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**THE WEATHER**

Western Oregon—Cloudy and threatening.  
Western Washington—Fair.  
Eastern Oregon and Washington, Idaho—Rain or snow.

**A DELIBERATE INSULT.**

If, as is reported all over this city, the Suomi Temperance Society, at its last meeting, permitted a certain faction of the membership to force upon it a resolution in contempt of President Theodore Roosevelt and to turn the portrait of the Chief Executive hanging in the hall, to the wall, it was guilty of a deliberate and brazen insult for which it has no excuse that will stand against public opinion in this city.

In this, the freest country that most of the members of that society ever knew in their lives, such an action is construed very harshly. Americans to the "manor born", would not be guilty of it except under the most extraordinary conditions that vouched for the turpitude and recklessness of the man holding the highest gift in the power of the nation to confer; and it comes with wretched grace from people who have been welcomed, nourished and freed, and put upon the plane of opportunity and civic largess no other country on earth could, or would, have offered them.

We cannot but believe there must have been some strong protest against this untoward action at the meeting, because there are people in that society who are better bred and better informed than the ignorant majority that compelled the insolent act and record; and we hope that protest is registered upon the minutes of that meeting for the sake of the society which has done much excellent work in this community.

President Roosevelt is but human; he has his faults and indulges them just as other men do; but he is President of these United States and the foremost citizen of the Republic, and should be immune from such open contempt as was expressed in this case. The act will not hurt the President; he will never hear of it, in all likelihood; but the men who were guilty of its casting, will find it a boomerang in this community.

**A TIMELY ORDER.**

A sharp order has gone forth from the office of Secretary Straus, of the Department of Commerce and Labor, to the immigration officials of the country to confer with the police authorities everywhere and exchange information that will be valuable in rounding out the anarchistic hordes that have gradually crept into the United States, with a view of deporting them and otherwise getting a cinch on them that will circumscribe their murderous propaganda and keep them within sight and power of the law.

This is as it should be; and the country will feel safer for it.

It is high time this menace was downed and its agents tied in coils of espionage and restraint that mean something, and leave them free only for their vain mouthings. No detective nor policeman in this nation need hesitate an instant in going to the limit of his orders in the case of these people; he will be backed by a public opinion so universal and concrete as to make his harshest task acceptable everywhere. Even justice has its limitations in the light of the anarchistic creed and examples.

**SIX BIG PROJECTS.**

Astoria has six potent projects on foot, any one of which will be of incalculable value to her in a business sense and an aid to her commerce, to-wit: the establishment of the Port of

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Astoria legally and completely; the development of the gas and oil resources of the county; the utilization of the pottery clays that abound here; the inauguration of the San Francisco-Astoria steamship line; the coming of the wholesale meat depot to be set up here by the Union Meat Company of Portland; and the installation of the new coal market by the Kelso people.

Everyone of these matters is in the hands of active and intelligent persons and committees who realize the full significance of the success of their particular charge or interest, and before the summer wanes we hope to see all of them perfected. There is no reason, free from personal or other inspired attribute, why any of these propositions should fail, and if they do flicker out, the sooner the reality is accounted for on its exact basis, and heralded to the public, the better. The people of Astoria are becoming weary of the policy of "sucking thumbs" at the behest of selfish interests, and don't propose to stand for much more of it; at least, in silence.

It is the common belief here that we have got to do something on our own initiative; something that will count for more than one man's or a half-dozen men's, success or advantage; and this conviction is to be encouraged no matter whose particular "goose" gets the scorching. It is either eternal desuetude and a mere place on the map; or ample expansion and growth and achievement wrought by our own heads and hands.

**LAWSON'S ENTHUSIASM.**

**A Brilliant Man But Lacking the Solid Mental Substratum.**

No unprejudiced reader of Lawson's life-story can deny that the man has an extraordinarily brilliant mind. The writer, in doing his journalistic day's work, has had to brush elbows with many brilliant men—the men whose stature places them conspicuously above their fellows—statesmen, scholars, scientists, physicians, explorers, judges, railroad-builders, empire-builders—and Lawson ranks as one of the brilliant men of his times. Because he is brilliant he is not necessarily great, for many brilliant men are lacking in that solid substratum of mind without which there can be no greatness. The story that has been told here of Lawson's life is a story of a brilliant man without the solid mental substratum.

With his brilliancy go hand in hand his energy and enthusiasm. His energy is amazing. Not one man in a thousand can keep pace with him. He has a multiple-cylinder, high-speed mind. His enthusiasm is equally amazing. To form a clear conception of the man, his enthusiasm must always be taken account of. He is enthusiastic over everything that occupies his mind—whether it be a design for a door-knocker at Dreamworld or a remedy for a world-wide panic; and he is enthusiastic over himself—his career, his work, his mental power, his plan of revolutionizing the social order. All great reformers have been enthusiasts—for without enthusiasm there can be no reform. The border line between enthusiasm and insanity is often vaguely defined. Lawson's enthusiasm over his Remedy is so amazing that the writer, after one long talk with him, on one of the worst days of the bank panic, was compelled to ask himself: "Has Lawson's enthusiasm—his unbounded belief in himself and his plans—crossed the border line?"

Some of Lawson's most spectacular failures—failures that have raised the cry of "charlatan" and "faker"—have been due to his ungodly enthusiasm. His "Ten-Million-Dollar Copper Pool" was a typical Lawson's enthusiasm fiasco. Notwithstanding the inward warnings of his common sense, he allowed his enthusiasm to lead him to the conviction that a Scotch chemist would revolutionize the copper industry by putting the mental on the market for two cents a pound, and he boldly proclaimed to all the world for months that cheap copper was "not a surmise, but a statement of fact." When the Amalgamated Copper Company was floated, despite the fact that he knew absolutely that his fellow promoters were playing the game for the last dollar of the public's money, he enthused himself into believing and publicly asserting that there would be an over-night profit for the public of

upwards of \$35,000,000, and his enthusiasm was so unbounded that he himself fell a victim in the crash that followed. In the Grand River fiasco, although he knew nothing about the iron industry, he made the wildest kind of enthusiastic predictions as to the wonderful future of mines which later proved to be worthless.—Success Magazine.

**This is Worth Remembering**

Whenever you have a cough or cold, just remember that Foley's Honey and Tar will cure it. Do not risk your health by taking any but the genuine. It is in a yellow package. T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

**THE WIFE IN THE SHADOW**

One of the most pathetic spectacles in American life is that of the faded, outgrown wife standing helpless in the shadow of her husband's prosperity and power, having sacrificed her youth, beauty, and ambition—nearly everything that the feminine mind holds dear—to enable an indifferent, selfish, brutish husband to get a start in the world.

It does not matter that she burned up much of her attractiveness over the cooking stove; that she lost more of it at the washtub, and in scrubbing and cleaning, and in rearing and caring for their children during the slavery of her early married life, in her unselfish effort to help him get on in the world. It does not matter how much she suffered during those terrible years of poverty and privation; just as soon as the selfish husband begins to get prosperous, finds that he is getting on in the world, feels his power, he often begins to be ashamed of the woman who has sacrificed everything to make his success possible.

It does not matter that the wife sacrificed her own opportunity for a career, that she gave up her most cherished ambitions in order to make a ladder for her husband to ascend by. When he has gotten to the top, like a wily, diplomatic politician, he often kicks the ladder down. He wants to make a show in the world; he thinks only of himself. His poor, faded, worn-out wife, standing in his shadow, is not attractive enough for him now that he has gotten up in the world.

Many American wives look with horror upon the increasing fortunes of their husbands, which their sacrifices have helped to accumulate, simply because they fear that their stooped forms, gray hairs, calloused hands, and the loss of the comeliness, which slipped from them while they were helping their husbands to get a start, are likely to deprive them of the very paradise of home and comforts which they dreamed of from their wedding day. They know that their hard work and sacrifices and long hours and sufferings in bringing up a family are likely to ruin their prospects and that they may even drive them out of the Eden of their dreams.—Success Magazine.

**HOW TO GET POORER QUICK.**

We hear a great deal about get-rich-quick schemes, but if you want to get poor quick, go into Wall Street without a level head or a lot of experience; play the races, take a flyer in the schemes you see advertised, in mines and oils and real estate—not that they are all bad, but most of them are not good.

Some time ago a New York man discharged a valuable employee because he played the races. When asked if he thought gambling wrong, he said:

"It isn't so much that, but I am convinced that a man who would make the loose, one-sided contract, required by a bookmaker is not competent to take care of his own interests or those of anybody else."—Success Magazine.

**COFFEE**

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**IDAHO LUMBER TEST**  
University Enters Into Co-Operative Agreement.

**THE SPIKE-HOLDING POWER**

The Timber Tests as Carried on by the Government Are Designed to Show How Hard, Tough, Stiff and Strong Different Woods Are.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The State University of Idaho, located at Moscow, has just entered into a co-operative agreement with the United States Forest Service to carry on a series of tests to determine the relative value of the commercial timbers of the State. All the tests will be made at the University in accordance with the methods used by the government, and at least once a year a testing engineer of the Forest Service will make careful inspection and report upon the progress of the work.

These tests will be of considerable value in ascertaining for what purpose and use the timbers of Idaho are best adopted. Bridge stringers will be tested to determine the fitness of different species for the construction of trestles and bridges; the spike-holding power will also be investigated to determine just what species can be advantageously used for railroad ties and tests will be made to determine the relative hardness, which property is very important in material used for paving blocks. The Forest Service at other laboratories in various parts of the country is making tests on important timbers from other sections, and by co-operating with the Service the University will secure results which will furnish an accurate basis for comparing Idaho timber with timber from other states.

At this period when the supply of different species which practical utilization has shown to be well adapted to the needs of various industries is being rapidly exhausted, substitutes for the disappearing species are being eagerly sought. The timber tests as carried on by the government are designed to show how hard, tough, stiff and strong different woods are, in this way making it possible to determine intelligently what species will best serve as substitutes for the ones nearing exhaustion. The results of the investigations will be published from time to time and distributed to the individuals and corporations interested in the use of forest products.

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**HUNTING FOR L. L. WATSON.**

AVALON, Cal., March 4.—Weary, footsore and with their clothes torn to shreds by the hunt for L. L. Watson, who has been missing from the hotel Metropole here since Sunday, most of those who sought him have returned here after beating around in the maze of brush over the hills and canons for three days. No communications has been received from Watson's brother who is said to have been located at San Antonio, Texas.

**NUGGETS.**

"It takes a certain amount of push to master even a wheelbarrow."  
"They are never alone who are accompanied with noble thoughts."  
God educates men by casting them on their own resources.—Newell Dwight Hillis.  
"As soon as a man begins to love his work, then will he also begin to make progress."

What we would do, let us begin to-day. Every good we would have done must be paid for in strokes of daily effort.—William James.

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"They fail and they alone who have not striven."

"That man lives twice who lives his first life well."

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