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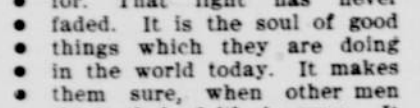
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SOUL VISIONS.

Many and many of these men whom we see plodding on in their dusty ways are traveling with visions in their souls. Nobody knows it but themselves and God.

AFRAID OF THE PEOPLE.

John P. McManus, editor of the Pilot Rock Record, a member of the old school of republicans, which is groping gallantly among its exploded fallacies of centralized power and centralized government.

In speaking of the gradual adoption of the popularist ideas represented in the initiative and referendum, local option, popular election of United States senators and direct primary nominations, by the state of Oregon, he says:

"Oregon will never have anything to feel proud of as the result of the adoption of the initiative and referendum and the so-called populist measure of direct nominations and local option, measures made possible through the initiative and referendum. It is calculated to keep the state in constant turmoil.

Official and private parties have tried long and vainly to keep the law-abiding community, until the people have revolted and will now exercise their last privilege to protect themselves and society.

In the matter of direct primaries the people have tired of the rottenness of conditions and the brazen effrontery of the "boss."

All the common rights of the voter have been trampled under the iron heels of the ring, until the people again assert their sovereignty and will nominate their own choice for offices. Violations of all of the common rules of decency in politics has driven the people to this extreme.

The truth of the matter is, the world is moving and many, many beautiful and venerable characters of antiquity, like the Pilot Rock Record editor, are standing still yet.

Roosevelt republicanism is as far ahead of the Pilot Rock article as the compound locomotive is ahead of the burro as a means of locomotion.

A democrat would not be a democrat if he didn't kick at all attempts to "corner" his rights. The strong antagonisms and the cementing bonds of union now being formed, daily, over the presidential nomination are peculiarly and fittingly democratic.

presidential nomination in the face of seemingly certain republican success, is no disgrace to them nor to the party. Failure on the part of any of the aspirants to take defeat cheerfully would be the only disgrace. When the convention is over and the McClellan, Parker, Cleveland, Hearst, Bryan, Olney and Gorman forces have fought their fight and said their say, the contending bonds will be united and submit to the great will of the majority.

W. Bourke Cockran, the gifted New York orator, in speaking of the evil of divorce, before the Federation of Catholic Societies in New York, Saturday night, gave utterance to the following unanswerable logic on the subject: "Perhaps one of the greatest evils with which modern society has to contend is divorce," Mr. Cockran said. "It is a subject on which I have often been misquoted, yet had I a choice I should choose polygamy in preference to divorce. Where polygamy is permitted, the number of wives one may have is limited by the expense of supporting them. In our highly civilized land the number of a man's wives may be unlimited. If a man may secure one divorce, why may he not get another? As he tires of one wife he puts her away, and in a moment is happy with another."

Divorce, at present, he said, is but in the blossom. What it may be in the fruit is hard to conjecture. He prophesied that if divorce increases it will result in a new civilization. Polygamy would never be sanctioned by the laws of the United States, and yet divorce is a worse evil.

For 30 years Rev. J. R. N. Bell, the veteran Presbyterian minister of Baker City, has served as chaplain of the grand lodge of Oregon Masons. This record is not equaled anywhere else in the world and is one of the proudest landmarks in Oregon Masonry.

As an evidence that diversity in farming pays, and makes land capable of higher profits, a few facts concerning the stock business in the West will be interesting. The census of 1903 shows that Iowa, a farming state with an area of but 55,000 square miles contains 500,000 head more cattle than Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Washington, Utah, Nevada, Arizona and New Mexico, with an area of 821,000 square miles.

The school board has met the school situation gracefully, so far. The selections made last Saturday evening are the choice of the people, the board giving the entire matter into their hands. In the east end of the city the same general plan will be followed by the board. The taxpayers are to be congratulated that they have such public spirited men to deal with as a school board. In such hands the future of the district is assured of the highest progress.

The Mormon question promises to split both the democratic and republican parties in Idaho, and a new party composed of both anti-Mormon democrats and republicans would not be a surprise to the people of that state. Idaho contains the greatest number of Mormons of any state besides Utah and the influence is felt in state politics to a remarkable degree.

WHAT AILED THE CONDUCTOR? He entered a Fulton street car at Elm Place, in Brooklyn. It was one of those cars with side rows of little chairs that make you sit on the bias and with one cross seat at each end. He dropped loosely into the rear cross seat and sat facing the motorman when the conductor came for his fare. "Conduct, please," said he, after yielding up his nickel, "lemme oft Myrle av'nu."

"You're going the wrong way for Myrle av'nu," said the conductor. "What's that? Ain't Myrle av'nu down that way?" He pointed in the direction he was facing. "No," the conductor explained, "it's back this way, behind you. You're going in the wrong direction."

"Mush 'biled, conduct'." He got to his feet with some difficulty, zigzagged up the aisle and dropped into the cross seat at the other end of the car, facing the rear. Presently he beckoned the conductor to him and said: "Don't fret to lemme oft Myrle av'nu."

"But you're going the wrong way for Myrle av'nu," the conductor explained again. "Shay, look here! When I was goin' the other way you said I was goin' the wrong way an' now when I'm goin' this way you shay I'm goin' wrong again. See here, conduct', you've been drinkin'; thash wha's matter with you?"

Our Big Farming Area. The total area used for farming purposes in the United States is 841,000,000 acres, an area larger than England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, France, Germany, Austria, Spain, Japan and the Transvaal. There are 10,438,000 persons engaged in the agricultural pursuits, while all other industries employ but 18,845,000. One-third of the people are therefore devoted to farming.—Kansas City Journal.

Levi Z. Letter left an estate of \$30,000,000.

GENERAL NEWS.

Edward M. Ferguson, an iron mangle worth \$25,000,000, is dead at Pittsburgh.

The mining trust planned by John D. Rockefeller, is to be capitalized at \$2,500,000,000.

Elmer Oliver, of Pittston, Pa., sues Miss Elizabeth Alsbaugh for \$5000 for breach of promise.

Over \$10,000 in gold was seized in Chicago gambling houses Saturday night by District Attorney Lindley.

Mrs. Kate Brown, of New York, temporarily demented by the pain of a toothache, suicided with carbolic acid.

Some of the Chinese who have been run out of Port Arthur as impediments, insist that the place is provisioned for six months.

William E. Hammond, city marshal of Filkin, Cal., was shot and killed by Tim Sullivan, who was beating his wife when Hammond interfered.

President Louvet, of France, has conferred the degree of the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor on American Ambassador Porter.

Roosevelt is having trouble finding a successor to General Knox. Ambassador Choat refuses the job, and Secretary Moody doesn't want it.

Santos Dumont has arrived in New York en route to St. Louis to compete for the \$100,000 prize offered by the exposition for the successful air ship.

Samuel H. Emrich, for years one of the most trusted detectives in the employ of Denver, has been sent to the penitentiary for 14 years for murder.

Mrs. Margaret Smith was knocked down by a trolley car in New York City and squarely decapitated without further injury being sustained by her body.

Commandant F. W. Dickens, of the League Island navy yard, has been appointed a rear admiral, to fill the place of J. J. Read, of the light-house board.

Lightning struck the Thunder Mountain stage Saturday, instantly killing the four horses and injuring, but not fatally, the driver and three passengers.

No disturbances have been caused in Finland by the assassination of Governor Bobrinkoff and the authorities find little outward sympathy with the assassin.

The Brotherhood of Bookbinders in session at St. Paul passed strong resolutions Saturday against President Roosevelt for retaining Miller in the government printing office against the wishes of his fellow employees.

Pension Commissioner Ware has declined to write a pension for Chicago Tribune on the troubles of the pension system and his coming resignation. Ware says he will remain in the pension bureau until pardoned out.

James B. Maxwell, of Baird, Texas, John Maxwell, of Pierce, Ariz., and Enoch Woodward, of Douglas, Ariz., were murdered by Mexican bandits in Sonora, Mexico, Saturday, and robbed of \$600. The Americans were on a prospecting tour.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST NEWS.

The city of Portland will purchase a pair of blison for the city park.

The Canadian government will be asked for \$50,000 for an exhibit at the Lewis and Clark fair.

Of 45 applicants for pharmacy licenses before the last meeting of the state board, 25 passed.

A Sunderland, who runs a saloon in Portland, is under arrest because he allows his wife to tend bar.

Frank Guglielmo, the Italian who killed his sweetheart in Portland Tuesday, will offer a plea of insanity.

The Seattle Times has been sued for \$25,000 damages to character, by Frank Weistling, an attorney of Seattle.

The trial of Mrs. D. J. Harris, of Yakima, for murdering her infant grandson, has been set at Spokane for June 27.

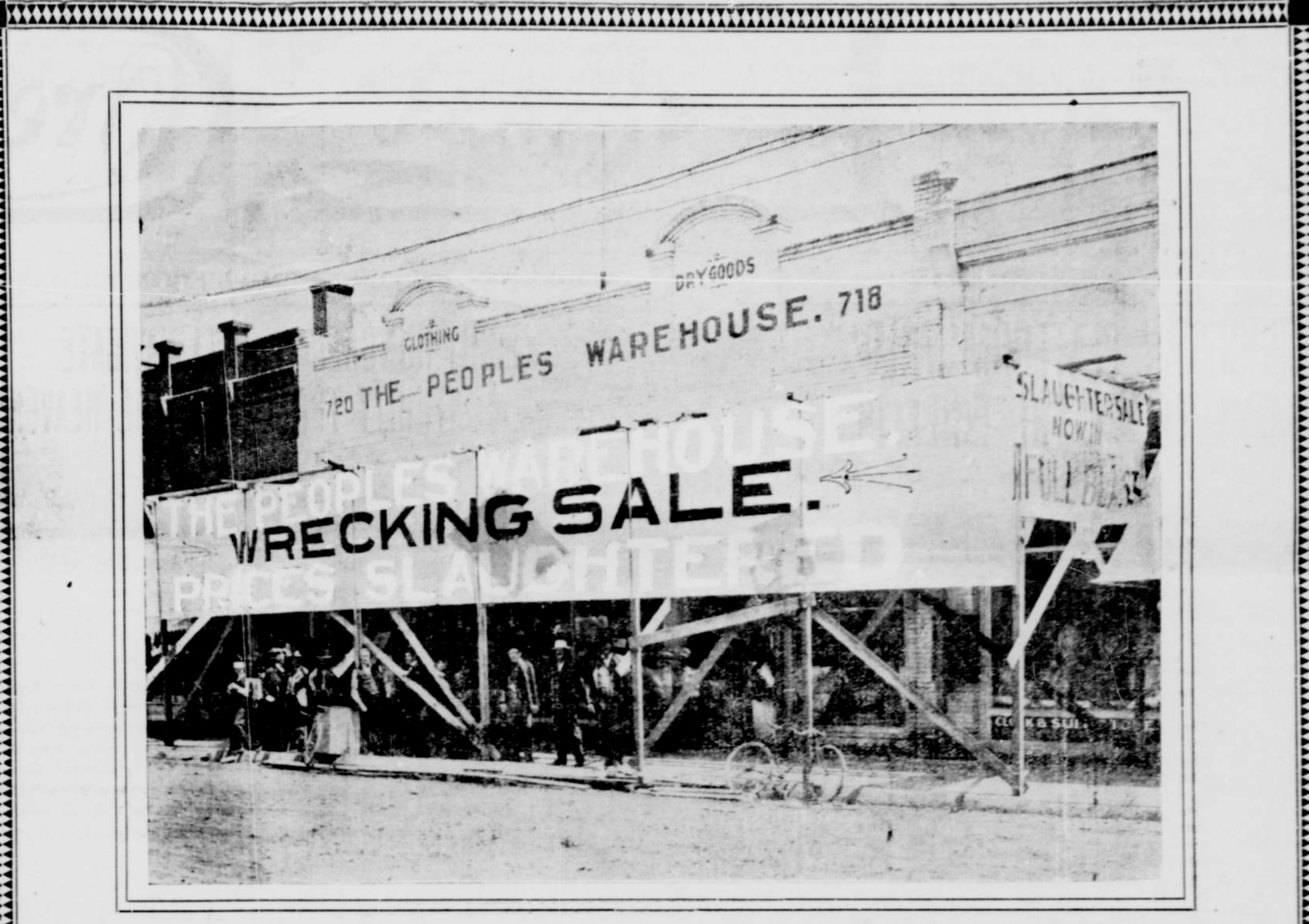
The Hood River strawberry crop will only amount to 100,000 crates, or 20,000 short tons of the early estimates of the crop.

Millard Hill, a Salem cigar dealer, was drowned in the Willamette Saturday by the overturning of a launch in the river.

Portland was shaken by two light earthquake shocks occurring at 10:25 and 11:40 June 16. No damage, but some excitement.

A movement is on foot to divide the Oregon Episcopal church into two dioceses, the Cascade mountains to be the dividing line.

The shingle mill owners of Everett have decided to employ nothing but union men, owing to the strike of the union shingle makers.



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Women's Tailor Made Suits We haven't room for them; the space is to be widened from nine feet to 25 feet, so to get them out of the way and not have one old one when we get into the new building, they will be Wrecked One-Half

Gloves and Corsets T. P. W., Special, Sovereign, Peerless, Carlton, Majestic, Corsets, the Royal Worcester kind. \$1.00 Gloves for 50c; \$1.25 for 80c; \$1.50 for \$1.75; \$2.00 gloves for \$1.50; also lace, silk and silk mesh for summer wear. Lot of corsets to close quick, half price. 5,511 Royal Worcester, straight front, 95c. Every price Wrecked

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