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WEAK INSURANCE COMPANIES SCORED

SALEM, Or., June 25.—In his annual report, which will soon be off the press, State Insurance Commissioner J. W. Ferguson calls attention to the extent the people of Oregon are being induced to invest in questionable schemes of promoting local insurance companies. His report says: "The constant stream of inquiries reaching the department relative to new insurance companies being promoted, and the financial responsibility of others recently organized, would indicate the importance of supervision of such promotion schemes by some competent official with authority to regulate their methods and expenses. The same reasons which led the state to examine and determine the reliability of the companies furnishing insurance to its people would apply with even greater force to such promotions. "Our people are being induced to invest their money in the stock of proposed insurance companies under the guise of promoting home institutions. The methods of the stock salesman are not above criticism, and the citizen without any means of informing himself as to the reliability of the promoters or the concern they are promoting falls to the allurements of the fabulous dividends the new company is to pay. "It is perhaps useless to say the 'promoters' have the only 'sure thing' and draw their dividends while the stockholder is putting up the funds for the new company which promises to revolutionize the business. The people of this and other states have, in recent years, lost more money through purchase of stock in these insurance 'gold mines' than through buying policies in unreliable insurance companies. One such proposed company of this state has been three years in process of incubation. When this concern was examined by a representative of this department a year ago, about 37 per cent of the money collected from sale of its stock had been expended in promotion expenses. "Should this campaign of promotion schemers be permitted to continue in this state? The superintendent of insurance of the State of New York suggests that 'evil or extravagant insurance plans are caught best when caught young.'"

WHERE HOGS HELP HARVEST

The shrewd farmer is finding more than one way in which to meet the crying need for more help. One of the most profitable methods is to grow cowpeas and let the hogs do their own waiting on table. Cowpeas may be seeded in the corn at the last cultivation or the may be put in the row when the corn is planted. In the first case, they are best drilled in with a one-horse drill at the rate of two or three pecks per acre when the corn is laid by. To be sure of a stand it is best to lay by the corn a few days earlier than usual. They may be broadcasted and plowed in, but this method is not so sure of securing a stand as is the method of drilling them. Where planted in the row the best plan is to use a special cowpea planting attachment on the corn planter. These attachments are now on the market. In this case six quarts of peas should be used. The difficulty in putting peas in the row, writes an expert in Farm and Home, is that corn is usually planted about two weeks before it is entirely safe to sow peas. This plan is very commonly practiced however. Peas planted in this way will make more seed than where they are sown at the last cultivation and are especially valuable for hog pasture. Many men find it very profitable to hog down both corn and peas. The New Era or Whippoorwill varieties may be used where they are to be hogged down, or a vining variety which will twine about the stalks may be used and both and peas cut with a corn binder.

BRYAN LOSES SKIRMISH, BUT HE IS STILL FACTOR

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joining with his party. He said he had been more anxious for harmony than for the opportunity to address the convention. "In the discussion before the subcommittee the friends of Mr. Clark and Mr. Wilson were unable to agree on a candidate," he went on. "But every man of good character and good intent is worthy to sound the keynote of a progressive convention." Cries of "Oh!" rang through the hall. "We have a great many Democrats who vote the tickets but are not in sympathy with the purposes of the party." Bryan said he spoke for Parker in 1904 but was not in sympathy with the candidate or the men who stood behind his nomination. Again there came an interruption and cries of "Parker!" "And I assume that no friend of Judge Parker will contend that he was satisfied in 1908 with all the candidates or all the plans and purposes of our platform. This is no time for a campaign of pleasant words and sweet phrases. "We are writing history today," continued Bryan, "and this convention is to announce to the country whether it is to take up the challenge thrown down at Chicago by a convention controlled by predatory wealth or answer it by ourselves submitting to predatory wealth and give the country no party." Applause again interrupted him.

represent the militant spirit of Democracy?" Chairman Mack pounded loudly for order and got it. "When I now contrast," continued Bryan when quiet was secured, "the candidate presented by the committee I can do it without impeaching his character or his good intent. But not every man of good character and good intent is worthy to sound the keynote of a progressive convention."

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HARRY SCHOENBORN GIVES ENTERTAINMENT

A party given at the home of Harry Schoenborn at Carus Saturday evening was devoted to games, and a most enjoyable time was had. The host was assisted in entertaining his guests by his sister, Miss Elsi Schoenborn. Refreshments were served during the evening. Present were Miss Gladys Snodgrass, Miss Inez Snodgrass, Miss Alice Walker, Miss Susie Gordie, Miss Reda Gordie, Miss Pearl Schloberg, Miss Nellie Moehnk, Miss Elsie Schoenborn, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones, Mr. and Mrs. O. Dix, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Jones, Harvey Schuebel, Robert Snodgrass, Alex Walker, Sid Smith, Philip Hult, Mr. Schringin, Ito Lyman, George and Max Holman, Roland Edwards, William Herman, Bill Davis, Richard Davis, Mr. Fisher, Johnny Davis, Mr. Lambers, Harry Schoenborn.

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HENEY CONFERS WITH W. J. BRYAN

BALTIMORE, June 25.—Francis J. Heney, of California, one of Colonel Roosevelt's fighting lieutenants in the Republican National convention, and Charles R. Crane, of Chicago, who helped to finance the Roosevelt campaign for the Republican nomination, were in consultation for three-quarters of an hour tonight with William Jennings Bryan, of Nebraska. Heney and Crane reached Mr. Bryan's apartments by a private elevator and were gone again before their visit became generally known. No one could be found tonight who would discuss the incident. In connection with the Heney-Crane visit tonight it was learned that two representatives of the Outlook, one of them Carl Howland, who has been close to Colonel Roosevelt since his return from Africa two years ago, were in town. Both put up at one of the headquarters hotels. They were anxious regarding the possibility of a progressive-conservative fight in the convention.

Oblivion. Tommy—Pop, what is oblivion? Pop—Getting married to a famous woman, my son.

ANGELS WHITEWASH LOWLY PORTLANDERS

LOS ANGELES, June 25, (Special.)—Los Angeles made Portland's hold on last place secure today. The score was 3 to 0. The Angles made one in the first and 2 in the second. Steiger allowed 9 hits and Slagle 5. The results Tuesday follow. At Los Angeles—Los Angeles 3, Portland 0. At San Francisco—Oakland 6, San Francisco 2. At Sacramento—Sacramento 6, Vernon 1. Pacific Coast League Standings W. L. P. C. Vernon 47 31 .603 Oakland 44 33 .571 Los Angeles 43 33 .566 Sacramento 32 42 .432 San Francisco 32 45 .416 Portland 28 42 .400 National League Cincinnati 8-3, Chicago 11-1. Pittsburgh 10-9, St. Louis 4-3. New York 2, Philadelphia 1. Brooklyn 7, Boston 1. American League St. Louis 7, Chicago 2. Cleveland 7, Detroit 5.

Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

WOLF FANGS. Ever read "White Fang," Jack London's companion story to his "Call of the Wild"? The latter story, you will remember, shows how a dog gently reared, having been stolen from the Klondike sledge trail and most cruelly treated, escaped to the wolves and became as savage as they. White Fang shows the opposite—the force of kindness and good surroundings. Briefly, this is the tale: White Fang is part wolf. He fights from mere inherent love of fighting and is savagely cruel. He falls into the hands of Weeden Scott, a master whose kindness to the vicious brute seems thrown away. Scott persists in his steady gentleness and finally finds the one soft spot under the hide of the little beast. The discovery is made thus: The master leaves the wolf dog for a few days. Although hitherto White Fang never has responded to Scott's kindness, when the latter leaves the dog pines and refuses to eat. What is more significant, he refuses to fight.

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