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FOURTH ? OF JULY.

THE FOURTH OF JULY is a great day whether it is celebrated on the 3rd, 4th or the 5th of July. Young America is well pleased with the event if it may be prolonged to cover all three days and the effect of the celebration is to impress upon his mind the importance of the work of his forefathers in 1776. The habit of all the years which have passed since the Declaration of Independence—to make it a noisy and boisterous day has probably been useful too, because it is not necessary to impress its significance on the gray heads (experience and trouble have done that), but the explosion, the noise and the show, do fix thoughts in the minds of the young. They may not appreciate it at the time, but later in life they remember the celebration and study the occasion.

The Fourth has been called the Sabbath of the nation, a day sacred to the memory of the rights of man. All over the land the floods of American oratory are let loose and the people are able to view the action of the forefathers from many sides. But this also is true that the Declaration of Independence, the great war which followed it, and the constitution which was the legitimate outcome of both, are among the very greatest and most important features in the history of the world. And they have had as important an influence on the world's history as any events which have ever occurred.

In Coos Bay the celebration which was begun today will be long remembered. That it was attended by few indiscretions and accidents is a cause for congratulation, but the few which did occur should make us realize that "a safe and sane" Fourth may be indulged with the time honored noise and show, without permitting children to incur the dangers of too much freedom with explosives. A safer and sane Fourth should be enjoyed by parents redoubling their watchfulness. While all accidents do not result from failure of fathers and mothers to guard their children in the use of explosives, it is safe to say that a great majority of them are attributable to carelessness on the part of persons from whom the law and the community have a right to expect caution.

DO YOU EVER

GET DISCOURAGED

The following article was written by Arthur Brisbane, the highest salaried writer in the United States and appeared as an editorial in the Hearst syndicate of papers:

"More than one of our readers have written letters expressing discouragement. A man whose letter indicates thought, intelligence and ambition writes, among other things:

"I have done my best; I have really tried to be of use to other people while looking after my own interests and the interest of my family. Yet I feel that I have made no headway, that all the effort has gone for nothing. Is the world really controlled by benevolence, or is it controlled by luck and chance?"

"The world is ruled by justice. We come into it subject to certain regulations, certain fixed punishments for definite transgressions.

"The laws governing us are eternal and unchanging. When a body

falls from a roof it is dashed to the ground and destroyed whether it be the body of an innocent child or that of a murderer. The law of gravitation knows no favorites.

"The same laws for all and the same results from like action—such is the law under which we live. It is just and calculated to make men think, struggle and develop.

"Discouragement is often a good sign. The man who is not discouraged about himself is satisfied about himself. And satisfaction with one's self means lack of growth. The man who is contented has stopped growing. The man who worries and feels discouraged is probably the coming man.

"The greatest men that have lived have gone through periods of black discouragement. We wish that our readers could know this and take heart in their own discouraged hours.

"Napoleon with all his glory still ahead of him was tempted to kill himself at one time. And he was tempted to marry a rich, fat old woman without loving her—which is even worse.

"Henry George, whose splendid character has set so good an example to the world, was reduced almost to crime, and he was reduced practically to starvation.

"A man far greater than Napoleon or any monarch that ever lived was Abraham Lincoln, and his mind, over and over, was filled with the deepest discouragement before he had even begun to do his great work for his nation and for the world.

"When he was beaten by Douglas in his race for the Senate he really believed that the end of his career had come. He wrote to a friend:

"I am glad I made the late race. It gave me a hearing on the great and durable question of the age which I could have had in no other way; and though I now sink out of view and shall be forgotten, I believe I have made some marks which will tell for the cause of civil liberty long after I am gone."

"If Lincoln could sink so low in despondency and rise later to the wonderful work that we owe to him, there is no reason for any man to be finally discouraged or give up.

"A fine sword takes a great deal of brutal hammering before it has the edge and the temper to cut. And the man who is going to amount to anything must be forged, hammered and sharpened by disappointment, disillusion and discouragement. No real man can go through life like a steer fattening for the butcher. It takes storms, trouble and discouragement to form a character worth anything.

"Get your German neighbor to translate this from Goethe: 'Es bildet ein Talent sich in der Stille. Sich ein Charakter in dem Strom der Welt.'

"Lincoln doing his best, absolutely sincere, was subjected to the vilest abuse in addition to suffering defeat. There was no insult that was not flung at him! There was no shameful accusation not made against his pure character.

"Over and over he must have wished himself out of the fight, and many times, as we know, he was discouraged and felt that his life had failed.

"Remember that he had lack of early education to fight with, he had poverty to keep him back, he had early failure in business—through no fault of his own—which loaded him with a debt difficult to pay. He had poor relatives hanging upon him. But while he did get discouraged, and while he expressed this discouragement, he kept on trying and was ready for the next thing as soon as it came.

"We have quoted this extract from Lincoln's letter today, believing that it will give encouragement to other good men temporarily discouraged, who need to be reminded that darkness does precede the light, that no man has ever climbed the hill of success and achievements without going through the deep valley of discouragement that lies on this side of the big mountain."

For FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS and Fruits, at PRIZEEN'S 68 Central avenue.

Loose Leaf Ledgers and Price Books at NORTON & HANSEN, Stationery Co.

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"CASTLEWOOD" at the P. K.

"EASTSIDE" is a winner.

Blue Print Paper, Tracing Cloth, and Architects' Supplies at NORTON & HANSEN Stationery Company.

With the Toast and Tea

GOOD EVENING.

As at early dawn the stars shine forth, even while it grows light, and then, as the sun advances, that light breaks into bands and streaming lines of color, the glowing red and the intense white striving together, and ribbons the horizon with bars effulgent, so, on the American flag, stars and beams of colored light shine out together; and wherever this flag comes, and men behold it, they see in its sacred emblems no ramping lion, no fierce eagle, no embattled castle, or insignia of imperial authority; they see the symbols of light. It is the banner of dawn. It means liberty.

—Henry Ward Beecher.

KISSING THE ROD.

O, heart of mine, we shouldn't worry so!

What we've missed of calm we couldn't

Have, you know! What we've met of stormy pain And of sorrow's driving rain, We can better meet again, If it blow!

We have erred in that dark hour We have known, When our tears fell with the shower, All alone!

Were not shine and shadow blent As the graceful Master meant? Let us temper our content With his own.

For we know not every morrow Can be sad! So, forgetting every sorrow We have had,

Let us fold away our fears, And put by our foolish tears, And through all the coming years And through all the coming years Just be glad.

—James Whitcomb Riley.

Nero was the original optimist.

How can you give where you do not possess?

We are the playthings of sentiments, impulses and passions.

A rare man is he who can place perfect trust in himself.

Is any force in man so powerful as that which inclines him to do a wrong thing?

Percy Levar threatens to resume the daily publication of the Coos Bay Monthly.

All living creatures are content to fill their cause and glorify God—except man. God has to show him.

The prayer of the few that are not fools runs: "Keep me, O God, from deceiving myself about myself."

For creatures claiming to be guided by reason men must present a sorry spectacle to animals said to be controlled by instinct.

At the recent local option elections in Illinois the village of Jurgtown refused to go "dry." The place evidently takes its name seriously.

Consider the wisdom of man. How sorry a plight would be his if he had not designed a devil against whom to charge his misdeeds. "Poor devil!"

That Denver artist who starved to death rather than part with any of his art treasures, valued at \$500,000, saved the fool killer a job, anyhow.

The reason the optimist does not see the hole in the doughnut is because he is mentally blind. If the hole were not there how could he talk of it?

The mayor of one Illinois town receives a salary of 50 cents a year. And no doubt he is the first man approached when a subscription paper is being circulated.

The ease with which you can persuade a man to do the thing he wants to do is only exceeded by the alacrity with which he does the thing you are urging him to do and which he wants to do.

Says the Los Angeles Times: "There are two men to whom you

should always tell the truth and nothing but the truth, and they are the doctor and the newspaper reporter." The assessor doesn't appear to be a bit more popular in Los Angeles than on Coos Bay.

If a man washes the dishes for his wife the neighbor women pity him and envy her.

The idea of starting the working day two hours earlier will never become popular. A majority of people will continue to favor the old-fashioned habit of turning over and going to sleep again.

One New Jersey town has an ordinance requiring every loaf of bread to be delivered in a sealed aseptic paper bag. Next, we presume, New Jersey bakers will be forbidden to drop their chewing gum into the dough.

In the meantime, while the scientists are trying to devise cheaper ways of communication with Mars, it might be well to think up a few things to say to the people on that planet after we have been formally introduced.

An Allentown, Pa., man stole a monument from the cemetery and was proceeding to cut it down to a smaller size and place a new inscription thereon when arrested. Speaking of grave offenses, that appears to be the limit.

"Drowns While Fishing," reads a head line in an exchange. Apparently this would put a crimp in the claim that no man can do two things at once, but we are firmly convinced that the man ceased fishing when he began drowning.

The best way to help others is to take care of yourself. Not only may you thus avoid cursing the earth by being a parasite, but in some unknown manner you might then have the means and find the disposition to assist others—however unlikely.

I seek no smile from Fortune,
Nor ask release from Pain,
And yet I crave high portion
Of life's most golden gain.
This is the prayer that rudders
My ship in any sea:
Through shift of hopes and
shudders,
God, let me sail on—free!
—Leigh Mitchell Hodges.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

No amount of growling effects the ideal sunshine that pours down upon Coos Bay.

A government judge has judicially decided what whisky is. Any good judge of it can decide what it isn't. But not always judicially.

James J. Hill voices a widespread belief when he declares that law enforcement is not keeping pace with law enactment in these United States—another case of supply exceeding demand.

Many a better woman than Katherine Clemmens Gould dresses on less than \$40,000 and 138 dresses per annum, and makes her home and people infinitely happier. The dress does not make the woman any more than clothes make the man.

Elsie Sigel had 40 or 50 millions of young Americans to choose from if she wanted a lover and husband. Her preference for full-blooded Celestial has led her just where all such infatuations leads a woman; to a hideous and shameful death.

A book of verses in some leafy lane Or grassy slope far from the crowd profane:

A hunk of rye, a slab of Schweitzer-kase—

Oh, thus to celebrate the safe and sane!

—Chicago Tribune.

The WHITE MICE, the latest book of the season, at Norton & Hansen Stationery Company.

"CASTLEWOOD" at the P. K.

Deer season will soon open. Get your supplies at THE GUNNERY.

"CASTLEWOOD" at the P. K.

NEWS OF COQUILLE.

County Seat Events As Told By The Herald.

Virgil Wilson arrived in town Friday and is enjoying a visit with friends and schoolmates. His father, V. R. and family are now in Portland.

Geo. T. Moulton and sister, Mrs. S. M. Nosler, returned from a visit to the St. Martin Springs where they went for their health. They are much improved by their trip.

Grandpa and Grandma Belle came over from Empire last week and went up the river to Harmon Davis' place where they will spend a few days with Mrs. Davis, their daughter.

Mesdames Rhinehart and Garby, and their sister, Miss Pigg, and the children of the former, of Glenn's Ferry, Ida, arrived here yesterday on their way to Bandon for a visit with Mrs. Cora Stillwell, another sister.

Thomas Hanly of Lampa, who had a horse fall with him four weeks ago with the result that the small bone of his right leg was fractured, was able to be up to town last Wednesday. He was accompanied by his mother.

W. S. Jess and family, who have been in San Francisco for several months for the benefit of Mrs. Jess' health, returned yesterday, having come up on Monday's Plant, and proceeded to their home near Johnson's mill. Mrs. Jess is much improved.

Mrs. B. F. Lawrence of Indianapolis, Ind., arrived here Friday for a visit of several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Drane and those of her husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lawrence, as well as her former home. Mr. Lawrence will come out later in the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sanford, former residents of this place, but lately of Enterprise, this state, who arrived here on the 17th, returned Saturday from a visit with relatives of Mr. Sanford on the Bay side. After having spent several days here with their son Oliver Sanford, assistant cashier of the First National

Bank, they started yesterday for the Rogue river valley, their home before coming to this city twenty odd years ago, where they expect to locate again.

L. W. Culbertson of North Bend, who has been in the Coos Bay Life Saving Station for some time, is now making a visit to his many friends in the Coquille Valley. He made our office a pleasant call Monday. He is now at Bandon, but will probably spend his 4th with friends on the North Fork and at Myrtle Point.

NEW IDEA AT THE MASONIC

The Big Treats Opens Last Night With Moving Pictures.

While the management was handicapped for time, a part of the machine having only arrived on the Breakwater Thursday night, allowing very little time for advertising, yet the attendance for the three shows given aggregated between four and five hundred people. Just prior to the opening of the show one of the condensers was cracked making it necessary to cut out the illustrated songs, the management, however, to offset this gave their patrons one extra reel of pictures making altogether 3,000 feet. The pictures were good subjects, steady, the house comfortable and there was at all times plenty of room. The performance will commence tonight again at 7:30. Three shows will be given, the price for any seat in the house is 10 cents.

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