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Envy is a moth to the heart, a canker to the thought, and a rust to the soul.—Cawdry.

WHAT IS A REPUBLICAN?

GAIN, in view of President Roosevelt's advocacy of an income tax and an inheritance tax, and of a very large inheritance tax upon the estates of the very rich, what is a Republican?

During the 51 years of its existence the Republican party has never declared in favor of or intimated that it favored such taxes. It has done nor said nothing to indicate that it had or ever under any circumstances would have any leaning in the direction of or any sympathy with such taxes.

That is, some of them; perhaps most of them. The flock's business is to follow the bellwether, and not inquire whether he leads. Yet there will be a good many to object and protest against this violent attempt to make the Republican beast work in a Democratic harness.

The "square deal" is only an equivalent expression to the cornerstone principle of the Democratic party, "equal rights to all and special privileges to none." and is in itself a protest against and a contradiction of the Republican party's policies and practices for the past 40 years.

So "What is a Republican?" is a hard question. If a man is a Roosevelt Republican he is about three-fourths a Democrat. If he is a Foraker Republican he finds himself in direct antagonism on some vital points to the nominally Republican president and ex-officio party leader.

OREGON FRUIT IN WASHINGTON.

TACOMA dispatch says that Horticultural Commissioner Huntley of the state of Washington, who has been condemning Oregon fruit shipped into Washington, declared when called down for unjust discrimination against Oregon fruits that "Oregon is the worst pest-ridden state in the union, and I have been keeping a sharp eye on all the fruit that comes across the line."

As to this case we have no knowledge, and we can readily believe that an occasional shipment of Oregon fruit across the line is subject to criticism; but we have no doubt that the Washington inspector's charge is false, and a piece of the general policy pursued in Puget sound cities to run down, slander and make false representations about everything produced in Oregon.

eggs are changed for eastern cold storage eggs, to give them a bad name. So with Oregon cheese, or other products; there is a widespread conspiracy over there to injure the reputation and depreciate the value of Oregon's products, though they are first-class in every respect, and this fruit commissioner appears to be an active agent of the conspiracy.

The Webber-Bussell Canning company, that has several large canneries in the state of Washington, maintains an office in Portland and advertises daily in The Journal for Oregon fruits, in itself a conclusive refutation of the Washington inspector's slander. Such a firm would not import pest-infested fruit from Oregon, yet it is in the market for all it can buy.

Besides, Oregon has or is obtaining the highest reputation of any state in the union for quality and price of its fruit in Chicago, New York and Europe, which it certainly could not do if its fruit were as represented by this slandering official. It would seem to be unnecessary and a very small piece of business for an official of so good and great a state as Washington thus to misrepresent and slander the products of a neighbor state, because it is capable of producing a great deal more and a great deal better fruit than Washington does.

COUNTY SCHOOL FAIRS.

MOVEMENT of consequential import is on in Yamhill, Polk and Benton counties. It had its beginning in Polk and Yamhill last year. It is in the form of county school fairs, in which public school pupils grow agricultural, horticultural and garden products and exhibit them in competition for handsome prizes awarded by competent judges.

The excellence and efficacy of the plan is unquestioned. The two or three days' fair at which the products are exhibited and prizes awarded is a great county occasion. Hige crowds attend, that in Benton county this week being enormous.

AN OBJECT LESSON.

IN THE prolonged strike of the telegraphers the people are getting an argument or object lesson on government ownership as against private ownership of public utilities, that they can readily understand. The Buffalo Times suggests: "Go to the postoffice, buy a stamp and put it on an addressed envelope. Then go down to the telegraph office

and try to send a telegram. It will be pretty plain to you then that government ownership of means of communication has some very striking advantages."

It will be strange if this objection does not arouse a loud demand in the next congress for government ownership of telegraph lines—though the strong objection will be made that they are too intimately associated with railroad lines for the government to take them over unless it is to take the railroads also.

The Western Union company demands rates that will pay dividends on about \$100,000,000 of sheer "water," and yet wants to hire operators at about the wages paid to common laborers, and feels no obligation whatever to the public to do its urgently important business. How long are the people of this country going to submit to this tyranny on the part of its public service corporations? Not forever, we think.

England owns its telegraph system, the operators are fairly paid, they never strike, and it only costs a fraction of the amount to send a telegram that it does in this country. Some day the government will squeeze the water out of the telegraph corporations and condemn them as public property. The people are becoming very tired of this private corporation insolence on top of extortionate charges.

AN OFFICIAL HELPER.

PORTLAND AND the Columbia river region are fortunate in having at this time so capable, earnest and faithful a worker for an open river in his very important position as Colonel Roessler, the government engineer in charge of all Columbia and Willamette river improvements. Without any disparagement to any of his predecessors, who were also very friendly officials to the work of opening these rivers, it may be said that Colonel Roessler is thoroughly awake to the importance of these projects, and within the limits of his official duties will do everything within his power to further the open river cause.

Again it is announced through the utterances of various Republican leaders that there will be no tariff revision by this congress. Wall street doesn't want it. The trusts do not want it. The protected interests, that are authorized by the present tariff law to plunder the American people of hundreds of millions annually, do not want it.

Queer Geography.

A number of funny answers are to be noticed in looking over the examination papers. Geography puzzled some of the pupils. In answer to the question, "Define Llanos," one person said, "The Llanos are a tribe of uncivilized Filipinos." Pampas was described by one teacher as "a tall grass with a feather top." Other answers were: "The cinchona is shrubbery drying up in the dry season. The Danube river, bounding Oregon one applicant said that the state was bounded on the south by Tillamook and Douglas counties. The state of Wyoming was moved by another applicant to the west side of the Mississippi river.

This Date in History.

1661—Baron d'Avignon took office as governor of Candia, the janitor. 1761—The city of Arcot, India, taken by Lord Clive. 1791—George Hammond, first minister from Great Britain, received by President Washington. 1852—Samuel D. Hubbard of Connecticut became postmaster-general of the United States. 1861—General Fremont proclaimed martial law in Missouri. 1864—Battle of Frensborg, Georgia. 1880—General Roberts relieved Kandalak. 1886—Sixty-seven persons killed in earthquake at Charleston, South Carolina. 1891—Santiago taken by insurgent Chileans. 1896—Frensborg, outbreak of the rebellion against Spanish rule in the Philippines.

A Hot-Weather Enthusiast.

From the Kansas City Journal. In the course of his Sunday morning announcements a Waukesha county minister said: "I have a prayer meeting and I will hold our weekly prayer meeting next Wednesday evening as usual."

trusts are good, he might soon conclude that all were good. Why not? They are all alike in kind, if not in degree. A private corporation with a big capital doing an extensive business is all right, of course; but a combination of such corporations and their merger into a trust, for the purpose of controlling supply and price, is bad, wrong, criminal. That is what a trust is. None is good; no, not one.

It has been the custom for the big corporations to capture the brightest and brainiest employes of the government, but now, according to rumor, the government is to secure as attorney-general a former railroad lawyer—though he has been working for the government already for awhile.

It isn't a necessary conclusion that a railroad will immediately follow Harriman's route out from Pelican Bay.

Reason Why Our Hair Becomes Gray.

While in the majority of cases gray hair is a sign of age, there are, however, many instances when the possessor of gray hair is but a young man or young woman, perhaps the most often among the latter. Among the most explanations that have been advanced by science the most interesting recently appeared in the Youth's Companion. A peculiarly about the gray hair of the hair is in most cases always entirely white, and becomes so suddenly. All the hairs are equally affected, and one seldom gets the mixed color, or iron gray, common in those of middle or advanced age.

Sometimes in the young, even in children, there is one gray lock like an island in a sea of black hair, which is called a "peppercorn." This is usually a family peculiarity, occurring in one generation after the other.

The hair turning gray is something that puzzles the doctors. The color of the hair is due to the deposit of pigment in the interior of each hair, the grayness follows the loss of this pigment. That is self-evident, but the puzzle is what causes the pigment to disappear. Some have believed that it is the aggregation of which makes the hair, some upon the granules of pigment and destroy them.

Nearly every one has read of instances of the aggregation of which makes the hair, some upon the granules of pigment and destroy them.

There is no cure for gray hair so far as is known. The use of curling irons is said to retard its formation; perhaps if Metchnikoff is right, by destroying the activity of the cells which consume the pigment.

The Wreck of the Meteor.

From the Gardiner Gazette. It was twelve years ago, I think. Up to about this date, That the gasoline boat Meteor Met a terrible fate.

She was a small gasoline boat, Running to Sulphur Springs, And the rattle of her engine In John Graham's memory rings.

For he was the only deck hand, As is known by the engineer; If I'm not mistaken, The captain's name was Wear.

Captain set the rudder square, So as not to hit the bank; With gasoline and lantern He tried to fill the tank.

In passing over a gravel bar They felt a dreadful shock, Then Captain Wear shouted: "John, we've struck a rock."

The gasoline can tipped over And started up a blaze; The rattle of her engine Through all the fog and haze.

Graham seized a milk can, And tried to save his wife and daughter, While Captain Wear, Tried to save his wife and daughter.

In trying to save his family All three of them were drown; Johnnie, who had reached the shore, Alone watched the boat go down.

Fortunate for the deck hand There was a schoolhouse near; He spent a weary night in this, Thinking of Captain Wear.

This is not the only wreck, With such a loss of life; Meteor was the only one, Who has lost his babes and wife.

At an age when many men are scarcely if any past their prime, Richard Mansfield, America's greatest actor, broke down, and after several weeks of decline died. He was peculiar, unique, both as man and actor; he had the faults of a genius, and as such was forgiven for them.

The Bar association stood aghast at the proposition that criminal trusts might be thrown into the hands of government receivers. There is no precedent for this, the lawyers said; therefore it couldn't happen. But they forget that every precedent has a beginning. "New occasions teach new duties." It is a good, ripe time to set a few new precedents.

WHY ESPERANTO?

IF WE Must Learn One Universal Language, Why Not Take a Live One?

(By Arthur Brisbane.) Much tiresome talk about the new language, "Esperanto," which seems to have replaced the dead and gone "Volapuk," which was to be the language of the world.

The effort to manufacture a language that everybody can learn, and that all men can speak, is about as foolish as it would be to manufacture mechanically a new baby while there are so many perfectly good babies running around.

Suppose that all the people of the world that they needed to employ in some particular way some particular baby. Wouldn't it be sensible to take one of the live ones, and give it a name, and give it a language, instead of trying foolishly to construct a new baby out of odds and ends?

A language is just as much a living thing as a human being. It is just as much a matter of growth, evolution, development, as any child.

A language grows, as a tree grows. The language of man began with a few rough sounds, grunting, whistling, at first indicating probably fear, warning and anger. This slight beginning of language grew into the various beautiful languages of the world, with their wondrous power of thought expression, just as the acorns have grown into the beautiful oaks that form the forests.

Each language is a record of a race of men. Each language has struggled for existence through the past as the races of men have struggled.

Each word has seen its changes, its varied meanings, every word has its history, and every word is beautiful in its power of condensed expression.

To try to manufacture a language which is to be a scientific language, "scientific" is nonsense. You may as well take a lot of excelsior and shavings and bits of old paper and try to make a language as well as you can.

If it is desirable that all human beings should be able to speak one language—and it is—let them all learn to speak one of the living languages in addition to their own.

This can not be arranged by convention or agreement, of course. The only way in which it will be done is by fighting for supremacy in the future.

Keep Your Children's Faith.

By Winifred Black. What a fool, what a blind, stupid fool a woman is who doesn't keep her children believing in her!

Why, I'd rather see the faith and trust in one little, round face that I know than to be called the most beautiful and the most youthful looking woman in all the world.

No woman can make a friend that can be to her what a child of her own can hardly help being, if she's only half a world away.

Why, see what they go through together, the mother and the boy who looks up at her with such adoration and disappointment and disillusion together—the mother and the little boy—and every illness and every sorrow and every disappointment, instead of separating them, is just one thread more to the splendid chain that binds them so close that no human hands can ever separate.

A woman who is ashamed of her children or bothered with them—a woman who finds her boy and her little girl a nuisance—is a poor, heartless, mindless creature, who doesn't even know the first conjugation of the verb "to love."

What would you think of a man who grew so tired of the responsibility of walking that he had his feet nailed, chair and be rolled around the world the rest of his life? What would you think of a woman who put her own eyes to bed for the sake of reading?

You'd shut such people as that up in an asylum for the feeble minded, wouldn't you? Well, that's what ought to be done with a woman who is silly enough to be ashamed of her own children.

Health Hints for the Working Girl.

She who is obliged to spend the summer months in an office will find the following suggestions useful: Take a tepid bath both morning and evening.

Get up early, so that you may walk to work. Such a walk will do much to ward off anaemia.

Fruit, a light cereal, a broiled chop and coffee, with a hot and bread, fast, an omelet, a salad and a glass of milk makes a nutritious lunch.

Don't wear a veil in summer. By depressing the face and saving circulation of air the skin is made sallow.

Spend the evenings in the open air—in square, park or on the water.

Soak in hot water and breathe air of offices need a fresh infusion of oxygen.

Spend Sunday out of doors. The sunshine will soothe the nerves and bring contentment before they can receive recognition and gratitude.

Real greatness, the kind which benefits the world, is always mingled with compassion, tolerance and patience. The really great soul never rails at his human kin because of its lack of understanding, its ingratitude and stupidity before them.

The great soul is the teacher, although it may teach only by example, and it does not expect all the little children of earth to understand at once. Just in the measure that you criticize the world for its lack of appreciation of yourself or your work, you are declaring your own mediocrity.

Because you can stop to carp and cavil and find fault with the world's lack of regard for you, you prove that your mind is not filled with divine light, which draws all petty thoughts and feelings in its radiance.

If you are not a messenger for humanity, do not begin it by calling the human race names. The kindergarten teacher begins by instructing the children. And while they imagine they are playing, they are learning their lessons. How insane we would consider that teacher who endeavored to impart knowledge by calling all the scholars fools and ingrates!

Small Change.

Is Roosevelt a Republican? Give Labor room according to its strength. The summer crop of automobile victims is also large.

The French and Mohammedans are making it a red Morocco. What wild animals Roosevelt never saw he doesn't believe in.

Mr. Taft's keynote seems to have aroused a good deal of discord. It is about as easy to see that comet in the daytime with the naked eye as Cortajoux's boom.

The king business has its disagreeable features; every time they meet they have to kiss one another. Though he always looks solemnly wise, most people persist in regarding the bandmaster as a joke.

It is stated that the Koreans do not allow the women to talk. No wonder such a government could not stand. When the president spoke of "a few ruthless and determined men," Uncle Joe tilted up his cigar and said, "Uncle."

A Cincinnati man died while buttoning his wife's waist up the back. His last words are withheld from publication. Harriman says he is a packhorse and Rockefeller says he is a carthorse and the people are willing to turn them out to grass.

It seems that J. Pierpont Morgan has not spent near all his money for pictures. Perhaps if Judge Landis' decision should be reversed John D. would feel obliged to treat himself to a dish of oysters.

The high financiers are partly right when they say confidence is impaired—that is, confidence in their stock gambling schemes. The Pendleton Tribune "believes that since it is generally admitted that the tariff should be revised, the time to revise it is right now."

Philadelphia North American: Morocco is a powder magazine under the shadow of Europe, and the insurance at Casablanca is a lighted fuse.

Oregon Sidelights.

The Albany brewery is going out of business. Bonanza will have a flour mill, having raised a bonus of \$1,500.

The third good crop of alfalfa is being cut around Freewater. In spite of the storm last week, Umatilla county's wheat crop may reach 6,000,000 bushels.

A groundhog or woodchuck was shot near Drain, and old settlers say it is the first ever seen in that part of the state. If half the reports and rumors published in eastern Oregon papers were true, that part of the state would have about 2,000 miles of railroad.

Salem Statesman: Will the Portland Journal now please announce that the rock is being crushed for the paving of some of Salem's streets? It is a sure go this time.

Railroad Commissioner Altchison will go east. He may get baked up with Alchison, Hejka, Santa Fe railroad and forget to return to Dallas for a term of his name. Not unless he gets an I knocked out of his name.

An experienced hardwood manufacturer, recently from the east, has leased the Western Handle Manufacturing company's factory at Dallas for a term of years, and will at once put the plant in operation on a more extensive scale than it has ever been operated before.

Just to stand on the streets in The Dalles, and watch load after load of freight, several times a day, and then visit the packing houses and cannery and see the force preparing them for shipment, ought to make one glad they are living in such a prolific country, says the Chronicle.

A Dallas man has a tree that was raised from an apricot seed, but far from resembling an apricot, the fruit could be better mistaken for some species of large plum. The tree has been in bearing for three years, and at this time is loaded with huge, mottled fruit which is of a very pleasing flavor.

The telegraph line between Klamath Falls and Pelican Bay lodge, which was built for temporary service during Mr. Harriman's visit to Klamath, is to remain permanent. Dallas for a term of years, and will at once put the plant in operation on a more extensive scale than it has ever been operated before.

One day last winter a Wallowa woman found three peculiar looking stones in the craw of a young chicken, several times as large as dinner. They looked like opals, so she sent the smallest of them to Chicago, where it was cut and polished and proved to be a fine quality of opal. Last week she received the opal back and will have it set in a ring.

Gold Beach Globe: The little town of Dairyville presents a prosperous appearance and more substantial improvements in the building line have been made within its borders during the summer months than for several years past. Business houses have been enlarged, several fine residences erected and the school house repaired and painted and with butter at 35 cents per pound "cow town" should continue to prosper. As within a radius of four or five miles there are at the present time some 650 cows being milked for dairy purposes.

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