would do a that had been apparent to the others several years before. great deal toward making the popular measures more effective instruments in the hands of the people.

HERE IS SOMETHING of the hero feft in a few of us in spite of the new woman and all of her declarations to the contrary. The heroic dash of Melvin Hagen back across the Canby trestle in the face of the rushing Shasta Limited to save his girl companion who had fallen between the ties in her effort to escape is one of the examples that every little while attracts attention and proves the slight trace that yet remains.

Under the stress of circumstances like those that Hagen faced on that night when he saw the train running down Miss Summerfield, one scarcely stops to think of consequences and sees but the straight path that he must follow to save a human life. The men who bravely went down to certain death on the Titanic nearly two years ago little thought of the yawning waters that were rapidly settling the vessel upon which they stood but their central thought was for the women who were helpless unless they could be safely stowed away in the remaining life boats and steered away from the ship before the surging waters could draw them into the vortex and take them toward the same fate.

On the night that the three crossed the Canby trestle and heard the

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the right of way and get all three to land on the other side. But when he saw time of the purchase believed the goods to be stolen. The court has held that one of the girls fall between the ties and had reached the safe end of the tres the theft was planned by the detectives on the job, that the mills knew that Park; \$10. tle with the other, the natural impulse for him was to at least attempt to get the theft would come off according to schedule, and that the property would her, too, out of the way of the train.

that girl was that little trace of the hero, the decreasing strain of chivalry that layman, that the dealer who believes such goods were stolen and who buys of Alder Crest; \$1. still remains in a few of us, at least, and that comes to the surface only in extremely critical times such as these. Possibly at no other period in his life cinched for the deal whether the matter were actually framed or not. has that strain been brought to the surface for there had been no other time in his life of such critical importance where his actions were the result of imand though but in his teens, Hagen proved himself a man. That inborn hero man's intention in such a case should have a great deal to do with the results ism that comes to the front at dangerous periods, that carries men into places that follow. from which their reason shrinks in fear, that makes them "rush in where angels fear to tread" was in the heart of that boy and was brought to light judged by the results that follow and they flop over on their backs to strictly of vir, tract of land in Holmes only when he was given a great danger to face when the true nature of the interpert a law in such a way that the officers cannot find our what avenue is man was fully exposed,

life boats spatter about like tooth picks on the surface of the ocean and never from another's possesson. flinched from the posts that they had taken. Bravely they kissed their wives Star line, failed in the trying times and attempted to get into those boats in the efficiency of the officers. which the women were placed and deserted the place of a man. If ever there

There were no icebergs standing guard over a sinking ship in Hagen's case. There were no women and children to be saved from the cold waters of a stormy ocean. There were no coveted places in the life boats that had to be given up to the helpless and no chance to stand on the slowly sinking rail and waive a goodbye at friends and relatives. But there came to Hagen an oppor tunity for the display of that real, native heroism that was inborn in him on placed n the Garden of Eden and the Maker gave unto him Eve. that lonely trestle out of Canby, with no watchers except the stars in the There are, in this state, many of those who still oppose those laws that have moonlit sky and the engineer in the cab of a train that was approaching at a

Hagen met the issues fairly like a man. Rushing down that track right in the path of a train that was travelling at the speed of a flier and straight into the jaws of death, he made a last frantic effort to save the life of a girl. That he did not succeed is certainly no fault of his. For her, he laid down on enemies would accomplish, their interest in legislation should be commended that trestle his own life that he might have easily saved. Driven by that heroic impulse, he went straighter to his death than the crow flies through the still air on a summer afternoon and it may be that he fully realized his danger as leaders in legislative activities, has taken the stand that the paid petition cir he sped down the track. It was abrave thing for an older man to do. It was a complete sacrifice of one human life in the frantic effort to save another.

In spite of the little unpleasant remarks that some of our suffragist friends have made, we still think that occasionally, under trying circumstances and

OOSEVELT IS LIKE Jim Jefferies; he can't "come back". Though the entire Republican party has spread that spirit of progressiveness that calls out of the rear ranks those who have stood for all of the advanced stops that the organization is now prepared to take and places in their hands the leadership of the party for the new few years.

In the effort to harmonize the party, new blood is needed. The old leadshould have, first, the names of five per cent of the registered voters of not ers, while they may remain the high councils, can never again have that conless than 50 per cent of the counties of the state. It would have no measure trolling direction that once was given to them by common consent and will initiated or referred that did not contain these proportions in the entire state not another time be called upon to pilot the ship through the stormy waters

Hereafter, new blood will dominate the councils of the party and fresh Experiences that this state has had since it placed the power in the hands minds, not imbued with that conservative spirit that has held so many leaders

This fact presents a new problem. Roosevelt is still strong throughout election there were on the streets of Portland men and women who went the country but he can never regain the power that he possessed over the about accosting every stranger and requesting his name to a petition about minds of the people when he launched his third party and broke the ranks of which the signer knew nothing and cared less. Too, the circulator of that the Republican organization. Even so, he was the whip by which the party

give them an idea of the workings of the mind of the masses. The party had

Today, the Republican party is controlled by new and fresh minds. New blood will circulate through its veins, new hands will be at the helm of state, In the councils of the party, fresh thoughts dominated by the spirit of progress and the realization of the real sentiment of the masses will be prevalent and the old spirit of Barnes, Penrose, Aldrich and others is dead in the organization. Borah, Hadley, Cummins, and men of that type are now to be stronger on the pulse of the masses will be those whose voices will be loudest in the direction of the party policies,

In connection, the party faces a problem as to the real leader who will have the dominate part to play in all of the matters that confront the organization. Hadley of Missouri has been suggested by that state. Had Roosevelt seen the outcome of the fight that he began through the country and had he been willing to compromise matters and save the party, Hadley would have been the nominee of the Republicans.

But Roosevelt would have none but Roosevelt. He thought that he alone could save the country from the grasp of the Republicans and that his voice was needed to awake the people from that slumber of security into which they had fallen. His only success was the defeat of the organization and the turning over of the affairs of the government to the hands of the democratic powers. Hadley is one of the country's most progressive spirits and his voice has always been heard on the side of the masses of the people,

The East is, for the first time in many years, short of available material ne men of the day are men of the West. There is Cummins of Iowa who has been mentioned but his advanced age and the waning strength at home will probably prevent him from taking an active part in the leadership of the party.

Borah of Idaho has been several times favorably mentioned. Though is state has but a small vote in the electoral college, he is in little worse conlition than many of those who have been named. He was dominent in the affairs of the national committee in Chicago and has been all along recognized as one of the strongest forces that the country has had. Borah is a progressive from first to last and his disagreement with some of the old organization leaders lead him to be somewhat alienated from the councils after the Chicago convention.

Others have been suggested but the main feature of the whole affair is he dominate spirit of progress that has taken a firm hold on the party and that has called out the new blood and given to fresh minds the control of the national machinery and the leading voice in the councils of the organization.

UR STATE SUPREME COURT has held that goods that are taken 50 acres in section 4 township 4 south, under a pre-arranged scheme with the officers are not properly stolen range 2 east of Willamette Meridian; if the owner of the property consents to the thefts that the purchaser

This may be a pretty bit of reasoning by the learned judges of our supreme bench but it does not make much of an appeal to the layman. Ninety sine men out of every hundred would think that the court had stretched the law somewhat or that it was sticking for a technical point when such a rul- of Willamette Meridian; \$3000. ing was made and that the common-sense view of the matter would have been evolved out of the dealer's intentions when he bought the goods.

Oregon City has had just such a case and the circuit court has followed south, range 1 east of Willamette Mer-

whistle of the train as it approached the outer end of the bridge, Hagen prob the rulings of the supreme court in the case. S. Hoffman was held for pur of Oregon Iron and Stoel company's first whistle of the train as it approached the outer end of the bridge, Hagen prob ably thought only of the chances that he had to safely pilot his party across chasing stolen goods and the evidence all goes to show that Hoffman at the be offered to the dealer. In the strict sense of the word, the goods were not tion of Clackannas county which was That natural impulse that carried him on the run across that trestle for stolen because the mills gave their consent to the theft. But, it seems to the conveyed to Ernest M. and Phebe Gar

It would hardly appear to the mind of the layman, not accustomed to the | 1. H. Burd et ux to George H. Caries labyrinths of technicalities that hedge in the law that the interpretation of the a tract of land in section 36 pulse rather than the rule of reason. It was a time that tried a man's soul language of the statute should be so strictly made by the court and that the Meridian; \$10.

In cases of murder, the courts hold that a man's intentions must be used by thieves after they had gained their illegitimate property. Unless the That there are not more heroes in the world is due to the fact that such police happen to be on the spot when a dealer buys stolen goods or unless they times as these do not often come in men's lives and the real nature of the man drop in just as such a sale is consumated, they would hardly be likely to appreis not fully shown. On that great ship that went down in the mid-Alantic, hend a man who was constantly in touch with thieves and who was the avenue there were more than 1600 men who stood on the rail and watched the little by which they rid themselves of such goods that have been improperly taken

The courts place the quietus on any scheme of the officers to get such a \$300. and sweethearts goodbye as the women were taken into the boats and the man and to determine whether or not he is connected with a gang of crooks men left behind. Only a few, like the cowardly vice president of the White that may be operating through that particular section of the state. They block \$100.

To the mind of the layman, this does not seem right or proper. It may was a time when the yellow streak that some men have comes to the surface be a bit of judicial reasoning but it does not make much of an appeal to the or the real heroism that is born in others is brought to light, it is under such man who is not acquainted with the ways in which courts argue and the lota 14 and 15, block 20, South Orego things that come out of judicial decisions.

> EARNED DOCTORS may talk and confer until the trump of Gabriel sound the calling home of the faithful and it will not change one intathe system of mating that has been in vogue ever since man was first

Every once in awhile reports come from the cities of the east where all of these learned scientists seem to thrive best among the smoking chimneys of large factories that some new scheme has been devised that will involve scientific mating and a resultant improvement of the race.

These doctors have studied many of the problems that arise from the mating of men and women of temperaments violently opposed to each other and they have seen the domestic unhappiness that such a marriage brings in its train. They have also seen the deformed, the halt, the blind who are largely the result of marriages unscientifically consumated, the huts of the poor that have the word "poverty" written on their walls in large capital letters. From these homes of the extremely poor have come some of our township 5 south, range I east of Will worst criminals, driven to crime because of poverty and the unconquerable demand for something to eat. The doctors have seen the conditions of the times and have believed that some method, aimed at the source, could put an them from circulating petitions that are not wanted by the people. Former in tight places "that try men's souls" there is still a little of the hero in us and to this problem and solve the difficulty that confronts all civilized nations ers to Hillsboro National Bank, 1948

> But when they suggest the proposition of scientifically mating men and women, they are as far off of the track as ever they were, and no nearer the solution of the puzzle than any of the laymen. It simply cannot be done.

> Since the first man and woman were placed in the Garden of Ederr together and the first home created under the boughs of the overhanging figtrees, there has been that spirit of romance that inspires the mating of the male and female, not only in the human but in every species of animal life.

> When the first signs of spring begin to make their appearance on the opening of the buds in the trees, the lengthening of the days, the increasing glow of the sun, the warming of the ground and the general indications of renewed life and activity among all of nature's forces, all of the learned doctors on earth cannot prevent the mating of men and women whom the little god Cupid, rather than the scientists, has brought together.

Science cannot solve the problem. It can simply seek to reduce the amount of unhappiness that comes out of it. There is a factor greater than gon City: \$10. science and one that, blind in its nature and determined in force, refuses Roake, lots 1 and 2, 3, 4 and 5 in block to be conquered by the prohibitions of medical men.

It is well that in this state we have a law that does something toward the reduction of the marital unhappiness. The statute that requires a medical examination for men is one that will have, in time, a wholesome effect | Williamette Meridian; \$10 The fact that the party was beaten at the last general election served but upon the marriages that are consumated. It is well that the bride, and that Philip L. Hammond, 16 acres in sec as a straw to indicate to the leaders the real sentiment of the country and to the man himself, should know whether or not there is a possible source of domestic unhappiness in his system before the final step is taken. Many of been in control of affairs for such a length of time that it is probable that the the unhappy marriages that finally find their way into the divorce courts of been in control of affairs for such a length or time that it is proposed that the unhappy marriages that this statute is designed leaders had grown away from a true appreciation of the people's sentiment on the country are brought about by the very things that this statute is designed the country are brought about by the very things that this statute is designed to the few John W. Loder and wife to C. G. matters of national import and were not able to detect the signs of restlessness to prevent. That measure is one step in advance. It is one of the few steps that science and medicine can take to alleviate the sufferings that are brought about after marriage.

> But the world of science will never be able to go far enough to say that enly men and women of perfectly fit physical condition should be allowed to marry, no matter how much more effective it may make the race or no matter how much healthier children may come of such marriages.

The conference did well in turning down such a proposition for it could in the councils than they have ever been before and the men whose fingers are never make its plans effective nor carry them through in any way that would contribute to the betterment of racial conditions,

Neither can science make the happy home. The majority of the chil dren who come into the world are healthy and perfectly able to start out ready to cope with the conditions they may meet. The minority of defectives a large minority but upon that fact cannot be built the contention that science should be allowed the management of the nuptials of the race. Only those temperaments that are congenial to each other and that are conducive to marital happiness can make proper homes and science would in ninety-nine cases out of one hundred make the step that would match men and women physically perfect and yet temperamentally unsuited.

Happy homes are more to this country than all of the scientifically perfect babies in the world for upon the home is the nation built. Cupid is a better match-maker than any scientist and in most cases would have better

county recorder Thursday, are as fol-

Arthur Mather et ux to Oregon California Railroad company, .873 acres in 11.16 acres in the Philander and Anna section 9, township 2 south, range 2 east of Williamette Meridian; \$600. Mrs. H. P. Herrington et vir to Ore gon California Railroad company .057 acres in secton 9, township 2 south range 2 east of Willamette Meridian.

T. L. Charman et al to G. M. and Lizzie McDowell, lots 3, 4, 5 and 6, block 8, South Oregon City: \$10, Bertha B. Davies et vir to Alfred Bertha B. Davies et vir to Alfred acres in the Philander and Anna Lee A. Spanger, 40 acres in section 4 D. L. C. in section 33 township 3 township 4 south, range 2 east of Will-

mette Meridian; \$1.

Francis M. Madden et ux to Louis Kadow, 54 acres in west 4 northeast 4 section 2 township 3 south, range 2 east of Williamette Meridian; \$4320. John R. Lewis et ux to John H. Griffiths et ux, 439,66 acres in section 3 and 4 township 4 south, range 2 east

D. L. C. in section 33 township

Heman A. Lee to Milo H Lee, 8.90 acres in section 33 township 3 south. range I east of Willamette Meridian;

Heman A. Lee to Oro M. Lee, 10.65 acres in Philander and Anna Lee D. L. C. in section 33 township 3 south, range I east of Willamette Meridian.

Heman A. Lee to Warren P. Lee, Lee D. L. C. section 33 township 3 south, range I east of Willamette Meridian; \$1. Heman A. Lee to Lorinda G. Gil-more lot 2, block 2, in the H. A. Lee's

addition to the city o fCanby; \$1. Heman A. Lee to Clarind aC. Hutchinson, lots 7, 8, 9, block 1,in Albert Lee's addition to the city of Canby. Heman A. Lee to Elsle M. Rider, 480

south, range I east of Willamette Meridian; \$1 Heman A. Lee to Lorinda L. Gilmore, 4.45 acres in the Philander and

Anna Lee D. L. C. in section 33 township 3 south, range 1 east of Willamette Meridian; \$1. Heman A. Lee to Addle E. Shull, 2.95 acres in the Philander and Anna

Lee D. L. C. in section 33 township 3 trouble at all. It needs no guarantee. south, range 1 east of Willamette Meridian; \$1.

Mathias Faciler to Josephine Facilia "A", all being in Milwauld

J. Holbrook et ux to Empire Is vestment company, Inc., a certain por

field by deed except lot 15, block ; Real estate transfers filed with the ounty recorder Friday, are as

south, range 4 cast of Willamett

H. P. Bush et ux, A. E. Borthwink et ux to Edna B. Cornellson, 1.45 acres in section 27 township 2 south, rang 7 east of Willamette Meridian, \$10.

tion to Oregon City; \$200. Peter Raber et ux to F. M. et ux, truct of land in William Holmes range 2 east of Willamette Meridian

M. L. Morris et ux, James Copland et ux, Robert S. Funk et ux, lien W. Henry W. Combs et ux to J. L. Combs ot ux, lots 10 and 11, block 7, Canby,

C. H. Dye to T. L. Charman, lota 14 and 15, block 20, South Oregon Cay N. Dickson et ux to Addie E. Os.

y, 1.25 acres in section 27, towning south, range 1 east of Willamen T. L. Charman et al to D. E. Jones,

Real estate transfers filed with the county recorder, Saturday are as fol-A. O. Woldet ux to Miranda Wold, acres in the W. T. Matlock D. L.

C., No. 644: \$1. Protacu, lots A. B. C. and D. block 5, Williamette and Tusiatin Tracts, con-

Miranda Wold to A. O. Wold et ux, 617 acres in W. T. Matlock D. L. C No. 644; \$1. Clauda S. Harris et ux, William W.

Clackamas Riverside, \$16 John H. Steuve to Ernest L. Steuve, one-eighth interest in 40 acres in north & southeast & of section' 5 township oth, range I east of Williamstte Meridian: \$1800 William H. Stueve to August C

west ¼ souheast ¼ in section smette Meridian; \$180 The following real estate transfers

date; lots 11 and 12, in block 69, fre lugton Park; and 40 acres in section south of R. 6 east of Willam ette Meridian: 11. Rudolf Netzel and wife to Joel Jath right of way in section 10, township south of range 2 east of Willamette

Meridian: 11. William Buchett Roberts and wife to Ida Pearl Jarl, 89 acres in sec township 2 south of range 6 cast Willamette Meridian; \$1.

Empire Investment company to Hoffert, lot 18, in block 2, of Alder rest Acres; \$500. D. W. James and wife to J. R. Hanny, deed to correct an error in

lot 1, in block 68, of Oregon City: \$500 ford and wife, lot 5, in block 116, Ore

9, of Bolton: \$10. B. F. Pend and wife to Joseph W. Pond, 80 acres in section 17 and 1s, township 4 south of range 3 cast of

Anna Bruckman and husband to township 2 south of range 2 east of Willamette meridjan: \$1 Philip L. Hammond to Anna Bruck

man and husband, 16 acres in sections 4 and 5, township 2 south of range 2 Rice and A. M. Welch, 40 acres in se tion 9, township 4 south of range east of Willamette Meridian; \$16.

CLACKAMAS ABSTRACT & TRUST COMPANY. Land Titles Examined. Abstracts of Title Made. Office over Bank of Oregon City.

FORUM OF THE PEOPLE

OREGON CITY, Jan. 12 .- (To the Editor of the Enterprise)-It seems to me to be right and proper for the board of water commissioners to ask for the resignation of W. H. Howell at superintendent of the water works at Oregon City. In justice to himself and his friends, he ought to tender his resignation for he surely knows that the people are dissatisfied and discouraged and have lost all faith in him or the filter plant.

Now, surely, the only way to change this sentiment and restore confidence in our water supply is for him to step down and out. Then the board could appoint a competent man in his place would recommend for their consideration C. W. Bagby of this city who is peculiarly fitted for the position by his knowledge of the construction and operation of the filter plant here. He was construction engineer for the lewell filtration company at burg, Wash., and Eugene and McMinn-ville, Ore. This experience makes him the more valuable to the city and eing also a mechanic and machinist trades that go hand in hand with that position, he would be something that the city has never had at the plant only when Howell hired him or other machinist from Portland for few days at a time. And above all he is a conscientious, sober, industrious man with the keen perception close application to the work at hand Whether it be building a house or filter plant, he is always on the jo-Respectfully,

J. D. RENNER,

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Herman A. Lee to Elvira A. Ewing, 1.72 acres in Philander and Anna Lee

Heman A. Lee to Ora M. Lee, trustee, 1.98 acres in the Philander and troubles quickly helped by its use. You ship 3 south, range 1 east of Willam- all times for all the members of the Discovery will relieve the most of Oregon iron and Steel company to Donald James, lot 9, block 16, of the delphia or St. Louis. (Adv.)