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To have what we want is riches, but to be able to do without is power.—George Macdonald.

LOOKING BACKWARD—AND FORWARD.

TAKEN ALL together, today's speeches will tell the most wonderful story of nation-growth ever told, and yet will present but fragmentary features of the whole truth.

Though the American people, made up of many kindsreds, and tongues, and peoples, have wrought wonders, and can point with pride to much, and can without undue egotism boast of much, there is room yet for improvement, need for striving for better things, not so much material things or wealth or physical power and prestige as for higher ethical ideals, a better exemplification of true democracy.

No other great country and numerous people ever came so near to establishing a democracy, or to being more accurate a republican form of government, as we Americans. No great statesman or historian or other eminent man prior to the eighteenth century believed such a governmental experiment could possibly succeed.

It is exceedingly interesting to look back over our century and a third of development and advancement, over the wonders that have been and are, and to look forward in speculation to the wonders that are to be. None of the founders of the republic dreamed of such a nation as this has become already.

Past, present and future are all linked together, and all things are both causes and effects. As our fathers to a great extent made conditions for us, so we are making conditions for the far more and increasingly multitudinous nation of the future.

THE LOADED REVOLVER. UP IN Malheur county there are three parentless children. At the farm home in March, 1905, the mother was shot dead by the infuriated father.

the wife in the face. A 14-year-old son interfered and was felled to the floor by the father's heavy fist. The scene that followed was awful. Seizing a gun, the boy struck the father a violent blow over the head, smashing the gun stock. The father rushed from the room and the mother knew the meaning. "Run for your life," she urged, and the boy fled down the road.

The monster then turned in the direction where the mother and two young children were fleeing for their lives. He overtook them, seized the wife by the shoulder, placed the weapon against her breast and, while she begged piteously for life, fired. She fell dead and her terror-stricken children threw themselves on her body.

Such was the handwork of this particular revolver. A grave for the mother, orphanage, bitter memories and a lonely world for three children, and the gallows for the father—all because a fool kept a loaded weapon in his room. When will men, the state and the law come to know and deal with the folly of harboring revolvers?

"WAYS THAT ARE DARK."

FOR WAYS that are dark and tricks that are vain" it is not only the heathen Chinese that is peculiar. There are others. Here, for instance, is Congressman Mondell of Wyoming.

When the government recently asked for a large appropriation for examining evidence as to land claim proofs, Congressman Mondell was a bitter opponent of the plan. He is a member of the committee on public lands, before which the request was pending. He fought the proposed appropriation with enough vigor to encompass its defeat.

That was one trick; here is another. In the land convention at Denver last week, Congressman Mondell bitterly denounced the government's land policy. He characterized the Roosevelt project for control of the public pasture lands as "the most tremendous and sweeping grant of arbitrary power and authority ever proposed to be given in time of peace to an executive officer."

Meantime, sentences are falling indiscriminately on land buccaneers in the vicinity of the congressman's district. The prominence of defendants cuts no figure in the prosecutions. Two bankers of Nebraska have been convicted, sent to jail for three months and sentenced to pay fines of \$1,000 each. Two millionaires and other smaller lights, with whom the newly convicted bankers were associated, were sent to jail some time ago for terms of from six months to two years each.

NOTHING OF IMPORTANCE DOING.

THE HAGUE conference is saying or doing nothing, so far as is reported to the waiting public. It is having daily discussions, but is keeping its proceedings as secret as possible. This is not because the discussions are very important or significant, but rather, the public supposes, because they really amount to nothing.

It seems likely that the powers represented will agree to some proposals designed to make war a little less brutal or savage, or a little more refined or technical, but the world is but little interested in these dilettante schemes. Such projects seem like avoiding the main question, and trifling with the real subject in which the common people are interested. The average citizen will not see why it there must be war it should not be made as fierce and destructive as possible, for then it will be sooner over. Barbarous methods have been in part abandoned not because of sentimentalism or an ethical view of war, but because they did not pay. The things about war that people want abandoned and abrogated are the killing of men, the making of widows and orphans, and the destruction of property—death, suffering, poverty, misery. In other words, they want

UNFURL THE FLAG!

By Samuel L. Simpson, the Oregon Post

Unfurl the flag! let the winds caress And lift it in rippling loveliness Over all the wild west-ward we claim, By cross and sword and in Freedom's name, From the peaks that gleam o'er Alaskan gloom To the isles of palm and the shores of bloom; From the sacred rock where the seed was sown To the sunset capes where the flower has blown, O, flag of the Union, toss and wave! O'er millions of freemen and not a slave.

Unfurl the flag! let it curl and kiss The zephyr that faints in the summer's bliss: It was born in storm, and its glory sprung Where the bolts of the battle shrieked and sung; Through smoke and cloud it has won the right To float and flaunt when the days are bright. We know what souls in its white stars shine, And the blood on its crimson spilled like wine; And we know the strife and the woes and fears; That hedged it round for a hundred years!

Unfurl the flag! we have followed far That mystical token of stripe and star, And borne upon many a field of dread Its streaming splendor of white and red; But now from the height of the struggling years It bursts like the dawn on a night of tears, And we gather beneath it with radiant brows, As under the beautiful arch that bows In the shimmering vapors after the rain Has smitten the flowers and fields of grain.

active, positive, material steps taken, not to carry on war according to some slightly changed rules, but to do away with it altogether. If The Hague conference is not going to address itself to this main question, the world cares little about its discussions or performances.

Captain Mahan, a first-class naval authority, who believes in real war, has shown that the proposed protection of private property at sea during a war would only protract the war and add to its ultimate losses and miseries. He says that "if merchant vessels engaged in trade belonging to a belligerent could enjoy immunity it is not impossible to imagine wars between certain powers that could go on forever. Indeed, before the development of the modern war vessel, when many merchant ships were themselves able to put up a good fight, there was no such thing as peace upon the high seas, as trade could go on as well in war as in peace."

It seems to be understood that no proposition for general disarmament, or the cessation of additional armament, will be entertained, nor any other that amounts to much of anything, and so the world is caring little about the conference.

MEN AND PARTY.

THE Pacific Outlook, a Los Angeles publication, remarks that President Roosevelt's career is proof that popularity is best won by serving the whole people and not a party. "President Roosevelt," it says, "is the president of the United States—not the president of the Republican party. Governor Hughes is governor of New York state, not governor of the Republican party in New York state. Governor Chamberlain is governor of the state of Oregon, not governor of the Democratic party of Oregon. Tom L. Johnson is mayor of the city of Cleveland, not of the Democrats of Cleveland."

Public men of broad view and deep convictions of duty to the people are caring less for party than ever before. As a matter of necessary form they profess adherence to one party or the other, but partyism has become with such men little more than an empty formality—something like physical motions in religious worship.

Governor Folk says that if he were to write a platform for the Democratic party he "would have to declare for a tariff for revenue only; for protection for the people against monopolies and not for monopolies against the people; for an income tax and an inheritance tax; for a strict regulation of railroads and public utilities, that is, government control, not government ownership." Except on the tariff question, Folk and Roosevelt therefore stand together, and it is known that Roosevelt favors reductions of tariff duties. And hosts of Republicans agree with Folk. Roosevelt is immensely larger than his party, so much so that while in office he dominates it, though most of its leaders dislike and if they dared would oppose him. When Bryan stands up in view, where is the Democratic party? You can't see it.

The greatly worthy Republican, or Democrat, in office, one whom the people will rely on and delight to honor, is the one who considering only their interests forgets in their service that there is such a thing as party to serve. Partisan yawp can sway the people no more.

Judge Galloway's decision on the referendum petitions seems to be one which he could not well escape rendering, but the cases should be appealed and passed on by the supreme

CARDINAL GIBBONS URGES REPEAL OF DIVORCE LAWS

From the Delinester. The reckless facility with which divorce is procured in this country is an evil scarcely less deplorable than Mormonism. Indeed, it is in some respects more dangerous than the latter, for divorce has the sanction of the civil law, which Mormonism has not. It is not the law of divorce a virtual toleration of Mormonism in a modified form? Mormonism consists in a simultaneous polygamy, while the law of divorce practically leads to successive polygamy. Each state has on its statute books a list of causes—or, rather, pretenses—which are recognized as sufficient ground for divorce. There are in 32 or more cases most of them in a trifling character, and in some states, as in Illinois and Maine, the power of granting a divorce is left to the discretion of the judge. It is plainly manifest that the cancer of divorce is rapidly spreading over the community, poisoning the fountain of the nation. Unless the evil is checked by some speedy and heroic remedy, the existence of family life is imperiled. How, then, we call ourselves Christian people if we violate a fundamental law of Christianity? And if the sanctity of marriage is not sacred, does not constitute a cardinal principle of the Christian religion, I am at a loss to know what does. Picture to yourself the fearful wrecks daily caused by this rock of scandal and the number of families that are cast adrift on the ocean of life. Great stirrings are being laid by moralists on the observance of the Sunday. But what a mockery is the external repose of the Christian Sabbath to homes where the domestic peace is broken and where the mother's heart is broken and the father's spirit crushed, and where the children cannot flee to one of their

Small Change

This is burrah day. Room, bang, sip, rip, roar. How would a dry Fourth do? There's more to celebrate over than ever. "With freedom's banner streaming o'er us." After the Fourth, vacation—or steady work. A healthy hobo should be put in the criminal class. Tomorrow's papers will tell about the deaths and injuries. Now a third wife will find out what is the matter with Dan Hanna. The G. A. R. of Oregon has a Blythe commander this year, for sure. Complaints of car shortage may be expected to increase from now on. It must be a terrible strain on a man who is expected to be funny all the time. Why doesn't somebody send the president a bulldog that can't be licked easily? Ambassador Bryce speaks of high American ideals. Yes, everything has gone up. Senator Gore of Oklahoma will not be so blind as some other senators who can't see. Some of the other witnesses in the Haywood trial seem to be about as big liars as Orchard. Does Uncle Sam have to consult the mikado before he can send any warships across the Pacific? After today, perhaps The Hague conference will consider the question of Fourth of July disarmament. As to bathing suit styles for this summer it is said there will be no more in them than usual, but there will be a lot of new girls. Mayor (?) Schmitt says he is going to be re-elected next fall. But in announcing this he may be laying the basis for a plea of insanity. It cost a visitor to the Jamestown exposition \$20 to kiss a Norfolk girl. This does not seem very exorbitant, considering the price of other luxuries there.

Oregon Sidelights

Toledo may have another big saw-mill, the third. All fruits at Milton and Freewater are turning out well. Brownsville young people have organized an athletic club. Many farmers around Weston are erecting fine buildings. Another bear and several cubs were captured alive at Trout. Many Linn county cherry trees are yielding from \$15 to \$20 each. Wages of Dayton's grade teachers have been raised \$10 a month. Fifteen Pennsylvania people arrived in Perdes to work in a sawmill. Mr. Hollowell, near Falls City, harvested 5,000 boxes of strawberries. Two dozen more teams and rigs are needed in Drain, says the Nonpareil. A Crook county stock firm recently bought 37 head of Shorthorn cattle at from \$100 to \$400 a head. A Myrtle Creek man cut off part of a thumb while splitting kindling, which he will let his wife do hereafter. Not less than 100 teams are hauling wood, poles and lumber out of the Catherine and Little creek hills into Union, and more are needed. An Independence man has a new berry that he is just starting that he thinks is just the thing for the valley. It is similar to the loganberry but by far the larger per cent of them are double. A Canby man, according to the Tribune, is engaged in manufacturing an engine that runs by gas and makes its own gas as it runs. If the engine stops and the gas at runs out all you have to do is to blow into the gas valve and it starts again. A Wallawa county man put some oats in a wallowag that had been lying in an outhouse, and swinging it over his shoulder started out as a horse. After walking three miles he stopped to talk with an acquaintance, throwing the nosebag on the ground, when it was discovered that it contained a large rattlesnake, which was killed. What is perhaps one of the saddest suicides in the history of the Merrill valley occurred last week, says the Record. An old ewe, worn out with her labors, poor, shorn of her wool, and hunched, and dependent, was found by her owner hanging by the neck in a tree from a rope about three feet long, which it is supposed she stole for the purpose, and then climbed into the tree and, after fastening the rope around her neck, sprang into the air.

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The Play

Count on the Marquam for something good in the amusement line and you will not be disappointed. The old playhouse was opened in the spring with the attraction and immediately resumed the premier place among show houses that it had resigned a year before.

Now comes an attraction at the Marquam called the American Specialty company which began an engagement there last night and pleased an audience that was the largest the playhouse has ever known. The American Specialty company has a number of novel features for the attraction. It offers its vaudeville.

It is one of the largest and certainly one of the best vaudeville bills that has ever been presented in Portland. The variety of its acts is exceptional, for the bill includes nearly everything in the vaudeville line from a one-act play to a yodeling turn.

One of the most conspicuous and popular features of the bill is the moving picture show, which is a feature of the program. These pictures will be shown in many cities of the country and will be the best of the kind. The program is a decidedly cordial reception for the vaudeville.

The Landauer troupe is another feature of no little importance to the bill. They pose in a number of stately groups in a highly artistic manner. Miss Rose, the yodeler, is a feature of the program. She has a number of other really high-class features in her program, as one will find. The American Specialty company will use the bill at the Marquam until Sunday and Monday.

"This is My First Birthday." Prince William Frederick, son of the crown prince of Germany and Emperor William's only grandson, was born July 4, 1898. His name in full is Prince William Frederick Francis Joseph Christian Olaf. Americans have a special interest in this little prince, because he was born on the Fourth of July.

Reciprocity. To make a Best Seller: Take a statuesque blonde who looks like a cloak model and talks like a princess; A statuesque man, who looks like a floozie and talks like a matinee hero; Add one murder mystery, Two missing wills, Four runaway suits, Mix with two deadly enemies for 20 chapters. Then take out the deadly enemies and when the mixture comes to a boil rapidly stir in four pages of soft talk, One half page of tears, One half page of silence, Four pages of hugs and kisses, Five pages of clinging embraces, And 42 pages of mad kisses, scattering them quickly over the brow, the forehead, the lips and the cheeks of the heroine. Close quickly and serve while warm.

Enough! Henry Watterson in the Louisville Courier-Journal: Come, boys, time's up! Enough is enough, while too much is a surplus! Break away for a little fun from the "dark horse" and forget the big "straight" horse. You have had lots of fun. So have we. Ancient history is barred from daily journalism. "How do you feel this evening, Julius?" "I feel high." "Bligh high?" "Now, we'll have the overture from 'The Merry War,' and after that the pleasing ballad, 'Teddy's pants will soon fit Billy!'"

Nothing Coming. From the Topeka Capital. President Roosevelt warns the newspapers to avoid hysteria. That's all right, but remembering the "Dear Madam" and "short, ugly word" and \$5,000,000 conspiracy letters, the papers haven't any lecture coming to them from the president on that score.

Letters From the People

An Appeal for the Cause of Equal Suffrage.

Portland, July 2.—To the Editor of The Journal.—With many thanks for your courtesy in submitting to our readers the very able report of our last Saturday's equal suffrage meeting, I respectfully ask permission to publish a few items of interest about which our Oregon voters are asking questions.

There is no quarrel among us Equal Suffragists in Oregon. At the National American Woman Suffrage convention to be held in Portland, as it was so successfully done in 1905, we have our own platform to present. We are confident that our national leaders were capable, brilliant, eloquent and from their viewpoint we hoped after the convention was over that they would return to their homes and content themselves with sending us, from the abundance in our own ranks, a treatise on the subject sufficient to carry to a successful completion the quiet plan of campaign that is starting from a thousand times worse than nothing in our midst and growing into such popularity among our voters by 1908 that our honored national officers will not restrain their astonishment or delight.

Their action, and that of their local satellites in trying to take us bodily into the prohibition camp in November, 1906, is a new deal is now on. And our national president having sustained her, we are not going to let our national treasury for the "If Mrs. Dunaway was not defeated, it now becomes my duty to appeal to you to give me \$100 to help me fight Oregon for the \$500 we need at this time for our petition work. As your reporter I am ashamed to do this, as it is in my power to do the tens of thousands of dollars in our national treasury, but the above statement of facts must be my vindication and apology.

The women of Oregon know that men alone have the power to give or withhold from us our rights. We are in no state where constant agitation of this question is going on among women do women have a glow of a show to succeed. I have long known and most intelligent men favor the enfranchisement of women, almost without asking, there was no rapian or any other campaign to arouse the combined forces of conservatism, ignorance and vice, and their discarded women allies, to whip the mothers and daughters of us, in our hands, men and brethren, in this campaign. We are placing our cause in your believing that if you are placed upon states above named, you will give your forces as they did and invite us to take our place beside you in the full and complete franchise of our inheritance, leaving it to our opinion at every subsequent election, to use our right to vote, or let it alone, just as you do. You or I, or any one, will not cease our efforts till you have this honored yourselves in our behalf. Oregon is the only state in the Union that at its next election will have the power to take the lead in granting to every citizen a republican form of government. Our petitions are now in the hands of our canvassers. All contributions of legitimate expenses connected therewith will be gratefully received and promptly acknowledged. ABIGAIL SCOTT DUNAWAY, President O. S. E. S. A. 223 Clay street, Portland, Or.

This Date in History.

- 1187—Saladin defeated the Crusaders at Tiberias.
1754—Bacon's parliament met.
1754—Colonel George Wm. Donnell defeated the French at Fort Mifflin.
1778—Three hundred whites massacred the Indians in the Wyoming valley of Pennsylvania.
1781—British force under Cornwallis evacuated Williamsburg, Virginia.
1783—President Washington approved the first American tariff act.
1809—John Stephenson, builder of the first street railway car, born. Died 1882.
1812—Construction of the Erie canal began.
1823—Cornerstone of Baltimore & Ohio railroad laid at Baltimore.
1844—Captain John C. Fremont declared the independence of California.
1848—President Polk laid the cornerstone for the Washington monument.
1862—General Fremont surrendered Vicksburg to Grant.
1868—President Johnson proclaimed a complete amnesty.
1894—The Hawaiian republic was proclaimed.
1899—Many lives lost by floods in Texas.

Will Come Prepared.

From the Washington Herald. The next time the district attorney comes to this country on a visit, doubtless will have his uniform fastened on with paddocks.