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PREPARING FOR THE SACRIFICE.

The Oregonian reprints this letter from a bad-tempered critic, out of its own great good nature, and out of a desire to emphasize a plain statement it made the other day about the probable outcome of the coming gubernatorial election in Oregon.

UP WITH THE WHITE FLAG!

President Wilson was so overwhelmed with dismay at the gloomy outlook for our foreign policies that he went in person to Congress on March 7, 1914, and read a message demanding withdrawal of the free tolls concession to American vessels at the Panama Canal.

SETTING OR SITTING?

A despairing reader writes to The Oregonian asking if it will settle the harrowing and time-worn dispute between the advocates of the sitting hen and the setting hen.

THE NEW OREGON.

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MAULING THE KING'S DIVINITY.

The divinity that "doth hedge a King" has been badly mauled by the latest suffragette onslaughts. Custom built when an English King enters all shall rise and remain standing until he is seated.

FOREIGN TRADE AND LABOR.

The alarm was sounded by James J. Hill as to the possibility of exposing our foreign trade, when he spoke at the recent Foreign Trade Convention.

INTERSTATE TRADE IN LABOR.

The experience of Portland and many other cities has shown that the most pressing problems with which the American people have to deal is that of unemployment.

for the most part conducted by women, have been nourished, if not created, by the automobile. The traffic arising from this expensive toy is already considerable and its promise is large.

Much of this idleness is due to lack of opportunity to bring man and job together. New York may be supported a bread line while the Western farmers call for harvest hands.

The laborer would receive no wages as such, but the value of his labor would be capitalized and he would receive dividends on his capitalized value at the same rate as the employer.

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SOCIETY OF THE CINCINNATI

Once Regarded as Attempt to Organize a Hereditary Aristocracy. The most interesting thing about the Society of the Cincinnati, at this time, is the fact that it never proved to be the nucleus of an American nobility.

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GLEAMS THROUGH THE MIST By Dean Collins. THE MISPLACED MAX. While seated at his desk, A fishing for a word, I saw a melancholy man, Who twanged such a string, And sang while he twanged down, The river's broad expanse: 'This is a weary, weedy town, Where no man has a chance.'

I hopped into the flowing stream And floated to his side, 'Why do you thus lament and wail, And yell and wail?' I cried, He sighed and gave a gloomy frown, Then groaned, with doleful gleam: 'This is a weary, weedy town Where no man has a chance.'

I picked a limpet from a pile And bowed it on his head, 'Why do you thus refuse to smile, That knock the town?' I said, He cried: 'I build, from granite boulders, Fine monuments, to enhance Men's fortunes while he twanged down, Where no man has a chance.'

'How so?' I said, 'Because,' said he, In accents deep and gruff, 'Men have an sympathy for me— They do not like a wealthy town, And I will have a wealthy town, My ruin comes in advance. This is a weary, weedy town Where no man has a chance.'

I padded through a passing swell And floated to his side, 'There is no need for you to yell, You're simply out of place, Float on, and wail, and let the tide, For you are simply out of place, My seaweed garden you may hide, Where lots of dead ones are.'

I clambered out upon the bank And watched his final wail, Amid the rushing water's roar, And then he vanished from my sight, Then through the humming town I went, As twilight settled down, 'There may be no place for him, But there's no place for him.'

'Sir,' said the Courteous Office Boy, And I jumped guiltily, for I knew that he had been reading over my shoulder, 'Sir,' he repeated, 'is that poem going to be in the paper?' 'Yes, my son,' I revamped, 'If I can get away with it.'

'Then I don't see why you can't see this without a back-log of feet,' said the C. O. B. 'A man stepped onto a weighing machine and dropped a lead slug into the slot—and then he stole a weigh—'

'I grant, my son,' I interposed, 'that my puns are even more idiotic than your jest, yet I must insist that you keep out of the Crawford editor's wastebasket in the future.' And I locked him up in the sporting editor's roll-top desk while I finished my column.

Salem Thought. This is the graduation month. For which makes me deeply fret, For with the touch of graduation They're turning out in all the states— Oh, what a doing of return! This year I have no grudge against graduates nor their well-known habits of revisiting the Established Order in their graduation orations. This Salem thought is injected into this otherwise frivolous column solely for the purpose of proving to Gen. Pub. that I have not overlooked the fact that June is the academically open season for A. B.'s and Sweet Girl Graduates. The old traditions of joke building must be upheld, and when it comes to staunchness in upholding them, this column shall fly from its firm base as soon as I.

Educational Uplift. Sir—Regarding the movement to establish a course in elementary piracy in Portland's public schools, I wish to go on record as opposed to it. Why waste taxpayers' money to equip a vast institution merely to teach our children what many of them are already picking up in a practical way? If you don't agree with me, I would refer you to a 3-year-old cherub who sold me a pair of wild blackberries the other day. The pal pressed on investigation and caught a handful of public school manquering under a thick cloak of blackberries. Yours Truly, CONSTANT READER.

If Bahadurism Tagore Were in Portland. Ah, Love, I watch the streamers Hailing at Broadway till the traffic ceases, Too-tote for them to ramble on their way, For Love, I know that it is up to me, Far away on the blue ridge of the Pen-Insula.

Forty-five minutes, yes, twenty-seven hundred (2700) crusty seconds, Lie between me and home-cooked grub, Deep, dark and cold, as on their way, For Love, I know that it is up to me, Far away on the blue ridge of the Pen-Insula.

Apprentice History. 42,000 B. C.—Aldermen of Antedotia divided on the question of whether Dipiodici shall be permitted to run at large on the streets, without muzzles. 489 B. C.—Socrates born; later assisted local physicians of Athens in experimentation on the faculty of hemlock in large doses.

181 B. C.—First candidates for consul got out of their campaign literature in Rome, under the new system of direct legislation. 64 A. D.—Nero introduces his original Strad, in a musical specialty at the spectacular staging of the Roman confagration, Motion picture operators, unfortunately fail to be present at the production.

1581 A. D.—Wat Tyler finds himself ahead of his time and highly unpopular, leading the first I. W. W. demonstration in London. 1523 A. D.—Fisarrs graciously accepts contributions of gold from the Persians, and in recognition of their courtesy, permits a few of them to get away.

1864 A. D.—Sheridan attracts notice with his famous 29-mile Marathon. He was scarcely fatigued when he reached the finish and appeared quite ready for another performance, as is evidenced by his remark: 'Turn boys, turn! We're going back.' 1911-12-13 A. D.—Mrs. St.—What's the use? See files for the past three or four years for dope on the Mexican situation.

Protect the Birds, Always. Twin City Sentinel. The inestimable value of birds to vegetation, in comparison with the small damage they do, has been preached until it is a tired old subject. It has been fully established that the songbirds, and even the sparrows, earn their living by the immense number of destructive insects which they destroy. That is the practical side of it. There is a sentimental side as well, especially when the birds are building nests and mating. They do so to get their young, and they do so to get their young to perform. What boy has the right to wantonly take the life of even the least of the birds of the air? We must work toward making the earth brighter!

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