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Deep Thought on Vital Topics

Thomas E. Watson recently summed up Democracy in the following manner: "In national politics the Democratic party stands without a party, a declaration of principals or accepted leader. It is utterly bankrupt in reputation. It has no unity of conviction, sentiment or purpose. It contains antagonistic elements which can never be harmonized. Its secret purpose is so foreign to what Democratic masses approve that the eternal struggle of the national leaders is to prevent the Democratic masses from penetrating that secret purpose. What is that secret purpose? To use the Democratic party in support of the same system of legislation that the Republican party stands for."

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee on the President

"The President is not an enemy to the South, and the South will not make war on the President. We know he speaks in excellent terms of the Confederate record of his maternal uncle, and we know, too, that he has said General Robert E. Lee was one of the greatest citizens and soldiers the world ever produced. I am one of those who are glad that he will visit the Southern section of the country, and glad that he will see the Southern people and that they will see him. Closer acquaintance will be of service to both and to the country."

Bishop Potter on the Old Testament

"While there is much in the Old Testament that appears out of harmony with the refined and sensitive modern ideas, the book should be judged in the light of the age and the conditions for which and in which it was written. What may be regarded as the barbaric touches in the Testament are really the evidences of the first step in the growth of ethical ideas and of a great religion beginning with a primitive people, but with a lofty development."

INDIANS BECOMING SELF-SUPPORTING

Marked advances toward civilization have been made by the Indians of the United States during the last year, and the number of those who have been engaged in earning self-support has materially increased, many wholly supporting themselves and families. The Indian population has varied but slightly from previous years, the number being about the same as reported last year—270,000. Of this number 180,000 occupy 156 reservations in the various states and territories, containing about 55,127,000 acres outside of the state of New York and Indian Territory.

The five civilized tribes composed of the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Creek and Seminole, in the Indian Territory, number about 84,500, including freedmen, their reservations aggregating 19,475,614 acres. The New York Indians occupy eight small reservations in the northwestern part of the state of New York, having an area of about 88,000 acres. They number about 5,200, and receive small annuities in money and goods under treaty stipulations.

The policy of requiring able-bodied Indians to labor for their own support, and withholding rations from all but the needy and indigent, was put into practical operation in the early part of the year 1902. As a result of the practical working of this policy the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, in his annual report for the year 1903, stated that over 12,000 Indians had been dropped from the ration rolls as wholly self-supporting, many of whom had never been guilty of work before that time.

OUTWITTING THE LAW'S DELAYS.

Attorney-General Moody, in his annual report to Congress, makes the highly important recommendation that a law be enacted which will provide that where an indictment is duly returned to a court of the United States the judge of that court may, in his discretion, issue a bench warrant for the arrest of the defendants wherever they may be found within the limits of the United States, and that it shall be the duty of all persons authorized to serve such process to arrest the person or persons indicted, and if they fail after reasonable opportunity to furnish bail for their appearance, to bring them into the court in which the indictment has been found.

The Attorney-General explains that embarrassment in administering the law has arisen from the inability of the United States to bring an offender to the place and the court where, by the Constitution and laws, the accusation against him must be tried. It frequently happens that persons accused are not found within the limits of the district where the offences alleged against them are triable. The frequency of such absence increases with the gravity of the accusation, and where it consists in a conspiracy almost invariably one or more of the alleged offenders are without the jurisdiction of the district. The possibility of delays and defeats of justice which the present system affords renders the power of the United States ridiculous and brings contempt on the administration of the law.

Musings.

The Christmas shopping agony is over. Cleveland, Ohio, is now the center of frenzied finance. Even the grand jurors have turned timber cruisers. A lot of people waited until Saturday night, in spite of all advice and urging. Dowie has paid all the claims against Zion City. Here is a hint for Mrs. Chadwick. In swearing off on New Year's remember your creditors—the Plaindealer for instance. If the Standard Oil monopoly is negotiating for the purchase of a bank in London, as the Times says, why does it not offer to buy the Bank of England? When one of the visiting milliners speaks of a "stunning creation" she alludes to the effect of the hat on the public—not to the effect of the bill on the husband, as might be inferred. A dispatch from Newport mentions that one of prominent society leaders there expects to sue for divorce in the fall.

The number of invitations she intends to issue is not given. A man whose success in business depends upon success in politics never knows how soon he will fall. A big rug factory was burned to the ground in New Jersey the other day, and imported rugs will be scarce until it gets into operation again. No matter how drunk a man is, or how dark it is, he never tries to take two steps more after he reaches the top step. One is sufficient. Ain't that so, Dave? In the Snoot hearing it was testified that the Mormons are in the habit of seeking divorces from the dead. This is raising the divorce evil into the ground with a vengeance. They were pacing under the elevated road and the roar above was deafening. "This bustle makes my head ache," said she. "Probably," observed he, "if you were to wear a smaller one—" "Sir," she indignantly cried, "I mean the noise confuses me." "I beg your pardon," he stammered.

Oh, what a difference the day after. Thomas and Jerry miah are with us again. Did you get that present you were wishing for? Nothing warms up the congregation like cold facts from the pulpit. Danger of catching "raw craw" from kissing? Beware, beware! Jas. Newland is suffering from a severe cold. He got up and lighted his Christmas morning to surprise his wife. Coquille has a strict law against the dogs and vagrants. It is hardly fair to the dogs to put them on an equal with a big lazy bum that won't work. The news that King Edward will set the fashion of wearing knee breeches does not bring much joy to the man whose legs look as though they had been shaped over a flour barrel. Engineer and Mrs. Fred Beard arrived here from Portland Friday evening to spend the holidays with relatives at Looking Glass.

MITCHELL AND HERMANN ARE NOW IN PORTLAND

Both Express No Fear of Being Indicted Unless Upon Perjured Testimony

PORTLAND, Dec. 25.—Senator Mitchell and Congressman Hermann arrived in Portland Saturday morning. Senator Mitchell met Prosecutor Henny at the Portland Hotel and demanded to know the charges preferred against him, but Henny refused to enlighten him, he however told the Senator he would be given the privilege of answering to the charges before the grand jury Tuesday.

Senator Mitchell said: "I will not be convicted and no evidence can be produced to involve me in land frauds unless on perjured testimony. I have always led an honest life, and I have lived too long to engage in petty thievery. The persons who are witnesses against me are perjurers, who have been promised immunity if they will testify so as to besmirch my character." "How long will you stay away from Congress?" was asked. "I don't know; a year, if I shall have to stay that long to fight my accusers, longer, if necessary," and the Senator's tone indicated that he would keep on staying until the lower regions should freeze over, and then would fight on the ice. "Oregon needs its delegation at Washington just now very much," he went on, "when rivers and harbors are to be looked after. I am sorry that Mr. Hermann and I are forced to neglect those

CHRISTMAS AS OBSERVED IN ROSEBURG

Appropriate Exercises at the Churches, Family Reunions and Fine Dinners

Christmas was very quietly, but appropriately observed in Roseburg. The day dawned bright and clear, with the first crisp frost of the season, and a little snow was visible on the crest of the Coast Range and foothills of the Cascade Mountains bordering on the green and fertile Umpqua valley. The day's festivities partook more of the Thanksgiving spirit than of the merry Christmas, owing perhaps to the day falling on Sunday. Family reunions and sumptuous dinners were features of the day.

On Christmas eve several of the churches of the city, which had been beautifully decorated for the occasion, held Christmas trees and carried out appropriate and interesting programs, some of which follow:

**BAPTIST CHURCH.**

Christmas tree exercises were both appropriate and entertaining, and were creditably rendered. On Sunday morning E. H. Hicks, the pastor, delivered a Christmas sermon, his subject in the evening being "Faith." The B. Y. P. U. held special services in the evening preceding the sermon.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**

Program rendered: Christmas eve at 7 o'clock: Organ Voluntary..... Mrs. N. Fullerton Prayer..... Dr. Townsend Recitation..... Ivy Arrance Recitation..... Mary Townsend Recitation..... Clifford Barker Song, "The Little Lord Jesus"..... Esther Pearson Dialogue..... May and Isabelle Ireland Recitation..... Emma Thompson Recitation..... Rachel Parry Song, "In a Row"..... Dorothy Adams Recitation..... Alex Robertson Recitation..... Bernice Abraham Recitation..... Veva Buick Recitation..... Lillian Robertson Recitation..... May Thompson Recitation..... Lita Maddix Recitation..... Elbert Lennox Song..... Choir Recitation..... Helen Townsend

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH.**

The Sunday school of the First Christian Church held special Christmas services on Friday evening, at which time the following program was rendered: Song..... Congregation Scripture reading and prayer..... Choir Recitation..... Ethel Shupe Duet..... Ellen Flook and Lucile Ragalade Recitation..... Dorothea Abraham Recitation..... Neve Ritchey Vocal Solo..... Virgil Shupe Exercise..... Class of Little Sunbeams Recitation..... Nellie Neagle Song..... Class of Little Builders Recitation..... Frances McGeehey Exercises..... Charmed Garden ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Services Christmas Day were held as usual at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. A most interesting and appropriate sacred musical program was rendered at both the morning and evening service.

**SUNDAY AT M. E. CHURCH.**

Services appropriate to Christmas Day were held both morning and evening. At eleven o'clock the pastor spoke on the theme, "Small Beginnings." Special features of the service at 7:30 p. m. were a duet, anthem and male quartette.

**AT M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.**

No Christmas tree exercises were held. Some gifts for the children of the Sunday school were distributed at the regular Sunday school hour Christmas morning. At the Sunday morning service, Rev. H. C. Allen, the pastor, spoke on "God's Christmas Gift to the World." Subject: Evening, "The effect of this Christmas gift on the World."

SOUTHERN OREGON WANTS GOOD ROADS

"The people of southern Oregon are practically unanimous for the proposed macadamized state road from Multnomah county to the California line. They want the road constructed and will ask the coming legislature to take definite action toward consummating the plans that have been formed by the 'good-roads people,' said County Judge L. H. Webster, who returned home yesterday from southern Oregon. "I am informed by James W. Abbott, federal good-roads man, that the people of California are ready to meet the people of this state and build such a road on the south, thus giving a matchless highway between Portland and San Francisco. "I believe that at the coming session of the legislature insistent demands will be made that the necessary authorization be given to begin the work. Convicts could perform all the labor, and when the road is completed it would be something to attract attention the country over."

ASHLAND WILL MAKE BIG MINING EXHIBIT

ASHLAND, Or., Dec. 22.—As a result of the visit of D. H. Weygant, representative of the Lewis and Clark fair, the executive committee of the Ashland board of trade passed a resolution appointing M. F. Eggleston chairman of the committee on mining, to make a collection of a mineral exhibit for the fair for the Ashland mining district, and appropriated a money therefor. A considerable part of the Ashland district is on the south divide of the Siskiyou and within the state of California, which cannot include territory outside of the state. However, there will be assembled here samples of gold bearing rock from properties on the Oregon side of the range; also cinnabar ore, varieties of clays, mineral paint and building stone.

**Plaindealer Kindly Remembered**

A beautiful large box on box filled with choice cream and other candies, all of her own manufacture, was presented to the Plaindealer force Saturday evening by Mrs. Burr Jones. It was a splendid treat and the superior quality of these confections is attested by the entire Plaindealer force. On a card bearing compliments of the season was the following appropriate quotation from Longfellow: "The talent of success is nothing more than doing what you can do well, without a thought of fame." Rice & Rice, the up-to-date house furnishers, also have the choicest thanks of the Plaindealer for generous Christmas remembrances.

L. R. Wynnatt was exhibiting a silver lacred Wyandotte egg Saturday which measured 8 1/2 in circumference one way and 8 1/2 inches the other.

GROCERIES

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NAN PATTERSON WILL STAY IN JAIL

She Will Be Tried Again For the Murder of Caesar Young  
NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Nan Patterson's last hope of spending Christmas with her parents in Washington vanished today when District Attorney Jerome announced that he would not agree to a reduction of bail. This is taken to mean that the show girl will again be tried for the murder of Caesar Young. Bail was previously fixed at \$20,000. The news that she would not be admitted to bail was broken to Miss Patterson as gently as possible, but she broke down completely after making a brave show of cheerfulness all day. The district attorney announced today that proceedings for a new trial would be hurried as fast as possible.

Communication.  
EDITOR PLAINDEALER.—I note by your last issue that the Roseburg school board has voted a 12 mill tax upon the people of this school district. When is this waste and wanton extravagance to cease? No other school district in the state requires half such a levy, which is nearly twice as much as the state tax and only a little short of our entire county requirement. The present mismanagement and unbusinesslike methods have marked the school board's proceedings for the past few or five years. Is this outrage upon the taxpayers to continue until the district is bankrupt, which it will be if this extravagance and mismanagement is continued? Conservative business methods should be demanded and enforced.  
A TAXPAYER

LeRoy Mine Sold.

Portland Telegram, Dec. 23. Negotiations were concluded last night in Portland with J. L. LeRoy Mining Company, whereby the interest of J. Frank LeRoy and A. D. LeRoy in the Bohemia holdings of the company is acquired by E. O. Tobey, of Eugene, and J. L. Tobey, of The Dalles, and others. President LeRoy left this morning for Cottage Grove, where the principal office of the company is located, to complete the transfer of the property. It is understood that following this deal the company will be placed in a financial condition to vigorously prosecute development during the coming year, but at present the directors are not in a position to announce future plans.

Company D. Attention.

Regular Quarterly Inspection of Company D. 1st Bat. O. N. G. will be held at the Armory Hall Thursday evening, December 29th, 1904, at 8 o'clock p. m. Col. Geo. O. Youman will inspect. All members are required to attend!  
By order of  
F. B. HAMILIN, Captain.  
Z. N. AGRS, 1st Sergt.

FARMERS' NEEDS

GRASS SEED  
Now is the time to sow your field seeds. I have just received a large supply of Alsike, Red and White Clover, Alfalfa, Timothy, Orchard, Blue Grass, Etc.  
HARROWS  
Buffalo Pitts, Pan American, Spike, Spring and Disc Harrows, and Syracuse and Steel Chilled Plows.  
SAWS AXES SLEDGES  
Simmons, Webfoot, Chinook, Eclipse, Hoo Hoo and Pacific Coast pattern Saws; Keen Kutter, U. S. A. and Phoenix Axes

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Suitable Gifts for Gents  
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The time will soon be here when you will have to select your holiday gifts. The greatest worry is the difficulty of selecting suitable gifts with what money you want to spend but we believe we can help you out of both difficulties. What to give becomes an easier matter when you have so ample a stock as ours to choose from. We have the most desirable gifts. They possess all the qualities that gifts should have, newness, usefulness, beauty, novelty and intrinsic worth. Then the prices are just right. They cannot be beaten. We are in a position to know that we can save you money. We believe the more you inspect our goods the better you will realize this. Remember too, that we are careful about the quality of everything. Real bargain prices on goods of worthy quality are what we promise you  
J. T. BRYAN THE JEWELER AND PRACTICAL WATCH REPAIRER

Holiday Presents SANTA CLAUS  
Has decided to take up his headquarters in Roseburg this year at Beard & Culver's Hardware Store, where many new and useful toys and gifts suitable for both old and young may be had at prices to suit the pocket book. We have taken the tariff off of these goods. Call and see them.

BEARD & CULVER

WHEN SANTA CAUS ARRIVES.  
He will surely point out the Roseburg Steam Laundry as the best one in Southern Oregon. For the Holiday Season you want your linen to be immaculate, as Yuletide brings family gatherings, receptions and merry making in general. Give yourself a merry Christmas by having your linen done up perfectly and expeditiously at the Roseburg Steam Laundry. Clothes Cleaning and Pressing Department in connection.

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