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AN APOSTLE OF AMERICANISM.

In these days of hyphenated Americanism it is refreshing to recall the genuine Americanism of a German-born citizen, as has David Edward Finley, Jr.

ILLNESS AND DISCONTENT.

It has been charged that some of our pretty philosophies concerning the joys of labor are inspired by a capitalistic class, yet the ancient axioms and mottoes of human conduct which have been doing service since the days of papyrus continue to find proof in frequent occurrences of contemporary events.

BEAUTIES THAT PASS.

There is a popular movement in San Francisco to preserve part of the exposition. The announcement has a familiar ring to it.

Let's combat the assaults of time for several decades. It seems fitting that the present should leave some such exquisite creation to the future, even though the very inspiration for the building has been borrowed from the distant past.

BRYAN SEES ONE TRUTH.

Mr Bryan has no delusions about the meaning of the recent election. In the Commager he says:

They indicate that the Progressives have been identified with the party that the Democrats can no longer hope to win by division in the ranks of the opposition.

In another article in the same issue he quotes with approval a statement of Chairman Murdoch, of the Progressive National Committee, that there are at least 2,000,000 Bull Mooseers who will not swallow anything Penrose et al may hand out via the Republican National Convention.

Not only 2,000,000 Bull Mooseers but as many Republicans who stood by their party in '12 would not swallow anything Penrose et al may hand out. The two elements combined will suffice to control the Republican convention.

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Resolved, That we join with other organizations and forces of the City of Portland in protesting against the proposed extension of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway Company to put in full force the rate reduction.

With the aid of Mr. Bryan the Democratic platform of 1912 has already been reduced to a pile of old lumber, adoption of closure is impossible and the Administration's "excellent record on economic questions" consists of growing deficit and industries which have been rescued from depression by nothing short of universal war.

The programme of the Administration for the coming session of Congress gives no promise of an intention to carry out what remains of the platform.

Of the important points, National defense and ship purchase, which were not in the platform, will crowd all other measures into the background.

Secretary McAdoo's scheme to increase revenue has the merit of not touching the pockets of the many whose incomes are less than \$2000 a year.

If the Russian Winter can prevent armen from reconsidering, the Russians may succeed in springing a surprise on the Germans, but surely efficiency will find means of keeping men warm at high altitudes.

The gila monsters show themselves inferior in adaptability to newspaper men. The latter can change from night to day work by skipping a sleep.

What fictionist could frame a more interesting plot than that of Miss Roberts, who goes to meet brother and sisters whom she has never seen and of whose existence she has just learned?

Nebraska Republicans are dispensing favors with a free hand by giving almost everybody the glory of a place on the primary ticket.

Montenegro was peopled by all that were unconquered by the Serbians after the battle of Kosovo. It now may be the refuge of all that are not killed or captured by the Teutons.

If Coxy were elected Senator, his first act would be to introduce a bill ordering the "keep off the grass" signs from the Capitol lawn.

Steady economic pressure on Villa has taken the form of exclusion of even a sardine from the territory which he controls.

Eight million dollars a month is held to be the cost of the army of Belgium held by Germany, all cash and no grumblings.

Excessive speed and tremendous activity are necessary if you would see the big fair before the lights go out.

Warden Sims, of the Arizona Penitentiary, thinks he is a bigger man than officials of state and courts.

Henry Ford might fill the hold with supplies more substantial than peace tracts for the starving Europeans.

Governor Withycombe and many other executives decline to sail on the S. S. Buttinski of the Ford line.

Sale of white pine timber on Priest River proves the buyer's confidence in revival of the lumber industry.

Missionaries are reported as leaving for Turkey, but you do not hear of any turkeys left for missionaries.

If the men folk who want to eat ducks had to pick them they would not be so hungry for duck.

Popular opinion that the tornado is a warm-weather incident is shaken by the big wind in Arkansas.

The Ford peace delegates will have time to settle their disputes before the steamship reaches shore.

Oregon Poetry

A DAY ON COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY.

When your soul is its longings for beauty would revel In colors more gorgeous than man can portray The finger of God in his own grand perspective 'Has planned it for you on Columbia's highway.

The roseate hues of the day's early twilight glow, Are falling on river, on fern and on thorn; While the dews of the night slowly lift from their morning.

The joy of the ocean lends a new inspiration. Urges you on o'er the smooth, level road; Over beautiful bridges spanning the wide, Adorned with the lavishness nature bestows.

Kind memories of Lancaster, Benson and Keon And all who have labored on "Columbia Highway." Here's to the highway! The grandest old highway That ever was fashioned under the sun.

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HOW ABOUT IT?

When all has been done that reformers now plan To liberate, elevate, man, Where freedom is everywhere, everywhere, schools, Then what shall be done on behalf of the fools?

The fools who would rather be drugged than boss? The fools who tell the pure gold from mere dross? The fools who for nothing expect to get more? The fools who go forth to be slaughtered in war?

Lone, long years ago, education had been tried And ideas of freedom are old on the earth; Why is it mankind is still far from the goals?

They furnish material for the fake "ada," They furnish the reason of cults and fads, And, far worse, the despair of Democracy's cause; Do you hope to change such a condition by laws?

Here's a watch that is alling inside—in its works It is wrong in its movements—has spaces and jerks, And yet cannot tell time by consulting its face; Can I cure it by giving the watch a new case?

If environment makes and preserves matters well, How was it that Adam and Eve ever fell? You may say it's a fable—that story of sin, Never mind, there's a moral: All evil's within.

Then reform and abolish, pile law upon law, And civilize earth to its uttermost shore, Things will never be right—no, not under the skies, Until all the fools have been taught to be wise.

P. P. WILLIAMS, La Grande, Or.

OUR HYMN OF PRAISE.

(With apologies to that sweet singer of songs, Lucy Larcom.) For our state and all its plenty: For its soil, its mines, its trees; For its rivers flowing swiftly, Outward to the Western seas; For the grandeur of its mountains, Where in faith our souls have trod; For the beauty of its valleys, We thank thee, O, my God!

For the glory of its sunsets; For its many mountain tops; For the paths of its valleys, And its bounteous crops; For its vast uncultured acres, Where sweet roses bloom and nod, Future homes of countless thousands, We thank thee, O, my God.

—Horace William MacNeal.

Law as to Divorce.

GOBLE, Or, Nov. 25.—(To the Editor.)—(1) It is possible for a person to be divorced by going to a judge instead of getting a lawyer, if both parties are agreeable, defendant being in Washington.

Let Us Hear From Wife. PORTLAND, Nov. 25.—(To the Editor.)—The man with the ideal wife has told us how she enters his mind and makes him generally happy.

Twenty-five Years Ago.

From The Oregonian of November 27, 1890. Philadelphia, Nov. 25.—John G. R. McElroy, professor of rhetoric and languages at the University of Pennsylvania, died here today of consumption.

A merry Thanksgiving party left the city last evening to spend the holiday at the Hawthorne farm near Hillsboro. Included in the party were the Messrs. Hawthorne, Miss Mary Hansen, Miss Mary Stout, W. C. Boise, Phil Eastwick and F. A. Hosack, of Vancouver. The members of the party expect to return tomorrow morning.

Some time ago Mrs. Barchus, the well-known New York artist, left this city for New York, taking with her a splendid painting that she wished placed on exhibition at the Academy of Fine Arts in New York.

Surveys for expression must surely despair; Now you learn why 'tis true that "allegiance is golden." For, you'll thought with God's can never compare.

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Half Century Ago.

From The Oregonian of November 27, 1890. Minnesota raises 10,000,000 bushels of wheat this year, and will have 8,000,000 bushels to sell. She will also have \$2,000,000 worth of oats to sell.

New York.—The Herald's Millidgeville dispatch says that the new constitution of Georgia, concocted by the state convention, was adopted as a whole November 6. As it was adopted the state debt contracted to aid the rebellion was repudiated.

Chicago, Nov. 20.—The pirate Shenandoah has arrived at Liverpool, and was surrendered to the British government with her captain and crew.

There will be a meeting of the Mechanics' Institute Association tomorrow evening at the Council chamber for the transaction of business pertaining to the organization. A vote will be taken for the purpose of dissolving the constitution, to reduce initiation fees and membership dues.

Dispatches from San Francisco yesterday reported that the steamship Pacific sailing for Portland Friday last, in place of the steamship Oregon, will be held up, we presume, as is ordinary.

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Where Christmas Toys Are Made In The Sunday Oregonian

Now that the war has shut off intercourse with many parts of Europe and at the same time turned the attention of European manufacturers out of their ordinary channels, the people of America have been forced to depend upon themselves for their Christmas toys.

A BANKER WHO IS A NOTED HUNTER.—As a usual thing the average New York banker is too busy to give any attention to anything but banking. But there is one man on Wall street who, were he not a banker, would have just claim to distinction on his record as either a big game hunter or as a writer.

KEANAN ON GOLF.—John J. Keenan, the well-known authority on golf, presents another story on this popular pastime tomorrow. Mr. Keenan discusses the merit of qualifying golf tournaments and reaches the conclusion that they are all wrong.

ANOTHER WALLINGFORD TRIUMPH.—George Randolph Chester never produced a more entertaining Wallingford story than that which will appear in The Oregonian tomorrow. This tale presents Wallingford in a new angle, but he is none the less able to separate unscrupulous possessors of great wealth from their bank rolls.

ELECTRIFYING THE STEAM LINES.—Did you ever know that one of the big transcontinental railroads is preparing to substitute electricity for steam on the entire western end of the system? Did you know that the substitution already has been made on more than 400 miles of main line across the most difficult portion of the line? Tomorrow's paper will tell how and why it was done.

FUN FOR THE CHILDREN.—As usual, the Sunday issue will be replete with departments intended to interest the little folks. In the first place there will be a half page of short stories, jokes, puzzles, conundrums and pictures. Then there will be the comic section, offering Polly and her Pa in one of their funniest capers, as well as the other comic section characters in interesting roles. A full page of Donahy's fairy tales will add to the delight of the children.

TEMPLE'S SKETCHES.—Three complete short stories from real life are contained in three black-and-white sketches drawn for the Sunday paper by Temple, the artist.

FUTURIST ART DISCUSSED.—A writer, who is versed on the subject, will discuss in tomorrow's Oregonian the futurist type of art and other forms of radical expression among artists that have caused a furor of comment in the last few years.

MOVING-PICTURE NEWS.—Complete information on the latest developments in the moving-picture world will be contained in the several pages devoted to the silent drama. Local news and news of general interest will be offered.

OLD REPUBLICAN CLUB.—All Portlanders, excepting the newer residents, remember the Multitorp Republican Club that flourished here about 20 years ago. Everybody here knows men who were active in its affairs. The Oregonian tomorrow will print pictures of its members at the time the club was in its prime and tell what they are now doing.

USUAL SUNDAY ATTRACTIONS.—Other big departments of the Sunday paper will include several pages devoted to sports, the drama, society, automobiles, real estate, music, churches, schools, women's affairs and other activities in which Portland people are engaged.