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CONTROL.

The Democratic platform of 1912 is a poor old tattered remnant with none so poor as to do it reverence. Even the Jackson Club of Portland—an organization with its eye to the present and to the past—has repudiated it. Else how can the action of that eminent organization in endorsing the Ferris bill be interpreted?

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SEAMEN'S LAW FINDS DEFENDER. A defense of the seamen's law from the criticisms of ship-owners is made by Peter B. Kyne in the Saturday Evening Post, but he admits that many of the practices which it forbids have already been abandoned.

His explanation of the Pacific Mail sale is that the Panama Canal has diverted much of the traffic which the Southern Pacific formerly hauled across continents to trans-Pacific steamers, and that the law excludes the Pacific Mail's coast liners from the Panama Canal.

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Mr. Kyne is the object of criticism by ship-owners but those of the Pacific Coast raise no objection to them. They are willing to see imprisonment for desertion abolished, flogging forbidden and punished, miserably masters compelled to feed men well, advances to seamen, whereby crimps live, forbidden. They do, however, object, when Mr. Furuseth creates the impression that inhuman practices which have long since been abandoned by the great majority of ship-owners are still common.

OLD-FASHIONED DR. HIBBEN. Dr. John Grler Hibben, president of Princeton University, has placed his finger upon what he considers the greatest defect of the undergraduate of today. Procrastination is the curse of the modern schoolroom, says he, adding that the student is aided in this error by the teacher, who is inclined to pander to his laziness by helping him out of his difficulties.

Dr. Hibben really amazes us by such utterances. We might have expected such statements from a teacher of past generations, but surely he doesn't expect any of us to be an old-fashioned student as to agree with him. Why, to put the student of today on his own mettle would be to subject him to a barbarism which our fathers were compelled to suffer, but which we seem to have forgotten.

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proposed to condemn the water lines. They are denied a square deal. An example of this purpose is the report of Colonel Herbert Deakneye against continuing the project for a six-foot channel in the Missouri River from Kansas City to the mouth, on the ground, as the Kansas City Star expresses it, that "the river improvement isn't worth the cost." The Star continues:

The old railroad vendetta against river competition is to be renewed, for the Star says: The railroads have admitted in recent hearings before the Interstate Commerce Commission that they were seriously considering meeting the low rate of the boat line from Kansas City to St. Louis.

Bryan Haywood, "the alfalfa meekling," is quoted as saying that the West will have to eat its alfalfa if it is not saved. The Northwest may not have to eat its wheat and fruit if the improvement of the Columbia River is not continued, but it will get less for them and will have a more restricted market for its surplus products.

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Twenty-Five Years Ago. From The Oregonian of September 25, 1890. New York, Sept. 24.—The arrival of the first complete fruit train from California to come east of Chicago has caused much comment. Long notices are in the afternoon papers, coupled with stories of big prices already received throughout the season for California fruit.

Sydney, N. S. W., Sept. 24.—The labor congress finished work today, after deciding to make a final appeal to employers to hold a conference with the men. The congress adhered to the decision to call out the employees of the wool trade. It is doubtful, however, if the men will respond.

AT THE ROUNDUP. Yes! I'm one of a gay bunch of cowboys That belongs to the Bar X ranch. And we'll give you the West Jack At the Pendleton Roundup and dance. Myself having once been a "Short-Horn."

SWISS CHEATERS PAY BIG PENALTY. Public Looks With Bitter Disapproval on Exposed Weight Shaver. MORTIMER ANGEL, Sept. 21. (To the Editor.)—Twelve per cent of his income in this city have been found incorrect.—Morning Oregonian, September 20, 1915.

Our broncos? Well they are some horse-flesh! We're all proud of 'Royal Prince' Hal! Well, I'll see you again. Thanks, I hope I will win; 'Let her buck'—is our motto—old Pal. VIRGINIA DRAKE.

AMERICAN MEN MAKE NEW RECORD.—Now comes an expert on the subject of men's clothes and declares that American men are better dressed than their European cousins. In tomorrow's paper this student of the sartorial art will present a review of his observations, together with photographs calculated to prove his point.

AMERICA HAS MANY WOMEN FARMERS.—Did you ever know that there are in the United States more than 800,000 women who actually are engaged in the occupation of tilling the soil. This is a fact and tomorrow's paper will explain where these women work and how, and will tell something of the results attending their efforts.

SUNDAY MOVIE PAGE.—The Oregonian continues to offer its page of moving picture news to its Sunday readers. This page will be up to the minute tomorrow, with a picture of one of the newest film stars, gossip of the players and a lot of answers to questions from the movie fans.

OTHER SUNDAY DEPARTMENTS.—The regular Sunday features will be more prominent than ever, including Donahey's page of drawings and fairy stories for the children, the sporting section, several pages of dramatic and local moving picture news, real estate, automobiles, society and the activities of women.

HANDSOME COVER PAGE.—As this is the season when the dahlia blooms in its greatest glory, The Oregonian will offer tomorrow a cover page in colors, illustrating the profusion of this attractive flower, which has been declared the rival of the rose.

MAKING CAPITAL OF PATRIOTISM. Mawkish Devotion to National Spirit Prompted in Theaters Resented. PORTLAND, Sept. 25.—(To the Editor.)—In the name of sanity I appeal to the Oregonian for a few lines of re-education in its correspondence columns.

Now, I too, am an American with a true and real devotion to the principles and traditions dear to every American heart, but I protest against the mawkish sentimentality connected with the rendering of our National anthem.

FARMER RESENTS HUE AND CRY. "Laborer" Who Won't Work on Farm Gets No Sympathy in One Quarter. PORTLAND, Sept. 23.—(To the Editor.)—I think it is the poor laboring man to give us a real ear.

PORTLAND, Sept. 23.—(To the Editor.)—It is unlawful to make wine or distilled alcoholic liquors for your own consumption in the United States. A SUBSCRIBER.

Hali a Century Ago. From The Oregonian of September 25, 1845. Washington, Sept. 21.—Judge James Steel, acting clerk of the Indian Bureau, leaves tomorrow to attend a council of Indian tribes now on the Platte River, to be held October 4.

Washington, Sept. 22.—The Government today is in receipt of voluminous despatches from our Consul at Smyrna, Port Mahon and Barcelona, giving reports to observe the view of the cholera in various parts of Europe.

Question of Dual Allegiance. PORTLAND, Sept. 23.—(To the Editor.)—Will you please advise me through The Oregonian if in the constitution of the Austro-Hungarian empire, Dr. Dumba, that all residents of the United States, born in Austro-Hungary, and their immediate descendants, born in the United States, are still subjects of Austro-Hungary.

Series of Remarkable Crimes. Reported in The Sunday Oregonian. Recent history does not record another such remarkable series of murders and robberies among persons of great wealth as those which have occurred in the Eastern part of the United States since the beginning of the present month.

WAR PROPHESED IN PAINTINGS.—In some of the famous Parisian art galleries are paintings and mural decorations which bear almost uncanny prophecies regarding the present war. Many of these works of art were produced as early as a century ago.

SKETCHES FROM LIFE.—The artist Temple will present three of his inimitable drawings to The Oregonian readers tomorrow. As the title indicates, his subjects are drawn from real life.

DON'T MAKE FACES.—In her regular page of advice to the women readers of The Sunday Oregonian Lillian Russell points out the errors of twisting the face into unnatural positions through force of habit.

CHILDREN HAVE HALF PAGE.—Another half page will be devoted tomorrow to the entertainment of the children. It will be filled with bright stories, pictures, jokes, puzzles, poems and other features of interest to the little folks.

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