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He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.—Proverbs.

DOES SENATOR BOURNE REALIZE?

DOES SENATOR BOURNE realize that a public office is not a private snap? In the bestowal of the district attorneyship was his concern the good of the state or the welfare of Bourne and Schuebel? It has long been the custom in Oregon for appointive offices to be used as a political asset.

These offices belong to the people and not to politicians and ringsters. They were created as a defense of the interests of the people and not for the benefit of salary-drawers and time-servers. Their creation contemplated the selection of clean, competent and tried incumbents, and any departure from that rule is a sacrifice of the public interest.

As to Mr. Schuebel, The Journal is not informed as to his eligibility to the district attorneyship, or the motive for his appointment. The office is one of great importance, especially at this time, and on account of Mr. Schuebel's inexperience it has serious misgivings, both as to his qualifications and the motive behind the appointment.

REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRACY.

THE ARGUMENT will be made in support of the unconstitutionality of the initiative and referendum feature of the Oregon and Oklahoma constitutions, that the federal constitution guarantees to every state a "republican form of government."

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Madison's compilation of the debates of the original constitutional convention show that the members used the words "democracy" and "republic" interchangeably, and he made no distinction between them in his own writings.

Cooley, in his Constitutional Limitations, says: "The purpose of these provisions is to protect a union, founded on republican principles, and composed entirely of republican members, against aristocratic and monarchical innovations."

The constitution guarantees to the states such form of government as they want, providing it is essentially "republican," as contrasted with monarchical or oligarchic, but it imposes no particular form of government on a state, so long as it is essentially a popular government.

LONG LIFE AND HEALTH.

WHAT IS the most precious thing to humanity? Life itself, of course, for without life there is nothing. What is the next most precious thing? Health. All might not agree to this.

The best of physicians are all around us, and free. We think of the apple merely as a matter of commerce, or something occasionally to gratify the appetite, but it is one of nature's doctors.

The simple, honest minded person, one who looks mostly upon the better side of things and people, who does little wrong and supposes that most people mean to do about right, will live longer, be healthier and happier, as a rule, than the evil, crooked minded person.

THE SEABOARD AIRLINE.

CONGRESS, COURTS and executives are alike blind to the shameful rape of the Seaboard Airline railroad, to the tragedy of its looting and wrecking, by a gang of conspiring and cooperating wreckers and pirates.

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as a model and a common protector. The highwayman owed no emphasized obligations to society to be good and would be held by the public to deserve a shorter term in the penitentiary than the blackmailing official whose position and pretensions heralded him as especially virtuous.

HELP THE GOOD WORK ALONG.

WORK IS being prosecuted diligently on what is intended to be a very comprehensive and exhaustive report of the affairs of the late Oregon Trust & Savings bank, for submission to the court for use in its decision on the proposed plan of reorganization.

MR. TAFT DOESN'T KNOW.

WHEN A MAN who wants to work is out of work and can get none to do, and so cannot earn anything to provide for his family, what is he to do? Mr. Taft was asked after his New York speech, and he answered, "God knows," and that he, Taft, pitied such a man.

WEED OUT SUCH SALOONS.

THE FATHER of a 16-year-old girl, ruined in a saloon on Twenty-first street, tried to plead with the council not to renew a license to the saloon there, but was choked by his grief.

MURPHY J. FOSTER'S BIRTHDAY.

MURPHY J. FOSTER, United States senator from Louisiana, was born January 12, 1849, at Franklin, Louisiana. After graduating from Cumberland university in 1870 he took a course of law at Tulane university.

indebtedness to \$58,000,000, paid dividends that had not been earned, and brought the road out in deficit. Then of course he had money to loan at ruinous rates of interest, and on the payment of millions of commissions.

A GROTESQUE ABSURDITY.

THERE ARE phases of our economic life in which, as a people, we are absurd. We are so absurd as to border on the grotesque. Here is the infantile United States steel corporation, struggling along, as it were, for existence.

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ORCHARDISTS.

IF the old orchards of western Oregon could be quickly converted into new ones the result would be of conspicuous value to the state. The news from Corvallis is that a movement with that end in view has been launched, and that fruitgrowers' organizations, fruit officials, the state board of horticulture and the Agricultural college are back of it.

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A Sermon for Today

Life Through Friendship. By Henry F. Cope.

"Greater love hath no man than this that a man lay down his life for his friends."—John 15:13.

SENTENCE SERMONS.

By Henry F. Cope. Faith is not evidenced by foggy thinking. Many a rich life comes out of the school of poverty.

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SOLICITORS JOHN.

"Mother wants to beak the ice every day, John. Says she'll pack up and come on in. I says writing a single day. 'But you positively must not miss a day.' Always consider you, mother."